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The women's basketball team kept its undefeated season intact with two victories this weekend. See story on page 6. (McMahon photo)

Athletic scholarship cap to increase by \$50,000

by Jon Rummler Staff Writer

The resolution proposed by UMO's Athletic Scholarship Task Force to enhance what has been deemed its "priority" sports at the expense of "smaller sports" has been waived for a \$50,000 increase in the sport's scholar-

Thomas Aceto, vice president for student and administrative services, said the four-person committee's report released Dec. 4 did an excellent job in coming up with a solution that would have redistributed scholarship monies within the \$750,000 maximum set a year ago.

A problem surfaced however, which "opened the eyes" of the administration, as the increases in football, baseball, women's basketball and women's swimming would have meant major cuts in scholarship monies in five other sports.

"We realized the consequences would be too severe," Aceto said Friday. "As of now, no sport will lose the aid it currently has.'

Instead of following the Task Force's recommendations, it was decided that the cap be raised to \$800,000. Aceto said President Arthur Johnson made the decision after reviewing the committee's

The extra money needed by some sport's programs to gain parity with

league rivals spurred Aceto to assign the four-person committee to the task last September.

"The commitment had been made to grow in 'certain sports," Aceto said. "Football was one of them. I think we're somewhere around 50 scholarships while our competitors are around 70.

Still, the extra \$50,000 isn't something that will come out of UMO's pocket. According to Aceto, the money will have to be raised through alumni contributions. Athletic Director Stu Haskell said the \$50,000 allotment would be decided bet-

ween Aceto and himself at a later date. The four-person committee was comprised of Patrick DeFroscia, associate dean of University College in Bangor, Judith Hakola, English instructor, William Lucy, associate dean of student activities and organizations, and Charles Rauch, acting director of financial management.

These individuals spent most of November weighing each individual sport's needs with what was available.

As revealed in the five-page report, one of the major difficulties dealt with having to maintain the \$750,000 limit while tuition and room-and-board rates

To combat the dilemma of only having approximately half the NCAA limit to work with, the Task Force had to (see SCHOLARSHIP page 2)

Computer clusters moving into Memorial Union

by Cathy Stanley Staff Writer

Changes are being made at the game room and Davis Room of the Memorial Union to accommodate the last of three new computer clusters voted for in the November, 1984 referendum.

located in the Davis Room on budgeting account. the first floor of the union

Maine Bound is now stored, said David Rand, the union's director.

Total project costs will be approximately \$11,000 and all changes are expected to be completed in two weeks, Rand said.

Costs will be funded through and \$2,500 from UMO Presi-The computer cluster will be dent Arthur Johnson's incentive

Location of the 12 new where outdoor equipment for microcomputers there will allow

for daytime supervision by the adjacent Student Activities office, Rand said. Outdoor equipment will be stored in the game room where the video games

The video games have been moved near the billiard tables. the union's operating budget The Maine Bound office will also be moved from the first floor of the Union to the game room, Rand said.

"I hope it'll be more organized than it was," said Charlie Lehan, a freshman business major and game room employee.

He said that having all of the games together would make operating the game room much easier. A partition has been constructed between the billiard tables and the video games to cut down on noise in the billiard room, Rand said.

"Billiard players like a subdued atmosphere and we tried to give them the environment they want with the partition."

He said that although some billiard players complained last year about the proposed changes, there have not been any complaints sind

Lehan agreed that having all of the games together was a good idea.

Rand said he hopes the changes will attract more students to the union.

Dr. Tom Yang

Blueberries are his bag

by Linda McGivern Staff Writer

Maine and blueberries. To some, they are synonymous.

Now, Dr. Tom Yang of UMO's agricultural department has taken the fascination with Maine blueberries one step further.

Yang, who said he never saw a blueberry before his arrival here at UMO two years ago, has now developed the "blueberry raisin."

"The first time I looked at a blueberry, it looked like a very small grape," he said. "I thought, hey, if they can make a raisin out of a

grape, why not a blueberry?" The average yearly blueberry crop is 22 million pounds. In 1983 and 1985, said Yang, 45 million pounds of blueberries were produced in Maine, for a surplus of 23 million pounds.

Yang derives two products from the blueberry: the blueberry raisin and the blueberry fruit roll-up.

He said the procedure for making both is relatively simple. A sugared blueberry is frozen, then put in a freeze dryer where the ice on the blueberry sublimes and leaves behind a blueberry raisin. Syrup remaining from the sugared raisin is used to make fruit roll-ups.

With this procedure, Yang said, there is no waste because all byproducts of the raisin-makingprocess have been used.

"I have served the raisins to the general public," Yang said. "People were always very impressed. The most common question was: when will this product be available?"

Yang has not met with the same success from members of the Maine blueberry industry.

(see BLUEBERRIES page 2)



Dr. Tom Yang is now making raisins out of blueberries.

Scholarship

devise a formula for which sports would have priority over others.

In addition to talking to the team's coaches, the director of Physical Education and Athletics, the executive director of the General Alumni Association and the director of sports communications, a list of eight criteria was devised.

The list included importance of scholarships to recruiting, importance to success to UMO school spirit and importance to revenue, to name a few.

After each member evaluated their top 10 priorities, football, hockey, baseball, men's basketball, women's basketball, soccer and women's swimming had either gained money or stayed the same. With hockey already receiving the

maximum scholarship help with \$143,000, the greatest increase went to football, which jumped \$68,000 to

Baseball and women's hoop each increased \$5,000 with women's swimming

getting another \$1,000.

While field hockey lost \$3,000 of its \$31,000, the biggest drop came from softball, which lost all \$35,000 of its money. Men's and women's track and men's swimming also lost everything but its endowed monies, provided specifically by alumni.

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Blueberries

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Blueberry processing companies in Maine such as the Wyman company and the Maine Wild Blueberry Company have yet to show a definite market interest in the products, Yang said.

"They are still hesitating to put them on the market," he said. "They don't have enough capital at this time.'

Edward Piper, of the Maine Blueberry Commission, said Maine companies lack an adequate marketing system and the necessary equipment to put Yang's research ideas to good use.

"I am just hoping that some food manufacturer is going to grab onto it and see it as a new product that will be successful," Piper said. "Whether it will catch on, I don't know.'

Yang said out-of-state companies have demonstrated more interest in the fruits of his research. He said, however, that he would like to see Maine companies capitalize on his ideas before out-of-state competition does.

Wallace Dunham, dean of the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, said "(Blueberry raisins) hold a great deal of potential." We have to go to the next stage to get some marketing interest in them.

The funding for Yang's research is generated through the Blueberry Advisory Committee, the Blueberry Tax Fund, and the Maine blueberry growers themselves.

"I took this as a challenge, nobody has done this before," said Yang. "I feel very excited about it."

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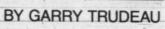


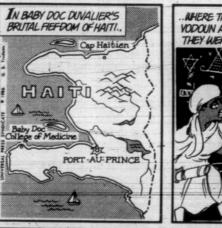






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World/U.S. News

New leadership of South Yemen uncertain

QURAISH BORDER POST, South Yemen (AP) — Palestinian forces heading for Aden to try to arrange a cease-fire were barred from crossing this frontier post Sunday, and indications were that rebel troops may have seized control of South Yemen in this Marxist country's civil war.

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Diplomatic sources based along the Persian Gulf said Sunday there were signs that President Ali Nasser Mohammed had been ousted, basing their assessment on reports received from their Aden missions and a transmission on the government radio

wave length describing the president as "irresponsible."

But the British Broadcasting Corp. and an Israeli television monitor said Mohammed was on his way back to the capital, Aden, after fleeing to Ethiopia Saturday.

A radio station, which said it was transmitting from Aden on behalf of an unidentified new leadership, broadcast a communique Sunday indicating that rebels had ousted Mohammed after a week of fighting, a news report said.

Fighting has shut down international communications with South Yemen and

there has been no way to verify most reports. Diplomats in the region said the situation appeared ambiguous.

The South Yemen fighting broke out Jan. 13, apparently after a coup attempt by hardline Marxists opposed to Mohammed's reported desire to liberalize the economy of his pro-Soviet nation and to improve relations with Western-backed Arab countries. The rebels reportedly are lead by former President Abdul-Fattah Ismail.

The fighting apparently erupted in Aden and then spread to South Yemen's

six provinces, with the rebel stronghold reportedly in the city of Lahaj, about 32 miles north of Aden.

In London, the British government said the royal yacht Britannia headed back to South Yemen Sunday after heavy fighting forced it to cut short its rescue mission Saturday.

The ship's commander, Rear Adm. John Garnier, said 150 people were assembled on the beach outside Aden on Sunday to be picked up, and "we know the location of 1,074 people" to be evacuated around the country.

Clerical error causes Army overpayment to move goods

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army paid more than ten times the lowest rate to ship household goods of soldiers from West Germany to Washington because of a mistake by military elerks, according to computer records and federal officials.

Records show that the Army paid more than \$565,900 for 46 shipments from Frankfurt, West Germany between May 1984 and June 1985. The shipments could have cost \$51,300 if they were made through the most inexpensive companies.

"It looks like a booking clerk (in Frankfurt) made a mistake," said Col. George Kaine, public information officer for the Army's Military Traffic Management Command in Baileys Crossroads,

The Army spokesman said the problem occurred because the personnel in West Germany were unfamiliar with the rate structure for shipping to the Washington area, which includes installations in nearby northern Virginia. Kaine said the Army has no evidence that the problem went beyond Frankfurtto-Washington shipments, adding, "We don't see any worldwide problem."

The companies that arrange the moves are called freight forwarders. They have no trucks, ships or planes, but coordinate the moves with local movers at each end and Air Force planes over water.

One company official, explaining the rate system, said forwarders purposely charge high rates in certain areas because they don't want the business in those localities

One or more clerks in Frankfurt, seeing a northern Virginia destination for the shipment, assumed that the Virginia rates would apply — and contacted a company that had low rates for that state.

However, the low-cost company for Virginia usually turned out to be a high-cost firm for the Washington D.C.-Northern Virginia area. The forwarder billed the Army at its Washington rate.

Phone billing options face further challenge

AUGUSTA (AP) — New England Telephone Co. customers scheduled to see their billing system for local calling change on Feb. 15 should have received a mailed explanation of the changeover and a form for choosing one of three billing options by midweek, NET officials say.

The changeover process effects an estimated 100,000 NET customers in eight of Maine's major population centers, the vast majority of those who receive residential service.

As outlined in the new mailings, residential customers face a Jan. 31 deadline for selecting either the percall billing option known as measured service, a 'flat-rate' option that is similar to but more expensive than the fixed monthly fee that most customers pay now, or a third option that combines elements of both.

However, even as NET plans to put the changeover, which was ordered by the Public Utilities Commission, into effect, opponents of measured service remained pledged to force a statewide referendum on the matter.

And it appears all but certain that the full Legislature will be asked to postpone the February changeover date until a popular vote can be held.

NET residential customers throughout Maine have begun to receive the company's informational letters on the pricing switch and the "ballots" on which they are to designate the billing option they

desire. Business customers are all be-

ing switched to measured service.

Under Option A, a one-party residential customer would be charged a basic monthly rate of \$6.70, plus per-call charges of 2 cents for each minute during peak hours and 1 cent a minute off-peak. The monthly bill for local calling, as ordered by the PUC, will be capped not to exceed \$18 in the most expensive exchanges.

Option B, described by the company as a combination of measured peak-hour calling and unmeasured off-peak service, carries a basic monthly charge of \$8.70.

During peak hours under this plan, which are more limited than the peak hours fixed for Option A, the caller faces the same 2-cent per minute charge. But off-peak calling carries no additional charge. The monthly bill for this service is capped at \$19 in the most expensive exchanges.

Option C is the fixed charge for unlimited calling. That service, which NET says currently costs a typical customer in the most expensive exchanges \$13.35, would cost \$18 under the pending schedule.

NET says most customers stand to save money under the per-call billing, but the changeover has been bitterly opposed by the inclusion of the combination plan offered by Option B.

Under the PUC orders on the matter, customers who do not choose one of the three listed billing systems will receive Option A.

Gramm-Rudman cuts force program reductions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The debate over guns versus butter — raised to new intensity by the sweeping Gramm-Rudman budget cuts — dominates the agenda along with tax revision as the second session of the 99th Congress opens this week.

The lawmakers will be operating for the first time under the Gramm-Rudman law they passed last month, which mandates deep spending cuts if Congress and the president fail to pass enough cutbacks or tax increases to meet deficitreduction targets.

Government agencies are already laboring to make the \$11.7 billion cut required on March 1, which would still leave a deficit of about \$208 billion. Far more onerous is the prospect of more than \$50 billion in cuts to meet the fiscal 1987 deficit target of \$144 billion.

The 1987 fiscal year begins Oct. 1, so the decision making will be spotlighted in the campaigns for 34 Senate and 435 House seats.

Gramm-Rudman, to reach a balanc-

ed budged by fiscal 1991, cuts a wide range of programs, and "that's going to be very unfair to some programs and some groups," said Senate Democratic leader Robert C. Byrd, D-W. Va.

Rep. Les Aspin, the Wisconsin Democrat who chairs the House Armed Services Committee, on Sunday released a report projecting that Gramm-Rudman will take more out of military personnel and readiness than out of high-tech hardware over the next five years.

Gramm-Rudman cuts don't hit Social Security or welfare benefits, veterans compensation, or interest on the national debt. But foreign aid, law enforcement, air traffic control and countless other government tasks are being cut back, and shielding one area from cuts would mean other areas get hit harder.

President Reagan helped push through the House a major tax overhaul slashing individual and corporate tax rates while eliminating or reducing some deductions and credits.

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Aquino would try Marcos for human rights violations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Philippinepresidential candidate Corazon Aquino said Sunday if she wins the Feb. 7 elections, she would put President Ferdinand Marcos on trial for human rights violations.

Mrs. Aquino, appearing on CBS's "Face The Nation," said she held Marcos responsible for the assassination of her husband, opposition leader. Benigno Aquino, who was gunned down as he stepped off a plane under military escort at the Manila airport in 1983.

Philippine armed forces chief of staff Gen. Fabian Ver and 25 others on trial for the assassination were recently aquitted of charges they were involved in Aquino's murder in what opposition leaders have labeled a rigged trial.

Mrs. Aquino, 52, saying she was "greatly concerned about the coming elections," charged that Marcos was also behind the killing last Wednesday of one of her campaign leaders. Jeremias de Jesus and his driver were killed when their jeep was ambushed in Mrs. Aquino's home province of Tarlac.

State Deartment spokesman Bernard Kalb said Thursday the murdered politician had met with U.S. Embassy officials the day before his death to complain about political violence in Tarlac province.

Soviet Parliament stresses disarmament proposal

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Parliament urged the U.S. Congress on Sunday to accept the new Kremlin disarmament plan as "the only reasonable and feasible alternative to nuclear weapons" and renewed a plea that the United States halt nuclear tests.

The appeal through the official news agency *Tass* kept up Moscow's unrelenting publicity for the proposal and appeared to be part of the Kremlin effort to win Americans and others over to the plan.

The Soviet press Sunday said early bachev's call full U.S. reaction did not raise hopes for missile forces.

quick progress and stressed that a space weapons ban is essential to the plan.

Gorbachev's plan, billed as a way to rid mankind of nuclear weapons by the year 2000, would begin with a 50 percent cut in superpowers' strategic missiles and removal of all U.S. and Soviet mediumrange rockets from Europe.

Gorbachev also extended the Soviet moratorium on nuclear testing for three months, to the end of March.

President Reagan and others in his administration have said they welcomed the proposal. U.S. officials in Washington said they were encouraged by Gorbachev's call for eliminating European missile forces.

Fire razes track stable; sprinkler system to blame

through a Belmont Park Racetrack barn Sunday where a sprinkler system had broken down just days earlier, killing 45 thoroughbred horses worth up to \$5 million and injuring two firefighters, authorities said.

Flames shot 50 feet into the air from the 400-foot-long barn and it took 200 firefighters more than an hour to contain the early morning blaze, said Fire Chief James Snadecky.

Most of the horses suffocated in their

12-foot-by-12-foot stalls where they had been tied up for the night, said Assistant Fire Chief John Loser.

Two horses were rescued. One was Pleasant Sea, an offspring of Pleasant Colony, which won the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness in 1981.

Two firefighters, one suffering from smoke inhalation and the other with minor burns, were taken to Franklin General Hospital, Snadecky said. They were treated and released.

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Game show a hit with Chinese

PEKING (AP) — A state-run Shanghai television station has started a twice-weekly game show in which singing families compete for prizes, a news report said Sunday.

"Family Singing Contest" is attracting more Shanghai viewers than the televised broadcast of the 1984 Olympic Games, the official news agency Xinhua quoted a television official as saying.

The report said 64 families have entered the contest, in which they must sing two songs, either Chinese or foreign. The top 16 families will win prizes.

It did not say what the prizes were or how long the show will

An estimated 20 percent of China's 1.03 billion people have television sets in their homes.

Medical helicopter crashes in park

BALTIMORE (AP) — An emergency medical helicopter crashed in a city park Sunday and killed the two state troopers aboard after they delivered an accidental shooting victim to a downtown hospital.

The helicopter, which was returning to its home base in Frederick, took off from the University of Maryland Hospital's shock trauma unit at about 4 a.m., but state police did not begin searching until after 6:30 a.m., when the day crew for the helicopter reported for work and found the hangar empty.

The cause of the crash was not known and was being investigated by state police and the National Transportation Safety Board, said state police spokesman Chuck Jackson.

Crash clean up slowed by weather

GUATEMALA CITY (AP) — Bad weather Sunday forced an end to shuttle flights returning bodies from the isolated northern jungle site where 93 people perished in the worst air crash in Guatemalan history. Eight Americans were among the dead.

The twin-engine Caravell jet of the private airline Aerovias crashed Saturday as it approached the Santa Elena airport, about 150 miles north of Guatemala City, while flying tourists to the ancient Mayan ruins of Tikal.

All aboard were killed. There was no immediate determination of what caused the crash.

Tribes battle in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Tribal factions angered over a beer hall dispute fought with sticks and iron bars Sunday at Kloof gold mine west of Johannesburg, killing seven black miners and badly injuring 39, police said.

South African police headquarters in Pretoria said fighting at the mine, operated by Gold Fields of South Africa, broke out after mindight among Zulu, Pondo and Shangaan miners.

In Maseru, the Lesotho government radio Sunday said four paramilitary soldiers were killed Friday in a shootout at a barracks on the edge of the capital. Residents said the city of 55,000 was calm Sunday after an apparent mutiny reflecting political divisions in the small country.

Train derails near Tacoma

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — An Amtrak train traveling from Los Angeles to Seattle and believed to be carrying 190 passengers derailed south of here Sunday, setting one of its engines on fire, officials said.

Howard Kallio, a spokesman for Burlington Northern railroad, said there had been some injuries and some of the cars overturned. It derailed on Burlington Northern tracks.

Firefighters were sent by rail to the site by track vehicles to extinguish the flames from the engine fire, he said.

The No. 1014 train, the Coast Starlight, derailed near Nisqually at about 4:30 p.m., Kallio said.

The train was believed to be carrying 190 pasengers, said the Thurston County Sheriff's office.

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Student Services, "How to Succeed in College," S.Bangor Lounge, 11 a.m.

Career Planning & Placement, "Putting Your Best Foot Forward: Resume Writing Made Easy," FAA Room, 2:10 p.m.

The Advertising Club of Greater Bangor will meet at Kominsky Auditorium, Husson College, to view the 1985 Clio Award-winning television commercials. 5-6 p.m., cash bar and hors d'oeuvres. Presentation begins 6:15 p.m. \$5 members, \$6 non-members. The public is invited. Reservations required (limited seating). Call Nancy Blanchard, Bangor Daily News, at 942-4881

MPBN American Playhouse presents. "The Rise and Fall of Daniel Rocket," at 9 p.m. Starring are: Tom Hulce who appeared as Mozart in "Amadeus," Tim Daley and Valerie Mahaffey.

Tuesday, January 21

Career Planning and Placement, "Creative Cover Letters: How to write them," FFA Room, 3 p.m.

Focus: Speak Up, "High Level Nuclear Wastes: Is the DEP going to Dump on Maine," presented by: Judy Kany, Maine State Senate and Chairwomen Maine's Advisory Commission on Radioactive Waste and Robert Demkowicz, Environmental Specialist Department of Environmental Protection. Sutton Lounge, 3:15 p.m.

MPAC: meeting, The Maples, 4 p.m.

Women's basketball, vs. Dartmouth, home, 6 p.m.

Men's basketball, vs. Dartmouth, home, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, January 23

Career Planning and Placement: "Sweaty Palms: The Art of Interviewing," FFA room, 10 a.m.

Student Services: "Reading Textbooks," So. Bangor Lounge, 11 a.m.

Focus: Sandwich Cinema Video, Film Series, Sutton Lounge, 12:15 a.m.

APO-GSS: Blood Drive, Knox Hall, 2-7 p.m.

General Student Senate meeting, 102 Murray, 6 p.m.

Preventive Medicine Program, free screening at Corbett, 6-8 p.m.

Women's basketball, vs. New Hamp-shire, home, 7 p.m.

IDB Movie, "Jazz Singer," 130 Little Hall, 7 & 9 p.m. Free.

Thursday, January 24

Student Services: "Developing Memory Skills," So. Bangor Lounge, 11 a.m.

Focus: News of the World series, contemporary issues, Sutton Lounge, 12:15

Career Planning and Placement: "Practice Makes Perfect: Interview Rehearsals," Seminar Room, Career Planning, Wingate Hall, 1-4:30 p.m.

Student Services: "Men and Women in Transition — Intimacy and Loving," Dr. Harold Viets, Bangor Lounge, 3:15 p.m.

Politically Speaking: "Issues in Higher Education in the State of Maine," N. Bangor Lounge 3:15 p.m.

IDB Movie: "Jazz Singer," 130 Little Hall, 7 & 9 p.m.

Friday, January 24

Maine Bound: Ice Climbing 1 Course, Jan 24-26, course fee.

Music Department: Dr. John Brawand violin, Stewart Marrs percussion and Katheryn Ann Foley piano, Lord Hall, 8 p.m. Public \$3.50, senior citizens and students \$1.50.

The Mendelssohn String Quartet will present Ives' Quartet No. 1, Haydn's Quartet in F major, Opus 77, No. 2 and Schubert's Quartet in G major, Opus 161, 8 p.m. in Hauck Auditorium, sponsored by Arts Alive! ticket information, 581-1755.



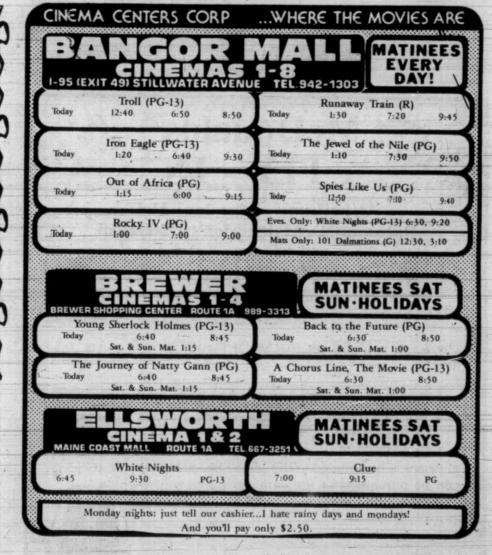
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Sports

14 IN A ROW!

Women sweep two home games from Vermont

by Jerry Tourigny Staff Writer

They say that good teams are able to win close games. And that's exactly what the University of Maine women's basketball team did this weekend.

The Black Bears swept the two-game weekend series against the University of Vermont, holding off a rallying Catamount team on Saturday for an 80-69 win and winning 56-54 Friday night on a buzzer-beating layup by Debbie Duff.

The victories improve Maine's undefeated overall record to 14-0 and its Seaboard Conference mark to 7-0. Vermont fell to 4-10 overall.

Third-year coach Peter Gavett could only be happy with his team, especially with the thrilling finish to Friday night's victory.

"What's fun is our team is rising on to new levels," Gavett said. "We're able to do the extra things to win games. The kids are playing like winners, no question about it."

On Saturday, it was DEFENSE in the early going as Vermont held a 4-2 lead with nine minutes gone in the first half. Maine then ran off seven points for a 9-4 lead and continued to increase it. The Bears led 37-22 at the half and when they took their biggest lead of the game at 62-39 with 10:07 left in the game, the win appeared to be in the bank.

But the Catamounts put together one last gasp, running off 13 unanswered points to pull within 10 points at 62-52.

Vermont continued its rally cutting the Maine lead to 64-57 with 3:40 to play. After Maine's Liz Coffin and Vermont's Kris Gladu exchanged baskets, the Black Bears regrouped and ran off seven straight points to regain a comfortable 73-59 lead with 1:30 in the game.

The Cats pressed and fouled the rest of the way but could mangage to shave only three points off the Maine lead and the Bears had won their 14th win without a loss.

"We got a little tired in the second half and had a letdown on defense," Gavett said. "We gave up some easy shots, had some reaching fouls which stopped the clock. There were a lot of things that happened that changed the complexion of the game."

Not the least of which was the absence of point-guard Kissy Walker. The senior from Augusta broke a bone in her hand Friday night and will miss at least 2-3 weeks.

The injury leaves a serious void in the Maine backcourt as Gavett has only two remaining guards with experience. Starting guard Sonya Wedge played all but one minute and Kathy Shorey sat out for only three Saturday afternoon.

A first-half hand injury to Lauree
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Senior point-guard Kissy Walker (with ball) broke a bone in her hand in Friday's game and will be out of action for at least 2-3 weeks. (McMahon photo)

Chappelle's Black Bears split with Catamounts

by Kevin Dietrich Staff Writer

Rich Henry scored 20 points and Matt Rossignol added 18 to lead the University of Maine men's basketball team to a 65-54 victory over the University of Vermont Saturday and a split of their weekend series with the Catamounts. UVM captured the opener by a 58-47 margin Friday evening in the Pit.

The split ups the Black Bears' season record to 2-11 overall and 2-6 in ECAC North Atlantic Conference competition while Vermont moves to 5-11 overall and 2-5 in conference action.

"It's a relief that we won," said Maine forward Jeff Holmes. "Now we've got to keep rolling and get a streak going. I think we've proved that we can play with any team."

Maine and Vermont battled each other for a majority of Saturday's contest with the Black Bears finally pulling away with a little under five minutes left in the contest.

With the Black Bears up 47-46, Jim Boylen started things off by hitting a 14 foot jump shot.

The Catamounts failed to score on their next possession and Maine capitalized on the opportunity when Rossignol dished a smooth pass off to Henry who drove by several UVM players and, despite being fouled by Vermont's Bill Brennan, layed the ball in.

Henry sank the free throw to complete the three-point play and put the Black Bears up by six with just over three minutes to go.

Maine regained possession shortly thereafter when the Catamounts continued their self-destruction and missed an offensive rebound by knocking the ball out of bounds.

Following a Maine time out the Black Bears increased their lead to 54-46 on

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Henry, Rossignol lead Bears to 65-54 victory

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another Henry layup, this time off a pass from Holmes.

Maine then put the contest out of reach by hitting seven of eight free throws and Rossignol capped the Black Bear's victory with a driving layup at the buzzer.

"It was a real test of heart. We refused to give up after what happened (Friday)," said Maine coach Skip Chappelle.

What happened Friday was not a pretty sight from the Black Bear vantage point. Vermont combined the hot shooting of John Simko and the flashy playmaking of Howard Hudson to overcome an early Maine lead and completely dominate the Black Bears.

The first 13 minutes of the game belonged to Maine as they opened a 12-point bulge and appeared poised to run away with the contest.

UVM had other ideas though as Simko began the Catamount rally with two of his game high 17 points with an eight-foot jump shot. Art Flaherty cut the Maine lead to eight with a 16-foot jumper with five minutes left in the first half

The Vermont rally continued when, following a pair of Flaherty free throws, Hudson drove down the middle and layed the ball in to bring UVM to within four at 25-21.

Henry tried to stem the Catamount attack by tallying a three-point play on a layup and subsequent free throw, but Simko scored again, this time from under the basket.

Vermont then pulled to within one when Chris Kappes and Rob Zinn each hit shots from inside the key. With just three seconds on the clock, Hudson stole an errant Boylen pass, drove the length of the court, and slammed it through the Catamount basket to give UVM the lead.

Boylen then intentionally fouled Hudson with no time on the clock and Hudson responded by hitting one of the two foul shots and gave the Catamounts a 30-28 lead at the half.

The 17-3 Vermont scoring streak had a definite demoralizing effect on the Black Bears.

"It was one of those defensive lapses we've had lately," Holmes said. "We were down a little."



UVM's John Simko (No. 35) goes for a block against UMO freshman Mike Bittermann. He was UMO's leading rebounder this weekend. (McMahon photo)



Guard Jim Boylen shown above scoring two of his 25 points on the weekend. He had five assists and three steals in Maine's 65-54 win.(McMahon photo)

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Buzzer-beating layup beats UVM Friday

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Gott hampered her the rest of the game and the early exit from the game by starting forward Kelly Nobert, who fouled out early in the second frame, forced Gavett to go with the starting unit the entire game.

But the Black Bears found their second wind in time to hold off the Cats. Last season in Burlington, Vt., the Cats halted a 10-game Maine winning streak but this year, the streak continues for at least one more game.

Coffin led the Maine scoring attack with 20 points — eight from the free throw line, followed by sophomore Duff, who shot 8-of-13 from the floor and finished with 19 points. Also in double figures for Maine was Wedge with 14 and Gott with 10.

Wedge and Shorey filled the void left by Walker nicely with Wedge dishing a game-high 10 assists and Shorey handed out seven. Vermont was paced by Gladu, who led all scorers with 22 and sharp-shooting guard Laura Thibodeau threw in 17 points. The defensive efforts of Gott and Coffin limited Vermont's franchise player — Joann McKay, to eight points.

"The biggest problem we have to face is that everyone we play will play over their heads," Gavett said, "When you're at the top everyone wants to beat you. It was a tough weekend."

Tough indeed. But it had to be worse for the visiting Catamounts, who saw their bid to hand Maine its first loss of the year wash away Friday night when Coffin fed a wide-open Duff streaking to the basket for a game-winning layup.

sending the 1,500 at the Memorial Gym to their feet cheering.

The Cats could only stand on the sideline in disbelief.

After McKay had tied the game for Vermont at 54-54, Maine had the ball underneath the Vermont basket with three seconds on the clock.

After a Maine timeout to set up a play, the Black Bears set up and called for time again. "The first play we called wouldn't have worked against the defense they had," Gavett said,

Enter THE PLAY.

Wedge took the ball underneath the basket and made the key pass to Coffin just beyond the half-court line. The two Vermont defenders overplayed Coffin and when Duff went back door, Coffin fed her the pass and Maine had a 56-54 win.

The game was close all the way with neither team gaining more than a five-point edge. That margin came at the end of the first half when Maine took a 27-22 lead into the locker room.

After Vermont took a 30-29 lead with 15:10 left in the game, Wedge hit an outside shot and Coffin sank two free throws to regain the lead at 33-30.

The Cats were able to claw back and tie the game at 35-35 and again at 37-37. Maine then held leads varying from one to three points until Vermont went ahead 49-48 with 3:50 to play.

Coffin regained the lead for Maine on its next possession on a drive to the basket making the score 50-49. She was fouled on the shot but missed the free throw. McKay, who was the game's high scorer with 18, gave Vermont the lead

again at 51-50 when she scored on an inside move with 3:08 to play.

Coffin hit two free throws with 1:41 left for a 52-51 Maine lead but McKay converted one-of-two free throws to knot the score at 52-52.

Duff gave Maine a 54-52 lead when she hit one of her shots from the corner with 31 seconds to play. After a Vermont time- out, McKay got the offensive rebound and put it in tying the game at 54-54 with three seconds on the scoreboard.

Then Wedge, Coffin and Duff teamed up for the winning buzzer-beating layup.

Despite shooting a miserable 3-of-15 from the floor, Coffin led the Maine scoring attack with 15 followed by Gott with 13, Shorey 11 and Duff with 10.

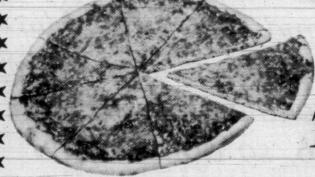
Maine's next game will be Tuesday night at the Memorial Gym when the Black Bears go for their 15th win without a loss against Dartmouth College.



Maine's Liz Coffin (No. 44) and Lauree Gott (in partial view) battle for the ball amidst five UVM players in action this weekend. (McMahon photo)

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