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Rich Hansen, representative of the GSB, listens to discussion on the elimination of the board's vice presidential position. This motion passed. [photo by Donna Sotomayor]

GSB vice president job cut by cabinet

by Stephen Betts
Staff writer

The student government cabinet voted 11-0 with one abstention to fund the Graduate Student Board \$5,110 for the fall semester of 1980 to bring the total proposed budget for the 1980-81 school year over the \$200,000 mark.

The funding fell short of the GSB request by \$150 which consisted of its budgeted salaries. The cuts, if approved by the senate, will eliminate the position of vice president for the graduate board and set the president's salary at \$200 per semester, \$50 less than was formally requested.

Rich Hansen, the graduate board representative to the cabinet, did not argue against the salary cuts. "I can think of better things the GSB or student government could spend \$100 for than for a vice presidential salary," Hansen said.

Student Government President, David Spellman, said the GSB's request was only for one semester because the GSB is still considering seceding from student government. "I attended a meeting with the

GSB and there was a certain sentiment for the GSB to secede and then maybe come back next year," Spellmans said. "After we talked, they decided to put everything off until next year."

"It's like a ping-pong effect, they give us a proposal and we tell them it stinks," Spellman said. "I would recommend setting up a conference committee between them and the cabinet and try to find some common ground to meet on."

The proposed budget for the next academic year now stands at \$200,769.05. Spellman said he had hoped the budget could have been set at the \$200,000 or lower, but believed the figure was a good one.

The cabinet also tabled a proposal by Student Senator Carl Pease, that would send a referendum to the student body on funding priorities for student government. The proposal in its original form would have the students choose between eight groups on preference for funding. The groups are academic honor societies, nonacademic societies, sports, fraternal and sorority, service, community outreach, social, and student government.

Pousette-Dart ticket sale sparks wide controversy

by Stephen Betts
Staff writer

The 2800 tickets were gone in four hours; the controversy over their sale continues.

Criticisms ranging from inconsistent sales practices to charges of false advertising were levied at the sale of tickets for the Pousette-Dart concert.

The chairman of the Student Government Concert Committee, Daniel Mathieu, defended his organization's handling of the situation as "fair."

Ticket sales for the Pousette-Dart/Bill Chinnock concert, sponsored by SEA, began Monday morning at 8. By noon the same day all tickets were sold, with \$2,500 taken in from the sales.

Criticisms of the sale centered on the fact that some students were allowed to purchase one ticket with each student identification card at the price of one cent per ticket, while other students were required to pay a \$1 donation for each additional ticket they wished to purchase. Posters displayed for the concert, sponsored by SEA, publicized the price of the tickets at one cent for each student ID, and said a \$1 donation would be accepted to benefit the proposed elevator in the Memorial Union. Yet Mathieu admitted the policy was changed. "A number of students were not making the donations,"

Mathieu said. "Towards the end I was getting mad. If they didn't have a dollar for additional tickets, I would sell the tickets to someone who did."

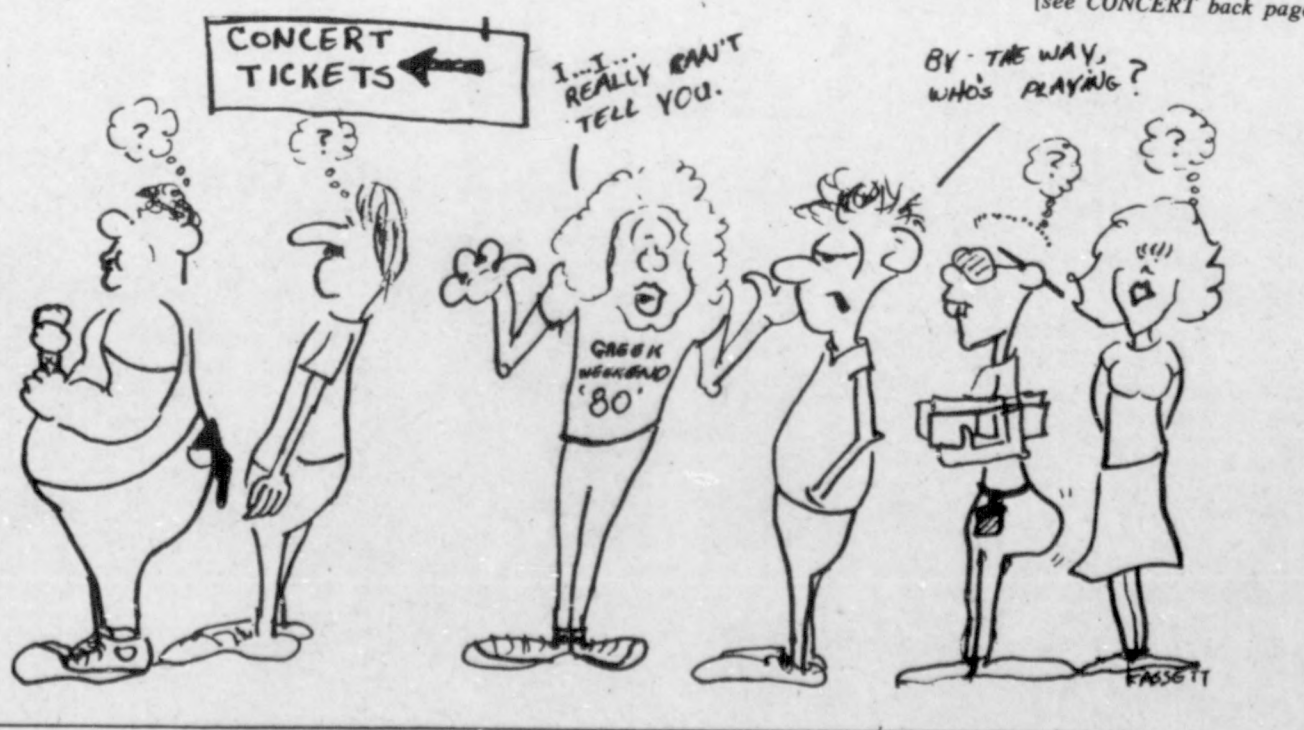
Mathieu said if a student promised to return later with a dollar SEA would hold their ID card and reserve them a ticket.

"We did this with a number of students. We tried to be as fair as possible," Mathieu said.

Sherry Allen, a Hancock Hall resident, was one student denied tickets for not paying one dollar per ticket. "There were three tickets left when I got

to the front of the line and the ticket seller refused to sell me two tickets, even though I offered him about 30 cents in change that I had," Allen said.

Allen said the seller then handed those tickets to another salesperson, who sold the three remaining tickets to a student [see CONCERT back page]



Stewart Complex hosting Olympics

by Melissa Gay
Staff writer

Imagine an Olympic competition with teams from Rush-a, the Animal Kingdom, Skyran, and the Bad Lands.

Such an Olympics exists in Stewart Complex. Events started Monday, and all competition will come to a close on Saturday.

The Olympics is an annual event in Stewart, but the season involved depends on Mother Nature. The games were originally planned for winter but lack of snow the past two years has created the Spring Olympics.

"Teams for the Olympics are chosen at random in the complex," said Cindy Gushee, overall chairman of the Olympics.

"Male and female sections from Gannett, Cumberland, and Androscoggin Halls are paired up. They they decide on a country and a theme song."

Countries, theme songs, and flags are created before the opening ceremonies, and each country gets to hear their anthem and wave their flag.

Some of the entrants this year are: Panama, theme song Panama Red, and a pot plant on their flag; Fantasia, "Sometimes a Fantasy"-theme song, and a Playboy bunny waving on the flag; Pergatory, theme song "Raise a Little Hell" has a devil and a flame on their flag; and the Downeasters, theme song "Rock Lobster" and a "Try our clam platter" as their flag.

There are several events in this year's competition. Ultimate frisbee and softball are being played during this week with finals of both events on Saturday.

The rain this week hasn't helped the condition of the playing field, but it hasn't dampened spirits.



Residents of Stewart Complex gather on the quadrangle for a game of softball. This competition makes up only part of the events scheduled for the spring olympics this week. [photo by Donna Sotomayor]

"Playing frisbee in the mud was great, especially the mud fight afterwards," said Lisa Routhier, a contestant from the Animal Kingdom.

"We're playing softball today and looking at the field makes me think it's going to be a wild game," added Routhier.

Other team events on the schedule for Saturday are the obstacle course, frisbee throw for distance, softball throw, team pyramid building, egg throw, sac race, three legged race, wheelbarrow race, tug of war, and dodge ball.

There is also an added bit of fun on Saturday-pie contracts. For 50 cents, someone can have a friend or an enemy smashed in the face with a plate of whipped cream. This distraction will be going on at the same time the events are and has proved to be a big money raiser in Stewart Complex.

A point system is used in determining the winner of the Olympics. Points are awarded for each event as follows: ten points for first, seven for second, five for third, and three points for fourth place.

The order of finish for the twelve teams will be announced at the closing ceremonies Saturday night. Gold, silver, and bronze medals will also be awarded to the first three places in each event. The winning team will receive a \$40 gift certificate.

"The main purpose behind these Olympics is to get people to know each other," said Gushee. "It helps people to meet others in different sections of the complex."

Trustees respond to 'pay-by-credit'

by Gail Clough
Staff writer

Tuition fees determined by credit hours "might prove to be equitable in the future," according to University of Maine Trustee Bernard Carpenter. However, the problem can't be worked out easily and quickly, he added.

Carpenter and two other trustees commented yesterday on suggestions concerning tuition made to them at Tuesday's Board of Trustees meeting in Bangor.

The board's chairman, Francis Brown, said there is a "definite inequity" with present tuition rates. Students carrying 12 or more credit hours are now paying either \$30 per credit hour (the part-time billing rate) or the full-time fee, whichever is less.

Brown said it is difficult to make any drastic change in the tuition rate in a short time. Trustees would have to research all possibilities thoroughly before making any decisions, he said.

Carpenter agreed with Brown, saying it is too premature to take any action to change the basis for tuition fees.

University of Maine at Augusta's student government president, Dana Murch, said the university is making itself liable to a class action suit with its present tuition rates. But Carpenter said it is "highly unlikely" that a lawsuit will actually be brought against the university.

In reaction to Murch's comment, Brown said, "We have the legal right and discretion to set tuition as we see fit."

Another trustee, Susan Kominsky, didn't respond to Murch's comment. However, she said she feels the per credit hour tuition proposal "makes sense."

"It's important to treat everyone equally," she said.

Brown said comments from students at the meeting were responsible and helpful

to the trustees. "No comments were made in an angry manner," he said. Students are conscious of the hard decision that [see TRUSTEES back page]

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Oil companies report large quarterly profits

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Other major oil companies also announced giant quarterly profit increases today: number 12, Occidental, is up more than 236 percent and number eight, Shell, is up by more than 66 percent.

Pennsylvania election ends in narrow victory

With 99 percent of the precincts counted in Tuesday's Democratic primary in Pennsylvania, Edward Kennedy's lead over President Carter was about 6,000 votes, out of about 1.4 million cast. The uncounted districts were mostly in Philadelphia and adjacent Delaware County, where Kennedy has been strongest. The totals keep the delegate count at 94 for Kennedy, 91 for Carter.

It appears the struggling Republican presidential campaign of George Bush will keep chugging along. Bush did what he had to do in Pennsylvania to keep his hopes alive, as he beat front-runner Ronald Reagan by nine percentage points. The outcome of the separate delegate selection is not clear, but the Reagan people claim they won. Reagan won Vermont's Republican caucuses by a wide margin.

Reagan and Bush debated in Houston last night. John Anderson withdrew from the debate amid speculation he's about to try an Independent run for the White House. The Texas primary is May 3.

Lending rate reduced by Chase Manhattan

NEW YORK--Chase Manhattan has become the first major bank to reduce its prime lending rate to 19 percent. It's the third time in a week that Chase has cut the base rate it charges its best commercial customers.

Chase, the third largest U.S. bank, began the first prime rate reduction by a major bank this year. The prime hit a peak of 20 percent in early April, and one week ago Chase lowered its prime to 19 and three quarters percent. It reduced the prime another one quarter point last Friday to 19 and a half.

Chase had no immediate comment on its move, but analysts have been predicting cuts in the prime because the interest rates that banks pay to borrow money have been coming down.

Navy awards contract to Bath Iron Works

BATH, MAINE--A 16 million dollar Navy contract to modify a guided missile frigate was awarded today to

Bath Iron Works.

In its announcement, the Bath shipyard said the contract will allow the testing of an advanced helicopter anti-submarine warfare system.

The work is being done on the USS McInerney which returned to Bath last Friday following a training deployment with the fleet.

The new helicopter system, known as "Lamps-Three", is scheduled to be installed on all frigates of the class once it's approved in sea tests early next year.

BIW President John Sullivan Jr. said the modifications will begin tomorrow and should be completed by December 2.

State employees ratify newest contract offer

AUGUSTA--The Maine State Employees Association announced yesterday that its five bargaining units have ratified the latest contract offer from the state.

The new contract includes across the board salary and wage hikes of seven percent or 14 dollars a week, whichever is higher. It also includes increases in mileage allowance, improved health coverage and extra pay for employees on night shifts.

MSEA President Albert Willis said the contract, which takes effect July 1st, covers state workers represented by the association.

Willis says the contract was sent to members without a recommendation from the MSEA's bargaining team. He says the contract doesn't address some major problems that could have been resolved, but that MSEA members agreed to the package.

Olympic president asks to meet world leaders

LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND--International Olympic Committee President Lord Killanin offered yesterday to visit both President Carter and Soviet President Brezhnev in a bid to save the Moscow Summer Olympics.

As most western European countries appeared set to follow Carter's call for a boycott, the executive board of the IOC ended three days of talks in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Killanin said he received messages from both Carter and Brezhnev regarding the Olympic controversy. He said "Having received these communications, I think I am entitled to offer to visit both of them." Carter's call for a boycott followed the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan late last year.

Killanin said of his offer to meet the world leaders: "I cannot make peace, but I don't think I could make things any worse." When asked if he had any positive ideas of what he might say to the two leaders, Killanin said, "Yes," but refused to discuss them.



Every day for the next three weeks the Campus will be running news items of a hundred years ago. These are excerpted from old magazines and will hopefully be thought provoking.

Opium cigarettes

For the year ending June 30, 1880, there were 567,386,982 cigarettes used in the United States, upon which a revenue was levied of a little less than one million of dollars. America is today the great cigarette smoking nation of the world. Of course there are millions of cigarettes used which pay no duty. This is the most objectionable of all forms of tobacco smoking. The paper is itself bad for the mouth, and the nicotine acts directly and with poisonous effect upon the teeth and tongue. Cigarettes are made from the refuse of the tobacco plant, from old stumps and waste; and the most popular brands are doctored with opium. Were it not for the apparently harmless cigarette hundreds of thousands of our boys would never learn to smoke.

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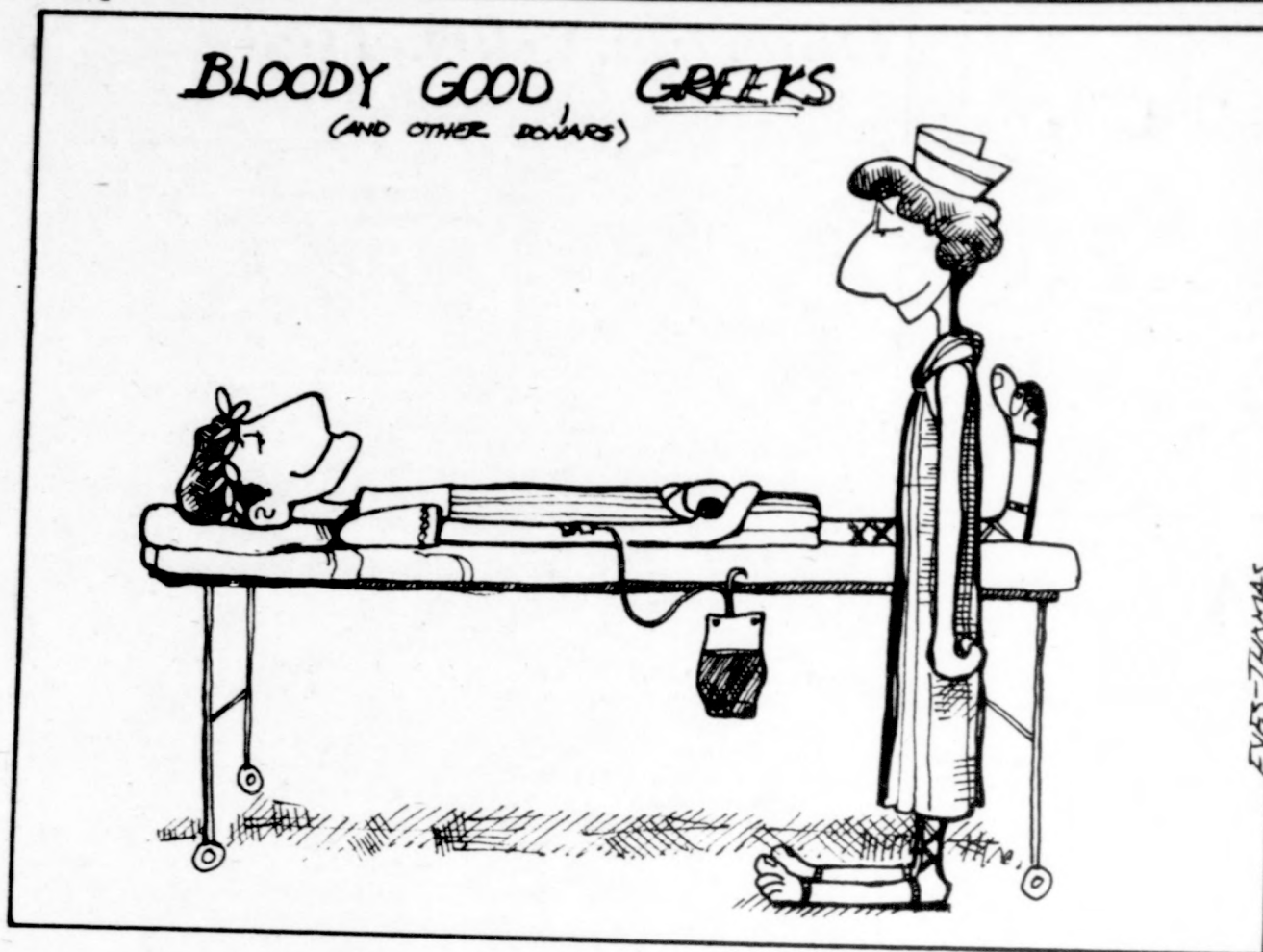
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From the heart

I've been giving blood for about four years now.

So when the Greek Blood Drive was held on Tuesday evening, it wasn't too hard for me to trot down to the gym, roll up my sleeve and drop off a pint.

That's not amazing. What is amazing is that 413 other people did the same thing.

Last year, the Greeks set a New England record by donating 425 pints in one sitting or should I say lying down. This year, staging the donation again, they were aiming to break their own record.

And it was kind of bizarre to see a little bit of a letdown feeling in some workers when they realized they weren't going to break the record.

Any Red Cross worker will tell you that collecting blood, especially as the summertime approaches, is a chore akin to pulling hen's teeth. The donating market dries up and the bloodline always

comes to the critical stage of almost stopping.

The primary reason for this is that students are no longer in school and they stop donating. Don Dudley, a Red Cross representative, said students constitute about one-half of the state's donors.

That's us, folks. We've got something to be proud of and it's no small task.

All year long, students take the time on this campus to visit the bloodmobile. It's the one commodity money can't buy—a product of the heart.

Everyone who gives deserves a special thanks.

But the Greeks are worthy of a special nod today. This is their Greek Weekend coming up and they have chosen to start it out for the last two years with something from which everyone can benefit.

Your hearts are in the right place.

S.M.

One sided

Sometime in May, the Board of Trustees will decide whether students will be paying \$150 or \$190 next spring.

There's only one problem here in America, this land of choice that it is, students won't be around in May.

It's too bad, because an increase, which is inevitable, should be something students and administration can kick around together to come up with the best idea. Students don't mind having new ideas tried out on them as long as they get some input on them.

Take McCarthy's calendar change proposal. Not exactly the best idea in the

world, but it was an attempt to do something about the university's problems.

Students, through the grapevine and surveys, let him and anyone else that would listen, know the idea should be canned. And it was.

Now, the administration is proposing an increase in room and board charges and tuition. There is a choice of two plans in the matter, but there won't be two sets of opinions represented. That's not good.

Better ideas come from an exchange of thought.

S.M.

Letters for the circular file Carl E. Pease

I have a hard time understanding what makes people tick.

For example, let's take student government. On the top floor of the Memorial Union there exists what is, for all practical purposes, a small, highly intertwined community, consisting of the Student Government Office, Student Legal Services, Student Entertainment and Activities, Student Community and Services Board, Inter-Dorm Board, Off-Campus Board, General Student Senate office and *The New Edition*. We fight, we bicker, we play little political games, yet throughout it all, despite all the differences each of us thinks that we are trying to do what is best for the students. Despite the recent controversy surrounding the paying of student government salaries, very few of us get paid, and those of us that do get paid get paid no-where near what we would get paid for a comparable job in the outside world.

We spend time and energy which could be better spent making sure that we graduated with respectable GPAs and we get a lot more flack from misinformed people than anyone deserves.

Yet every year there we are. Not the same people every year, but the same kind of people. We run the gamut of the political spectrum from Marxists and anarchists on the left to Reagan supporters on the right, with a few 'Granola' types thrown in for good measure. We argue

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constantly over what the purpose of Student Government is. Is it to bring services to the students or to advocate student concerns to the administration, the faculty and the state? Should we try to educate the students or entertain them?

Yet despite all this bickering, and all the differences, we seem to have two things in common.

One is that we all enjoy playing-the-game. None of us would stay with the job if we did not, in the final analysis, enjoy what we were doing. The other is that we are all there out of a deep concern for the students and their interests. Out of a sense of public duty, if you will.

Take that with a grain of salt if you must. But in the eight years I have been involved in, or observed, student government; of the literally hundreds of students I have seen occupying various positions, I have seen only an even dozen who I would call self-serving, or resume decorators. So before anyone takes another pot-shot at student government, or writes another letter to the editor, or points out another problem with student government (of which we have many), I want you to ask yourself a question. That question is, "Am I willing to spend the time to correct that problem?"

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Reconsider MPAC

To the Editor:

I am disappointed in the cabinet's decision to cut Maine Peace Action Committee completely out of the 1980-81 budget. I feel that the decision should be reconsidered because of the valuable services MPAC provides to the community and because of the importance of freedom of speech in our society.

MPAC serves a vital educational function to the campus and community. Throughout the year, MPAC has sponsored speakers, movies and plays and has published their newsletter. The group has dealt with a wide variety of issues including the draft, the arms race, world hunger, the Middle East, and nuclear power. Most of their programs have been well attended. In addition, MPAC has never relied solely on funds from student government. It has always been willing to raise some money on its own through bake sales and charging ad-

mission at programs. MPAC is a very positive asset to this university.

While it is often true that MPAC represents only one point of view, it is extremely important to recognize the value of its right to speak. MPAC provides information and a viewpoint which is not available anywhere else in the Bangor area. Through hearing the opinions of MPAC and of other groups or individuals, people may sort through the information and choose what they believe in. If MPAC's right to speak is taken away, people's awareness of the issues ability to decide will be restricted. Freedom of speech is fundamental to our society and to our lives. I strongly urge the General Student Senate to pass the amendment which will include MPAC in the budget.

Sincerely,
Kathy Flynn
218 Penobscot Hall

Overturn

To the Editor:

I am concerned about the Student Government Cabinet's denial of funds to the group that among other things co-sponsored Barry Commoner's lecture at this campus, and just recently showed the Vietnam War documentary, *Hearts and Minds*. This group is the Maine Peace Action Committee, generally known as MPAC. It is made up of people with divergent backgrounds and interests all united in promoting world peace, through a variety of films, speakers, and a newsletter. This group has made me more aware of the social and economic dilemmas facing our country today.

Living in the relative isolation of a college campus, it is imperative to have an organization like MPAC around to help us become more aware of our obligations to society at large. MPAC is an organization worthy of support, and I sincerely hope that the General Student Senate will hasten to overturn the cabinet's unwise decision.

Peter S. Brown
234 Hancock Hall

Ma's say so

To the Editor:

I just got back from the financial aid office in Wingate Hall. I asked someone there why I had to have my parents sign the financial aid form when they have not contributed to my support since August of 1975. The answer I received was that in order to comply with government regulations, students under the age of 25 must have the form verified by their parents.

For nearly 20 years Mom and Dad fed, clothed, and sheltered me. But for the last four-and-a-half, including three with the military, I paid my own way. As it stands now, they still have five other children at home and they probably couldn't support me even if they wanted to.

There is something wrong with government or even administration policy when a person is deemed old enough to patrol the Czech border without a note from his mommy, but not old enough to fill out a form from the University of Maine.

Sincerely,
Stephen T. Woodworth
412 Hannibal Hamlin

Objection to ticket sales

To the Editor:

Regarding the sellout of the concert tickets for Saturday night, I would like to state a few objections to the way tickets were, to my appearance, handed out. First, why were tickets (20, I heard) given to Greek organizations? Just because it's Greek Weekend? I don't recall them receiving tickets to the New Riders concert on Greek Weekend a couple years back.

Second, who thought up the crazy system of ticket selling for this concert? I would have thought that if you sold 2800 tickets at a maximum of one person per ticket, for \$.01 with a \$1.00 donation to the Elevator Fund, you would have taken in at least \$2828, and more if you sold even a single ticket for \$.50. I want to know how much you *actually* collected!

The trouble is that a "donation" cannot apparently be considered mandatory. I've heard some pretty wild things today and while I am not asserting that they are true, I would like to, in fact, demand that I learn why this system was instituted and to whose benefit. Is it true that one S.E.A. ticket seller/member did really buy 100 tickets for one cent apiece, without making a corresponding \$100 donation? Who is responsible for the wording of the advertisement for the concert? Were the loopholes instituted innocently or purposefully? Why, if you had even the slightest hope of limiting sales of one ticket per ID, didn't you use the computer list check-off method that we use for student government elections? I saw several students buying up to 20 tickets per stop (granted, they had up to 20 ID's).

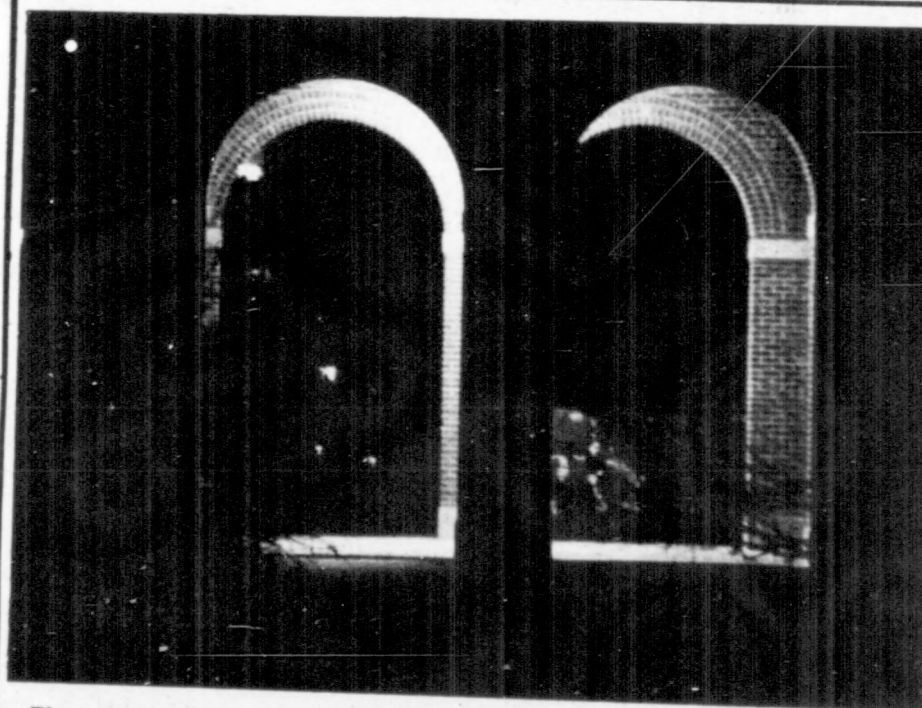
but with a little spit and a rub, they were right back in line again. (One girl told me she used a Brillo pad.) The ticket seller paid lip service only to their ticket selling policy. At least they might have punched holes in the ID's, rather than mark the plastic cards with easily removable ink.

My activity fee paid for part of this concert. How much did the Greeks toss in for their benefit. (And yes, I'm talking dollars, not hours?) As a result of the ticket selling M.O., I saw 2800 tickets go to considerably less than 2800 customers and it all happened in less than three hours! I heard a student argue that a vigilante group should form to expose or assault ticket scalpers.

I was under the impression that there was expected to be in the neighborhood of \$3000 collected from the proceeds of this concert to constitute fully half of the Elevator Fund portion to be donated by the students. What I saw today and heard second and third-hand was instead shameful.

I made my donation with the best of intentions, while students all around me with ink on their fingers (from their ID's) were objecting over having to make any donation past \$1.00 for countless tickets. Some offered that for one cent a ticket the concert might as well be free and outdoors. Something went sour between student's hearts and their wallets. How much has now in truth been added to the Elevator Fund? Would more have been raised by simply donating the money directly from the activity fee somehow?

Can't we buy the tickets back and do it over right?
Name Withheld



The arches connecting North Stevens and Stevens Hall is illuminated by a porch light.
(photo by Donna Sotomayor)



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Lack of professionalism

To the Editor:

My story on the rock band Tantalus, that was published in *The Maine Campus* April 11 as part of a music section, was poorly edited and laid out. When I submitted it to the *Campus* I trusted the staff to preserve its original form as much as possible. Due to space problems, you cut the story from a full page to little over one half page by hacking up the typed copy without asking me what details I felt were essential to MY story.

As the story stands, locked in print, it doesn't flow; it contains

a quote without attribution; and it contains a paragraph that should have gone in a different story on the opposite page. It does not project the band or my writing in a just light. Haste is a necessary evil of the newspaper business, but in this case, the quality of the work suffered too much from a lack of attention and professionalism. I hope you and other people are aware of how bad you can make writers, subjects, and the paper in general look. Proofreading doesn't take too long.

Sincerely disappointed,
Patti Lanigan

Undercutting education

To the Editor:

I am dismayed by the recent refusal of the student government cabinet to fund the Maine Peace Action Committee.

I became a member of MPAC when I came to UMO last September. In the previous ten years I'd been involved with other groups working for peace and social justice in Connecticut, New York, and California; MPAC has been perhaps the most active and effective of all these groups.

To refuse to fund MPAC on the grounds that it is too "political" or controversial is to miss the point. MPAC has been effective precisely because it is controversial. To UMO it has brought a viewpoint that is not available from other groups or publications on the campus. It has sponsored films, speakers, and other events that have argued for a course of action very different from what is usually heard, one that promotes peace instead of war, justice instead of injustice, friendship instead of hatred.

It may be controversial to speak of disarmament instead of thinking of nuclear war with the Soviet Union. It may be controversial to oppose the draft instead of demanding a renewal of registration. It may be controversial to condemn J.P. Stevens instead of supporting its illegal labor practices. But these are all major issues of our times, and in these areas MPAC has taken unpopular positions. Its members care too much about the threat of

nuclear war, the perils of the draft, and tragedy of world hunger to take noncontroversial positions, or even worse, to be silent.

If the student senate refuses to restore MPAC's funding, a significant voice for social change will have been stifled. MPAC will still be active, but without funds it will not nearly be as effective. Students at UMO will have more difficulty finding out about alternatives to the draft or the arms race, for example.

I am old-fashioned enough to believe that a major goal of a college education should be to learn a variety of viewpoints in the social sciences, humanities, and natural and physical sciences, and on the basis of these opposing perspectives to reach one's own conclusions regarding the important questions facing humanity. This process lies at the heart of a liberal arts education, both inside and outside the classroom.

MPAC has provided for several years an alternative viewpoint on many social and political issues. To refuse to fund it will undercut the goal of a liberal arts education. A university should be a setting for the learning of diverse ways of approaching the world around us, and not an environment where the politically unpopular are impeded from airing their views.

Sincerely,
Steve Barkan
Assistant Professor

Be active in the 80s

To the Editor:

Last Saturday, one of my childhood inspirations died. By a two to one voting margin, the IOC "representatives" supported the Summer Olympic boycott. They sold the athletes out to a desperate president needing a strong image in an election year and a majority public opinion reeking with malaise. The U.S. supporters of the boycott have bludgeoned the olympic spirit unrecognizable and the Olympic movement as we have known it is dead.

I am sickened, again. Vietnam unveiled to me the horrors U.S. politicians would order to preserve "freedom and democracy" while I attended grade school. In high school I learned that conspiring against U.S. citizens with government justice and intelligence agencies is a high crime

unless you're a president and can retire into luxury and write books. These days, I learn that presidents can let the shah into the country after receiving multi-page Iranian embassy staff reports spelling out the results of this. I learn Afghanistan is "the greatest threat to peace since WWII," that stopping Olympic competitions will prevent future Afghanists, and that I am unpatriotic to think otherwise. Tell me, how is the Moscow branch of the Chase Manhattan Bank doing these days?

The lights our government has left to put out are few. We can retire those that have died. Become active in the 80s!

Sincerely,
Harold Burbank
Stillwater, Maine

Concern

To the Editor:

We are concerned about the recent decision made by the cabinet of the student government to stop funding the Maine Peace Action Committee.

This group, instead of presenting information, readily available in periodicals, is providing the UMO community with alternative viewpoints not readily available elsewhere.

When the draft recently became an issue, the Women's Center searched for material pertaining to women and the draft. The only updated information was available from the MPAC.

This group has consistently made good use of their funds. The Women's Center has co-sponsored many events with them in the past, on topics concerning women that other groups were not interested in contributing to. Irene Johnson spoke on women and multinationals; we brought a film on the position of secretaries, and we also contributed to "Marx on her Mind," the play put on here by the Little Flagg Theatre Group.

All we ask is that the funding of this group be seriously reconsidered by the senate.

MPAC has helped people to really THINK about controversial issues. Isn't that what a university education is all about?

Teresa Bridges
UMO Women's Center

Cultural

To the Editor:

As a member of the local UMO Greek community, I am concerned with the attitudes of the administration and the student government toward radio station WMEB.

The station has provided its listeners with a variety of cultural and newsworthy programs which have educated, informed and entertained many in this area.

Unfortunately it seems the administration does not support the efforts of the student station and without cooperation on both parts, the past successes of the station are meaningless.

WMEB has provided a program titled the "Hellenic Voice" for the UMO greek community in the listening area. It has gained national attention and received numerous compliments from prominent Greek-Americans.

I am very proud of radio station WMEB and thankful for the opportunity to have a program such as the "Hellenic Voice" to promote the culture and heritage of Greece.

I feel that the Greek community in this area stands behind the efforts of WMEB and hope the administration will face the fact that WMEB is very special.

Steve Kouzounas
207 Somerset Hall

MPAC needs help to remain a 'viable' group

To the Editor:

For those of you who are not familiar with the Maine Peace Action Committee (MPAC), maybe I can refresh your memory. For many students our name is not familiar but our programs and presentations are. For a comprehensive list of activities you can check the last pages of our most recent newsletter.

We are also complimented by David Spellman, president of student government, presenting our itemized annual budget. He even mentioned that ours was one of the best that had come up so far. He also apologized for making us wait four hours (6:30-11:30 p.m.) before our budget came up, even though we were listed as fifth on the agenda.

After the apologies and compliments were over, we got down to business. Later, Jim Hewes, senator from AT-O, brought up the point that yes, there were some antagonistic feelings towards our group by a few members of the committee. He felt that instead of all the talk behind our backs, these complaints should be brought out into the open so that we could discuss them and determine their validity. We

(MPAC) thought this was fair, but the immediate reaction from cabinet member Schuyler Steele was a lot of fist pounding and yelling about how he did not feel it was fair, and in no way was he willing to discuss these matters with us. Apparently, other members felt the same way and the discussion was immediately stopped before it started. We were then asked to leave so a fair decision could be made on our budget.

We waited outside for about half an hour listening to the yelling and fist pounding of the cabinet member(s). Finally it was announced that a decision had been made and our new budget was \$0.00. The vote was three in favor of a budget, four against, and four abstentions.

One thing that was brought up by a cabinet member was that he felt we were one-sided. Well, I will have to admit if this is the case, we are on the side for peace. Peace is a broad subject, not just the absence of war. Our programs present views that we feel relate directly or indirectly to world peace. If the cabinet feels we should present both sides, perhaps we should present the views of warhawks, the

women's group should present malechauvinist views, the Penobscot Valley Energy Alliance should get pro-nuclear views, the Environmental Awareness Committee should present the views of nature haters, and Wilde-Stein should present the views of homosexual haters. The reason these clubs exist is because they present a view that is not normally represented but needs to be heard. If in this world there was already worldwide peace, no sexual discrimination, no nuclear power, and complete environmental understanding, these groups would not need to exist.

Another point that people bring up when I tell them our budget got cut, is that the cabinet is cutting everybody. They may be cutting parts of budgets, but the only budgets that have been cut completely are MPAC, Wilde-Stein, and The New Edition. The main thing these groups have in common is they receive a lot of antagonism due to personal biases among a few cabinet members. It seems that the views presented by these groups are different from the views of these members, who seem to feel that only the views which coincide with their own should be

presented to the campus and community. Unfortunately, these few people have somehow managed to intimidate and push their opinions on other cabinet members who have trouble making decisions.

I guess the thing that scares me most is not that we got cut, but the people who cut us. They take themselves perhaps a bit too seriously. They have a little power and they enjoy using it. I guess it's sort of a microcosm of society, but at least the power of the people is still the strongest power. Our group is united in trying to get our budget passed in the student senate (May 6). We will need people power to get it passed. Those of you who enjoy and learn from our programs or feel that we have the right to remain a viable group, should try to make it to the senate meeting to see that our budget as well as the Wilde-Stein and The New Edition budgets get passed despite cabinet recommendations.

Christy Daugherty
374 S. Main
Old Town

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Intramural standings

Latest intramural champs

by Nancy Storey

The year is winding down in intramural sports and many teams are finishing up.

Coming down to the wire, the men's volleyball ended its season last week. The independent team named Bump, Set and Spike, consisting mainly of members of the UMO volleyball club, took the campus championship.

In the fraternity division, it was Phi Eta capturing first place in the A class and ATO taking first in the B class. Big Al's Pals of Gannett out-scored their opponents in the dorm B division while Knox 2 won the A division.

Ice hockey finals also took place in

the past few weeks. In the fraternity division, Beta beat Delta Tau in sudden death to capture the title. Aroostook Kapectate defeated the Pit Crew in dormitory play to win that division.

Racquetball recently said its good-byes too. Sig Ep reigned victorious in the fraternity A division, while ATO won in the B.

Corbett's Crushers dominated in the dormitory A division while "Bolivar in the 10th" succeeded in winning the B division.

Gary Gormen and Mike Shaeffer, an independent team named Jessie's Natural Foods, won the campus championship in the A division.

The wrestling meet which took place on April 11 and 12 saw Aroostook Hall

emerge as champion in the dormitory division with Gannett finishing second. Sig Ep captured the fraternity division, out-scoring Phi Eta for the title. Men competed in seven different weight classes.

TEP had more points than any other teams in the fraternity division to win the bowling title while Sigma Chi and Phi Eta took second and third respectively.

The Knox Strikers struck their way to victory to gain a first place over the Oxford Strikers and Gannett's Big Ten Pins who placed second and third.

Coming down to the wire in intramural sports, here is how all the teams stand:

MEN'S FRATERNITY

ATO—1028
Delta Tau—884
SAE—804
Sigma Chi—704½
Phi Eta—681
Phi Gamma—644½
Beta—591½
Sig Ep—568
Lambda Chi—396½
TEP—385½
AGR—385
Phi Kappa—278
Sigma Nu—264½
Theta Chi—227
DU—224
TKE—172

WOMEN'S DORMITORY

Androscoggin—297
Hart—263
Kennebec—252
Knox—252
Hancock—250
Chadbourne—199
York—154
Balentine—122
Dunn—114
Cumberland—89½
Penobscot—83½
Somerset—70½
York Village—70
Oxford—69
Stodder—65
Colvin—52
Estabrooke—30
Corbett—10

MEN'S DORMITORY

HH/Oak—653½
Aroostook—599½
Gannett—570½
Oxford—516
Knox—429½
York—400
Penobscot—371½
York Village—336½
Cumberland—333
Somerset—323½
Hancock—236½
Corbett—190
Dunn—143
Chadbourne—118½
Estabrooke—50
Cabins—10



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Athletes complain

A group of 19 amateur athletes asked a federal court in Washington yesterday to overturn the U.S. Olympic Committee's decision against sending a team to Moscow this summer.

The athletes, all Olympic hopefuls, say their constitutional rights, an amateur sports law and its own constitution.

Money for Morgan

The Patriots want wide receiver Stanley Morgan and they're willing to pay more for him. Last season Morgan caught 12 touchdown passes for the team, and his attorney says the third-year player has a new contract. Back in 1977 he reportedly signed a five-year deal calling for about \$38,000 a year. Now his attorney says Stanley is an all-pro football player who will now be paid like an all-pro player.

The Maine Campus talked to NBA

coaches, scouts, and personnel

directors about Rufus Harris' chances

in the upcoming draft.

Read the pros' evaluation of Harris

in Friday's Campus.

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Marathon mix-up

Controversy in this year's Boston Marathon is not limited to just the women's division. Bernd Heinrich today was declared the winner of the masters division for runners 40 years and older. He had to prove he was 40 years old, having turned so two days before Monday's race. The University of California professor finished more than two minutes ahead of the declared winner.

As for the continuing saga of Rosie Ruiz, two Harvard students claim they saw her jump into the race a half-mile before the finish line. Investigation is continuing.

No Cup for Bruins

The Bruins can pack up their uniforms and equipment and start doing odd jobs around the house, or whatever. Tuesday night the team said good-bye to their Stanley Cup hopes when the New York Islanders came from behind in the fifth game of the quarter-finals to win, 4-2.

For the first period it looked as though the Boston team might make it two wins in a row when they pulled into a 2-0 lead, but the Islanders had other ideas and went on to win in the second period.

So now it will be the Philadelphia Flyers and the Islanders in the NHL semifinals. The Flyers whipped the New York Rangers Tuesday night 3-1 to win the best of seven series. Last year the Rangers blizzed the Flyers in a five-game wipeout.

Steamrollers?

Back in 1949, the Providence Steamrollers of the N.B.A. failed to live up to their name, finishing 3-49. The team was deactivated, but apparently not dis-banded. At least that's what Robert Chernov is claiming. Chernov, who owns the rights to the Steamrollers, has filed suit in federal court in an effort to bring the team back into the N.B.A. He says the winning the case would put the team on the 1980-81 schedule, and give Providence first pick in the upcoming draft because of its lousy record 31 seasons ago.

An N.B.A. spokesman says the league has no plans to reactivate the Providence franchise anytime soon.

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faces the board, Brown added.

Another major problem in determining the tuition fees is the possible decrease in aid to students from the federal government, Brown said. The trustees still may not be sure of the amount of federal aid available to students when they make their final decision in May.

Brown said students who choose to take an overload in order to graduate in three

years may be penalized by the new system, should it be enacted. Students may be discouraged from doing that if it won't save them money, he said.

Brown stressed the difficulty in making a decision to raise tuition. "Every time we hike tuition, we're slamming the door in the faces of young people," he said.

Carpenter said, "We have to be sure whatever program is developed is equitable to both the students and the university."

● Concert

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making a donation.

One of the students selling the tickets, Jason Watson, publicity chairman of SEA, said the confusion was all a misunderstanding, and that it was "not meant to hurt anybody." Watson said there were instances of students with large numbers of IDs buying tickets at the one cent price. "But later on Dan (Mathieu) came down and told me that from then on the penny price would only be for the first ticket sold to a customer. Any extra would cost a dollar a piece," Watson said.

Mathieu defended the multiple sales practice though he said he believed some students would take advantage of the situation. "I know there will be scalping of tickets," Mathieu said. Mathieu said SEA was not encouraging students to come in with other people's ID cards. Use of a UMO card by any other person than the owner could result in disciplinary action by the university.

"It was false advertising. They said that it would cost one cent per ID and then they change the policy when you get there," Allen said. "It's a case of bait and switch."



Hungry off-campus students weren't the only ones who showed up for last night's OCB spaghetti dinner. This strange looking trio was boastfully proclaiming they were from Afghanistan. [photo by Donna Sotomayor]

Theatre group instills thought on death and dying

by Tim McCloskey
Staff writer

"To Live Until We Die" is a theatrical interpretation designed to "stimulate discussion" on the issues of death, dying and terminal illness, said Bob Loxley, director of the theater group.

The program of oral interpretations was performed for approximately 75 people Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the North and South Lown rooms of Memorial Union.

"To Live Until We Die" was the brainchild of Mrs. Evelyn Trotzky, whose mother died of cancer two years ago. Trotzky wants to "spark interest, evoke images and raise questions" on such issues as the right to die, a terminal patient's right to know and suicide, she said.

The performance also touches on the issues of life sustaining machines, chemotherapy and its effects and life after death.

According to Loxley, the material used in the presentation is taken from poetry, prose, fiction, and personal experiences as well as actual psychological interviews with children on their interpretations of death and dying. Some of the authors whose work contributed were Leo Tolstoy, Stuart Alsop and Marvela Bayh.

Performing in "To Live Until We Die" are Kevin Barrett and Chris Bates, Graduate students, and undergraduates Peg Anderson, Pam Jack and Diane Thacker.

One scene of the interpretation depicts the waiting room of a hospital where the occupants are "waiting for the word from upstairs," as one of the players appropri-

ately exclaimed.

"People aren't afraid of death but the incompleteness of their lives," said one of the players during the performance.

The presentation ended with "People, you are dying, live while you can."

The performance is scheduled to be held at Saint Joseph's Hospital, Bangor Mental Health Institute as well as churches and

other public appearances. On Tuesday, May sixth the oral interpretation will take place in the Bangor Room of the Memorial Union at 8:00 p.m. Each performance will be followed by a group discussion.

Tuesday's presentation was sponsored by the department of speech communication.

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