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Changes in tax laws greatly affect students

by Doug Kessel
Staff Writer

Some students might be in for a disconcerting surprise this year when they open their mail from the Internal Revenue Service.

The sweeping tax law changes established by the Tax Reform Act of 1986 will not only require more dependent students — those who receive support from other people and can be claimed on others' returns — to file with the government, but also require some students to pay more.

Under the new law, the level at which dependents are required to file returns has been reduced more than 50 percent, while the minimum requirement for non-dependents — those people independent of support from others — have been increased.

Dependents also are no longer permitted to claim their own exemption on both their returns and their parents.

Another major change in the tax requirements places a limitation on the tax exempt status of scholarships and fellowships. Prior to the law

all money from scholarships and fellowships was immune from taxation.

"These changes mean a lot more young people and students will be filing tax forms this year," Nancy Dutton, an IRS taxpayer education coordinator, said.

SPECIAL TAX ISSUE



The deadline to file with the IRS is April 15.

Prior to the reform act, only those dependents whose income from wages alone or wages and interest combined was \$1,080 or more were required to file a return. Now

however, those dependents making over \$2,540 in wages alone or \$500 from wages and interest together, will be required to report their income.

The story for those people who do not fall under the dependent category: single people, married couples, widows/widowers, is a little different.

Starting this year, Dutton said, the minimum for the various independent categories to file a return will increase over the next few years.

Last year, for example, a return was required if wages and interest income earned by a unmarried independent exceeded \$3,560.

This year, the amount has been increased to \$4,440 which would then increase to \$4,950 for fiscal year 1988.

In another move that affects dependents, the new law eliminates the previous provision allowing dependents to claim themselves as exemptions on their tax form and that of their parents.

Dutton said personal exemptions reduce the amount

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Sexist language distracts, demeans

by Marcia Gauvin
Staff Writer

The use of sexist language, both in the classroom and the textbook, often will distract female students and inhibit the learning process.

That was a common sentiment expressed by students at the President's Task Force on the Status of Women Wednesday.

The meetings of the task force's final week focus on the issue of climate at the University of Maine, such as the use of sexist language, images and other symbolic acts, child care, family issues, and campus organizations.

Essentially, all of the discussion during the hour and a half meeting focused on the use of sexist language at the university and possible ways to eliminate it.

Although the university has an official policy that non-sexist language should be used in all publications and in the classroom, several students and faculty said that they felt it was not being adhered to.

One student pointed out the symbolic message conveyed by the title of The Center for the Study of Early Man, and how it promotes a sexist attitude by the university.

"That sign is one of the first things you see when you drive on campus," she said.

Other women said that when they brought the use of sexist language to the attention of male faculty or administrators their concerns were frequently trivialized.

"(Sexist language) is not just a woman's issue; a real effort needs to be made to make male faculty aware of the issue," said Stephanie Seguino, a graduate student in economics.

Sexist language in college texts, the repeated use of "man" or "he" when actually referring to both sexes often influences women to view academic or technical areas as exclusively male.

Several ideas were raised as possible methods to eliminate the use of sexist language at UMaine.

John Alexander, chair of the department of civil engineering and

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Justice Department to close PLO office

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department will close the Palestine Liberation Organization's office in New York despite reservations from some State Department officials, congressional and other sources said Wednesday.

Attorney General Edwin Meese III has concluded that legislation adopted by Congress last December to close the mission was binding even though its status under international law is unclear, the sources said.

Meese is now in Spain and had planned to announce the decision early next week, but sources said Justice Department lawyers already have notified several members of Congress of the decision.

Rep. Dan Mica, R-Fla., said he called Meese last Friday to check on reports the closing would be delayed at the behest of the State Department. "He assured me there would be no attempt to delay the closing of the PLO."

Mica, co-author of the measure in the House with Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., added: "As far as I am concerned, the matter is closed. The attorney general will obey the law."

But Patrick Korten, a spokesperson for Meese, said the attorney general in the conversation left the door open for consideration of legal challenges to the closing. Korten said that unless a challenge by the United Nations was

found to have validity within U.S. laws, "we would proceed with a shut-down."

Abraham D. Sofaer, the legal adviser at the State Department, had raised questions about the legislation under international law, although he supported the decision last year to close the PLO's information office in Washington.

Sofaer, a former New York federal judge, said his concerns were that the United States had a legal obligation to provide offices for observer missions to the United Nations "if we could find a way that's consistent with Congress's intentions."

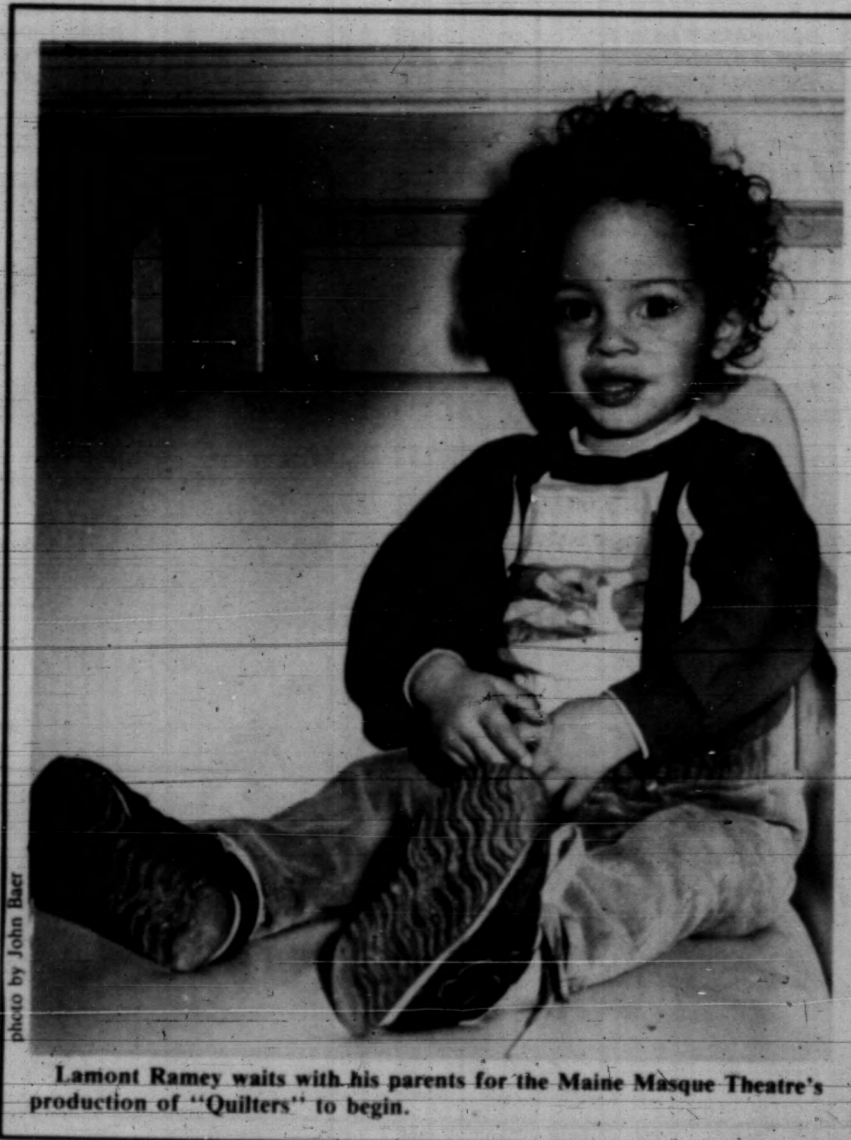
The PLO has observer status at the United Nations, raising questions about whether it was entitled to various privileges including office space.

Sofaer said he was not aware that Meese had taken a final decision.

Kemp said he was "shocked that the legal adviser at the State Department disagrees with over 400 lawmakers in Congress on the law of the land."

The House, by a 365-49 vote, and the Senate, by an overwhelming voice vote, called for the closing of both PLO offices last December.

In a statement, Kemp, a presidential contender, said "this is truly a day of victory in America's fight to help put an end to terrorist organizations and terrorist perpetrators."



Lamont Ramey waits with his parents for the Maine Masque Theatre's production of "Quilters" to begin.

Students drinking as much as ever

(CPS) — While anti-drinking rules cost Marquette University cheerleaders their jobs during the holiday break and could land two North Carolina State students in jail, a California State University (CSU) at Dominguez Hills professor concluded campus attitudes still encourage students to drink.

Students, added CSU's Dr. David Nasatir in reporting the results of the University of California at Berkeley study he helped direct, seem to be drinking as much as they always have, despite intense campus efforts to the contrary.

Most schools around the U.S. have cranked up "alcohol awareness" policies since 1985, when federal laws forced states to raise their legal drinking ages from 18 to 21.

To get liability insurance, colleges had to demonstrate to insurance companies they were keeping their underaged students from drinking liquor.

But the Berkeley study suggested there has been no profound increase or decrease in student drinking since the new policies began.

The reason is that many schools, Nasatir said, "are lax in observing violations of the drinking minimum age." Alcohol, moreover, is often an integral part of social and athletic events, and the "awareness" programs, by not recognizing alcohol's role, are rendered ineffective.

Nasatir's research, part of an ongoing study of campus alcohol use, noted fraternities have helped keep general student drinking rates high. "Young men living in fraternities seem to drink more often and larger quantities than any other group of similar young men in dormitories, or with roommates."

"It's not clear whether that's because fraternities recruit drinkers or manufacture drinkers," Nasatir continued. "But that seems to be a phenomenon that holds true on all campuses with fraternities."

A solution, he suggested, might be to crack down on people and groups who serve liquor to students. "This has a chilling effect on individual willingness to serve alcohol."

At Marquette, however, a group of

cheerleaders quit in December instead of tolerating a crackdown.

Eleven cheerleaders quit the Milwaukee college's squad after school officials suspended two cheerleaders for swiping some leftover bottles of champagne from a private party.

"They said they could no longer cheer" with two members suspended for something they all took part in, or knew about, said Mark McCarthy, Marquette's associate dean of students.

But administrators, heeding protests, agreed to halt the searches, at least for the last game of the season. UW officials say they will develop a revised search policy for next season.

However, the boat company that sponsored the party complained to the school.

At the same time Raleigh, N.C., police charged two North Carolina State students with counterfeiting driver's licenses and selling them to classmates to use them to buy alcohol.

The students built a large cardboard replica of a license. They would then take photos of customers standing in front of the replica, and process the resultant artwork as a fake license.

The students, each charged with two counts of counterfeiting and selling driver's licenses, could serve three years in prison if found guilty.

The University of Washington, however, may have been overzealous in attempts to control drinking. The school, facing a lawsuit from the American Civil Liberties Union and several UW law students, agreed not to search fans attending football games for alcohol.

At the beginning of the 1987 season, university police had stepped up efforts to combat alcohol use during football games.

Former cheerleader Kim Heller, one of those suspended, said cheerleaders often took leftover champagne from parties they had worked at as hostesses to save for a celebration after the first basketball game of the season.

•Sexist

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a member of the task force, suggested that a specific category regarding the use sexist language be added to the student course evaluations.

Dean of the College of Education Robert Cobb suggested that the way to effectively influence the faculty's perception of sexist language is by incorporating a policy into an already existing evaluation process.

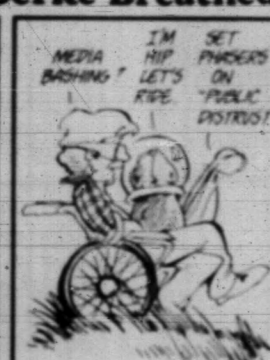
"Faculty feel more comfortable and at home in being made aware of the sexist-language issue within the already established institutional framework," he said.

Cobb proposed that during a college's regular self-evaluation of a graduate school, it could also evaluate for sexist language and attitudes by asking for student input.

Seguino suggested, however, that internal faculty monitoring increases as the number of female faculty members rises and recommended that the university hire more women faculty members.

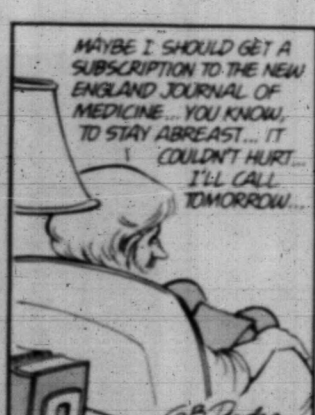
"In my entire college career, I have never had a woman professor," Seguino said. "If women are 50 percent of the population, 50 percent of the faculty should also be women."

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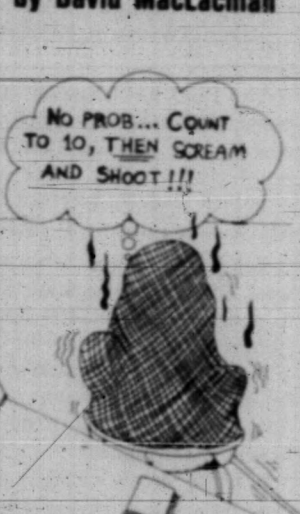
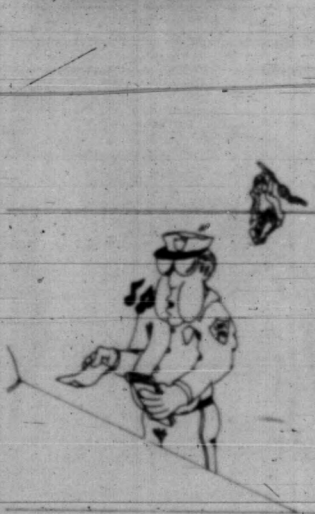
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The unknown venereal disease

by Cynthia Beckwith
Staff Writer

The most prevalent sexually transmitted disease in the United States and on the University of Maine campus is chlamydia, but few students are aware of the dangers of this disease, said Ruth Lockhart, health educator at Cutler Health Center.

Chlamydia is the leading cause of infertility in both men and women over the age of 30. In addition, it can cause complications to babies born to mothers with the disease.

In women, chlamydia can lead to pelvic inflammatory disease, which can cause scarring of the fallopian tubes and thus sterility.

In men, chlamydia can lead to inflammation of the testicles which may cause sterility.

Babies born to mothers with chlamydia may have serious eye infections and may have life-threatening respiratory problems, Lockhart said.

During the fall semester of 1987, 12.3 percent of 187 women with symptoms of chlamydia tested positive. Even more frightening, 5.9 percent of 203 women without symptoms also tested positive for the disease, said Dr. Roberta Ber-

rien, director of Cutler Health Center.

"They come back with these positives and they had no idea" that they had the disease, Berrien said.

Lockhart said the disease can go undetected for long periods of time in some people. "You can catch it the first time you have intercourse and carry it all your life."

Eighty percent of those women with chlamydia have no symptoms of the disease and 60 percent of the men with the disease show no symptoms, according to Lockhart.

Cutler is now routinely testing women for chlamydia during regular gynecological examinations. The charge for the test is \$8, but is relatively cheap compared to private doctors' offices, Lockhart said.

Students have the option not to have the test done, but Berrien said few choose this option.

Tim Rogers, medical technician at Cutler, said he would like to see the university help pay for the lab fee, so that more students would have the test done.

The reason chlamydia is so unknown is because of the AIDS scare, said Lockhart. "Chlamydia has been totally overshadowed by AIDS," she said.

Since 1981 there have been 50,265 cases of AIDS reported; in the past year there have been 3 to 4 million reported cases of chlamydia, said Lockhart.

"There is a big difference in incidence," said Lockhart, because chlamydia is much more contagious than AIDS.

Lockhart said chlamydia is more common than the common cold, but that many students never have even heard of the disease.

For women, symptoms of chlamydia are itching and burning in the genitals, vaginal discharge, dull pelvic pain and bleeding between menstrual periods. For men, painful urination and a watery discharge from the penis are symptoms.

Since many people never experience any symptoms, anyone who believes

they may have had intercourse with someone with the disease should have a test as soon as possible, Lockhart said.

Chlamydia can also be transmitted through oral and anal sex, said Lockhart, but these cases are much more rare.

Lockhart stresses that use of condoms and spermicides can prevent transmission of the disease.

The disease is easily cured, Berrien said. Antibiotics can be taken to kill the virus completely. "Fortunately, this bug is very susceptible to antibiotics," she said.

She also added that those treated for chlamydia are asked to return to the health center for a follow-up exam to make sure the disease is gone.

Cat round-up put on hold

COSTA MESA, CA. (CPS) — Orange Coast College (OCC) officials, have called off a campus cat roundup for the time being.

Groundskeepers halted their efforts to trap and remove "hundreds" of stray cats living around the 180-acre campus Jan. 23 after receiving worried calls the cats were going to be killed.

A woman from Concerned Animal Lovers of Fullerton, which was taking custody of the caught OCC cats, "told me that they were going to kill them,"

reported Vera Snyder, a campus security guard and one of the worried callers.

Cherie Bennett of Concerned Animal Lovers said the group planned to put the cats up for adoption, though some would "gently and humanely be put to sleep."

"Hundreds" of the creatures have lived around the campus for "generations," OCC chief groundskeeper Cliff Travioli said. Some are wild and some are fed regularly on the sly by campus residents.

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Leadership conference to be held for students

by Steve Roper
Staff Writer

Leaders of University of Maine's student organizations will meet with professionals at the first annual student leadership conference, "In Search of Leadership," Feb. 13 at the Memorial Union.

The seminar will connect UMaine students with leaders from all sectors of the community, said Dwight Rideout, dean of Student Services.

"We all play a role in society, whether it's religious, philanthropic, or at our place of work," he said. "Each of (the speakers) will bring something from their past experience and I've encouraged them to be as human as possible, to

share some of their bloopers, as well as their successes."

Split into three segments, the conference will feature more than 50 speakers interacting in 25 separate programs, Rideout said.

The conference opens for registration at 8:30 a.m. Rideout added that students who preregister will be more likely to get their first and second choices.

Invitations have already been sent to fraternity, sorority, and residence hall representatives, said Mike McQuarrie, assistant director of Student Services.

These students and representatives of student administrative organizations,

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American students flunk geography hands down

(CPS) — American students don't know very much geography, studies released during recent weeks show.

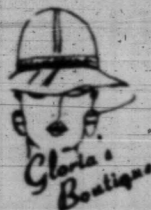
Separate surveys of students' geography knowledge at the University of Wisconsin — Oshkosh and California State and Mankato State universities found some collegians were unable to find the Soviet Union on a map, thought Nicaragua was an Asian island or didn't know who the U.S.'s leading trade partner was.

Students who took a 21-question, multiple-choice geography quiz at Cal State Fullerton, for example, averaged just 12 correct answers. Only 14 percent could locate the eastern Caribbean Sea where Columbus first arrived in the Western Hemisphere; only one-fourth of those tested could locate and identify Canada as the United States' leading trade partner or the Soviet Union as the world's third most populous nation.

"More people knew where Burt Reynolds went to school than what the third most populous country in the world was," lamented Fullerton geography Prof. William Puzo.

At the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, only 22 percent of students recently surveyed could find the Soviet Union on a world map. In Dallas, another survey revealed that one quarter of the high school seniors tested knew that Mexico is the United States' southern neighbor.

"The tests are depressingly accurate," said Patt Morrison, a University of Southern California journalism teacher and Los Angeles Times reporter. "When students place the Bering Straits off the coast of Maine and think Nicaragua is an island off the coast of India, something is definitely wrong."



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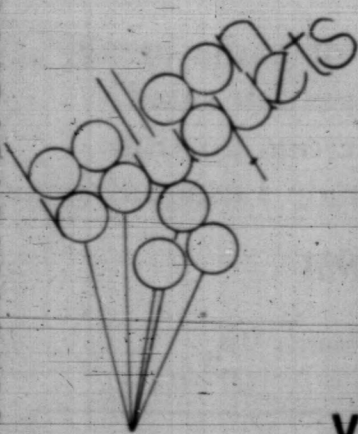
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Critical report of war record hurts Waldheim

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The unexpectedly critical report on the World War II activities of President Kurt Waldheim has widened a deep split among Austrians, intensified calls for his resignation and divided the governing coalition.

On Wednesday, the Socialists who govern with Waldheim's conservative supporters added their voice to the criticism of the president, but they stopped short of demanding he quit.

The conservative People's Party, which backed Waldheim in the bitter 1986 presidential campaign, was the only political party to throw its weight fully behind the president.

Waldheim's supporters had predicted the report by a panel of six historians would clear his name. Now the same conservative politicians and commentators reject it.

Unidentified sources quoted by Austrian news media said Waldheim and the conservatives accepted it only after fierce rows in the coalition government.

There were rumors that Waldheim was preparing to resign. A source close to the president, speaking on condition of anonymity, called the report "devastating."

But Waldheim, the 69-year-old former secretary-general of the United Nations, said again Wednesday he had no intention of resigning.

He said Hans Rudolf Kurz, the chair of the panel, "has unequivocally stated that there was no culpable conduct on my part and that I was not involved in any war crime actions."

The Austria Press Agency quoted him as saying the panel also repeated "previous statements regarding the degree of knowledge" of Nazi atrocities in Greece and Yugoslavia and that he saw "no reason ... to take any steps whatsoever."

The small environmental Greens party joined Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal and former Chancellor Bruno Kreisky, a Socialist, in calling for the president to step down.

The chief secretary of the Socialist party, Heinrich Keller, said, "The Socialist party speaks neither for nor against a resignation" but is "ready to accept such a decision."

Greens party deputy Walter Geyer said the Socialist deputies in Parliament he had spoken with admitted in private that Waldheim "damages Austria" and must step down. "No one dares to say it publicly," he said.

The 202-page report, released Tuesday, documented Waldheim's actions as a German army lieutenant from 1942 to 1945. It said he had consistently concealed his past and lied about what he knew during his service in the Balkans.

It said he was very well informed about Nazi atrocities in Greece and Yugoslavia and failed even once to oppose them. But it said the question of whether he is guilty of any war crime remains open.

•Leader

like the Off-Campus Board, will also be thoroughly represented.

"A lot of our students are learning by hook or crook," McQuarrie said. "This conference is an attempt to pull it all together. Participants will have a chance to interact, network with each other and share experience."

Janet Cooper Nelson, dean of College Chapel, Mount Holyoke College, will be the first of two keynote speakers. Her program, "Twin Hulls, Coal Strikes, and Icebergs: Leadership Challenges for the Crew of the Titanic," will be followed by two workshop sessions featuring conflict resolution, meeting management, and organizational planning; among others.

More personalized programs, such as women in leadership, officer transition, and personal leadership styles, will also be included. A lunch period with a paneled discussion by Charles O'Leary,

president of Maine AFL-CIO, Scottie Stowell, executive director of the Bangor Chamber of Commerce, and Teresa Moore, student member of the UMaine board of trustees, will be followed by a third workshop session.

In the last segment of the program, Barbara Tootle, assistant to the president of the Ohio State University, will discuss creativity in leadership.

Correction

The general student senate gave Randall D'Arche a vote of confidence Tuesday night as a candidate for the position of trustee, not student representative, on the UMaine BOT as reported in yesterday's article.

The Daily Maine Campus regrets the error.

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Schools raise tuition to look good

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS) — Some private colleges raise their tuition rates not to meet rising expenses, but to look more selective and prestigious, David Breneman, president of Kalamazoo College in Michigan told a college finance conference recently.

"Right or wrong," Breneman told the National Center for Postsecondary Governance and Finance conference Jan. 21, "price is a message to the public of what we are. I do nothing for my college if I am a good citizen and I raise tuition only 5 percent."

Keeping Kalamazoo's tuition lower than other independent colleges, he said, would lead potential students to

think the school isn't as good as its competitors.

It may be good marketing, but the revelation didn't sit well with some of Breneman's students.

Cheryl Harants, Kalamazoo's student government president, called Breneman's views "a very shortsighted analysis." Although school officials say they are committed to establishing a diverse student body, tuition increases designed to maintain prestige are turning Kalamazoo into a "white, middle-class, elitist school."

"It's a real disservice to the student body to make tuition so expensive," she said. "The goal of attracting the rich is contrary to the goal of attracting an ethnically diverse student body."

Tuition, room and board at Kalamazoo cost \$12,183 this year, up 7 percent since the 1986-7 school year. Spokesman Terrence A. Taylor said Kalamazoo's fees are among the lowest of the schools in the Great Lakes College Association, a group of private midwestern liberal arts colleges.

The College Board reported last summer that tuitions at four-year private colleges rose an average of 8 percent for the 1987-8 school year. Tuitions at

public four-year institutions rose 6 percent.

U.S. Secretary of Education William Bennett long has charged colleges raise their tuitions not to meet their financial needs, but because the market will bear it.

In mid-January, he again told the American Council on Education convention he suspected some private colleges raise tuition each year to maintain their "snootiness."

Points may be taxed

WASHINGTON (AP) — You can't blame this on the 1986 tax overhaul, but those points you paid on your mortgage last year may not be fully deductible on the tax return you are about to file.

The IRS, interpreting a 1975 law, ruled in 1986 that loan-origination fees and other points charged solely for the use of money and not paid out of the proceeds of the loan must be deducted over the life of the mortgage.

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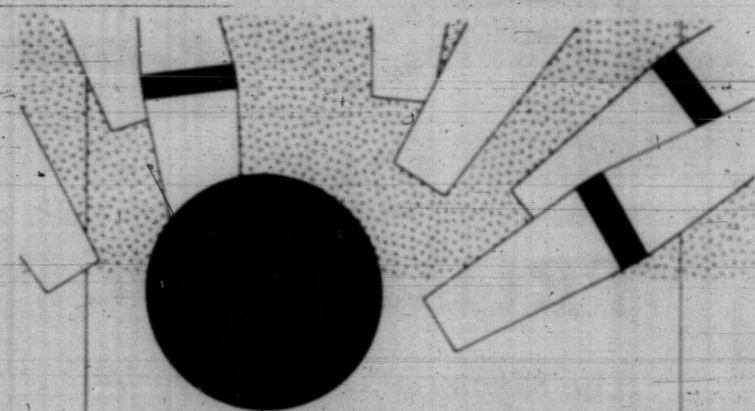
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Advice available to help with tax

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service has plenty of free publications and advice to help with your tax return and will even do the final calculations for you under certain circumstances.

In general, the IRS will compute your tax liability if you fill in most other parts of the form and file it on time. To qualify, adjusted gross income may not exceed \$30,000; income is all from wages, tips, interest, dividends, pensions or annuities; you do not itemize deductions, and you may not be claimed as a dependent by another.

Details are on Page 24 of the Form 1040A instructions and Page 15 of the 1040 instructions.

The IRS Tele-Tax system may be helpful. It is dozens of tape-recorded messages on various tax topics, available

via toll-free telephone 24 hours a day. Your instructions include a list of topics covered and the telephone number to call in your area.

IRS employees also will attempt to answer specific questions about your return, and the instruction with your tax forms list telephone numbers for these calls. The earlier in the year you call, the quicker the service.

Remember that if an IRS employee gives you a wrong answer, you still are liable for filling out your return correctly.

Publication 17, the 200-page-plus booklet "Your Federal Income Tax," is a useful aid to completing your return.

It and other IRS booklets on specific tax subjects are available free by calling 1-800-424-3676. Or, a combination

order form-mailing label is in your instructions.

Among the publications:

- 920: A 55-page, plain-English explanation of major provisions in the 1986 tax overhaul.

- 503: Child-care credit and employment taxes for household employers.

- 504: Information for divorced or separated individuals.

- 505: Withholding and estimated taxes.

- 545: Interest expense

- 334: Small business

- 554: Information for older Americans.

- 575: Pensions and annuities.

- 596: Earned-income credit.

•Students

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of taxable income on the tax forms.

Under the new law each exemption has been set at \$1,900 for 1987 and will increase to \$2,000 by 1989, she said.

Robert Dubay, district manager for H & R Block, a company that prepares people's taxes, said dependent students whose parents claim them on their tax forms could be in for some problems.

Not only can the students not claim it on their own federal tax form, but they can't file it on their state form either.

"The kid who can't claim his own exemption is going to have some problems," Dubay said.

Melvin McClure, professor of accounting, said students receiving scholarships and fellowships may also find that they owe the government money, when in the past they didn't.

The new tax law requires that any scholarship or fellowship money not used specifically for school supplies, such

as travel expenditures and room and board, be filed as part as the student's gross income.

This section of the law will affect those scholarships granted after Aug. 16, 1986, but those established before Jan. 1, 1987 will fall under a grandfather clause.

"Now the graduate student who is required to perform services as part of the degree (fellowship) will be required to file (to the government)," McClure said.

McClure said another change affecting students is the reduction of the amount of personal interest that can be deducted. This year the amount of interest from such things as car loans, and personal loans that is eligible as a deduction is 65 percent, he said, and this will phased out by 1991.

"This will have more impact on students than other segments of the population," McClure said.



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Editorial

People still ignoring AIDS

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome is fast becoming the leading health threat in many countries of the world, but there are still many people who try to ignore it.

Maybe they foolishly think they're immune from this killer, or maybe they just don't care.

By intravenous drug use alone, a person shows little regard for his own life, but by sharing a needle with another user these days he shows complete irreverence for it.

There are those who are not ignoring the AIDS threat.

They are arming themselves for the battle. The weapons they are using come in the form of knowledge.

These people read everything they can find about AIDS. They watch reports about it on television. They hear about it on the radio.

Sadly, no matter how much these people read, see, or hear about it, they will never know enough about AIDS to keep them from dying of it if they don't employ methods of protecting themselves first.

According to an article by Kristen McCleary in the February 1988 issue of *U. The National College Newspaper*, people are at one of the highest risks of contracting the disease during college.

A source in the article was quoted as saying that this is because of the experimental attitude of college students combined with their 'immortality complex.'

People have difficulty believing in their own mortality. They think AIDS is a disease "for other people."

Unfortunately, this just isn't true.

AIDS doesn't discriminate.

It doesn't care if a person is black or white, male or female, bisexual or homosexual. Sexual activity or sharing an intravenous needle with an AIDS carrier gives the disease a chance to spread.

While abstention from sexual activities is the most effective method of protection, the proper use of condoms has been proven to be nearly as effective in preventing the transmission of the AIDS virus.

Since the incubation period for AIDS can be up to 10 years, it is likely that a carrier won't even be aware that he is spreading the disease to others. If the carrier doesn't know, how are his partners supposed to know?

The answer is they can't possibly know...and that is why everyone must do everything they can to protect themselves.

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John Holyoke

Dreams are great. During most of my waking hours, I'd be hard pressed to tell you what any of them are. But on rare occasions, I can go through an entire day with vivid memories of the previous night's forays in dreamland.

Today is one of those days, and, I've got to say, I think I hit on something big last night.

Sometime during my slumber (my former psychology professors would pinpoint the time as during "REM" sleep) I dreamed of something so far-reaching, yet simple, that I have to share it with you.

In my dream, I was the kingpin of a pseudo-student interest group, whose goal was to make things better, for the universe in general, and the student population in particular.

No, my group wasn't the General Student Senate. My dreams are a little more original (and, I hope, more efficient) than that.

My oversized band of merry men and women was a kind of non-rebellious, polite semi-activist group.

In my dream our collective title was the University of Maine Peace and Quiet Action Committee. Since that was quite a mouthful, we went by the acronym UMPAQAC, which we pronounced um-PA-quack.

We UMPAQAC'ers were interested in the goings on in the world, but knew that other action committees were far too radical to hit it off with the general populous.

We quickly made up a UMPAQAC constitution, with the following rules being instituted:

1. No member of UMPAQAC shall ever attend any protest which is frequented by any other action group. Guilt by association will be automatic, and perhaps fatal to the group.

2. No UMPAQAC'er shall ever seek nor accept media coverage when stating opinions on any issue. Any member caught staging media events will be flogged with a soggy copy of the constitution until dead.

3. When stating opinions on any issue, no UMPAQAC member shall:
a. chant any slogan. Chanting is a patented process reserved to irreputable action groups.
b. Seek incarceration in any federal, state or local facility frequented by common criminals. If we can't convince people through civil obedience and a good knowledge of the issue, we aren't debating with our hearts.

4. All UMPAQAC'ers shall wear an approved uniform when debating issues. The basic rule: no tie-dyed shirts are allowed. It's easier to deal with the big-wigs when they think you're one of them.

John Holyoke dreamt he wrote a column. He'll find out if he did when the mail comes tomorrow.

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To the editor:

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Student urges comments on women's hockey team

To the editor:

Now that men's varsity hockey at the University of Maine is number one in the country, on top of Hockey East rivals B.U., B.C., N.H., Northeastern, Providence, and Lowell, and have beaten teams like Dalhousie, Yale, Minnesota-Duluth, I am wondering why there is no women's ice hockey team at UMaine.

There are women's varsity teams at over 20 universities

and colleges in New England and New York and club teams at ten or more. Most of the schools are well known including Colby, Dartmouth, Harvard, Northeastern, Providence, New Hampshire and Yale in Division one; Boston College, B.U., Bowdoin, Colgate, and R.P.I. in Division two; and Merrimack College, University of Connecticut, University of Lowell, University of Vermont and M.I.T. as clubs. All of these teams are in the ECAC league of hockey.

There is also a western women's hockey league which has teams from the University of Minnesota, University of Minnesota-Duluth, University of Wisconsin and Colorado College.

I see no reason why the University of Maine can't have a women's ice hockey team, too. Now that the men's team has a new locker room, there is room for a women's team. All that is needed is some proper practice times and some interested women. I know there

are girls playing on high school varsity boys teams in Maine and younger girls playing at lower levels, who would love to continue playing in college. One girl from Orono played on boys teams until she graduated and is now playing on a college women's team in another state. She should have had the chance to stay in Orono and play at the University of Maine.

If there are any women at this school who would love to play ice hockey again or for the first time, we must get together

now and plan for next year. Also, any help from staff, faculty, administrators, President Lick, Mrs. Lick, W.I.C., the athletic department, Shawn Walsh, and/or the Student Life Fee committee would be greatly appreciated.

Let's hear your comments on the future of Women's Ice Hockey at Maine. Write to *The Daily Maine Campus* or call me at 866-4579. Let's get the puck going.

Joan M. King

CIA recruitment should be allowed at universities

To the editor:

I just finished reading the Feb. 9 issue of *The Daily Maine Campus* and I found the guest column ('Debunking some myth about C.I.A. recruitment') to be most unsettling. Steven R. Garlach's first comments are on the First Amendment rights, but he presents a somewhat dogmatic view of how the Central Intelligence Agency operates. First, if First Amendment rights are the issue, then all should be able to speak. Second the C.I.A. and

its role deserves explication.

The requirement for any organization to go through the UMaine panel can only benefit us from tons of possible illegal organizations. If the board has guild lines of moral or legal justifications, then that can only benefit the general people. The decision of the C.I.A. to recruit here is a different matter.

The Central Intelligence Agency is part of the U.S. government. This point was made clear recently by the Iran-Contra affair, and also by new

actions that were discussed last night on Nightline on the question of who the CIA is responsible to. The answer is that the director of the CIA is a member of the Cabinet. The CIA must report to the Senate (and House), Select committee on intelligence. Which is in fact the people of our country.

The primary function of the agency is to report on the actions of other country's covert operations. Examples of this would include the KGB or even other types, including terrorist operations. On the rare occa-

sion that the CIA takes action to destabilize a country it is only in our best interest for national security, and democracy around the world. As our president said himself "I'm a Contra" to the freedom fighters in South America, I would as well. Let us not forget what we too were freedom fighters at one time.

The CIA is a fundamental organization for our security, and is in fact legal. Intelligence gathering is now a necessity for all countries. The CIA is not permitted in our country on

personal accounts of our citizens. But also for the obvious fact that there is the Federal Bureau of Investigation for that.

I strongly believe if our country needs people for intelligence work I would rather have them ask for recruits at a university than on the street. They are a legal, moral, not to mention fundamental, part of our country's security and should be permitted to be on our campus.

Roland W. Charles III
Stodder Hall

Thoughts on Nicaragua and international terrorism

On Oct. 15, 1985, Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega announced a new State of Emergency which suspended virtually all civil rights including such fundamental freedoms as speech, press, assembly, association, and movement. These measures were widely criticized both domestically and internationally, and many foreigners sympathetic to the Sandinista regime expressed concern that the Oct. 15 decree marked a shift in Sandinista policy away from the stated democratic goals of the Nicaraguan Revolution. In fact, while the State of Emergency and the accompanying crackdown on Nicaragua's political, labor, private sector, religious, press, and human rights leaders did indeed mark a major escalation in the Sandinista's drive to stifle all internal opposition, they did not signal a change in Sandinista policy. Rather, the decree simply advanced one step further the pattern of increasing repression that has characterized the Sandinista regime since it seized power in 1979. It is assisted by the Soviet Union. The Sandinistas are now aided in building their repressive society by experts from Cuba. The Ministry of the Interior, under the leadership of long-time Castro confidante Tomas Borge, has hundreds of personnel from Cuba's Directorate General of Intelligence (DGI), which was formed and trained by the Soviet-KGB.

The Sandinistas have constructed several new prisons during their stay in power, the majority under control of the Ministry of Interior. Nicaragua has the dubious distinction of having more political prisoners behind bars than any other country in the Western Hemisphere except Cuba. In addition to the 1,500-2,000 former National Guardsmen held prisoner, the Sandinistas have at least 6,500 other detainees in prison, an astounding number for a country of just over 3 million. According to the independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights (CPDH), conditions in Sandinista prisons are deplorable. The commission's investigations reveal that many prisoners are kept in isolation, some are kept hanging by their hands, and beatings and torture are everyday occurrences. International human rights organizations have been unable to obtain access to the prisons operated by Borge's

General Directorate of State Security (the secret police). When human rights organizations or foreign visitors tour prisons, these visits are carefully controlled interviews with inmates in model

GUEST COLUMN

(Part four)

by Loren Fields

prisons. This is a technique used by Josef Stalin in the 1930s to convince visitors to the Soviet Union of the "humane" nature of the Soviet penal system.

One of the great moral heroes of the revolution against Somoza was the president of the Nicaraguan Red Cross, Ismael Reyes, who regularly and courageously called the world's attention to Somoza's abuses. Today, while still calling Somoza a "monster," Reyes sees the Sandinistas as even worse. In claiming that the Sandinistas have deceived the world and are in fact "enslaving the Nicaraguan people," Reyes said: "In the American continent, there is no regime more bloody and barbaric, no regime that violates human rights in a manner more constant and permanent, than the Sandinista regime."

Labor has also been the victim of Sandinista abuse. The Sandinistas have formed their own labor organization, again turning their backs on the democratic labor movements that helped them in the struggle against Somoza. Mobs controlled by the Ministry of Interior have interfered with trade union activities, leaders of the independent labor unions have been denied visas to travel to international conferences, and the Sandinistas have vocally opposed Poland's Solidarity movement.

INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND THE SANDINISTAS

Since coming to power, the Sandinistas have made Managua a haven for terrorists around the

world. Many have taken refuge in Nicaragua simply as a "rest and recreation" sight, while others have a more specific role in the construction the "new Nicaragua." Among the latter are representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and Colonel Muammar Khaddafi's Libya.

A number of radical states - including Cuba, Iran, Libya and North Korea - share the common objective of attacking U.S. prestige, presence and strategic interests throughout the world. Nicaragua could become a member of this group. The presence of citizens of several of these states has been verified in Nicaragua, some since 1979.

Sandinista ties to Middle Eastern radicals date back to 1966, when the Sandinista movement was only five years old. In 1966, Castro held the "first conference of the organization of solidarity of the people of Asia, Africa and Latin America." At this Tri-Continental Conference, as it is popularly known, the politically ambitious Castro brought together 500 delegates from radical leftist groups throughout the world to devise a plan for what was described as a global revolutionary movement.

As a result of this meeting, members of the PLO were trained in camps in Cuba and the Soviet Union. The PLO cadre next set up their own camps in the Middle East. By the late 1960s, Sandinistas were being trained in these camps run by Khaddafi after he seized power in Libya in 1969.

Lasting contacts between Sandinista leaders and Middle East radicals were apparently forged when Tomas Borge, today the Sandinista Minister of the Interior, served as Castro's envoy to these groups in the 1970s. These contacts have provided the Sandinistas with financial and material support. In return, the PLO representative in Managua is afforded full diplomatic recognition, giving Nicaragua the distinction of honoring the representative of a terrorist organization with the title of "Ambassador." PLO aviation experts have worked closely with the Sandinista air force, and Yasir Arafat has been an effective ally of the Sandinistas in the Middle East.

VITA program offers students tax help

by Doug Kessell
Staff Writer

University of Maine students confused by the new tax law revisions and the tax form simplifications that don't seem so simple can find new life with a tax help program called VITA.

The Voluntary Income Tax Assistance program, established six years ago under the guidance of Melvin McClure, UMaine professor of accounting, is aimed at giving free help to students, people with low income, and the elderly.

This year, as in every year since it formerly opened in 1983, the program will be coordinated by UMaine's Accounting Club. In addition, this year the club will be joined by the Bangor-Waterville chapter of the National Association of Accountants.

"Congress tried to make the forms more simple, but the result was an increase in the complexity of the forms," McClure said.

Edna Royal, a student auditor in the UMaine System's internal auditing department, said the new tax provisions are so difficult and new that she knows people who are taking a class specifically oriented toward the new tax changes.

"A lot of everyday people are going to be shocked," Royal, a member of the UMaine accounting club, said.

Although UMaine students are fairly up-to-date on the current changes in the tax law, McClure said, that does not mean they do not need help.

McClure said foreign students comprise a group that may have some one group that might have "misconceptions" and difficult problems with taxes this year.

Not only are the 1040 NR (non-resident) forms in English, but they are also "very complex," he said.

One of the problems these students face is a reduced number of exemptions. "They don't get all the exemptions U.S. citizens get, and they don't have as many deductions as U.S. citizens have," McClure said.

Unless the students are from Canada or Mexico, they lose their deduction for any dependents, he said.

In addition, they only receive one deduction for any children under the 1040 NR.

"These are substantial differences," McClure said.

He also said many of these students will not be aware that they might have to pay taxes until they fill out the form.

"And then many will not be able to pay the taxes (because they were not prepared)."

Any tax form done through VITA will be sent to the IRS to be checked over.

VITA will begin operation Feb. 13 and extend to April 13, excluding spring break. It will be open 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays in the 1912 room of the Memorial Union.

Tax laws continue to change so keep informed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Even if you've learned enough about the new tax law to file your return this year, it's no time to quit.

The law is still changing, and you may need to adjust your withholding again this year to reflect those changes. That would mean filling out another W-4 form and giving it to your employer.

The changes that took effect Jan. 1, 1988, are not nearly so numerous as last year's but they will still affect millions of tax returns. Here are some of the major new provisions:

•**RATES:** In 1987 there were five tax rates, ranging from 11 percent to 38.5 percent. The Reagan administration and members of Congress who wrote the new law like to say it has only two marginal tax rates but there really are three: 15 percent, 28 percent and 33 percent.

The 15 percent rate is the only one that most taxpayers will face. It applies to taxable income (after deductions and exemptions) up to \$29,750 for couples filing jointly and up to \$17,850 for singles.

The 28 percent rate hits the next step of taxable income: between \$29,751 and \$71,900 for couples and between \$17,851 and \$43,150 for singles.

The 33 percent rate hits the next step of income, and the top figure to which

it applies depends on how many personal exemptions you claim. A couple with no children would pay the 33 percent rate on taxable income between \$71,901 and \$149,250; for each additional exemption, the \$149,250 figure would rise by \$10,920. A single taxpayer claiming only one exemption would pay 33 percent on taxable income between \$43,151 and \$89,560.

Once taxable income exceeds the upper limits of those ranges, the additional amount is taxed at 28 percent. Applying the 33 percent rate to a portion of upper-income earnings has the effect of subjecting these taxpayers' entire income to a flat rate of 28 percent.

•**EXEMPTIONS:** For 1987 you were allowed to exempt from taxation \$1,900 for yourself, your spouse and each dependent you claimed. For 1988 earnings, that rises to \$1,950.

•**STANDARD DEDUCTIONS:** Non-itemizers were allowed a standard deduction of \$2,540 (single) or \$3,760 (couples filing jointly) for 1987.

Those 65 or older or blind got more. For 1988 the figures go up to \$3,000 and \$5,000 with additions for elderly or blind.

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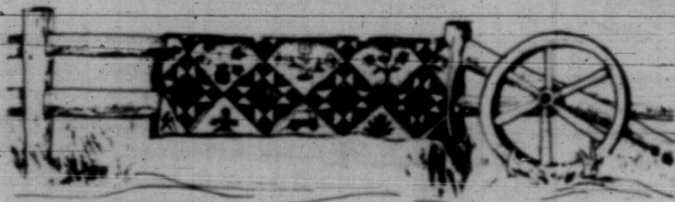
Tax tips for students

The following are tax hints and reminders for tax time 1987.

1. Dependents cannot claim their own exemption if they are claimed on someone else's form.
2. Evaluate the tax forms available. The 1040 allows for itemizing but that might not provide the best exemption possibilities. The standard deduction is no longer built into the tax tables, so claim the standard deduction provided unless more can be gotten from itemizing.
3. If a student does not receive an exemption on the federal form, then he or she does not receive one on the state form.
4. Personal interest is no longer fully deductible and will phased out in five years.
5. Scholarship and fellowship money not used for educational costs (room and board, travel expenses) will be considered part of the student's gross income.
6. No matter how small one's earnings are, all unemployment benefits are now taxable.
7. Foreign students are allowed only one exemption and reduced deductions under the 1040 NR form.
8. Students with children 5 or older cannot claim them as exemptions unless the children have social security numbers.

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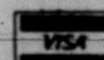
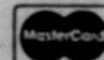
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Last minute tax tips for filing returns

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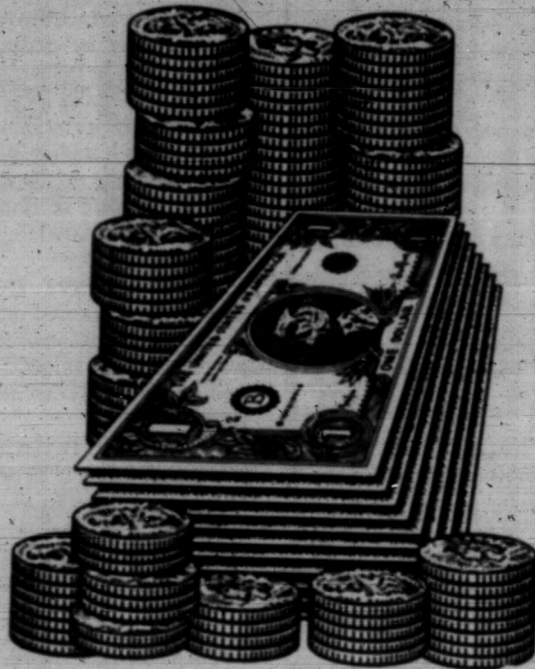
✓ The filing deadline is midnight April 15. If you can't complete your return by then, estimate how much you owe (if anything) and send in your check with a Form 4868, which automatically gives you a 120-day filing extension.

✓ Find a mistake after mailing your return? File an amended return on Form 1040X.

✓ If you file the long Form 1040, you may subtract (on Page 1) from income subject to taxation any penalties you paid for early withdrawal of savings deposits.

✓ If you want to protest what's going in Washington, write your congressman, don't make your case by altering your tax return. At best, it could delay any refund. If you alter the oath above signature or refuse to sign, for example, it could cost you an additional \$500 penalty for filing a frivolous return.

✓ There's a new benefit for the self-employed, a deduction for 25 percent of medical-insurance premiums paid for themselves and their families. The deduction may not exceed self-employment net earnings; there are other limitations.



✓ Those tax-exempt bonds you own are still exempt, but now you must list the interest on Line 7b of 1040A or Line 9 of 1040.

✓ You may round off to the nearest whole dollar figures you enter on your return, so long as you are consistent.

This year the IRS has added a new twist: you have to use exact amounts when making preliminary calculations. For example, be exact when adding up your state and local taxes but you may round off the total.

✓ Keep a copy of your return and records to back it up, at least for three years. Other records should be kept forever, including papers relating to your home. Because of new restrictions, records relating to your Individual Retirement Account are essential.

✓ Want to do your share for the federal deficit? Save a stamp and mail your check, made out to "Bureau of the Public Debt," with your tax return.

Write a separate check to the IRS if you owe any tax. If you are the surviving spouse or personal representative of someone who died in 1987 and who would have been required to file a return, you must

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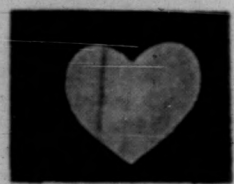
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IRS to be lenient on W-4s

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service, admitting it made a mistake in originally making its new W-4 tax withholding forms too complex, says no taxpayer will be penalized for having too little in taxes withheld from their paychecks this year.

IRS Commissioner Lawrence B. Gibbs cited the confusion over the W-4 forms and a desire to make this year's tax filing go smoothly as key reasons for the decision, which he said would cost the government an estimated \$86-million in penalty payments it otherwise would have collected.

"With so much at stake, public confidence, the credibility of tax reform, a smooth-running filing season, we want to be sure that we have covered all our bases, that significant numbers of taxpayers won't be surprised come tax time," Gibbs said.

The IRS had been under attack over its new W-4 withholding forms, which were required by Congress to implement the new tax law. The new forms were supposed to permit taxpayers to more accurately balance their withholdings with their tax liability.

The initial furor over the W-4 form forced the IRS to issue a shorter, less-complicated W-4A form. The agency said Americans who filed either form with their employers by June 1, 1987, would not be penalized if it turned out they had too little in payroll taxes withheld.

Now the agency has abandoned altogether any effort to collect penalty payments on wage income this year, although Gibbs said penalties still will be assessed for underpaying taxes on other income, such as dividends and interests payments.

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•**CONSUMER INTEREST:** This was 65 percent deductible for 1987. Only 40 percent may be deducted when your 1988 return is filed a year from now.

•**MORTGAGE INTEREST:** Only interest on the principal home and one other home is deductible; the deduction is allowed only on the first \$1 million of debt to acquire or improve the home. There is a \$100,000 limit on deductible home-equity loans.

•**INVESTMENT INTEREST:** The deductible portion of investment interest that exceeds investment income is now a maximum of \$4,000 for joint returns and singles or \$2,000 for couples filing separately.

•**CAPITAL GAINS:** In 1987 the maximum tax on profits from assets owned more than six months was 28 percent. In 1988 the minimum holding period is more than one year and the maximum rate is 33 percent.

•**ESTIMATED TAXES:** You generally must pay in advance, through wage withholding or quarterly payments on non-wage income, 90 percent of your 1988 tax liability. That is up from 80 percent previously.

•**IRA PAYOUTS:** If your age reached 70 in 1987, you face a penalty unless you begin taking distributions from your Individual Retirement Account by April 1, 1988.

•**PASSIVE LOSSES:** Only 40 percent of net losses generated by certain "passive" investments may be deducted, down from 65 percent in 1987.

•**PASSPORTS AND ALIENS:** Any American applying for or renewing a passport or any alien seeking permanent residency must furnish certain information to the IRS, including Social Security number and tax filing history.

•Tips

file on behalf of that person. See page 30 of the Form 1040A instructions or Page 21 of 1040 instructions.

✓ There's a whole new set of rules affecting investors in tax shelters that generate losses. In general terms, a loss from a passive activity (a trade or business in which you do not materially participate) may not be used to avoid taxes on non-passive income, such as wages. You will have to file Form 8582 if you are affected. See IRS Publication 925.

✓ If you take a deduction for alimony you paid, your return must list the Social Security number of the recipient. The recipient's return must show the payer's number. There's a \$50 penalty for failure in either case.

✓ Those little numbers under "1987" in the upper right corner of your tax forms have a purpose. They tell you in what sequence the supplemental forms and schedules should be attached to your 1040 or 1040A.

✓ The IRS urges you to use the preprinted mailing label on your return, after correcting any errors. If you are filing a joint return, make sure the names and Social Security numbers are listed in the same order on the label and the return. (The IRS rejects as an old wives' tale the oft-repeated rumor that the label makes it easier to audit your return.)

✓ Sign your return. Don't forget to stamp the envelope; even a letter to the IRS won't get by the Postal Service's no-stamp, no-delivery regulations.

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Sports

The right choice

Dave Greely

When University of Maine women's basketball coach Peter Gavett announced Wednesday afternoon that he had signed a three-year contract extension, he ended all speculation that he would enter himself as a candidate for the UMaine men's basketball job.

But, in truth, he did much more than that.

In announcing his decision, Gavett said that he might be "disappointing some people," in particular, the same folks who were upset when Gavett left the men's program four and a half years ago to become the head coach of the women's program.

But no matter how many people are disappointed by Gavett's decision, he made the right one for the right reasons.

When men's coach Skip Chappelle announced that he would leave that position, Gavett's name was the first to be mentioned as a likely replacement and with good reason.

Gavett had all the credentials. He had Division I experience as an assistant under Chappelle at UMaine. He was a proven recruiter, building an outstanding women's team made up entirely of in-state talent. And the search committee didn't even have to leave Memorial Gymnasium to find him.

Gavett's record as the coach of the women's team speaks for itself:

1983-84: In his first year as head coach, the Black Bears posted a respectable 16-11 record.

1984-85: The Black Bears were 21-9 and Gavett was named New England Coach of the Year by both the American Women's Sports Federation and American Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

1985-86: The Black Bears improved their record to 22-7.

1986-87: The Black Bears finished the year at 24-4 and Gavett was once again named New England Coach of the Year by both the AWSF and AWBCA.

1987-88: Despite the Black Bears' most competitive schedule ever, UMaine is 19-4, including wins over the University of Miami, San Diego State University and Top 30 University of Nebraska. Gavett also picked up his 100th career win on Feb. 3.

But despite all of that, and despite Gavett's admitted intrigue at the prospect of trying to turn around a men's program that has struggled in recent years, he made the decision to stay put.

And although Gavett's decision may disappoint UMaine men's basketball fans it certainly won't upset any of the women's rabid fans, much less the high school players that he has recruited and the 16 athletes that he coaches. The smiles on the players' faces when he announced his decision to them proved that.

"It's hard to walk away from a job that you thoroughly enjoy," he said.

And that ultimately made his decision an easy one.

Dave Greely is a journalism major from Scarborough, Maine.

Gavett accepts three-year women's coaching contract

by John Holyoke
Staff Writer

University of Maine women's basketball coach Peter Gavett put rumors concerning his coaching future to rest Wednesday when he announced that he has accepted a three-year extension of his current contract.

Gavett had been mentioned as a possible successor to UMaine men's coach Skip Chappelle, who has announced his resignation effective at the end of the season.

But the Bear women's boss put that, and other rumors, to rest in an afternoon press conference.

"I've enjoyed myself too much for the past four and a half years to just turn and walk away," Gavett said. "Speculation has prompted me to

finally make a decision so that we can get on with our season.

"I've got a gut feeling the thing I should do is just stay put."

In addition to rumors about Gavett's possible future as the UMaine

men's coach, a recent report had suggested that he may have been a candidate for a soon-to-be-announced New England coaching vacancy.

While Gavett expressed his hap-

piness with his current position, team members were also pleased to hear of his decision.

"It's a relief," said sophomore guard Cathy Iaconeta. "I'm not one for change, so I think it's great."

"I've enjoyed myself too much for the past four and a half years to just turn and walk away."

Peter Gavett

UMaine women's basketball coach

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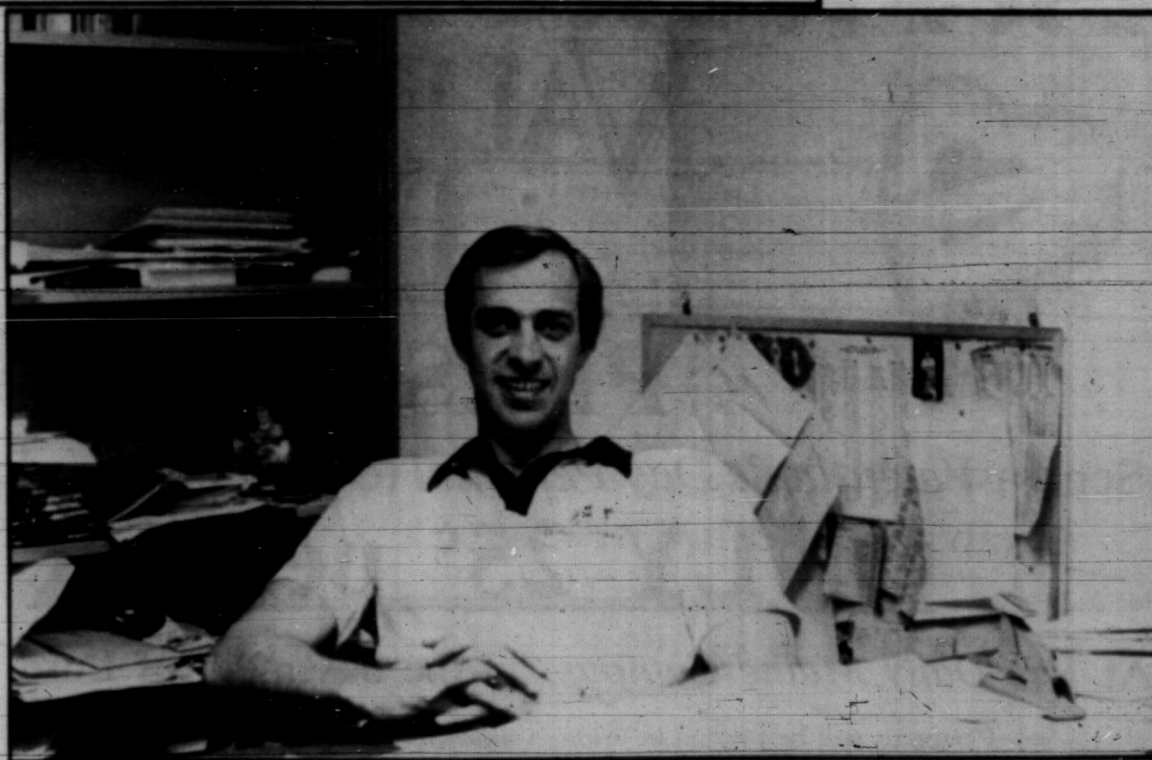
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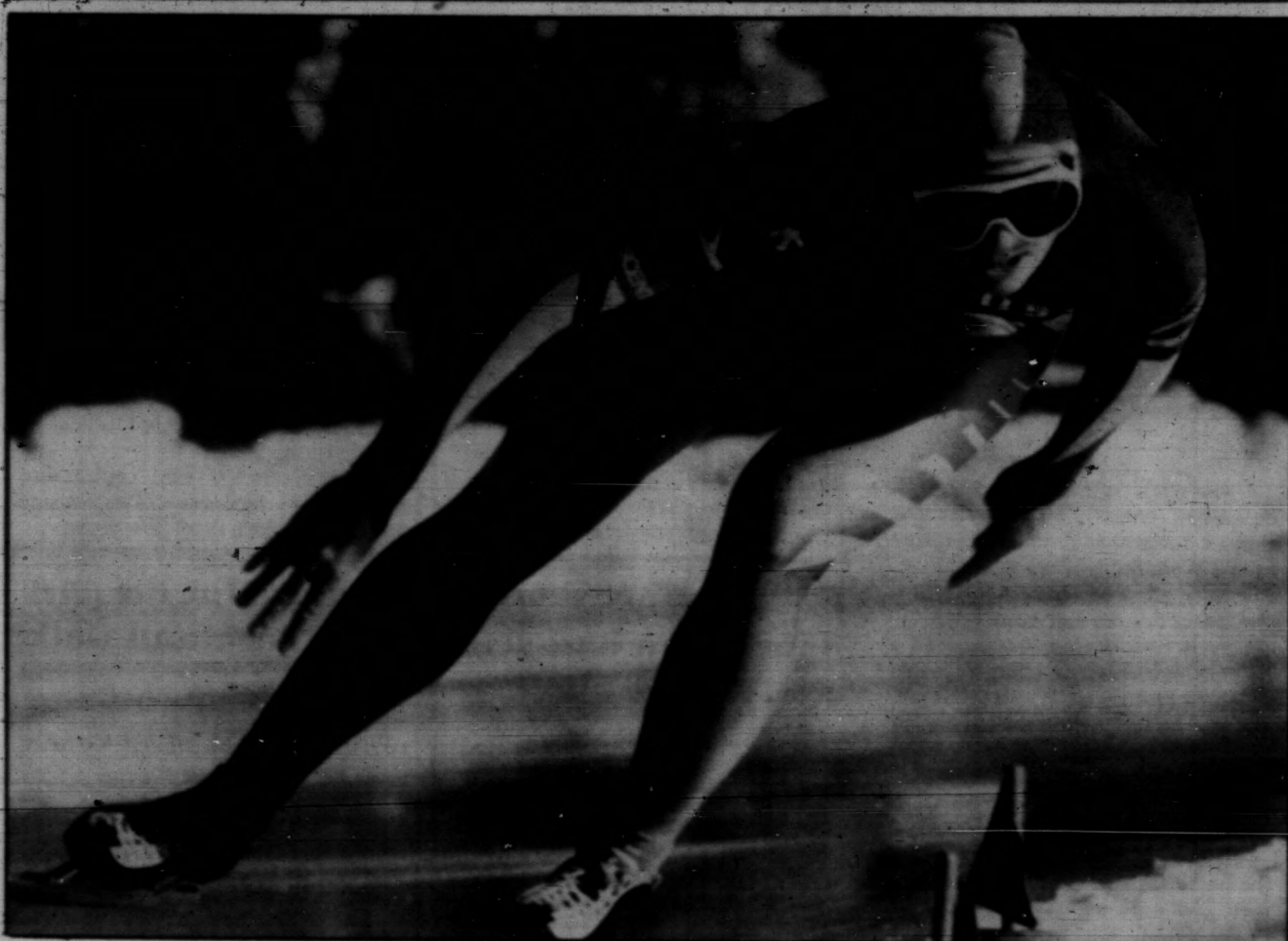
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UMaine women's basketball coach Peter Gavett ended speculation of his candidacy as coach of the men's basket-

ball team when he signed a three-year contract to coach the women's team.

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U.S. speedskater Bonnie Blair, shown earlier this month in action in Davos, Switzerland, has a shot at medals in the

500, 1,000 and 1,500 meters in next month's Winter Olympics in Calgary.

photo by the Associated Press

Olympic skaters' intensity shown on Canadian coin

In speed skating at the 1976 Olympics, Sheila Young Ochowicz became the first American to win three medals in the history of the Winter Games: A gold in the 500-meter sprint, a silver in the 1,500-meter and a bronze in the 1,000 meter event.

The intensity that Ochowicz and other speed skating medalists exhibited during their competitions, with muscles tensed and faces etched with concentration, is depicted on a special coin released by the Royal Canadian Mint as part of its 10-coin Olympic series.

The silver coin captures the essence of strength and excitement created whenever athletes push themselves to the very limit in the pursuit of excellence. As well as being exciting, each design is totally authentic.

All designs were reviewed by the appropriate sports governing bodies to ensure such authenticity.

Speed skating has been an integral part of the Winter Olympics since they began in Chamonix, France, in 1924. The speed skating hero that year was Clas Thunberg of Finland, who won two gold, one silver and one bronze medal in four events.

Other athletes such as Eric Heiden of the United States; the great Dutchman, Ard Schenk; and the Canadian, Gaetan Boucher, have all distinguished themselves in world competition.

Ochowicz says she is pleased that her sport is being depicted on an Olympic coin.

"As a sport, speed skating is really still quite unknown, and having a coin like this distributed all over the world will certainly be a good way to let more people know about speed skating," Ochowicz said.

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After a disappointing showing in Sarajevo, ABC is primed for a winning performance at the Winter Olympics in Calgary. Four of ABC's Olympic commentators pose with the Calgary skyline in the background. From left: Jim McKay, Frank Gifford, Keith Jackson and Al Michaels.

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Downhill racers gear up for Winter Olympics

CALGARY, Alberta (AP) — Downhill racers and temperatures warmed up Wednesday for the 1988 Winter Olympics, which are just three days away. It might take longer than that for the downhillers to warm up to their new course.

After his training run Wednesday, Peter Mueller of Switzerland, who won a downhill here last winter before the first 200 yards of the course were changed, called it more like a giant slalom.

Even Canadian Rob Boyd, a local favorite, criticized the course. He said

— but temperatures already had risen to the 20s in the mountains.

And the Chinook, an Indian word meaning snow eater, was headed east toward Calgary, where temperatures reached 5 degrees by midafternoon and were expected to each freezing and stay there until Saturday's opening ceremonies.

Zurbriggen, the overall World Cup leader, obviously was serious about his quest for a first Olympic medal, turning in a training time of 2 minutes, 264 seconds over the 3,441-yard course,

"The top is too difficult. It's bumpy and technical. It's very difficult at the top, but I enjoyed it. It's a good course."

Pirmin Zurbriggen

designer Bernhard Russi, a former Swiss downhill champion, redesigned the top to make it more twisting, "probably because he doesn't have to run it."

Pirmin Zurbriggen, the top downhill in the world and a two-time World Cup champion, was about the only racer who liked the course. He had the fastest training run of the day, confirming his status as the favorite when the men's downhill is run Sunday.

The first day of training was conducted in comfortable temperatures in the mid-20s. A warm Chinook wind, a meteorological quirk of these parts, had been building up for a day, and when it came roaring over the Rockies from the west, it warmed temperatures by as much as 20 degrees overnight.

By midmorning, it was still about 10 below in town — the hoarfrost drifting in the air like twinkling shards of glass

which drops 955 yards down the face of Mount Allan.

The first 200 yards of the course were added for the Games, and this was the first time they had been raced over.

"The top is very difficult," Zurbriggen said. "It's bumpy and technical. ... It's very difficult at the top, but I enjoyed it. It's a good course."

Such a technical course would fit Zurbriggen's style. It would not fit the style of a bigger, stronger skier like Mueller, who was fifth in 2:04.23.

"The top I like, but it is too slow," he said. "The gates are too much out of the course. It is like a giant slalom. I prefer a true downhill."

Mueller said the course seemed slower this year than last, partly because of the new top section and partly because of the new snow that had fallen in the past few days.



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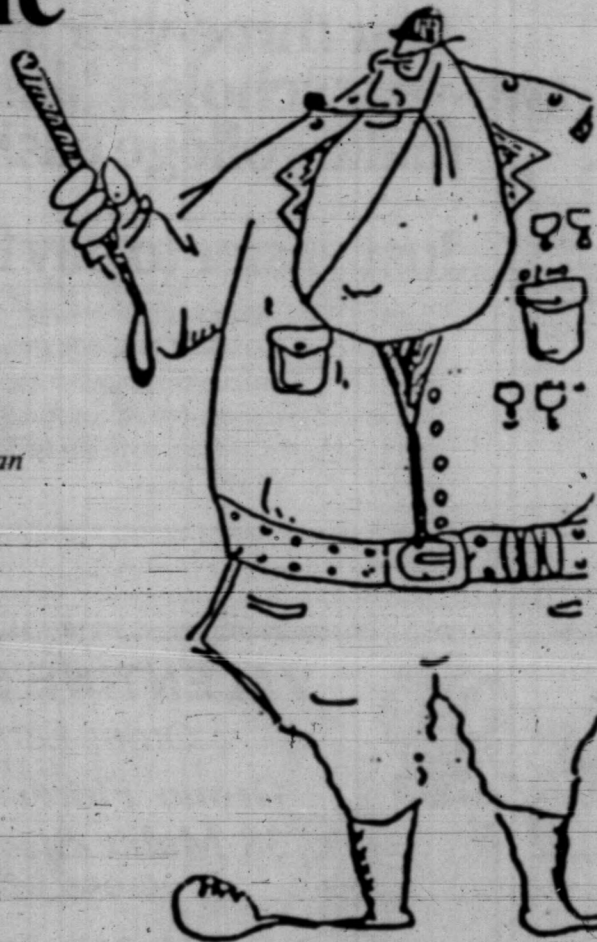
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