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Brennan proposes budget cut

Medical students may lose subsidy

by Sue Allsop

UMO students planning to pursue studies in health professional areas will have increased difficulty in acceptance to schools if a recent recommendation by Gov. Joseph Brennan to eliminate a subsidy program is accepted, Franklin Roberts, chairman of the Medical Education Advisory Committee, said Monday.

The state of Maine has a contract with ten health professional schools in medical, dental, veterinary, and optometry programs where 64 seats are purchased for Maine residents.

"Gov. Brennan has eliminated, in his budget address, funding to support the contract," Roberts said.

In a report prepared by Brennan's staff, it is stated that "perhaps there is already an adequate number of physicians establishing yearly in the state from the residency programs and in-migration." The elimination in funding would save the state \$3.4 million dollars over two years, according to the report.

But Roberts said the report's projections of a sufficient number of physicians in the state could prove inaccurate, and cited student access to schools as the more important issue.

"We (the advisory committee) feel the number one

issue is access," Roberts said, "and not manpower." Roberts defined manpower as the need for professionals.

Seventy to eighty percent of the students who are now admitted to professional schools under the current program will not get in if the contract is eliminated, Roberts said. "It's hard enough already."

The state of Maine purchases a seat for eight to \$9,000 from the various schools, which is negotiated individually with each school. Approximately 200 Maine residents are now in professional schools under this contract. An estimated 50 to 60 percent of these students are UMO graduates.

The 10 professional schools that Maine has bought seats from and the number of Maine students currently enrolled are: University of Vermont Medical School, 20; Tufts Medical School, 15; Dartmouth Medical School, 3; Boston

University, 2; N.E. College of Osteopathic Research, 10; Tufts Dental School, 8; Cornell Veterinary School, 1; University of Pennsylvania Veterinary School, 1; Tufts Veterinary School, 2; N.E. College of Optometry, 2.

"The pre-veterinary school students will be hit the hardest," Roberts said. "It is highly unlikely any veterinary student would gain entrance without the contract."

Some Maine students who have been accepted to the University of Vermont Medical School, have received

letters stating their acceptance pending favorable negotiations on the continuance of the present contract, Roberts said.

A student attending the University of Vermont Medical School pays \$6,210 in tuition and the state pays \$8,500, Roberts said. Without the state subsidy it would cost a student \$25,000 a year to go to the University of Vermont Medical School.

According to Roberts, other schools will follow UVM on acceptance decisions. "If you eliminate the contract, you eliminate B.U.," Roberts said. "It's their way (payment of seats) to help the funding of their school," he said in reference to all professional schools.

Many states buy seats in professional schools and if Maine discontinues the practice, it would be impossible for many qualified students to get accepted, Roberts said. Maine students are in competition with students from other states and the contract gives them a better chance.

Maine professional students subsidized by the contract do not owe the state anything after graduation if they decide to practice in Maine. However, professional school graduates taking their practice outside of Maine must pay the state back with interest.

"The decision's all in the hands of the appropriations committee," Roberts said. Pre-professional students at UMO will hold a meeting Wednesday to discuss the matter.

Board members blast voluntary activity fee

by Michael Finnegan

A Board of Trustee Member's proposal to make the student activity fee voluntary came under heavy fire by contemporaries.

Board member John Robinson amended an earlier resolution that prohibited use of the student activity fee for student activities "which intend or tend to propagandize or politicize."

Robinson, sponsor of the original resolution, amended the resolution to include student activity fees be paid on a voluntary basis.

The Robinson amendment occurred at Monday's Board meeting held at Bangor Civic Center and Robinson was the sole defender of the resolution and amendment.

Board members concurred to table the resolution and amendment until April in order to allow more input from faculty and students of the University of Maine system.

According to Robinson, the resolution and amendment would protect students that did not wish their student activity fee to sponsor events of student's dislike.

"I think it is unfortunate that we look at today without looking at the past," Robinson said.

In past years the student activity fee was used solely to fund sporting events but there came along a student body that objected to such use and now the all-sports-pass exists for students on a voluntary basis, Robinson said.

"The resolution does not censor dissent and is not concerned with the event as much as it is concerned with the raising of the funds sponsoring events," Robinson said.

According to Thomas Aceto, "What he is saying is not that G. Gordon Liddy and Jerry Rubin should not come to universities, but that persons wanting to go to such lectures pay a dollar at the door."

Aceto likened the student activity fee to a tax. "If you give the Old Town community a vote on whether to have a property tax or not, the community will vote to end the tax. You can't vote on it; in a community people have to share," Aceto said.

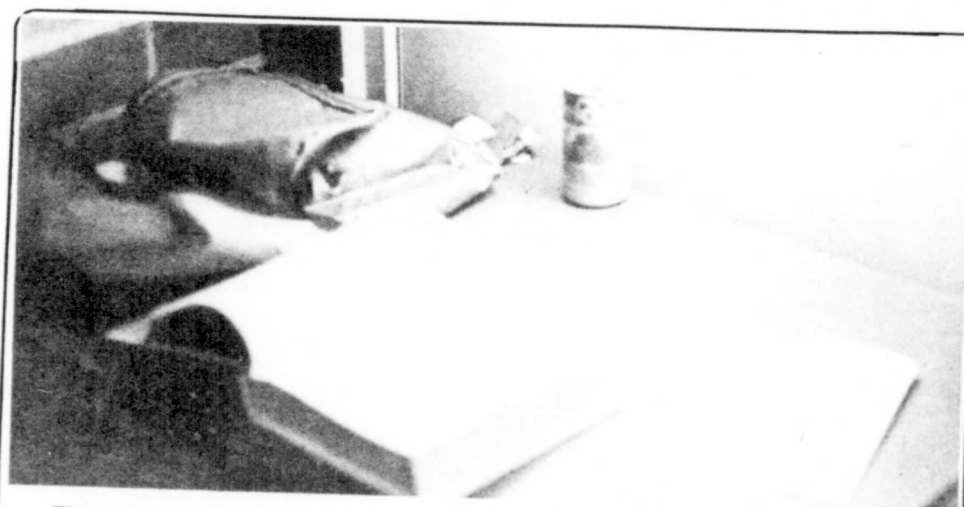
Presidents representing six of the universities on the U of M system were present at the Board meeting and agreed that acceptance of Robinson's resolution and amendment to be "tragic and hurt" individual universities.

"The rights of the students to use their money to maintain and protect the minorities are important but to make the student activity fee voluntary would be tragic and hurt a university of our size," Einar Olsen, president of UM at Farmington said.

UMO President, Paul Silverman, said "minorities" views and concerns need to be respected and provided. The university must further as best we can a broad spectrum of ideas that are available through use of the student activity fee and contribute a significant part of the student's general education to challenge ideas."

In the round table disapproval of Robinson's amendment, Board members followed the university presidents in and maintained that the autonomy of individual universities' student governments be upheld.

"This is one area we should maintain a hands-off policy. You (Robinson) have eluded to things (Rubin and Liddy) you did not like. I don't think we as trustees should say we are going to treat these people as adults and then turn around and tell the students what they can or cannot read," Board Member Thomas Monaghan said.



This can delight the eyes of silverfish and mice in the area. [Zahedi photo]

Munchies in library are enemies of books

by Peter Phelan

Students may wonder why food is not allowed in the library.

That is, the students who obey the rule may wonder why the rule exists. Many students don't obey the rule, and as a result silverfish and mice could be as common in the library as sleeping people in the Oakes Room.

"Food is the enemy of books," said James MacCampbell, director of Fogler Library. "Crumbs and that kind of stuff attract mice and silverfish and other pests that are destructive," he said.

Students brought more food into the library than at any time before, said MacCampbell.

The only current deterrents to bringing in food are signs at the entrances, and there are no plans to step up security at Fogler, he said.

"This library belongs to the students and the students are adults. I don't think we should act like a lot of high school librarians and watch the students every second," he said.

MacCampbell said that, to his knowledge, there are no silverfish or mice currently living in Fogler or in its books. Such pests have been found in the library in the past, he said.

"The library is one of the luckiest buildings on campus," said MacCampbell. "We don't have very much vandalism at all...people treat the library like their own home. I treat it like my own home," he said.

The major vandalism problem at the library is graffiti, which is especially bad on the third floor, said MacCampbell.

According to MacCampbell, graffitiists must be caught in the act to be prosecuted, which is exceedingly difficult.

Cabins residents recommend lifestyle changes at forum

by Peter Phelan

Cabins residents made several recommendations to alter their lifestyle, while York Village requested that their apartments remain open for use during semester breaks at a Residential Life lifestyle forum Sunday night.

Among the proposals raised by the cabins residents were to move the resident director into the center cabin to allow another cabin to become available for student use; allowing cabins residents to remain in their cabins during semester breaks; and allowing cabins residents to keep pets in the area on a permanent basis.

One of the proposals, which was approved by cabin residents on Thursday, January 22, calls for moving the R.D. to the "center" cabin, and opening his cabin to four female students. This will reduce expenses for all cabin residents and put the added revenue from opening another cabin

to more efficient use, said Jamie Hurd, of Cabin 10, a representative for the residents at the forum.

Cabin residents and their pets have been on probation since the Spring semester 1980, when university administration threatened to evict any cabin residents with dogs or cats. One resident, Jim Hassler, and his dog, Kimo, were evicted, but before the probationary period took place.

The cabins proposal stated that since residents have been on probation for one year without violation probation should be revoked and the residents allowed to keep their pets permanently. Pets will not be allowed in any cabin unless all living there are in consent, the proposal said.

The proposal further said that only one pet (cat or dog) be allowed per cabin.

Residents of the cabins and York Village requested official permission to stay at the



Residents of these cabins want a few changes made to personalize their lifestyles. [Zahedi photo]

university during semester breaks.

The cabins proposal recommended a charge of \$3.17 per person per day to students electing to remain at the cabins during vacations.

The York Village proposal also called for keeping the apartments open during vacations. The charge there should be set at \$5.00 each per day, the proposal said.

Proposed for this fall

Bangor disinterest forces senate merger

by Richard Obrey

The proposed merger of the BCC and UMO student governments was prompted by a lack of student involvement at BCC.

BCC Senate president Matt King said "without senators there is no way we can do anything." King said the Senate can have a maximum of 28 members. Fourteen members constitute a quorum, but according to King, only seven senators are considered "active".

The resolution for the proposal says a "traditional difficulty in maintaining a sufficient degree of involvement in the BCC Student Senate was the reason for the dissolution of the BCC student government."

King said the University business office would not turn over money to his group because the business office did not consider the senate a "working body". The proposed merger has changed that, King said, and the senate is now receiving money to pay its bills.

Most of those bills were run up by BCC's Student Activities Board (SUAB). SUAB

was almost \$12,000 in debt last semester, due to over-budgeting and reduced gate receipts. SUAB President Skip Barlow was forced to borrow \$8,000 from UMO's Student Affairs Office.

King said the BCC senate was still looking into other alternatives. He said SUAB as it presently exists might be abolished and brought under tighter senate control.

King said the proposal won't be final until the UMO Senate approves it. While there is "vocal support" for the merger at UMO, King said there was some resistance in the Cabinet "because they're (UMO) sure they want to be zapped with any bills."

In about two weeks, King said he would have a questionnaire prepared to learn the opinion of BCC's student body. BCC Senator Mark Babin said he felt the proposal was a "great idea". The merger would give students living at BCC "more facilities" to use, he said.

One of those facilities is Student Legal Services. Currently, the BCC Senate pays UMO for the use of SLS. If the merger is

approved, students at BCC will automatically be covered by SLS.

Students living at BCC pay a \$20 activity fee per semester. If the governments merge, the students will pay the same rate as UMO students, \$15 per semester. This will reduce the total income from \$40,000 to \$30,000.

"My biggest gripe," said King, "is that there is no guarantee BCC will be allocated that amount after the merger. We can't write it into the proposal", he said. After the merger, BCC will have 28 senators, a seven member board, and one cabinet member in the UMO government, King said.

A merger of the two bodies has been suggested many times in recent years. Former BCC Senate President William Crowell said he was approached many times by Winn Brown, former UMO president. Crowell said the plan called for BCC to turn all the activity fees over to UMO, about \$20,000, but would get \$12-13,000 back to work with. Crowell said he gave Brown the indication that he didn't want to discuss it.



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Academic appeals offer uphill battles for students

by Sean Brodrick

Students often claim they get a bum rap on their grades. For those who are serious about their claims, there is an alternative way of arguing their grades, although not everyone is in favor of the program in its current form.

The academic appeals procedure is a system by which UMO students can try to change grades or classroom procedure they feel are unfair, and is also a way for students to appeal if faculty members accuse them of cheating. Student Legal Services (SLS) Paralegal Steve Greene criticized the program, charging that the academic appeals procedure is biased against students.

"It's constructed so that students don't use it," Greene said. "It's set up so that a student has to have a great deal of drive to follow through on an appeal and the whole procedure can take well over a year."

The academic appeals procedure is divided into three different types: evaluation of work and grades, cheating or plagiarism, and problems of classroom procedure. Greene said that evaluation of work and grades was the most common type of appeal in his experience. If a student feels the grade he received was not high enough he goes through a five part process. 1) He talks to his instructor, and if the student still can't get satisfaction then 2) he consults with the chairperson of the department or the dean of the college, who can make a recommendation to the faculty member. If the student wishes, he can go before 3) a department "ad hoc" committee for a recommendation, and if still not satisfied, can then write to 4) the dean of the college, and finally 5) write to the vice-president for academic affairs.

Greene pointed out that no matter what decision the groups or individuals (that the student appealed to) made, the final decision rested with the student's instructor.

"This fact that the recommendations are not binding gives the faculty member a tremendous advantage over the student," Greene said. "All the student can hope for is to get enough pressure on the faculty member so that he will change the grade."

Greene also spoke disparagingly of the cheating or plagiarism appeal process.

"The interesting part of this procedure is the difference between the legal system (of the district courts) and administrative law," Greene said. "We are not sure how much evidence an instructor has to have in order to accuse (and convict) someone of cheating." Greene said that a faculty member didn't need nearly as much evidence to convict someone of cheating under administrative procedure as compared to the criminal procedure used in the district court legal system. "Very often, the faculty member can rest the burden of proof on the student, and it is just as hard to prove you are innocent as to prove someone is guilty," Greene said.

If a student is caught cheating he/she can be sent to be disciplined by Wendy Walton, UMO's conduct officer. Walton said the sanction the student received depended on the situation of the offense. Walton also said she made her own opinion about the student's guilt. "If I don't feel there was enough evidence (against the student) I drop the charges," Walton said.

Shuttlebus may be offered for local trips on weekends

by Brian Farley

Ever have a weekend when you couldn't go shopping or to the movies or the symphony or other such places just because you didn't have a ride? According to Dwight Rideout, dean of student affairs, many students have had this problem, so the university administration is attempting to establish a weekend shuttlebus to transport students to local areas of interest.

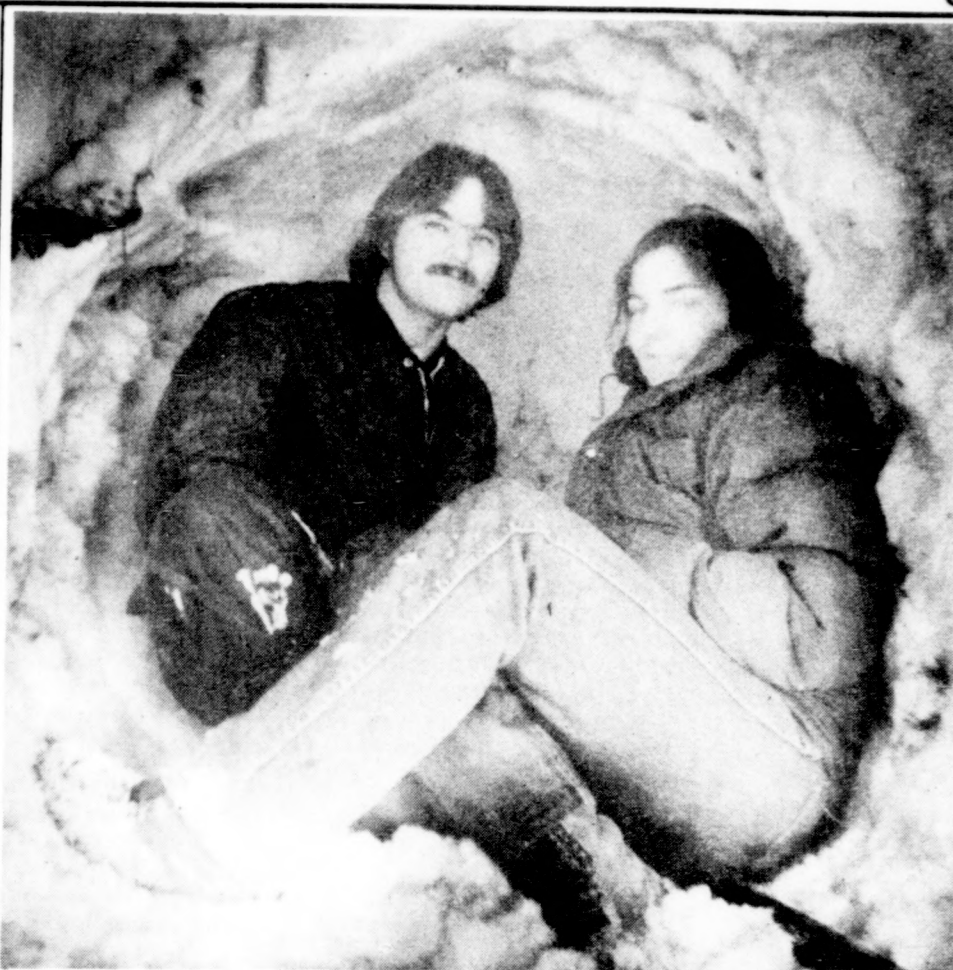
Rideout said the proposed shuttlebus would run on Friday and Saturday evenings, eliminating any competition from the Citibus Co. which does not schedule buses on those nights. He also estimated rides would cost 50 cents per student.

The idea for the shuttlebus was already given a trial run this year when a bus was

organized to take students to the Bangor Auditorium to watch the UMO vs. Tennessee State basketball game. Now the administration proposes to schedule a bus to take students to the Bangor Mall on weekends, according to William Lucy, associate dean of student activities. Lucy said that another bus has been scheduled for the March 7 UMO vs. Northeastern hockey game for \$16 per student, which also includes the price of the ticket to the game.

If student response is positive to the Bangor Mall bus idea, the shuttle service might be extended to include some of the local theatres and malls, Lucy said.

The administration has appointed members of APO fraternity and the General Student Senate to study the bus question further and receive input from students, he added.



Forest Weston (left) and Faith Johnson got tired of living indoors, so they built their own tunnel home. [Simms photo]

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Editorials

Picking up BCC

Two heads are not always better than one. Especially when one of the heads is the Bangor Community College student senate.

The proposal being debated by the Orono and BCC student governments to merge the two organizations is a good idea that is long overdue.

The Bangor student government is responsible for \$40,000 worth of activity fee money yearly from the inhabitants at Orono's sister campus. And their handling of that \$40,000 indicates a serious lack of competence by the Bangor senate and the need to consolidate with its Orono counterpart.

Senate meetings at BCC resemble a ghost town at times. Turnout is generally non-existent and administration of those funds received are in such a haphazard manner that they are experiencing serious financial problems. The decision by SUAB (the entertainment group at BCC) to curtail programming for the spring semester is one of the most glaring results of the mismanagement of funds at BCC.

The proposed merger will also have other bonuses for the students living at BCC. At the present, students at Bangor are paying \$20 a semester for their activity fee while residents of Orono are only paying \$15 for the same period of time. The merger, as presently proposed, will cause a reduction of \$5 on the Bangor resident's bills.

Along with the price cut, the merger will also

entitle Orono students living in Bangor to enjoy activities at UMO at student rates. In the past BCC students have been treated as outsiders, similar to anybody that should wander onto campus, no special rates, no special privileges.

The consolidation of the two governments will mean SLS services will be available to all Bangor students paying the activity fee, discounts on movies and concerts, and other free services.

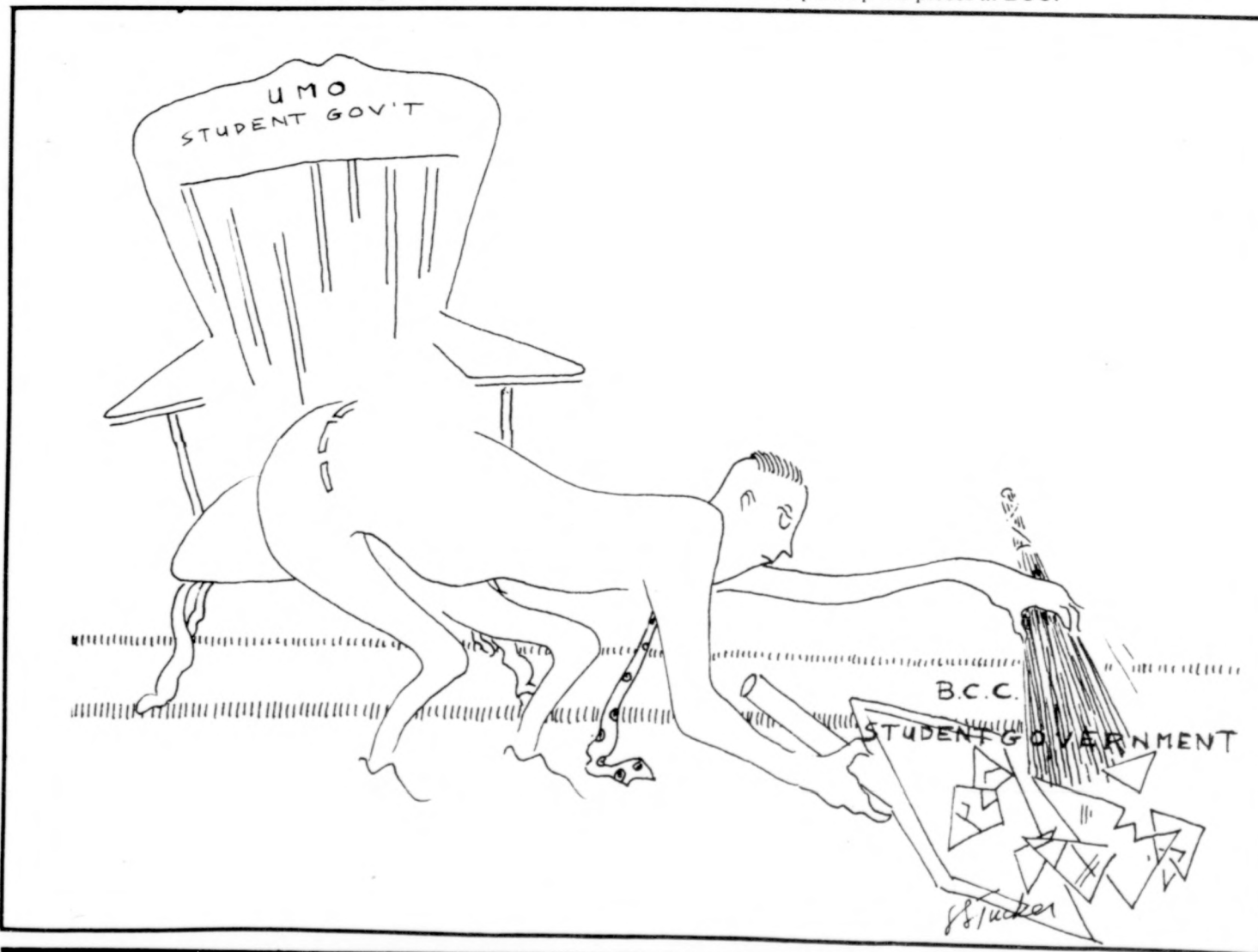
The merger will provide the BCC residents with the more experienced financial leadership that Orono can provide.

Since the two senates separated a long time ago, proposals have been introduced annually to tie them together once more. The proposal has been actively pushed for since the administration of Winn Brown in 1978-1979 tried to merge Bangor with his government. The idea has consistently failed for varying reasons since that time, but the time has arrived for the merger to become reality.

Senate action to place the matter before the student body should be taken immediately so the decision can be made during the February general elections.

An affirmative vote will mean fair and coherent representation for the Bangor students.

It's time to pick up the pieces at BCC.



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The End of The World

I began reading a new book the other day.

It's all about the end of the world, the supreme holocaust if you will.

The title of the book is *The Third World War: August 1985*. Written by a retired NATO general with the help of other generals and advisors, it portrays the scenario of a possible World War III involving the United States and the Soviet Union. Of course, the scenario includes the use of nuclear weapons by both sides.

After reading approximately 150 pages (roughly one third of the book) I stopped reading. It's not that the novel is poorly written, as a matter of fact, it's written extremely well. The problem was that I started thinking deeply about the possibilities of such a major conflict, and my mind shut off any further thought. I just didn't want to hear it or read it.

It's not that I'm trying to hide from what might happen in the future, it's that I haven't hid enough in the past.

Throughout my years of schooling, beginning in Hannibal Hamlin Kindergarten and commencing later this spring at U Maine, I've consumed a great amount of information and knowledge of wars in general. In taking several history and political science courses here, and reading numerous magazine articles on the Cold War and U.S.-Soviet relations I think I'm reaching the point of over-indulgence.

So much has been said about if and when a war will occur between the two super powers, that like *The Third World War*, people are expecting it, some almost impatient that it hasn't occurred.

One has to be realistic. There will be a global conflict in the immediate years ahead. Most likely before I reach middle-age. This is nothing more than a simple fact of life. Mankind has never adjusted to get along and live peacefully together.

But, at least the world can rest assured that this war is well planned out. Unlike previous scuffles which were more or less impromptu, the third biggie will be one of finesse, worked out to the minor detail. This seemed to be very much the case through the beginning of the book I tried to read.

By becoming a so-called educated youth, I feel the need to consume information at a rapid pace. But, right now I'm caught between this hunger and severe apathy. Sometimes I want to pick up *The Third World War* and finish it. The next minute I'd rather throw it across the room. I'm stuck in the middle.

Sorry I can't tell you how the book ends. Try it for yourself.

Stephen Olver is a senior journalism major from Hampden.

Letters



EQUAL TIME

The *Maine Campus* welcomes letters to the editor. Letters should be brief and include a name and telephone number.

Names will be withheld only under special circumstances. "Anonymous" and open letters, although welcome, will not be published.

The *Maine Campus* reserves the right to edit letters for libel, clarity, taste and to fit available space.

SCB in danger

To the Editor:

The Solar and Conservation Bank (SCB) is in jeopardy. President Reagan's Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Samuel Pierce, has suggested that the \$125 million appropriation for the bank is unnecessary and could easily be eliminated as part of the budget trimming process.

This would not be a wise move. Certainly there are excesses in the federal budget that could and should be cut, but the SCB does not fall into this category.

The US must reduce its consumption of oil. Numerous studies have shown that increased efficiency of energy use (conservation) and some solar applications are the quickest and most cost-effective means to that end.

But there's a catch. Most Americans are struggling just to pay their current oil and electricity bills. Though many people realize that insulation and solar collectors for domestic hot water, for example, would save them money in a few years, they don't have the cash on hand to pay for these improvements. Instead, they're stuck on a treadmill of paying higher and higher energy bills, with no way to get off.

The SCB, by providing loans for solar installations and conservation, would help consumers get off this treadmill. It would help the U.S. reduce its dependence on foreign oil. The SCB is one federal program that should be funded.

If you agree, write HUD Secretary Pierce and urge him to reconsider his plan to cut this program:

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Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
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Use ridesharing program

To the Editor:

It is increasingly apparent that we in Maine are particularly vulnerable to the energy crisis. The problem requires individual action and commitment if any solution is to be effective. One resolution which will conserve energy, reduce traffic congestion, clean the air, and save money is to limit the use of private automobiles.

Right now there is a Regional Rideshare Program underway-a joint effort of the Maine Office of Energy

Resources and the Greater Bangor Chamber of Commerce. The Rideshare Program is simply people traveling together rather than alone. If you fill out a rideshare application form you will receive back a special matching list containing names, work hours, and contact phone numbers of those who share your transportation needs in the Greater Bangor Area. Rideshare forms are available at the Commuter Affairs Resources Office in the Memorial Union (581-7042) and at the Center for Student Services in the BCC Student Union (945-9513). The forms may be returned to either office or mailed directly to the Chamber. If you have any questions or would like further information contact Assistant Dean Katie Hillas at 581-7042 or the Greater Bangor Chamber of Commerce at 947-0307.

If you are already a ridesharer, congratulations! If not, share a ride, we all need to work together to solve this problem.

Dwight L. Rideout
Dean of Student Affairs

Outraged

To the Editor:

We are outraged! After years of seeing furniture come and go from our dormitories on campus, we feel that it is about time something is done to curtail this activity. We feel that the disclosure of \$4000 worth of dormitory furniture at TKE fraternity during Christmas break should definitely be used as a building block to which an end can be brought to the so-called borrowing of furniture. Why is it that the members of a national organization are getting a mere slap on the wrist when their crime is punishable by law? We are truly hoping that because this has been brought to everyone's attention through the *Maine Campus*, this problem will no longer be brushed aside.

Sincerely,
Susan Stewart
Lori Jennings

PROTEST

TO THE EDITOR:

THIS LETTER IS A CAPITALIZED PROTEST OVER THE NEW, SMALL PRINT ON THE LETTER'S PAGE.

PETER S. BROWN
368 HANCOCK HALL

Obvious inconsistencies

To The Editor:

This letter is written in reference to the article appearing in the January 23, 1981 edition of the *Maine Campus* entitled "Residential Life to Consider Changes."

This report seems to convey a number of inconsistencies stemming either from the reporter taking comments out of context, (a somewhat common occurrence I am told), or that Ms. Krall, in speaking for the Residential Life Advisory Committee, has a serious problem with explaining exactly what she means, (also a well known problem, not specifically Ms. Krall's, but we all know who?).

The article states at the outset that lifestyles changes and policies will be the focus of a meeting which will be "seeking input." Now, Ms. Krall then states, "when you ask for input you ask for more information in order to better make a decision, (this should not be confused with making a better decision!)." Further on in the article Ms. Krall states that, "the interest of the majority of students were not the determining factors." Here she maintains that the minority must be protected. I agree wholeheartedly, but

in the same paragraph she is quoted to have said that, "The goals and purposes behind policies and lifestyles are to promote the quality of life in residence halls for everyone." She moves on still further to state that, "we have a responsibility to make

Residence Halls a place where students can study and sleep and not just cater to the wishes of a few students."

The inconsistencies in presentation and thought appear painfully obvious. Which side of the issue does Ms. Krall really support? Do we disregard the majority to, "protect the interests of the minority", or do we "not just cater to the wishes of a few students."

The more than obvious inconsistencies beg correction either by the reporter or by a clarification on Ms. Krall's part.

G. Edward Giffard
Lover of Reasonable Consistency

Condolences

To The Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the staff in the Student Aid Office to express our deep sorrow over the passing of our employee, Miss Diane Brown. Diane was a dedicated employee who approached her work as she approached life with a sense of humor and vitality. TO Diane's family and loved ones our sincere sympathy.

Diane may be out of our sight, but she will never be out of our minds!

Burt Batty
Director of Student Aid

What kind of a memorial?

To the Editor:

"Simpson was a third floor resident of York Hall and died of apparent suicide in early December." (From "Memorial Fund Planned," *Campus*, 1/22/81.)

Concerned students of third floor York have approached their RD to see about some kind of memorial--a plaque maybe, or planting a tree, or maybe even a symposium on suicide, so that the problem of suicide can be recognized, and ways to deal with it explored.

But Tom Aceto says, "I feel that something that would perpetuate Phillip's (Simpson's) memory would be better." I guess that means a plaque.

So instead of an event which would potentially reach all those concerned with suicide, and give people some in-

formation and maybe some leads on what to do; instead of some open and constructive discussion on an issue which touches many people's lives--and ends the lives of others--there will be (could be, may be) a plaque on the third floor of York.

And what will it say? How will it affect students in the future who read that a fellow student died of "apparent suicide." More importantly, how will it affect that student who may be thinking of suicide? Will it in any way help that student work through the pain and confusion of his or her situation? Will it help him or her to reach out for help and hope? Or will it make suicide seem like a real way out, something that will make him or her "memorable?"

Remembering Simpson is a beautiful idea. Maybe, though, we should not remember him for his death, but for the life he could give to others.

Sincerely,
Marie Guay
Old Town

commentary george roche

Tales of the Old West

The atmosphere was tense that morning in the Last Gulp Saloon. At a table in the rear calmly sat Lenny Bhresnev slugging down shots of vodka. His hired gun, Fidel, was idly spinning the empty chamber of his revolver and watching a Vietnamese call girl roll a blind Cambodian cripple who had passed out at the bar. Anemic-looking lackeys occupied the three other chairs that were at the table. One of these had Bhresnev's foot on his knee and was busily shining the calf-high black boot with a rag. There was a look of utter disgust on that one's face.

In the far corner of the saloon an Arab was carving on a Farsi with a knife. Or an old score the former had slashed his neighbor in the stomach while the other's attention had been distracted. To the latter's credit, he had recovered from the initial shock and surprise and was now warding off his assailant's attacks.

The Jewish bartender nervously wiped his hands on a towel and glanced through the large front window.

"The new marshal's a-comin'!" he

shouted.

The combatants looked up from their deadly grappling.

The Cuban gunslinger removed his cigar from his mouth and said to his boss, "Patron, just this last week the news of the swearing in of this new marshal convinced that gut-ripped camel jockey over there to give up the school marm and them 51 other hostages he had kidnapped."

"That's not quite true, pardner," corrected the totalitarian. "In order to get them people back the old marshal agreed to give him his knife back. And that is something that the new marshal will just have to live with."

As the Russian spoke the wounded Farsi got in a counterpunch that staggered his opponent.

Bhresnev made a mental note to check on his stockpile of ammunition back at the ranch and then jerked his foot off the leg of his disgruntled footman.

"Never again," snorted the humiliated servant who had worked up a wad of saliva he was preparing to

spit in his tormenter's face.

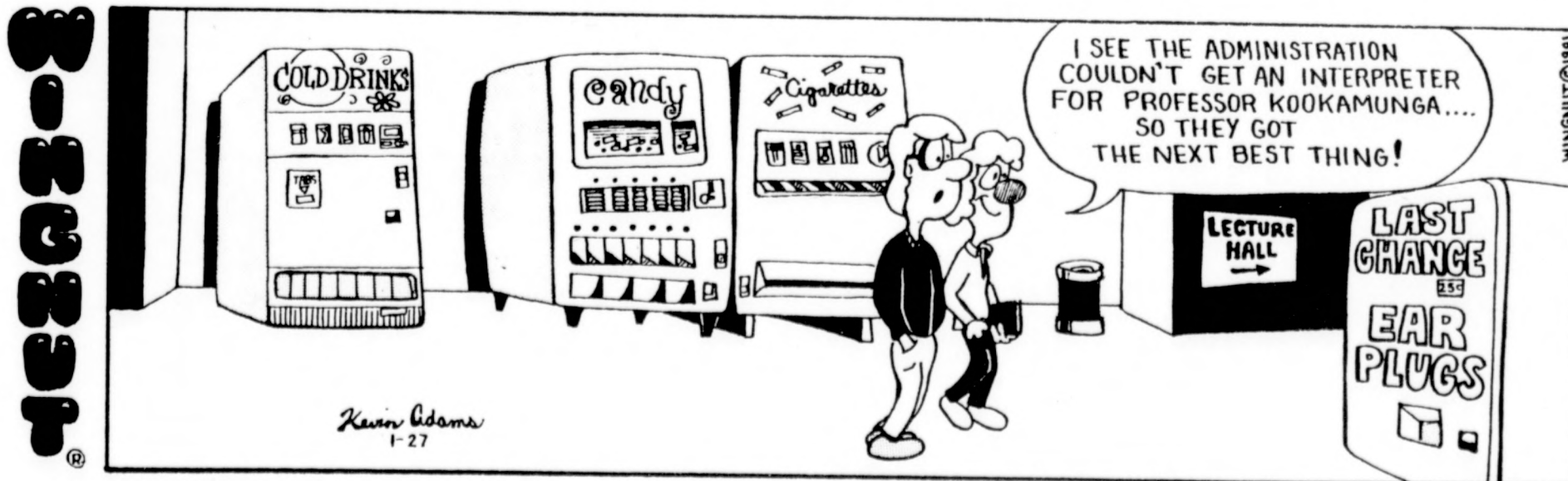
The room grew deathly quiet and even the fighters in the corner were distracted from their endeavors by the stomp of boots and the jingle of spurs at the swinging double-doors of the Last Gulp Saloon.

Decked out in a new hat and with a shiny silver star pinned to his lapel, Marshal Reagan had his hand hovering near the handle of his forty-megaton six-shooter as he entered the smoky barroom. On his right, Deputy Haig backed up his boss with a sawed off Cruise missile multi-laughter that looked like it was ready to go off.

The frightened flatlanders at the bar cleared out of the way and scurried for cover.

The clock on the wall read 11:58.

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World news

Supreme Court allows courtroom cameras

WASHINGTON AP

States are free to allow radio, television and still-photography coverage of criminal trials even when defendants object, a unanimous Supreme Court ruled Monday.

The court said such broadcast and photographic coverage does not automatically interfere with a defendant's right to a fair trial.

"An absolute constitutional ban on broadcast coverage of trials cannot be justified simply because there is a danger that, in some cases, prejudicial broadcast accounts of pretrial and trial events may impair the ability of jurors to decide the issue of guilt or innocence uninfluenced by extraneous matter," Chief Justice Warren E. Burger said.

The decision, while a momentous victory for the news media, did not extend any new "right of access." Instead, Burger's opinion emphasized that "states must be free to experiment" with photo and broadcast coverage.

Polish students sit in at University of Lodz

WARSAW, POLAND AP

Thousands of students were reported Monday to have occupied a building at the University of Lodz to demand abolition of compulsory classes in Marxism, raising new tensions in Communist Poland.

The sit-in by over 2,000 students reported by student sources, came as farmers in southern Poland warned of new strikes if an "authorized" government team failed to appear today to discuss demands for a rural version of Solidarity, the independent union.

Meanwhile, the state-run press launched what appeared to be a campaign against Solidarity, the movement born when strikes flared last summer over a steep rise in meat prices and now claiming 10 million members.

The Communist Party daily *Trybuna Ludu* and the army's *Zolnierz Wolnosci* printed readers' letters attacking last week's scattered strikes and nationwide work boycott Saturday by millions of Poles backing Solidarity demands for a 40-hour, five-day workweek.

The student protest in Poland's second largest city was aimed at what a spokesman called "full independence" of Polish universities. It added to the wave of labor and farmer protests that have sparked fears of possible Soviet intervention.

Lodz, pronounced "Wootch," has a population of 840,000 and is the center of Poland's textile industry. The city, 75 miles southwest of here, produces machinery, chemicals and metals and has a renowned film school.

Student demands include autonomy of some student groups from the government Education Ministry, keeping police off campus unless permitted by university officials, and access to printing facilities.

Student sources said the sit-in would be joined by two other colleges

Tuesday. That also is the day farmers in southern Poland said could bring new strikes if an "authorized" government team failed to discuss their demands for a rural version of Solidarity, the major independent union.

Student leaders said the strike was to be joined today by students at the polytechnic and the film academy in Lodz and that a delegation was sent here Monday to meet with Warsaw student leaders and government officials.

No greased pig chase

MORGANTOWN, W.VA. AP

There will be no greased pig chase during this year's Mountaineer Week at West Virginia University, following complaints that the event subjects the pursued porkers to "stress, terror and possible injury."

The local Humane Society say it received several such complaints after the pig chase during last October's Mountaineer Week. The objections have prompted the program committee for the annual football season festival to drop the chase from this year's schedule, according to Sylvia Bluhm of the humane society.

"Greasing a pig, setting him loose to be chased down and captured by a crowd of people, with the resultant stress, terror and possible injury or death to the pig, clearly violates the state law," Ms. Bluhm said.

She said that during last year's chase, the pig "was not only terrorized, but crushed by big people falling on him."

Ms. Bluhm said the society was "grateful to the compassionate people who called this dreadful animal abuse to our attention."



Ex-hostages join families, express gratitude

WEST POINT, N.Y. AP

Singing the hymns that carried them through their Iranian ordeal, the liberated hostages joined their families in a service of gratitude Monday. One former hostage called their reclaimed freedom "a bath of love."

"I've been soaking it in for hours," said Kathryn Koob, 43, smiling broadly. "We've been wandering around with silly grins on our faces."

But in Washington, President Reagan was told by Secretary of State Alexander Haig that about a dozen of the 52 Americans are suffering from "severe damage," mostly psychological.

In Iran, Hashemi Rafsanjani, speaker of the parliament, denied the allegations of mistreatment that have surfaced since Iran gave up its hostages a week ago. "I know many of these boys," he said, referring to the captors. "They would not like to hurt any human being."

"People were talked about by name, what specific problems were, and all that," Brady said. But he didn't say which hostages had problems.

Those of the 52 hostages who care to will have a chance to share their experiences with the nation at a news

conference this morning, before leaving for Washington to receive the gratitude of their government

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Bears edge BU in final relay, Rinaldi shines

by Ed Crockett

It isn't often that a track meet is decided on the final event and the final relayman comes from 100 yards down to steal the victory. In what looked like a sad ending for the women's track team turned into a storybook finish for the squad and little-known freshman star Maggie Rinaldi.

Rinaldi came from more than 100 yards back in the 2-mile relay to overtake a shocked Boston University Terrier and provide Maine with a 58-56-19 victory over a favored BU squad and an outclassed Colby team.

The meet was all even at 53 at the start of the 2-mile event and things didn't look good until Rinaldi's heroics. The other three members of the quartet, which broke the meet and field house record with a time of 9:57.9, were Ann D'Addetta, Kathy Kohtala, and Jamie Dunn. Kohtala is a junior, the rest are freshmen. BU took second in 9:58.5.

The two-mile relay record wasn't the only record on the day for Maggie Rinaldi. The fleet-footed frosh raced to a university record in the 880 yard run with a 2:18.7 clocking.

Also placing their names into the Maine record book was the 880 relay team. The foursome, which sped to a 1:49.7, included Heidi Mathieu, Sue Erwin, Joanne Petkus, and Stacy Cain.



Freshman distance ace Kim McDonald takes charge in the mile in a meet against Boston U. and Colby. McDonald won the mile in 5:19.8 and finished second in the two-mile. Maine won the meet 58-56-19.

There were many outstanding performances by all three teams, in the only home meet the women's team will enjoy this season. The squad put on a show as they captured five firsts and a batch of seconds, thirds, and fourths.

Kim McDonald picked up a first and a second on the afternoon in very workmanlike fashion. McDonald won

the mile easily with a time of 5:19.8 then came back to place second in the 2-mile behind BU's Lorna Orleman in 11:38.5. Orleman was clocked in 11:29.1.

The Black Bears did very well in the field events, in a meet that was close throughout these early events and never lacked excitement. Wendy

Capron led a sweep of the top three spots in the long jump with a leap of 16'10" to edge teammate Tina Berube who jumped 16'9½". Sue Childers followed with a 16'3½" jump.

Black Bears Marsha Cook and Barbara Lukacs took third and fourth in the shotput with tosses of 37'9" and 37'2", behind BU's Julie White's toss of 39'6½".

BU's sprint ace Sharon Colyear was a double winner claiming victories in the 60yd. hurdles and the 440yd. dash. Maine's Sue Erwin followed Colyear across the line in the hurdles in 8.6 sec. Joanne Petkus finished fourth in the same event. Colyear just missed breaking 60 seconds in the quarter by .4 to defeat UMO's Stacy Cain who ran a 62.2. The only others wins for the Terriers were in the mile relay and the high jump. Kathy Kurrus paced the jumpers with a leap of 5', followed by Maine's Melissa Murphy at 4'10".

The bulk of Colby's points were provided by sprinter Elizabeth Murphy. Murphy was fortunate in both the 60 and 220 as she got the lead in both races. The Mule edged Stephanie Durant of Maine in the 60, but both were clocked in 7.5 sec. Heidi Mathieu took fourth in a time of, catch this, 7.6 sec. Mathieu gave Murphy all she could handle in the 220 as both finished with times of 27.5 sec. UMO's Dot Foley took third in 28.2.

The next meet for the Bears is the Bates invitational on Feb. 10.

Tracksters crush Bowdoin in dual opener

by E.J. Vongher

In their first dual meet of the season, the Maine tracksters had no trouble in defeating Bowdoin College of Brunswick, 95 to 41. The primitive condition of the dirt track adversely affected the performances of many of the Black Bears.

The only UMO double winner of the

day was freshman Shaun Krupiewicz. He won both the long and triple jumps with leaps of 22' 3/4" and 42' 8" respectively. Maine's Jim Palo, a very consistent performer, vaulted 13' 6" to win the pole vault. Mark Preece, of Bowdoin, won the high jump at 6' 5".

Maine took two firsts in the weight event. Jeff Shain heaved the shot 46' 7½" to place first in the shot and Stan Eames hurled the 35 pound weight, good for a Black Bear first.

Maine also did well on the track, capturing six of ten first places. Kevin Tarr ran the 40 yard dash in 4.8 seconds for the win. Brad Gilbert was the winner of the 45 yard hurdles, as he was clocked at six seconds flat.

Charlie Wade sprinted through the 600 yard run in 1:17.4 seconds for another Black Bear first. Distance star Brad Brown breezed through the 1000 yard run in 1:17.4. The Black Bear mile relay team of Grag Harrison, Kevin Tarr, Tim Sawtelle, and Brad Gilbert easily defeated Bowdoin in 3:37.4.

The only track events that Bowdoin won were the 440, the half-mile, the mile and the two mile relay. Doug Ingersol was a double winner for Bowdoin as he won the half mile in 1:59.8 and cruized through the mile in 4:24.4.

Coach Styryna felt that the Bears had no trouble winning the meet but will have to perform much better, Saturday, when the Bears travel to the Maine State Meet to be held at Bates College in Lewiston.

Gymnasts look sharp in loss to URI

by Dale McGarrigle

An illness-weakened UMO gymnastics team traveled to Kingston, R.I., only to lose to a talented URI team 122.1-99.7, Saturday.

URI gymnasts dominated the meet, winning all four events and the all-around title.

Suzanne Laurie of Rhode Island won the all-around title, taking firsts in the balance beam (8.35) and the floor exercise (8.05) and a fourth in the vaulting (8.2).

Teammate Annetoinette Sacca finished second overall with a second in the balance beam (7.75), a third in the vaulting (8.25), and a fourth on the uneven bars (6.6).

Other Ram gymnasts placing were JanEllyn Wilson with firsts in the vaulting (8.4), uneven bars (7.7), and the floor exercise (8.05); Tammy Williams with a first in vaulting (8.4)

and a second on the uneven bars (7.5), Carolyn McMurray with a third in the balance beam (7.2), and Brenda Burns with a fourth in the floor exercise (7.1).

For Maine, Lisa Miller, recovering from the flu, was able to place fourth in the vaulting (8.2) and third in the floor exercise (7.65), while Wendy Miller took a third in the uneven bars (6.75).

Still, UMO Coach Lisa Burger was happy with her team's effort. "This was one of our better meets. The girls looked good, and what they did, they did well. We didn't expect them to be that good," Burger said. "URI is a much stronger team, with scholarships and a higher skill level. They use more difficult tricks."

The gymnasts now travel to Salem, Mass. to take on Salem State. Burger is expecting a close match, with UMO beating Salem State by one point last year.

SPORTSDATES

Games

Men's Basketball— Wednesday versus St. Michael's in The Pit at 7:35.

Saturday versus Drexel in the Pit at 7:35.

Hockey— Tuesday at New Hampshire at 7.

Thursday versus Bowdoin at Alford Arena at 7:30.

Men's Swimming— Friday at Colgate.

Saturday at Syracuse.

Men's Track— Saturday at Maine Invitational at Bates.

Wrestling— Tuesday at Maine Maritime.

Friday-Saturday at Mount Allison Invitational.

Women's Gymnastics— Saturday at Salem State.

Women's Swimming— Tuesday versus Bowdoin at Wallace Pool at 7.

Women's Basketball— Tuesday versus Bowdoin at the Pit at 7.

Friday at UMF.

Saturday versus New Brunswick at the Pit at 2.

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Sports

Icemen face upstart Wildcat skaters in Durham

by Scott Cole

Ranked ninth nationally and looking to get back on the winning track, the Black Bear hockey team faces off with the always-tough University of New Hampshire tonight at Snively Arena on the Durham campus (7:30 WMEB).

The 17-5 overall and 8-4 (ECAC) Bears are coming off a 3-0 setback at the hands of Boston University last Wednesday night in Boston which helped drop them down from their previous national ranking of fifth. This Wildcat team Jack Semler's crew battles tonight is much like that BU team.

The 'Cats are young and after a slow start are rolling, having won three of their last four including Saturday night's 6-4 triumph over Vermont. Coach Charlie Holt's skaters are 5-6 in the ECAC and 11-8 overall. Like the rest of the ECAC teams, they are looking to finish strong and squeak into a playoff berth. UNH would like nothing better than to make Maine a victim of its climb up the playoff ladder. Last year in the first two hockey meetings between the northern New England rivals, the Bears won 5-3 and 6-5.

Jack Semler will go into this one wearing the classic furrowed brow. The Wildcats may be 5-6 in the ECAC but New Hampshire is New Hampshire and New Hampshire can play hockey.

"They are rejuvenated and are getting closer to .500," said Semler, "they are young and are starting to gel."

One factor which could help the Bears as they try to turn that gel into jell-o is the return of Dwight Montgomery. The junior defenseman has been lost since the Merrimack game in the Downeast Classic with a broken jaw, a total of four games. Monty has doctor's permission to give it a shot tonight wearing his regular helmet. Previous attempts had been made to mold a special helmet for

Montgomery.

Montgomery will be positioned at right defense, matching up with Andre Aubut at left defense. Semler hopes the Gloucester, Ma. junior will be able to go full blast but should Montgomery be unable to handle his regular shift, he will be utilized on power plays.

Montgomery's addition is undoubtedly a boost for the Blue and White as they wind up January and head into February where the jockeying for playoff berths grows all the fiercer. Presently the Bears are in third place in the ECAC East rankings behind Northeastern and Boston College, overall in the ECAC they are fourth behind Clarkson.

"We're in good shape right now, but a lead can evaporate in a couple of

games," commented Semler, "it's all up to the month of February."

New Hampshire is two notches below Maine in the ECAC standings, just below Providence and just above BU. In ECAC play the Wildcats have beaten Cornell, Boston College at BC, Boston University, Dartmouth, and, as mentioned earlier, Vermont. Their ECAC losses have come at the hands of Princeton, RPI twice, Harvard, Northeastern, and ST. Lawrence.

A UNH spokesman reported that the 'Cats have been getting outstanding goaltending of late from the guy the Bears will be shooting on tonight—Greg Moffett. As noted earlier, the Granite Skaters have won three of their last four, in those four games Moffett has come up with a combined total of 141

saves.

The hosts will be taking to the Snively Arena ice a bit shorthanded because third-leading scorer Frank Barth was injured in a recent game with RPI and is unavailable for duty.

Their two big guns are healthy however. Forwards Dana Barbin and Andy Bickley are tied for the team lead in scoring with 26 points. Barbin has nine goals and 17 assists and Brickley checks in with 13 goals and 13 assists. Brickley just recently rejoined the team after playing with American's Junior Olympic squad in international competition in Munich, Germany. Talk about coming a long way, Brickley originally made the Wildcats' roster as a walk-on.

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Coach moves to BC

by Scott Cole

Four year assistant coach Kevin Lempa has become the second UMO football staff member to join his former boss, Jack Bicknell at Boston College.

The 1980 season marked Lempa's fourth year with the Black Bears. The Southern Connecticut State College graduate specialized in coaching defensive backs and was also a very effective recruiter for UMO in Connecticut. Bicknell often credited Lempa as being the driving force in convincing record-breaking tailback Lorenzo Bouier to attend Maine.

Offensive line coach Mike Maser has already left UMO to take a position on the BC staff.

Meanwhile another of Bicknell's assistants would like to assume to the head coach's role. Three year defensive line coach Vince Martino has applied for the top job. Martino played college football at New Hampshire and served as captain on the 1968 edition of the Wildcats. He also was on the wrestling team. Martino served as an assistant coach at Boston College under Joe Yukica, his former coach at UNH, before taking on the dual posts of assistant football coach and head wrestling coach at North Central College in Naperville, Ill.

BAHAMAS COLLEGE WEEK.