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COC discusses academic reorganization

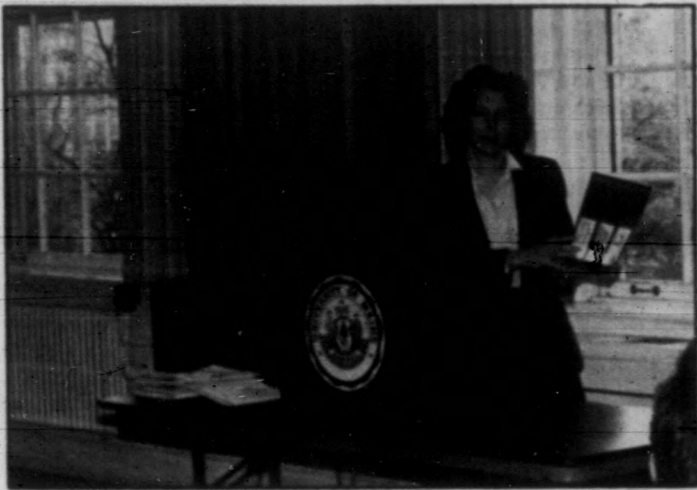


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Barbara Barton speaking at Monday's COC meeting.

by Douglas Kessell
Staff Writer

Reports from a number of major committees and commissions evaluating the University of Maine System and this campus's procedures and policies were the mainstay of Monday's Council of Colleges meeting.

The reports included those on the status of the Reorganization Review of UMaine, and those of the three presidentially-appointed commissions on education, and the land/sea grant university.

In addition, a Staff Analyst from the Maine Legislative

Committee on Audit and Program Review spoke on the status of the Legislature's review of the System as a state organization.

John Hitt, vice president of Academic Affairs said faculty members and administrators will be receiving a proposal for the reorganization or modification of the current academic system, by the end of the week.

"We don't propose to break up or combine departments," Hitt said. Hitt has previously told the COC the purpose of the reorganization review is to insure the university has the best lines of responsibility and reporting.

"This idea that it will paralyze the administrative process is foreign to me," Hitt said.

The proposal—established about two weeks ago by Hitt and President Dale Lick—had been under "confidential communication" until it was presented to the review committee last Friday Hitt said.

It was at this time the committee requested the proposal be presented to faculty members, he said.

When questioned by a number of the COC members concerning all the "secrecy"

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U.N. opens war-crime archives from WWII

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations on Monday opened its archives on Nazi and Japanese war crimes, exposing facts and allegations about more than 36,000 people, including Kurt Waldheim, the body's former secretary-general.

Six researchers from the Nazi-hunting unit of the U.S. Justice Department were first to enter the office building. They viewed microfilm of the yellowed and brittle files of the U.N. War Crimes Commission, which functioned from 1943 to 1949.

The Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations has used material from the files to investigate five Americans suspected of having Nazi pasts.

There was no long line Monday, no flood of applications to see what some call a vital cache of informa-

tion and others contend is a stale library of old charges, most of which are known.

"There's no stampede, only about 10 applications so far and we don't know if there would be any new 'big fish' in the files," said archivist Marilla Gupta.

The 8,500 files containing 36,000-40,000 names also deal with war crimes committed by the Japanese in China and other parts of Asia.

Monday was the first day for new rules of broad, general access to the files. Jewish groups and Nazi hunters said they would form research teams to search the files and extradite and prosecute war criminals.

Under the old rules, the files were open only to the 17 governments on the U.N. War Crimes Commission, and then only if requests for specific files were made and strict confidentiality was pledged.

Governments now have virtually unfettered access and are not bound to keep the information secret.

Relatively few governments made extensive use of the files, which spent four decades largely forgotten in their cardboard boxes.

It was discovered in March 1986, however, that one concerned Waldheim, who became president of Austria three months later.

Waldheim, who was secretary-general for a decade beginning in 1972, was an officer in a German army unit in the Balkans in World War II that was accused of atrocities. He has denied wrongdoing.

Jewish groups led a campaign to open the files and, on Nov. 6, Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar agreed to provide greater access.

Students learn about handicap experience

by Monica Wilcox
Staff Writer

Society demands perfection, and for some people with disabilities, the struggle to be accepted by others is a bigger complication than the handicap limitation itself.

One University of Maine counselor, who is also handicapped with a hearing impairment, is trying to expose the misconceptions by offering a course on the "Psycho-Social Aspects of Disability."

Owen J. Logue III, UMaine counsel coordinator of services for students with disabilities, said he coordinated the class because of his concern that there weren't any courses offered on campus concerning disability.

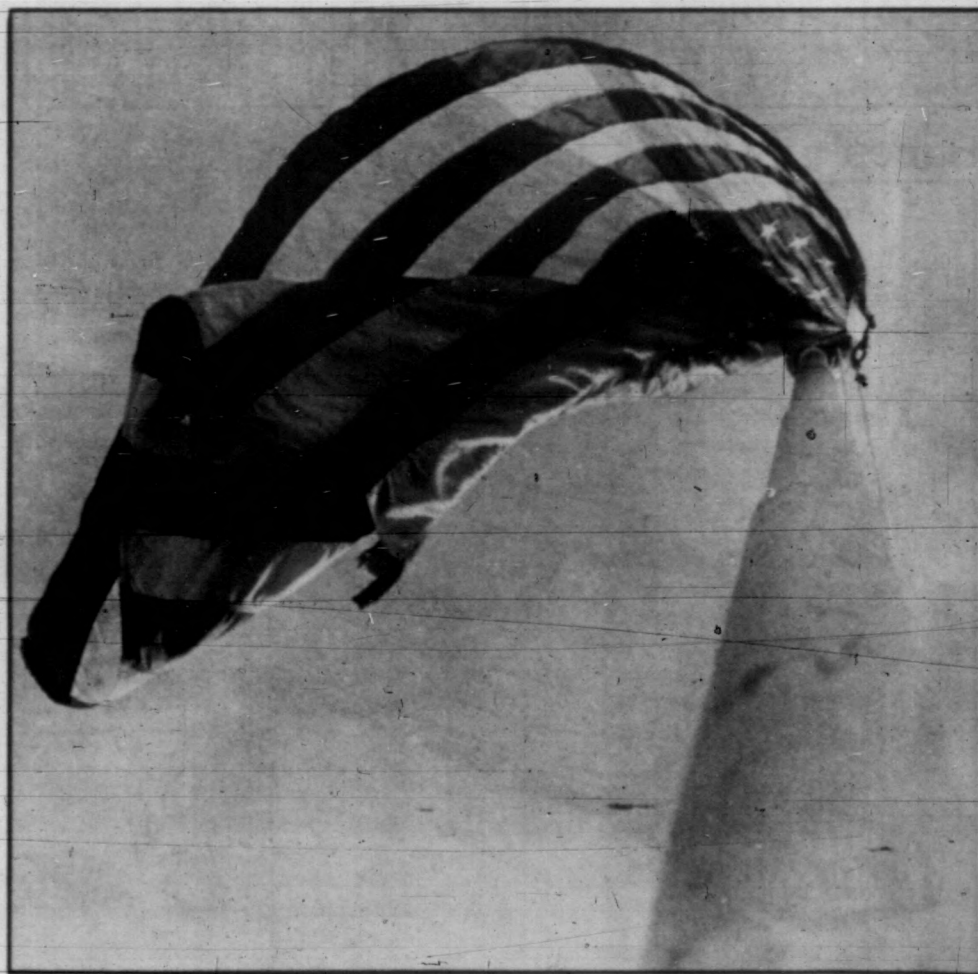
"We're training people to help disabled people," he said. "Part of that training is to challenge your own attitudes."

In its third semester, the course is geared toward educators, counselors, health professionals, administrators, parents, and others involved with people with a disability.

The course, co-sponsored by the UMaine Department of Sociology and School of Nursing, features guest speakers, role playing, and actual "field" experience along with regular course work.

As part of the course requirement, Logue's students quickly become aware of one disability when they must use a wheelchair for an hour to get around in a busy shopping mall.

Nancy Guerrette, a senior nursing student at UMaine, who took the course last May term, remembers her wheelchair experience well.



An American flag waves in Monday's crisp breeze.

file photo

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posol, Hitt said an accompanying memorandum had to be drafted explaining the proposal and its background. The draft, Hitt said, would describe what had and what hadn't been done so far.

Hitt also said, "It would be helpful if everyone would get it at the same time and not have two or three versions around."

I want to be able to say that you (faculty) have been both informed and consulted," he said. "We might accept some modifications."

Julia Watkins, chair of the Commission on Undergraduate Education, was the first to speak on the commissions established by Lick to evaluate UMaine. Watkins said the 17-member commis-

sion will take a look at "the breadth as opposed to the detail" of what is being done at UMaine as well as the national trends in education reforms.

Basic and quantitative skills as well as a world vision in UMaine education are other things the commission will look in to until it completes its procedures next fall.

"We need to establish how to best prepare students for global education," she said.

Gordon Donaldson, chair of the Commission on Graduate Education spoke next.

Donaldson said the work of the commission is premised on a finding from a 1986 Visiting Committee report that

said graduate education needed to be strengthened.

"We are looking to create or strengthen a program that is nationally... powerful," Donaldson said.

Donaldson said during the work of the committee, "a fair amount of the time is going to be murky but it will sharpen when we come out."

Stephen Reiling, chair of the Commission on Land Grant/Sea Grant University of the Future said the commission was asked to evaluate the original legislature that established this university as a land-and-sea grant institution.

"My feeling is that President Lick thinks much of it has been too narrow-

ly interpreted," Reiling said. "It needs to be interpreted in terms of contemporary society."

Reiling said this commission will work through the spring semester and focus on research and public service; factors that many people and legislators are unaware of.

Lock Kiermaier, a staff analyst for the state Legislature said UMaine is the last campus he has to visit in his overall evaluation of the UMaine System.

Although every organizational entity in the state is evaluated by the Legislature every ten years, Kiermaier said this year the UMaine System approach is different.

"We are looking for ways to work with education not against it," said Kiermaier, who will complete his two day visit of UMaine on Tuesday.

Kiermaier said he will present his evaluations to the Committee, which will then make any recommendations.

"As a staff member, I am not to make recommendations but I am a conduit to the Committee so that they might identify situations they might want to look further into," Kiermaier said.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



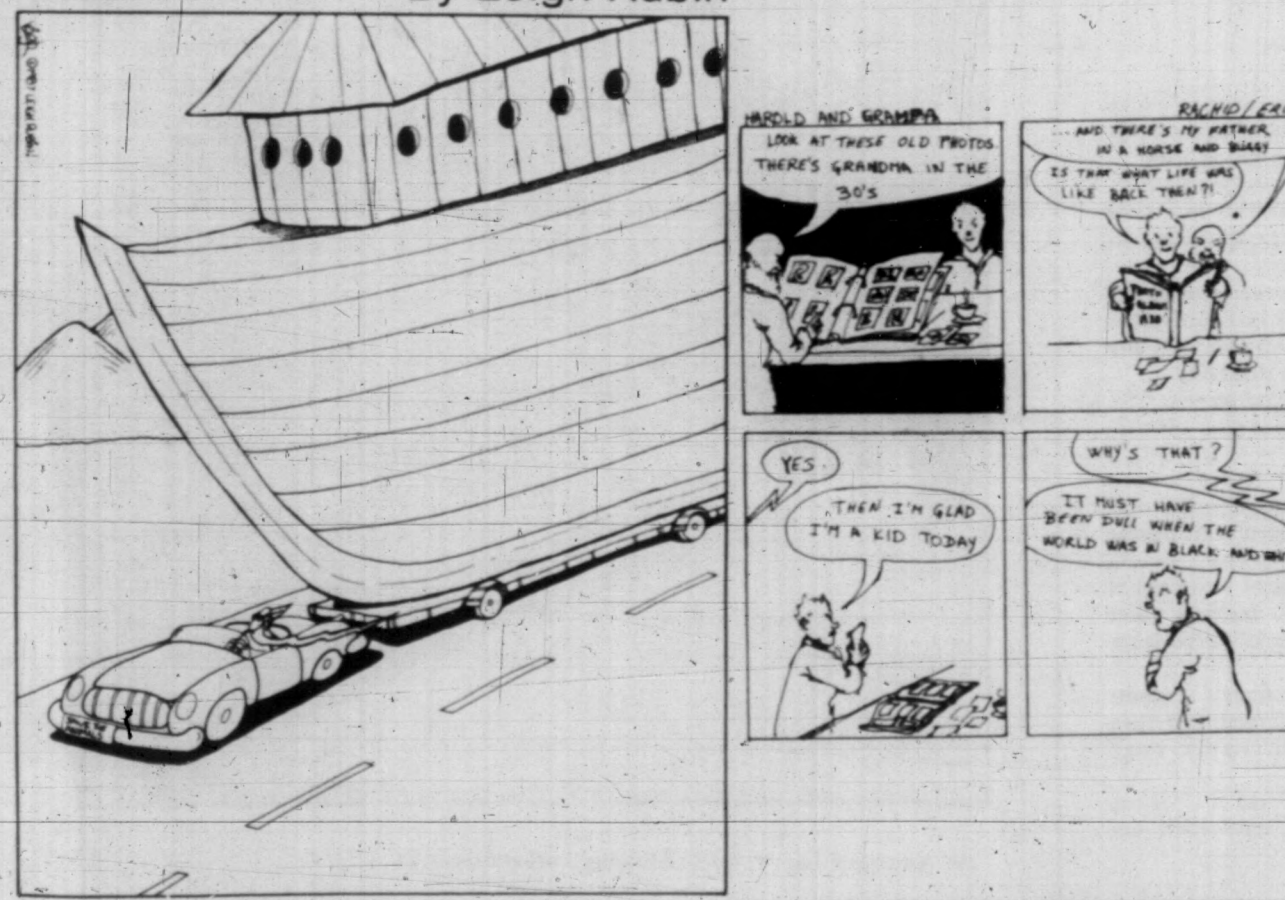
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By Leigh Rubin



Cuban inmates riot to fight deportation

ATLANTA (AP) — Cuban inmates fighting deportation seized hostages and torched buildings in a lunchtime riot at Atlanta's federal prison Monday, two days after a similar uprising in Louisiana where prisoners continued to hold captives.

Attorney General Edwin Meese III offered Monday to impose a moratorium on the return of Cubans denied residency because of mental instability or past crimes. The offer to review each case individually had been relayed to both prisons in expectation that all hostages "will be safely released without delay," Meese said in Washington.

Rep. Pat Swindall, R-Ga., said the Justice Department told him one Atlanta inmate had died of gunshot wounds, but FBI Agent David Kelsey said the agency had no comment.

At least 10 people were injured in Atlanta, including four inmates who were shot, authorities said. The number of hostages had not been established.

Gary Leshaw, an attorney who has represented several of the Cubans, said before Meese's announcement that negotiations were being conducted in person and by walkie-talkie.

The inmates who seized control of the federal detention center near Oakdale, La., threatened on Monday to kill their 25 hostages if authorities stormed the facility.

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"The first thing you notice is how narrow everything is," she said. "Some stores are impossible to get around in."

In an attempt to get through a crowded aisle in a card store, Guerrette said one lady helped her through, explaining that she understood because her husband was also in a wheelchair.

"I felt guilty for pretending," she said. Kathi Murray, who took the course the first semester it was offered, met a friend at the mall for dinner dur-

ing her wheelchair experience. She said she noticed that the waitress addressed all the questions about their orders to the friend, indicating that she was incapable of hearing or responding.

Logue said people tend to think of the hearing, visually, and physically impaired as the only people who are handicapped.

In his class, he said he also addresses physical deformities, such as facial disfigurements, dwarfs and midgets, hidden disabilities such as epilepsy and multi-

ple sclerosis, obesity and for the first time this semester he is focusing on AIDS.

"Handicapped is the way society treats these people," he said. "I try to address these areas and issues such as employment, education, and raising children."

Psycho-Social Aspects of Disability will be taught again next semester on Wednesday evenings and a prerequisite of Introduction to Sociology is required or permission from Logue.

Police Blotter

Recent cases in 3rd District Court

Tony Lanza, 21, of Cape Coral, Fla., pleaded innocent to a charge of assault. His trial is scheduled for Jan. 14, at 1 p.m.

Mark Lewis, of Bangor, also pleaded innocent to assault, and his trial is set for Jan. 14.

Daemon Edwards, 18, of Greenville, received a \$100 fine for Operating After Suspension.

Larry Whitney, 27, of Dover-Foxcroft, received \$100 fine for theft. A charge of failure to report an accident was dropped.

David Lindstedt, of Penobscott Hall, was fined \$100 for possession of a false ID.

Vandalism

Two cars were rolled over during the weekend of Nov. 14.

A blue Renault parked in front of the Memorial Gym sustained \$200

damage when it was rolled onto its side Nov. 14 at about 11 p.m.

In the second incident, a 1988 Chevrolet sustained \$5,000 damage after it was rolled onto its roof, Nov. 15 at about 3:30 a.m. It was parked on Androscoggin Road.

The grill of a car parked in the Memorial Gym lot was kicked in between 8:30 a.m. Wednesday Nov. 18 and 11 a.m. Friday. The car sustained \$100 damage.

The window of a car parked in the Hilltop lot was smashed and a red safety light, value \$150, was taken from it Saturday at about 4:30 a.m. The car sustained \$100 damage, and the light was later recovered.

The side window of a car parked in the Alford lot was broken Saturday at about 10:15 p.m. The car sustained \$60 damage.

The top of an ashtray was thrown through a window at Colvin Hall between 7 p.m. Friday and 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Damage was \$60.

A beer can was thrown through a window at Fernald Hall between midnight and 1:50 a.m. Saturday. Damage was \$100.

Recent cases sent to the conduct office

Two Dunn Hall men were sent to conduct for setting off a false alarm in Corbett Hall Thursday at about 3:40 a.m.

An Androscoggin Hall woman and a Hart Hall man were sent to conduct for possession of a usable amount of marijuana Friday at 11:33 p.m.

Two York Hall men were sent to conduct for possession of marijuana, Friday at 11:16 p.m.

Burglaries, thefts

A package, value \$72, was taken from the Gannett Hall mail room between Nov. 13 and Nov. 17.

A socket set and other items, value \$170, were taken from a vehicle park-

ed in the Steam plant lot between 10 p.m. Oct. 25 and 9 a.m. Oct. 26.

A wallet, value \$25, was taken from the third floor of the Memorial Gym Thursday between 5-5:55 p.m.

A leather jacket, value \$200, was taken from a room in Oxford Hall Thursday between noon and 12:15 p.m.

A knee brace, value \$600, was taken from the soccer field Sept. 16 between 5-6:30 p.m.

A stereo cassette deck, value \$200, was taken from a room in York Hall between 6 p.m. Friday and 7 p.m. Saturday.

Skis, value \$885, taken from a ski rack on top of a car parked at Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity Sunday between 1:30 a.m. and 6 a.m. The rack sustained \$100 damage from the theft.

Recovered property

A winter jacket was found in Dunn Hall Sunday at about 2:30 p.m.

Resolutions coming before General Student Senate, Nov. 24, 1987. Tonight!

*An act to end the parasitical practices brought on by the withdrawal of Graduate Student Activity Fee revenues by the Graduate Student Board and the Graduate Student Association.

* An act to require that U. Maine Student Government funded clubs and organizations allow only Activity Fee paying undergraduate students to participate in these clubs and organizations and their activities until a final settlement has been negotiated between the Association of Graduate Students and the U. Maine Student Government.

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Editorial

Would speech have hurt?

The plan to have Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev speak before Congress has been killed by legislators vowing that such an enemy of democracy will not step foot in those hallowed halls.

Ironically the ardent clamour, echoing whispers of the red scare-McCarthy era, comes a few weeks before the Soviet leader is to meet with President Reagan at a Washington arms control summit.

Although neither country has officially requested the honor, the presence of Gorbachev before Congress would be of significant importance. To have the world leader speak to Congress would be a symbolic step closer for a better relationship with the Soviet Union.

No Soviet leader has ever spoken before Congress.

Unfortunately, with the current fervor of refusing the presence of this world leader, who is espousing economic, political and social reforms in his own country, it seems highly unlikely that such a step forward will be established.

House Republican Leader Robert Michel and Rep. Gerald Solomon have been prominent and outspoken in this move to insure the Soviet leader does not speak before Congress.

Solomon, the ranking Republican on the human rights panel of the Foreign Affairs Committee, last week told the *New York Times*:

"Under no circumstances will he set foot in the House of Representatives chamber.

We've had Kings and Queens, all kinds of people, but never a professed foe of democracy addressing a joint meeting."

Solomon's statement begs a number of questions: What in the world can Gorbachev possibly do before

Congress that would warrant such concern? Is he really afraid that Gorbachev will corrupt members of Congress or is it the label "communist" that bothers him so much?

Ironically, former Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, a close U.S. ally who represented much of what democracy is not, spoke before Congress when he was in power. A man who we helped support the overthrow of could speak before Congress, yet that communist Gorbachev, who is about to sign a significant arms limitation agreement, is not allowed.

Where then is the reasoning and logic in this decision?

Representative Michel gives another reason for the rejection of Gorbachev's speaking before Congress.

"There is no logical reason to obscure the purpose of the visit or give it an inappropriate symbolic value," he recently told reporters.

If the arms agreement is being established as a move toward world peace, then it can only be enhanced by a Gorbachev speech, not hurt. As for the symbolic value, the meeting is symbolic in itself and therefore, the speech would not be "inappropriate."

House Speaker James Wright, D-Texas, —one of the few legislators to support Gorbachev before Congress—told reporters later last week that if Gorbachev "comes in the interest of peace, we should listen to him as much as we talk."

Douglas Kessel



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Jan Vertefeuille

A college newspaper gets such interesting mail.

Last week's column detailed the efforts of the Institute for Educational Affairs, a Washington, D.C.-based conservative group, to launch 70 conservative campus newspapers around the country in recent years.

The influential group had convinced U.S. Secretary of Education William Bennett to write several columns for these papers and only these papers.

Apparently, they're branching out. This week, *The Daily Maine Campus* received a letter from IEA — offering us another column, this one written by Reagan's Assistant to the President for Policy Development Gary Bauer, on the subject of AIDS.

"Bauer pulls no punches" about the disease, the letter said, and they were offering the column to us for the modest sum of \$10.

The column was included with the letter and, as with Bennett, it never fails to amaze me that people suffering from such severe myopia hold positions in the White House.

Bauer, whose column is aimed solely at college students, used the forum to bash premarital sex, gay rights advocates, and safe sex proponents.

Safe sex campaigns aren't giving students "the full story about AIDS," Bauer said, and proceeded to detail the full story.

Campus AIDS education groups aren't encouraging abstinence enough for Bauer's liking, who asks, "Are we to assume that highly educated young Americans are so enslaved by their passions that they are unable to limit their number of partners or sexual activities?"

And why aren't students told that homosexual activity "is probably the most efficient method to transfer the AIDS virus," he wants to know?

"Does it illustrate the growing power of gay rights activists who not only want to be tolerated, but want the culture at large to affirm and support the legitimacy of the gay life style?"

These are obviously the ramblings of a confused, paranoid homophobic.

What is absent from campus, Bauer would have us believe, is an acknowledgment of the traditional moral values of our society.

Then he lists a string of "universal truths."

"Even before AIDS, heterosexuality was preferable (to homosexuals, anyway); stable families were good; abstinence had a medical as well as a moral basis; fidelity in marriage was a good thing."

Because students aren't having these "truths" drummed into their heads constantly, it's obvious there is a "hidden agenda of those who all too often control the cultural milieu on campus."

While it makes for amusing reading, I can't understand why the Assistant to the President for Policy Development is trying to pawn this garbage off to "highly educated young Americans" for 10 bucks a shot.

Why isn't Bauer assisting Reagan in developing policy? God knows, he could use the help.

How

To the editor:

I am writing this letter in the hope that I can obtain answers. I realize that you are very busy running the school and must have a lot of my letter of last week.

In that letter I asked for a two dollar coupon and my arts tickets for a performance at the Maine Center for the Arts. The coupon stated that it was valid until 12/31/87 and the event not designated as an EVENT or sponsored by a promoter.

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Child

To the editor:

When I decided to write this letter last spring, I was at the details, the school and the logistical planning was required!

None of the difficulties I encountered, however, was that of finding adequate childcare for my children. I had rather unconventional ideas that would now be considered normal.

Since starting class, I have spoken to many other parents who have encountered difficulties. There is a need for childcare resources.

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To the editor:

Just a short note to the students that the University has hundreds of certificates waiting to be given out.

All a student needs to do is return the bottom portion of the letter they received with their mail, or if they receive a letter, then

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To the editor:

I am writing this letter in the hope that I can obtain some answers. I realize that you are very busy running the university and must have overlooked my letter of last week.

In that letter I asked why I could not use a two-for-one coupon and my arts card to get tickets for a performance at the Maine Center for the Arts. The coupon stated that it was good until 12/31/87 and for any event not designated a GALA EVENT or sponsored by a promoter.

When I presented the

coupon, my arts card and student ID to the woman at the ticket counter she told me that the offer was good only for cash purchases.

I told her I paid cash for my Arts Card in September and could not see the difference between paying cash then and paying cash now. She didn't understand either and suggested that I write to you for the answer.

When I paid my \$100 dollar activity fee in September, what do you think I used, a weekly annuity of six-packs of beer? Of course not. I used U.S. dollars. How can paying cash

two and one-half months ago be inferior to paying cash today?

Why is it that I cannot use a two-for-one coupon that I found in the Spring semester course booklet to buy tickets?

My good man, we students paid our \$100 in good faith and with the expectation that we were getting a good value for our dollars. To put a coupon in a booklet used by every student and then not honor it is not an action taken in good faith.

Maybe in the South things such as this pass unnoticed but here in Maine when we spend our money we like to get as

much for it as we can.

As a working student, I have to economize every chance I get.

If you are sincerely interested in the good image of the University of Maine I suggest that you ponder the good feelings of the thousands of "young diplomats" that spring forth from our great university each year, namely University of Maine graduates. These are the people who will be spreading the reputation of Maine, good or bad, throughout Maine and the country.

I for one will be leaving this fine institution at the end of this

semester.

I am proud of this university and of the education I have received here, but I am not very happy with the way I have been treated as a student.

The activity fee is only one issue that irks the hell out of students, as you well know.

If Dr. Lick is truly a man with an eye on the future of the University of Maine, then why doesn't he stop talking about a football stadium and new dormitories and start thinking about the university's students.

Andrew Nagelin

Child care forum

To the editor:

When I decided to return to school last spring, I was amazed at the details, the paperwork and the logistical planning that was required!

None of the difficulties encountered, however, equalled that of finding adequate, affordable childcare during the rather unconventional hours that would now be needed.

Since starting classes I have spoken to many other students who have encountered the same difficulties. There is a shortage of childcare resources in Maine

to begin with. The financial limitations and unusual scheduling needs that many students have can limit access to what little childcare is available.

A group of students who share a concern about this widespread problem are interested in hearing from any student who has experienced similar difficulties, who would like to meet for mutual group support. Replies may be addressed to -Box 474-B Ellsworth, Maine 06605.

Nell Beer

Certificates still available

To the editor:

Just a short note to remind students that the United Way has hundreds of certificates still waiting to be given out.

All a student needs to do is return the bottom part of the letter they received in the campus mail, or if they didn't receive a letter, then they should

come into Student Activities in the Memorial Union and fill out a simple form. This is for all students.

Remember: expiration dates come quickly. Thank You.

The United Way

Ad provokes reaction from reader

To the editor:

In regard to *The Daily Maine Campus* Nov. 19 issue, Editorial reaction.

I am very upset over this ad.

The article is a story of a mother having a hard time supporting her child for the well-being of the child to have a better life, she seeks an alternative, an adoption agency, but the serious question is, what screening or guidelines does this agency require?

Evidently, not much of any real requirements as the child ended up beaten to death.

Between this article and the want ad on page 10, some couple wants to adopt a baby all expenses paid. Sounds to me anyone that does not become eligible through a legal process of ad option is questionable. This ad looks innocent especially is a little news letter, but lets question a few things.

Is this another black market for babies to become sold like

buying cattle, cats, and dogs?

Is this ad for the sole purpose of another corruptive way to earn easy monies, without the concern whether these children will end up in a similar situation to Lisa's?

And one more thing, how can you the people that run this paper, put such an ad in your so called respectable news?

What will be next? Want ads—babies for sale??

Georgia Mitchell
Estabrooke Hall

Give us some ideas please

To the editor:

As a member of the Student Life Fee Committee, I am looking for input from students as to how to spend the \$70,000 on reserve from the Student Life Fee this year.

There will be a committee meeting on Thursday Dec. 3, 1987, so put your "ideas" in writing and send or deliver them to Dr. Chuck Rauch in 103 Alumni Hall by then, or contact one of the student members: Babs Isak: 827-6333;

Joe Baldacci: 942-4949; Chuck Jule: 223-8857; John O'Dea: 866-7579; Tamara Davis: 581-4823; or Lisa Fifield: 866-3877.

Let your voice be heard. Thanks.

Babs Isak

Commentary

Elections declared a shambles

Jenn Gunn

Excuse me, do elections mean anything to you? I was under the impression that this was a democratic country but after IDB's performance or lack thereof on Nov. 17, I have to wonder.

In the middle of last week I was approached by my resident director, Nancy Arsenault, on the possibility of my running for an office on the new East Campus Board. After a weekend of serious thinking I decided to run for vice-president and set out to obtain the appropriate papers, since my R.D. was never given any such information.

After trying unsuccessfully to track down the IDB President, I, by a stroke of luck, managed to get my hands on the election papers buried on "the desk" at "the office" alongside a note stating that not all the RD's received the election papers but that IDB was out of copies. Sure you were.

Incidentally there were no officers present in "the office" although the president was supposed to have office hours then. I wouldn't have gotten in at all if it weren't for my landing there just as someone (not anyone with office hours — just someone) was unlocking the door.

All of this after my R.D. had called and left various messages wanting to know where Oxford's nomination sheets were.

None of these messages were returned, nice machine though.

After all this confusion it's a wonder I even had the interest to get the 10 signatures that unknown to me or my R.D. were due Friday.

I managed to get the nomination sheet handed in to IDB, after 1 p.m. when three of the officers were there, none of whom knew who was writing up the ballot or when it was to be written.

I was assured by the vice-president that everything should be just fine. He said to call back later that afternoon. I would later call back and speak to the officer writing up the ballot.

She assured me everything was fine.

I was on the ballot. My nerves at ease.

I set out to post 30 campaign flyers throughout the six dorms in the East Campus and the two dining commons.

All this took place before four o'clock on Monday—sigh.

On election day (Tuesday) what else could go wrong? Are you sitting down?

No one showed to tend the polls, therefore no one voted at East Campus and Monday was all for nothing.

Gee, coincidental or what, East Campus "won" a debate over the money issue at an IDB meeting not too long ago. The president acted just a little floored at the time by the pages of petitions and the 25 people present from Oxford Hall.

No, this couldn't have had any influence on whether anyone in IDB bothered to make sure that we were informed. After all, we aren't talking movie of the month. We are talking elections for new officers for a new board.

Three hundred people live in Oxford and nine out of 10 either weren't aware that they could run for office or they were not aware that the elections were taking place period. At least this is what I understood it to be true after many conversations stemming from my campaign posters.

Maybe if people had been more informed by IDB as to the deadlines and what was expected, East Campus would have had someone run for every office (there were no presidential or secretarial candidates).

Nice swearing in ceremony, though.

Jenn Gunn is a resident of Oxford Hall.

• Riot

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Those prisoners, who had at first demanded to remain in the United States, and not be prosecuted for the riot and hostage-taking, were demanding outright freedom on Monday, said Warden J.R. Johnson. Thirty-one people, including 15 detention center employees, had been treated for injuries since the inmates' riot Saturday night.

Sen. John Dreaux, D-La., was prepared to meet with the Oakdale prisoners to relay Meese's offer, said Bob Mann, the senator's spokesman. "He's just waiting for the Cubans to agree on who their representatives will be," said Mann.

The United States and Cuba had announced the agreement to return the prisoners on Friday.

Thick black smoke poured from the stone prison in Atlanta, which was sur-

rounded by city police and firefighters, Georgia State Patrol troopers and emergency medical personnel.

Early Monday evening, smoke began rising from a different section of the prison.

Armed prison officials held control of some parts of the main building and 23 acre compound, but authorities refused to discuss what areas were under inmate control.

FBI negotiators were trying to get the inmates, who had no list of demands, to release the hostages, said Mike Caltabiano, executive assistant to the U.S. Penitentiary warden. He would not say how many hostages were involved or where they were being held.

The Atlanta inmates had no guns but were holding a number of hostages including federal prison officials, he said.

Caltabiano said guards fired several "warning shots," but he declined to explain how the inmates happened to be shot.

The inmates, among 1,500 Cubans held at the facility, started a fire in the broom factory of the prison industries complex, a building immediately behind the prison, he said.

Fire trucks remained outside the gates of the inner-city compound. Caltabiano had no details on the extent of the fire damage.

Many of the Cuban inmates voluntarily returned to their cells after the disturbance, which began at the start of the 11 a.m. lunch break, he said.

The 85-year-old prison, the oldest in the federal system, houses more Cubans than any other institution in the nation.

The Cuban inmates were among the

125,000 people who came to the United States in the 1980 Mariel boatlift. The State Department said Friday that Cuba had agreed to take back 2,500 refugees from the boatlift, most of them criminals and mentally ill.

That announcement prompted Cuban inmates at the federal detention center in Louisiana to set fires and take hostages on Saturday.

In Laredo, Texas, 17 Cuban inmates escaped from a medium-security detention center early Sunday by climbing through a steel roof grating. All but six were recaptured within hours.

Cubans awaiting deportation are held in 25 U.S. prisons, but none except the institutions in Atlanta and Oakdale has more than 40, according to Kathryn Morse of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons in Washington.

Teacher suffering from AIDS wins battle to return to work

IRVINE, Calif. (AP) — A teacher who has AIDS was welcomed back to school Monday with hugs and flowers from his hearing-impaired students after winning a court battle to return to the classroom.

Vincent Chalk, 43, of Long Beach, exchanged sign-language greetings with his students at University High School in this Orange County community after they interrupted a news conference he was holding in the school library to greet him.

They said later through a sign-language interpreter that they weren't afraid of catching AIDS from Chalk because they know the deadly disease isn't transmitted through casual contact. They handed Chalk flowers and embraced him.

Chalk said he was gratified by the welcome, although it didn't surprise him.

"In the last few years, I have become very close to them, and they to me," he said. "I have become their confidant.

They come to me with all sorts of questions. Their naivete and openness to learning makes them more accepting of taking me back."

Student Elizabeth Espinosa, 18, said through an interpreter that she has known Chalk for five years and he has helped her very much.

But Chalk conceded some will continue to fear his condition.

"I'm aware of one or two students whose parents are concerned," he said. "Hopefully, they'll come to learn I pose no threat, and if they don't want contact with me, they'll have that choice."

The special education instructor for the hearing impaired said he fought for his job because he loves teaching.

He won his return with a 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling Wednesday. The court granted an injunction against the Orange County Department of Education, ruling it had no grounds to keep Chalk at the desk job he was reassigned to in September.

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by John Holyoke
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Sports

Women's basketball to take on nation's best

by John Holyoke
Staff Writer

If the University of Maine women's basketball team's upcoming season was a movie, they'd call it "The Bears Go Big Time."

Gone from the schedule of UMaine's 24-4 1986-87 season are Husson College, UM Presque Isle, and the University of Southern Maine.

Instead, the Black Bears will play no games against in-state opponents, beefing up their schedule with only NCAA Division I teams like Navy, Nebraska and USC.

And despite losing two three-year starters to graduation and having 12 first or second year players on the roster, the Bears are not rebuilding.

In fact, when UMaine takes the floor against Drexel University in the first round of the Downeast Classic Friday night, Coach Peter Gavett may have a tough time deciding on which combination of talented players will work best together.

"We're very similar (to last year) in style of play, but we're very different in terms of the personnel playing that style," Gavett said.

"Our biggest weakness may be in finding the right combinations, because we have such flexible players. I'm curious about which combinations will play better together."

One thing is certain: the combinations will start with senior captain Liz Coffin, who averaged 20.3 points and 13.4 rebounds per game last year.

"She's just a very reliable, consistent all-around performer," Gavett said. "She has no weaknesses, and she plays hard."

Another key cog in the Black Bear machine will be junior guard Victoria Watras, a flashy six-footer who can score, pass and rebound.

Watras, along with Coffin, has been selected as a pre-season All-Seaboard Conference team member by SC coaches.

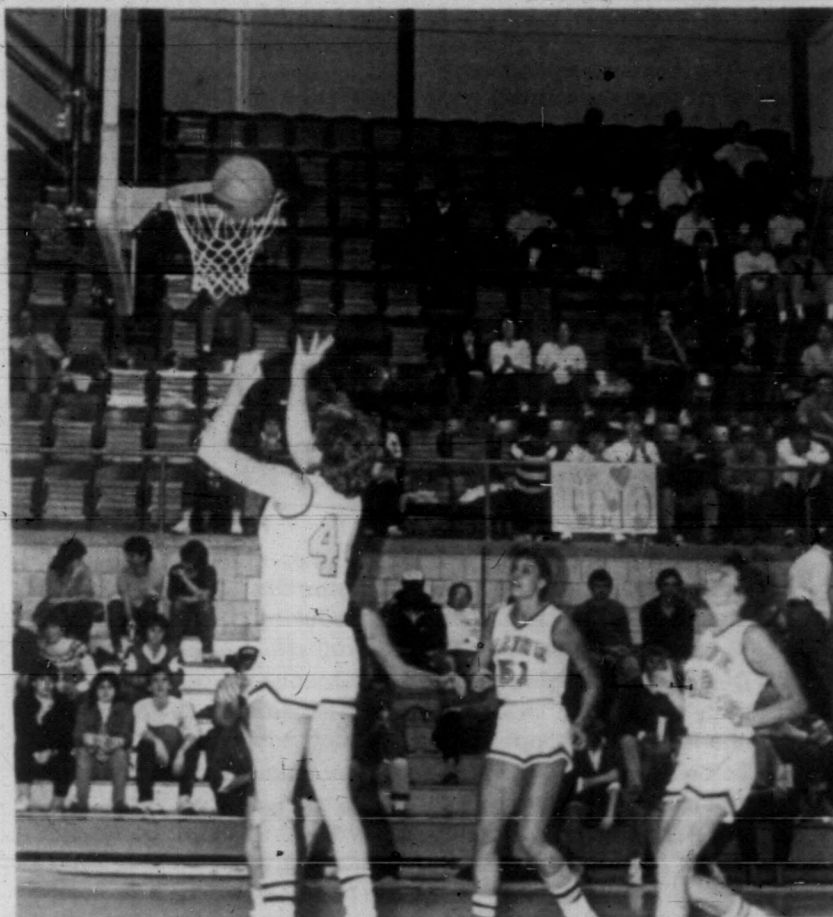
Last season Watras notched two triple-doubles and ended up averaging 8.5 points and 4.9 rebounds per game.

"She certainly has the potential to be one of the premier guards in the East," Gavett said. "She's a real competitor."

A third Black Bear who has been listed as a tentative starter is freshman phenom Rachel Bouchard, a 6-0 center from Farmingdale.

Gavett said the addition of Bouchard to the frontcourt with Coffin allows UMaine the same kind of flexibility that last year's Coffin-Lauree Gott tandem did.

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Liz Coffin, takes a shot during action last season. The Bears will be taking on only out-of-state teams this season, many ranked among the nation's best.

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Black Bears change strategy to run more

by Dave Grooty
Sports Writer

In the past, the University of Maine men's basketball team relied on a slow tempo game, scoring their points from the outside while packing in their zone defense and forcing the opposition to fire away from the perimeter as well.

Sometimes the strategy worked—ask Michigan State.

Sometimes it didn't—ask the University of Southern Maine.

But this year is going to be different.

This year the Black Bears are going to run a little bit. And with the added quickness, UMaine coach Skip Chappelle expects a much improved team.

Not that anybody is going to confuse UMaine with the University of Nevada-Las Vegas' Runnin' Rebels, but with Matt Rossignol and T.J. Forester in the backcourt and Guy Gomis and transfer Reggie Banks at the forward slots; the Black Bears will have the quickness to get the ball up the floor in a hurry, a new asset that hasn't gone unnoticed to Chappelle.

"We should be able to run and up-tempo better than we have in the past because we do have that added quickness," he said. Rossignol, Forester, Banks and Gomis along with 6'8" center Amadou Ibrahima "Coco"

Barry form what Chappelle called his "quickest overall line-up" and should be the starting quintet when the Black Bears kick off their regular season against Plymouth State on Nov. 29.

Rossignol, the leading three-point percentage shooter in the North Atlantic Conference last year, will be handling the point guard chores this year with the graduation of Jim Boylen. Chappelle said that the transition from shooting guard to point guard shouldn't effect Rossignol's scoring.

"He can still do the damage out of that position as far as loosening up the defense with the three-point shot."

The two most talked about additions to this year's squad are Banks and Forester.

Banks, a 6'4" junior transfer from Parkland Junior College in Champaign, Ill., will provide quickness and scoring at the small forward position. Banks can get up, possessing a 40-inch vertical leap and throwing down 45 jams while at Parkland. Forester is a familiar face to Black Bear fans. In 1984-85 he averaged 8.8 points a game and followed that up by scoring 12.5 per game for the first six games of the following season before leaving the team because of academic problems.

•Big Time

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"If a team worries too much about one, the other is good enough to really hurt them," Gavett said.

Coffin also said that playing with Bouchard will help both players.

"I can see the chemistry there," she said. "We've just got to understand how we can use each other's strengths."

According to Gavett, the remaining starting spots will be filled by two of six players, depending on the kind of lineup he wants and the performance of each player.

Depending on the situation, Gavett may go with Debbie Duff, Kelly Nobert, Crystal Cummings, Cathy Iaconeta, Jen Smart or Diane Nagle.

In the other first round game of the Downeast Classic San Diego State University will take on the University of Connecticut.

Coffin said the tournament will give the UMaine squad the opportunity to take a step up in competition.

"In a way, I'm a little anxious," Coffin said. "Three years ago I would have said I was scared stiff."

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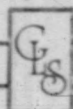
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