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Base pay of \$3800

Grad assistants pay raise approved

by Stephen Betts
Staff writer

The long awaited pay raise for the graduate assistants was approved by representatives of all the colleges, the dean of the graduate board announced last week.

Donna Evans said in an announcement on Feb. 13 that the graduate board's request for a \$650 increase in the base level of their stipends was approved by a committee consisting of the dean of each college, Acting President Kenneth Allen and Acting Vice President of Academic Affairs Henry Hooper. This will increase

the base level from \$3150 for a nine month period to \$3800.

The graduate teaching assistants had been actively fighting since last semester for this increase and the approval of the request was in doubt until last week's announcement.

Paul Roger Sweets, a graduate assistant in Botany, said the majority of the people on the stipend committee were "really gratified. They looked into it and made the right decision," Sweets said. "And it was done without us having to apply very much pressure."

One graduate assistant still had some criticism for the decision. Michael L. Peters, an assistant in the speech

department, said the decision should have come sooner. "They (graduate assistants) are going to have to organize or this is going to happen in another two or three years," Peters said.

Peters said he was still "happy" for the assistants who will benefit from the raise. Peters is in his final year of assistantship at the university.

There is still concern among some graduate students that the pay raise will raise problems of its own by forcing a reduction in the number of teaching assistants to compensate for the increased expenditures.

This possibility was dismissed as a last resort by Kenneth Allen. "The increase in

the stipends will cause problems," Allen said. "I hope that to be the very last option."

Allen said he considered the graduate teachers' money request a "very high priority" with his administration.

Sweets admitted that he was very concerned with the talk of possible layoffs among teaching assistants. "I think to give the raise and then cut back on staff would be defeating the purpose," he said. "I am behind Allen's efforts all the way."

The request by the graduate board to have steps, or more money for second year assistants included in the agreement was turned down. It was decided to leave the decision of steps to the individual colleges.

Student senate approves funding for Hillel

by Stephen Olver
Staff writer

The General Student Senate allocated \$450 to the religious group, Hillel, after a lengthy debate Tuesday night.

Student Government President Dick Hewes, citing a serious financial squeeze,

urged the senate to oppose funding for Hillel.

However, several persons at the weekly meeting stressed Hillel's service to UMO's Jewish students.

"Hillel is very valuable to many students on this campus and I'm very disappointed

criticized so," Religious Affairs Committee member Jason Waxen said. "They're asking for so little."

Other senators also voiced dissent that the cabinet recommended the group receive only \$100, instead of the \$450 they asked for.

"If we fund them only \$100, it's simply outrageous," Dunn Hall Senator Jim Pastorelli said.

"They originally budgeted for over \$3,000 and we cut it to \$450. Now you want to cut them even more."

Hewes responded that the senate's current financial situation called for the funding of many groups to be cut. He said that sometimes the senate just has to say no.

"I don't think we should fund the group and that's it," Hewes said.

The cabinet's recommendation was amended \$350 and after a one-hour discussion, the senate clearly passed Hillel's request for \$450. The funds will go toward a guest speaker and postage costs.

In other senate action, the Rugby Club was granted \$733.90 for traveling and supplies. It was also voted to give the club another \$733.90 if they do not receive matching funds from Acting President Kenneth Allen.

Finally, the Lacrosse Club was allocated \$1,219.80 for their spring season. The senate will also give the club an additional \$969.80 if no money is received from the president's office. Five hundred dollars of this total amount is designated to pay the salary for the club's coach.

Energy alliance to hold public forum in April

by Julia Frey
Staff writer

In an attempt to educate the public about alternative forms of energy, the Penobscot Valley Energy Alliance plans to hold a conference April 19.

In a meeting Tuesday night in the Memorial Union, 16 people represented the PVEA, whose goal is to discuss the present energy situation.

The first speaker, Cullen Stuart, a soils major from Old Town, presented gasohol as an alternative to gasoline and its inflated price. Of the two kinds of alcohols that might be feasible, ethanol, rather than methane, would be most practical, he said.

Stuart noted that northern Aroostook County might have "planning potential of starting some type of alcohol program in Maine," but "depending on how much energy and money goes (in that direction)," it won't be known just how feasible

an alternative gasohol is to gasoline as an energy resource.

The PVEA's conference will tentatively include the discussion of research on various forms of alternative energy such as: conservation, wood heat, passive and photo voltaic solar powers, alcohol/gasohol, hydro, wind and tidal powers, peat and Canadian hydro power.

"The U.S. is using more per capita (world resources) than any other nation in the world," said Steve Webster of Orono, a graduate student in energy education. "To expect to maintain this level of consumption is insane."

"I think what we're looking for is that the society has to change (its level of consumption) by development of an ethic on the one hand or through force," said Steve Oliveri of China, Maine.



Astor scouts for a new trail to break, while Flagg, his companion, shows the boredom of it all. The two were out exploring the new snow of the last few days. [photo by Gail Brooks]

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On today's ballot

Plus-minus a question

by Steve McGrath
writer

The ballots cast by student voters today may have an impact on their future grades.

In addition to voting for student government officials, students will be asked to give their opinions on three referendum questions, one of which concerns a new "plus" grading system.

The new grading system, conceived by Student Government Vice President Steve Bucherati and Henry Hooper, vice president of academic affairs, would be similar to the current grading system, except that the top two points of each letter (except A) would receive an extra .3 of a point.

If a person received a B plus, they would normally get a 3.0, Bucherati explained. Under this system, the same B plus would receive a 3.3, he said.

"There should be a little credit or extra incentive for those students who get up there, but are just short," Bucherati said.

Bucherati hopes students will come out to the polls today to not only vote for senators and presidents, but to also voice their opinion on this type of grading.

"There's no chance of any penalization. It can only help students," Bucherati said. Of the system he expects will gain much student support.

Bucherati said he plans to take the result of the student vote to the Council of Colleges meeting in March in an attempt to abolish the currently proposed plus-minus grading system in favor of the new one.

"It's going to come down to how I present it (the plus grading idea). It'll depend on how good a salesman I am for students," Bucherati said.

The plus-minus grading system, which is currently being considered, was also suggested by student government, Bucherati said. However, when the system was proposed last year, student government didn't realize the students were against the system, he said.

Bucherati, who conducted a poll on plus-minus grading for one of his classes last semester, found out that almost 75 percent of the students polled were against implementing the plus-minus system.

The poll also revealed faculty members were against the plus-minus system by a 45 to 38 percent ratio.

Bucherati said he plans to battle for the new system, even though he will be going out of power today.

"It's never going to affect me. I'll never reap the benefits," Bucherati said.

"I'm just trying to lay the groundwork," he said.

The proposed plus system would not take effect for more than a year. Any student whose grade is in the top two points would receive a plus grade on the transcript, but only three quality points, according to the proposal suggested by Hooper.

"This way, they'll have measurable data," Bucherati said. The data would be used to answer the question of whether the pluses had created grade inflation. If the general grade point average did not rise significantly, then the system would appear safe to implement, Bucherati said.

And even if the extra quality points are not accepted, "there's no reason at all for not keeping the pluses (on the transcript)," he said.

Hooper said that although he realized the currently proposed plus-minus grading system lacked real support from the students, he would accept whatever grading system recommendation that was made by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Council of Colleges.

"I have no problems with any kind of a grading system," Hooper said.

However, there may be some problems getting professors to accept the optional plus system.

Dr. Thomas Aceto, vice president of student affairs, who administrated at Keene State College in New Hampshire, said that school had a plus-minus distinction between grades. He said this type of grading can not be forced on a teacher.

"I think we're going to have a tough time getting the faculty to accept just a plus system," Aceto said.

"Some professor doesn't have to give out a B plus (or any plus grade at all). I don't see how you can fight that," he said.

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5-7 p.m. Preventive Medicine Program. Free blood pressures. Hannibal Hamlin/Oak Halls.

6 p.m. Vegetarian potluck dinner. MCA Center.

6:45 p.m. World hunger education discussion. MCA Center.

7 and 9:15 p.m. IDB movie. "Barbarella." 130 Little Hall.

7 p.m. Firesides—Walter Schoenberger discusses the invasion of Afghanistan. Peabody Lounge, Union.

7:30 p.m. Basketball vs. Boston University.

7:30 p.m. Concert-Symphony and concert bands. Hauck Auditorium.

7:30 p.m. "The Life of Riley." Public radio.

8 p.m. "Ernie Osborne." Bear's Den.

8 p.m. Great Performances—"Duets: By Jerome Robbins and Peter Martins." Public TV.

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Peter Labbe, left, explains some of the points of a symposium and Steve Bucherati, right, are organizing. [photo by Gail Brooks]

★ Police Blotter ★

★ Rosemary Thorne of Hart Hall and Brian Hadwen of Theta Chi fraternity were summonsed to court for an arraignment scheduled Feb. 25 on charges of unlawful sale of liquor. They were issued summonses on Saturday at Theta Chi fraternity after selling liquor to two agents of the police department, police said, adding this operation was under the "direct command" of the director of the police department, Alan Reynolds.

★ An indecent exposure incident was reported by a female student Friday said to have occurred in section 3B of Fogler Library of Feb. 6. The female student had been studying in this section, when suddenly she noticed a man exposing himself. She screamed and he said, "I'm just looking for books." She ran out of the area leaving the male behind. The male was described as black, 5'10", rugged build, black medium length

hair and beard. He was wearing beige pants and a gray sweatshirt, police said.

★ Police reported a "disturbed" person wanting to spend the night at Cutler Health Center Tuesday. A male had hitched up from southern Maine, wanting "to go to school," police said. The man, a student at UMO in 1977, was then brought to the police station and was asked if he wanted to go to Bangor Mental Health Institute. The man said yes. He was then asked by police if he would sign himself in. The man said yes and did. The male was then taken to BMHI, police said.

★ A Pontiac Grand Prix 1973, belonging to David Glass of University Park, was claimed to have been hit by another vehicle said the owner on Sunday, causing \$250 worth of damage, police said.

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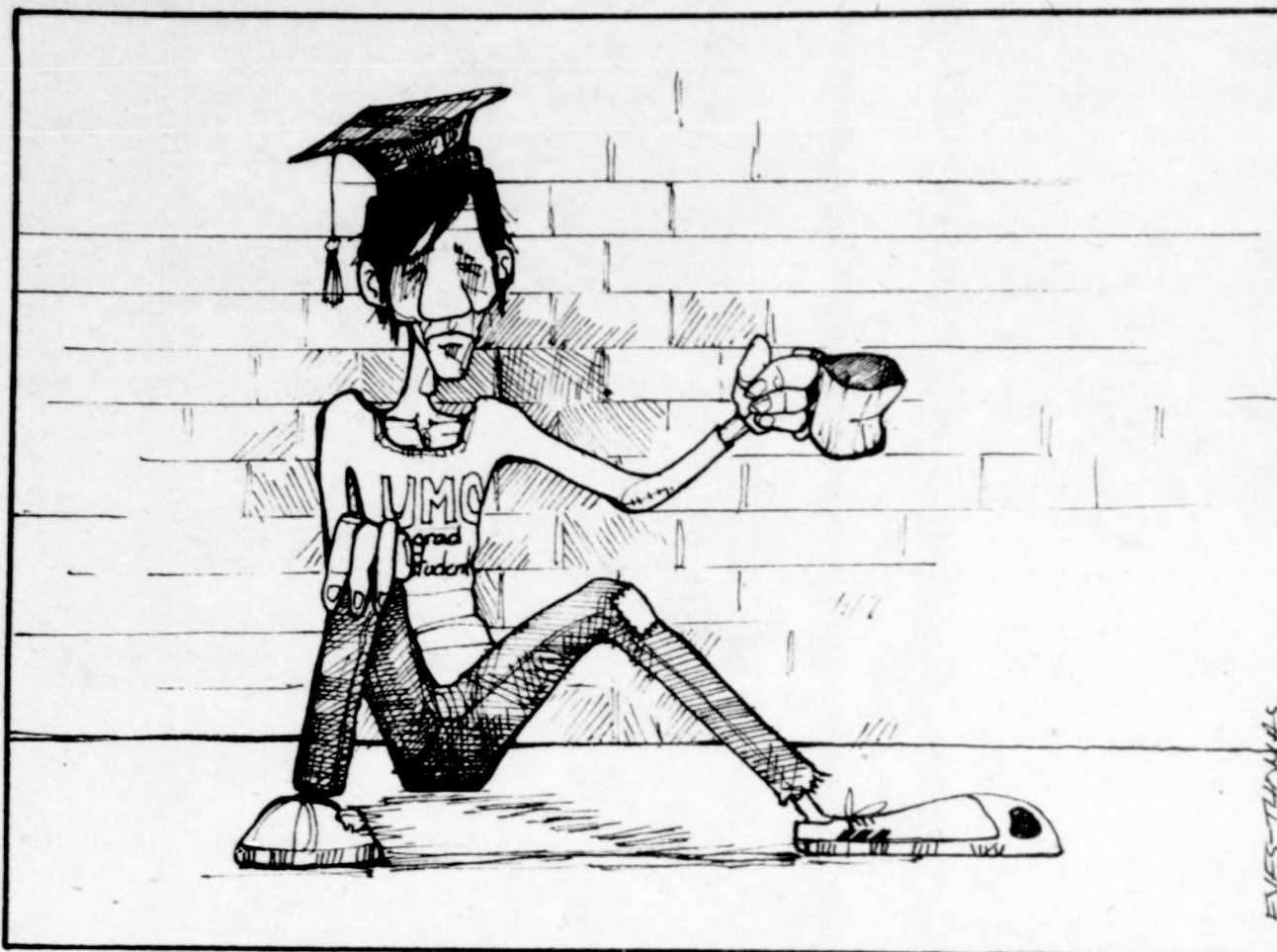
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Scrimping on the recipe

You can't blame graduate students for emitting a long whistle and saying "it's about time."

They've finally made some headway on that pay raise they've been fighting for.

Until last week, grad students were asked to subsist on a measly base pay of \$3175 per nine months. This was ridiculous. They were the lowest paid grad students at any land grant college in New England.

Now no one, grad students in particular, expect to make their fortune teaching courses in UMO. They do expect to be able to keep body and soul together, though.

That is why there is some reason for elation when the news of an approved pay raise arrived last week. The raise, \$3,800, is not a ticket to easy street.

What it is though, is a leveling measure, which will allow grad students to worry more about their classes and less about the next car payment, oil bill or loaf of bread.

Grad students are deserving of the money they earn.

Some of them teach two complete courses, complete as in lectures, tests and research, in addition to the normal booking students do to academically keep up.

This leaves little time for grad students to even contemplate the joys of moonlighting.

Fortunately, now they don't have to. At least some of them. Because along

with the news of the pay raise, also drifts the rumor of a grad student cutback.

The 325 grad students do a lot of things most people never see. If you've ever complained about the time it takes for one of your tests to return, contemplate the very real possibility of an even longer delay in some classes where graduate students are depended on for this function.

Acting President Kenneth Allen said the loss of grad students would be his last option in order to save money.

It is hoped it would be, but many times the last option can become the one that reaches fruition.

As one grad student put it, "The faculty received a raise without a cutback. Clerical workers received a 9.5 percent increase and none of them had to be laid off. I don't see why grad students have to be any different."

Surely other areas can be found to save money at the risk of saving this method for many grad students to continue their higher education.

Paul Roger Sweets, a graduate student in the botany department, summed up how all graduate students would feel about a layoff of personnel.

"I think to give a raise and then cut back on staff would be defeating the purpose," Sweets said.

We agree.

An apple pie made with bigger apples, but fewer of them, still makes the same pie.

S.M.

Anne Lucey



Little bugs

I want to talk to you about...diarrhea. Both that and nausea—when occurring simultaneously called the flu—are getting all the attention these days.

The 24-hour bug, the gripe, influenza, gastroenteritis—whatever it may be hits most of us when the weather can't seem to decide between snow, rain and frigid cold.

According to the Disease Control Center in Atlanta, 1800 people across the country have died this year from the barbarous bug.

Aside from the flu, however, what I really want to talk to you about is another common winter ailment few people have heard of...trench foot.

As the name suggests, it strikes that part of the human body attached to the leg. But the other half of the name implies that a person contracts the ailment in a trench, as did the dough boys back in World War I.

The malady, whose name was coined by soldiers during the war is characterized by blistering, redness and breaks in the skin. World War I soldiers who stood in cold, wet trenches without the facilities to warm up and dry out found their feet victims of these symptoms.

Trench foot, unfortunately, did not end with the war.

In fact, the fashion upheaval caused by fancy jogging shoes, sneakers and fashion boots has also created a new battlefield for the strange disease.

Schoolchildren, office workers and college students who wear soggy sneakers all day without drying them out are prime targets.

"The skin gets to looking like a hand that's been in a rubber glove all day—withered," said podiatrist Dr. William F. Munsey in a UPI interview.

"When the skin dries out, fissures and cracks bleed. Infections make it worse."

Those fashionable fashion boots on men and women also cause some foot disorders. Skin withers from lack of air circulation and that traps perspiration, according to Munsey.

The best remedy against the knee-high boot syndrome is simple: don't wear boots indoors all day.

But, the sneaker sickness, or trench foot, which affects blood circulation and is the nearest thing to frostbite, requires a little more attention.

If you have it and don't want it, soak your feet in warm water. Follow this by applying a moisturizing cream. Professional podiatry help may be needed.

If you don't have it and don't want it, wear absorbent wool or cotton socks under those sneakers.

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Off-campus invisibility

To the Editor:

As election time draws near, students of the university again choose new leadership to the highest student government positions. Although many

Senate reservations

To the Editor:

As two of three senior members of the Senate (Sen. Hall is the other), we feel compelled to respond to certain statements made in Sen. Hall's campaign speech before the senate.

First, Sen. Hall's role in the budget crisis of last semester was irresponsible and inappropriate for someone of his years and "experience in the senate." Far from preventing an activity fee increase, he nearly caused one to occur by his hysterical overreaction to a minor financial shortage. If anyone was responsible for halting that increase it was without a doubt Sen. Hall's chief adversary in the senate, vice-president Steve Bucherati.

As for the subject of salaries, Sen. Hall forgets that these are scholarship salaries and all of us aren't successful entrepreneurs. The chances of getting qualified personnel for nothing are practically nil. The SLS which provides a valuable service for great members of students and which costs the student less than \$3 per semester, would cease to exist.

The very idea of eliminating salaries is a severe insult to our student government who, while charging less than half the average activity fee for New England, has produced nearly twice the average number of services.

Fortunately, there is an alternative to Sen. Hall. Dave Spellman and Kevin Freeman have both the experience and fresh ideas to make student government work for you.

Jin. Pastorelli—Dunn Hall Senator
Schuyler Steele—off-campus senator

feel that experience is a necessary quality, it can't really make a difference. Sure, you may know a few more administrators or some of the people within the student government framework. But names aren't what student government is about.

Every year the people change, and along with them come new and different situations. Flexibility then becomes the key. They people you elect should be people who demonstrate this important quality.

We at OCB feel that the tickets running for these positions do not accurately reflect the needs of off-campus students. For unknown reasons it appears that those running for student government president and vice-president are more concerned with the problems of dorm residents and sororities than those of off-campus students.

'Why does everyone seem

to forget about half of this

university's population?'

With a student government leadership that was truly interested in off-campus needs, greater strides could be made in housing conditions, in transportation and parking, and various support facilities needed by off-campus students. This has not been the case in the past, and as we look at the candidates this time around, it appears to be the same old story.

Why does everyone seem to forget about half of this university's population? Could it be that we don't live in 27 places on campus where we can easily be reached? Could it be that we don't eat in five easily reached cafeterias?

We can't really pinpoint all the reasons the candidates seem to have forgotten off-campus students. But the fact still remains—Why are we neglected?

The Off-Campus Board
Mark Mickalide
Crilly Ritz
Christopher Grimes
Randy Pickle

Trust our experience

To the Editor:

As you know, the campaign for president and vice-president of student government has all but drawn to a close. Now is the time for you to start making your choice.

I have a strong feeling of trust for the voters on this campus. I know that you have the ability to look at the tickets involved and come up with the best.

If you take a few minutes to look at everyone involved, the choice should be very clear. It seems very strange that one ticket wants to start at the top, without any experience, without having made the contacts on the way up which are needed—these are things that Kevin and I have done. We don't think it would be fair to ask the activity-fee-paying students of this university to wait while the executives are learning the ropes. This is something that will not happen if you vote for Spellman and Freeman.

Let me take a moment to thank

everyone who has been involved in this campaign. Those who signed my nomination petitions, those who put up my posters and those who have helped in many other ways to promote our effort—I cannot express to you how much I appreciate the work that has gone into it.

If we are elected, Kevin and I will dedicate ourselves to keeping our contacts strong, going to dorm meetings, and staying tuned to your needs. In any campaign many promises are made—this is just one you can certainly expect to hold us to.

Again, if you take just a moment to compare the qualities of the tickets involved I know the choice will be clear for you—the ticket with experience—the ticket you can trust.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Dave Spellman

Candidate for President of Student Government

I saw a senate circus!

To the Editor:

Last week I had the opportunity to attend the General Student Senate meeting. Believe me, it was more fun than a circus and didn't cost anything, either. I especially liked the clowns, and this circus had plenty of them.

Steve Bucherati's facial contortions during each presidential candidate's speech provided some of us with a good laugh. I guess Steve must know the candidates were right when they pointed out how inept student government really is. Sen. Mike Saltz did his usual fine job of looking silly. As a friend of mine once said, "Mike, the only time you open your mouth is to change feet." The best part of the meeting, though, was seeing Carl Pease and Bucherati acting like second graders.

Somehow, through all this madness, I got to hear the presidential candidates speak. When the speeches were over, one thing was clear; there is one and only one qualified person for the job of president—Doug Hall. Instead of ducking unpopular issues and trying to be sweet, Hall addressed the issues and took a stand. He was the only candidate who could answer all the questions fired at him and give legitimate support for his answers. And he handled himself superbly before a hostile audience (Dick Hewes and the senate). Why were they hostile? Well, Hall pledged to abolish student government salaries, and half the senators are getting money.

Doug Hall is for the students. Last year when he went out and asked the students what they wanted, they replied, "decent concerts." And Doug has done his homework and found that yes, indeed we can have a big name concert here at Orono. His abolishment of student government salaries will save the students \$20,000. It's too bad nobody thought of this before, so UMO wouldn't have had to present a

\$1200 welfare check to Dick Hewes this past year.

Students, are you sick of seeing clowns spending your activity fee? Don't complain about it—get out there and vote for Doug Hall.

Sincerely,
Buddy Spaulding

Editor's note: According to the student government office, only two senators, James Hewes and Schuyler Steele, earn salaries from student government for the offices they hold in addition to serving as senators.

Clear issues

To the Editor:

In this campaign one issue has not been reported. On Feb. 12 I challenged my loyal opposition to debate on WMEB. They have refused to answer this challenge. I wanted to talk about issues and experience where all could hear.

At the start we vowed a clean campaign, so I will not take any cheap shots at those who have slandered us. The student body is intelligent enough to see through such lies.

Eric and I have 7½ years of experience fighting for students. We'll be presidents you won't have to train.

We will give 100 percent support to whoever the students choose.

The student body is invited, (win or lose), to the Oronoka at 10:00 tonight to celebrate.

Thanks for Listening,

Doug Hall
Candidate for president of student government



P.S. Contrary to popular belief, Senators don't get paid!

I can't wait to fight!

To the Editor:

So, I hear we may go and fight another war. Oh goodie! I just can't wait!! Before I get all decked out in olive garb, I have one question to ask of my fellow students.

Is this country so different from the U.S.S.R. to fight about? Now, before you rush for the flag and the mace, please hear me out. I, for one, think this country is so steeped in socialism that we'd be better off giving the Soviets the entire country and starting from scratch somewhere else. Socialism is a system of government where all productivity is pooled and distributed equally among all regardless of merit (at least that's how it's supposed to work). Today in the U.S. the welfare system takes from those who contribute the most to the economy and gives it to those who cannot, or more commonly, will not work.

Take a look at UMO. Work-study divies out jobs to those who allegedly need them most. Nothing wrong with that, you

say? The omnipotent government decides who can work at these jobs and we have no reason to question this wisdom. It's the American way-if you work your ass off you are obligated to give the fruits of your labors to those who won't lift a finger. George Washington would have wanted it that way.

*I wonder if we
wouldn't be better off to
look in the mirror
and pull the trigger.'*

I could go on but I think you get my point. We can go out and fight the Russians, but who will win? I wonder if we wouldn't be better off to look in the mirror and pull the trigger. At least we'd know what we were fighting.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Knowlton

Give the police a chance

To the Editor:

Much controversy has arisen over the new policy of letting the campus police roam the dorms. Just the thought of it has raised tension over the last couple of weeks. This occurs especially on the weekends when everybody is trying to relax and forget about all the pressures that are part of college life.

The main reasons seem to be obscure to most of the student population. Everybody is paranoid about getting busted. They are worried that cops might unexpectedly walk into their rooms and find them with a joint or beer.

Some of these worries have been relieved up at the Hilltop Complex, but the final results of such action is still uncertain. Last week Lt. Prosser, head of UMOPD, and Joline Morrison, director of Residential Life, came to talk to the students. The main reasons given for the new policy were as follows: cut down on dorm damages, i.e. \$7,000 of unaccountable damages per year; protect students from violent acts from which UMO is under litigation for a million dollars resulting

from such an act, at the present time; and finally to create a better relation between the students and the UMO police.

We feel these are valid problems to be solved, but we are worried about the method. If the officers honestly pursue the goals, the program should turn out to be a success. But if they start to intrude on the students' privacy, all hell will break loose. If they start to condemn people for accepted and nationwide forms of relaxation, it will increase tension to an unwarranted level campus-wide. We feel that if the officers keep this in mind and that students do not blatantly contest the law, the campus will be able to enjoy the fruits of cooperation, i.e. less damage, better security, and the friendship of complex officers.

The key words for success are cooperation and honesty with the police, seeing as how they're the fishes out of water.

A joint effort,
Mr. Bill Crandall,
218 Knox
Paul Dick,
219 Knox

Trust cops

To the Editor:

For a few weeks now I have been reading letters in the *Campus* objecting to the increase in nighttime patrols by the university police. I am very confused by these letters against this increased protection.

I have talked to a lot of women who have said that they are afraid to walk along on campus at night. Just recently there have been two cases of indecent exposure. Student's cars are being broken into and vandalized. Unclaimed dorm damage is adding to the bill that all of us will have to pay at the end of the semester.

In an effort to make the campus safe to walk and to cut down on the amount of money that each of us has to spend on damage bills and to replace stolen property, the police have increased patrols on campus. Instead of welcoming this protection, the students cry "police state." Let's look at this realistically, most students would not have noticed the increase if they had not been told. If ten officers with rifles and guard dogs were being deposited in each complex every night, then I too would be questioning that decision, but that is not the case.

Some students say that the discipline in the dorms should be left to the RAs and RDs. My answer to that is why should an RA be forced to eject a mob of unruly troublemakers when the job could be better handled in many cases by a uniformed officer. A uniformed officer conveys much more respect and obedience than half dressed bleary eyed RA who has been awakened by a crowd of belligerent troublemakers.

Instead of complaining, the students should support the police. Maybe now women can study late at the library and walk home unafraid. Maybe now you can drive to a party across campus without having your \$300 car stereo stolen. So let's have a hand for the officers whose only reward up till now for sleepless nights and frozen fingers has been cries of "police state" and "harrassment."

Michael Marshall
416 Aroostook

News coverage should be unbiased

To the Editor:

The *Maine Campus* is a newspaper that I have enjoyed and respected all year. I have not always agreed with the editor, but I've always respected your editorials and the generally fair attitude the paper presents.

However, I am appalled at the biased way that you have covered the presidential campaigns.

I am supporting President Carter. I have worked very hard for his campaign both here at the university and at home. I respect those students who are supporting Sen. Kennedy, Gov. Brown, and those that are working for the Republican candidates. This is American and we all have a right to stand up for what we believe in. Why, then, does this paper present political issues and happenings at such a slant? Carter supporters are not second rate, and it is about time the *Maine Campus* writers and editors realized that.

Your coverage of the students working for the candidates of their choice was opinionated and distorted. I agree with the fact that if they are not making news, then they shouldn't get any. However, this should not give your writers the right to dice up their reports, scramble them and then present them in any order or manner that they please. Your coverage of Brown and Kennedy did not draw too much criticism, and I have very little to offer there as I could not get inside to hear either of them. I had to depend only on your reports of the events...and I'm sorry to say, I'm afraid that I did not put too much stock in them. I do, however have something to say about the *Maine Campus* this time around.

Your coverage of the caucuses of Maine is something that should never have passed your desk with approval. President Carter won a victory last Sunday night. He was the candidate the majority of the voters in this state chose. They did not choose Kennedy,

and they did not choose Brown. The victory belongs to the president....and to him alone.

"Brown takes student vote" was the headline the day after the caucus. Acceptable, and true. I congratulate the students that worked for him on this campus. It was a job well done and worthy of praise. As the Orono caucus has shown, the student vote really counts. If I were a Brown supporter, I'd be angry that he received only a small portion of a story entitled in his name. After all, it was Brown and Carter who won the Orono caucus. That was what your headline referred to, wasn't it?

"Carter nudges Kennedy" was your sub-heading for the same article. You're beginning to slant...but all we needed to do was "nudge" him. That was good news for the Carter people...regardless of the quotes you

published that inferred otherwise. After all, the Kennedy people that you asked would know all about the Carter situation, right? Since when is a 6 or 7 percent lead a "disaster!!!" We won, did we not?

Frankly, I'm fed up with your general attitude about this whole thing. Start trying to be a little more fair in your accounts. Again, I stress, I respect you for your personal opinions, although I may disagree. I do not respect your news coverage. Surely you can be big enough to admit that the President won this round: without salting it with repeated accounts of how Kennedy got the "major cities" and "major towns". Maine has chosen President Carter...and I'm proud to be a part of it.

Kathleen Quinn
Androscooggin Hall

A touching article

To the Editor:

Having found the quality of your paper increasing daily, I always scan it searching for the interesting articles which I know can only be found in the *Maine Campus*. I thought your new feature section, *Et Cetera*, was just something to take up space, and give the creative and freelance writers some place to put their usually unprinted articles, stories, etc.

Miss Carol Saunders came through, however, with an enjoyable informational article on where to find pornography. Her research on the topic puts me at an inferior level. I am sorry to read her admission of boredom

with Frank Harris' "My Life and Loves." That compares to being bored with long foreplay sessions! Miss Saunders...?! Don't get me wrong-I found the writing to be very sincere, educational, and mature. Please let me know, Carol, if you ever do more research on the topic; I would be glad to help. If you find a few "good passages" on 3B maybe I could lend an ear to verify the Kinsey Report, which you said stated, "Everybody wants to do it, even those who say they don't."

What do you "say," Carol?

Yours in research
but not in cold showers,
Michael Robt
321 Gannett

Deadline of Soviet

WASHINGTON defense seminar. Sen. William C. Carter adm. its tough stance. Union. Cohen concerned about U.S. foreign policy.

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Forge

Deadline for removal of Soviet troops set

WASHINGTON--Returning from a defense seminar in West Germany, Sen. William Cohen says he's hoping the Carter administration will stick to its tough stance against the Soviet Union. Cohen said European allies are concerned about inconsistencies in U.S. foreign policy.

The Maine Republican held a joint news conference in Washington today with Texas Senator John Tower. Tower and Cohen are both members of the Senate Armed Services Committee. They each returned from eight days in West Germany and London.

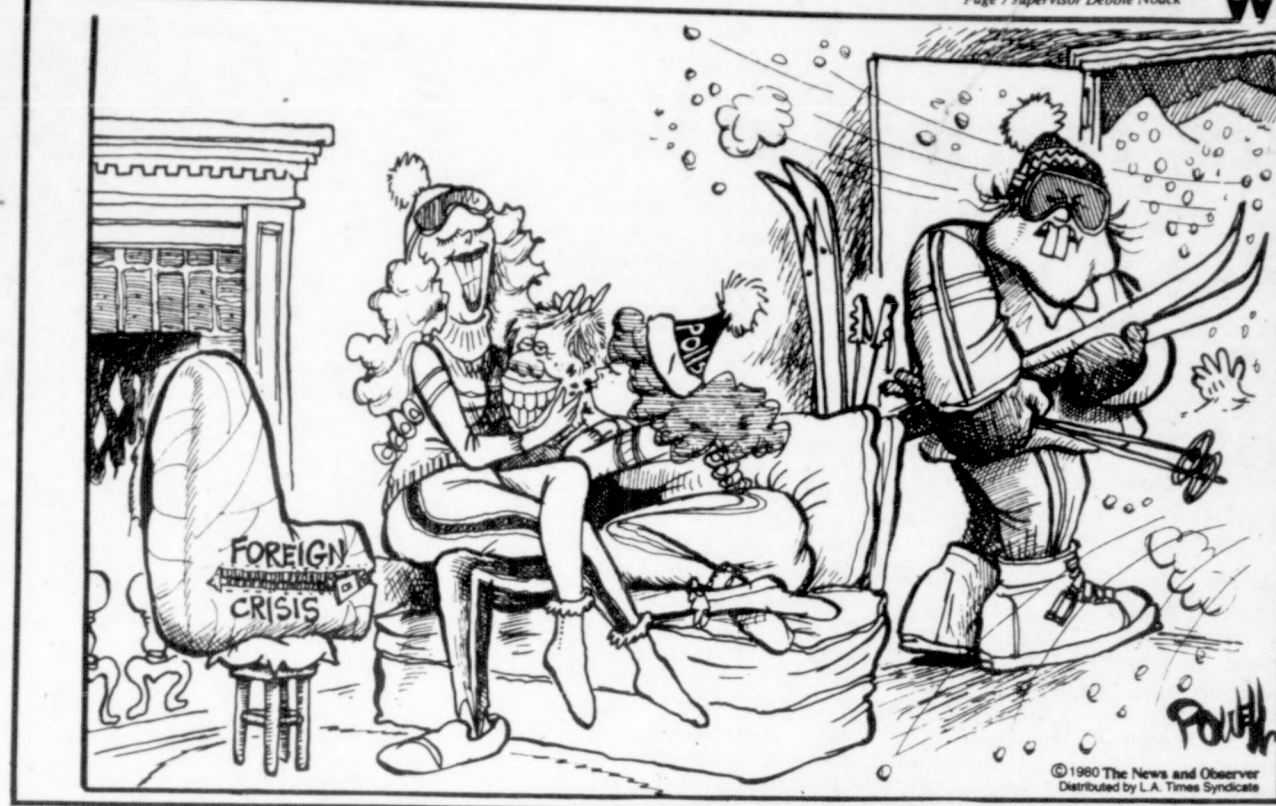
Cohen said it would be harmful for President Carter to postpone the deadline he had set for a boycott of the Moscow Olympics if Soviet troops are not withdrawn from Afghanistan.

Tomorrow is the deadline set by President Carter for the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan. In a speech to the American Legion Convention yesterday, Carter reaffirmed his determination to keep the U.S. out of the Moscow Olympics unless the Soviets leave Afghanistan.

Accident closes pier; no injuries reported

PORTLAND--The Maine State Pier in Portland has been closed indefinitely as a result of an accident that took place as a Canadian freighter was taking on cargo yesterday morning. Officials said a 12-ton crane broke free from the vessel and crashed through the roof of the pier.

Edward Langlois of the Maine Port Authority said it was a miracle that nobody was injured. One witness said the crane crashed through the roof into an area where 20 longshoremen were at work, leading wood pulp onto a freighter.



Langlois said the crane fell into an area where the state recently spent \$35,000 for improvements. He said the newly-installed beam may well have saved the roof from crashing to the floor and injuring workers in the area.

Iranian militants ease up on their demands

YUGOSLAVIA--There's a report that the Iranian militants holding 50 Americans hostage for the 108th day may be easing up on their demands. The Yugoslav News Agency said the militants' latest statement doesn't demand the return of the shah nor does it denounce the international commission being formed to investigate the deposed monarch.

Estabrooke Resident Assistant Applications Available

Applications for Resident Assistant Positions in Estabrooke Hall for 1980-81

academic year are available from the Resident Director in Estabrooke Hall.

Deadline for submitting completed applications is March 7, 1980 at 4:30 p.m.

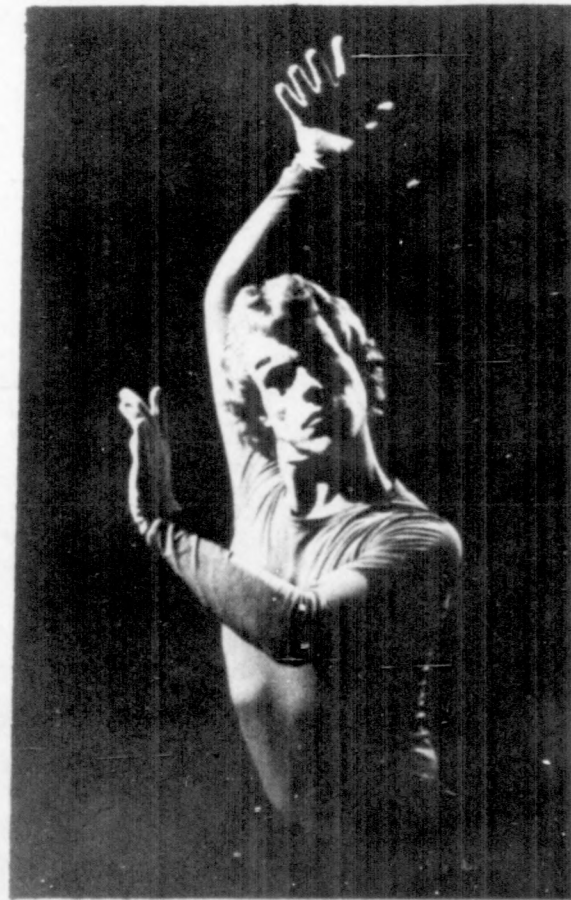
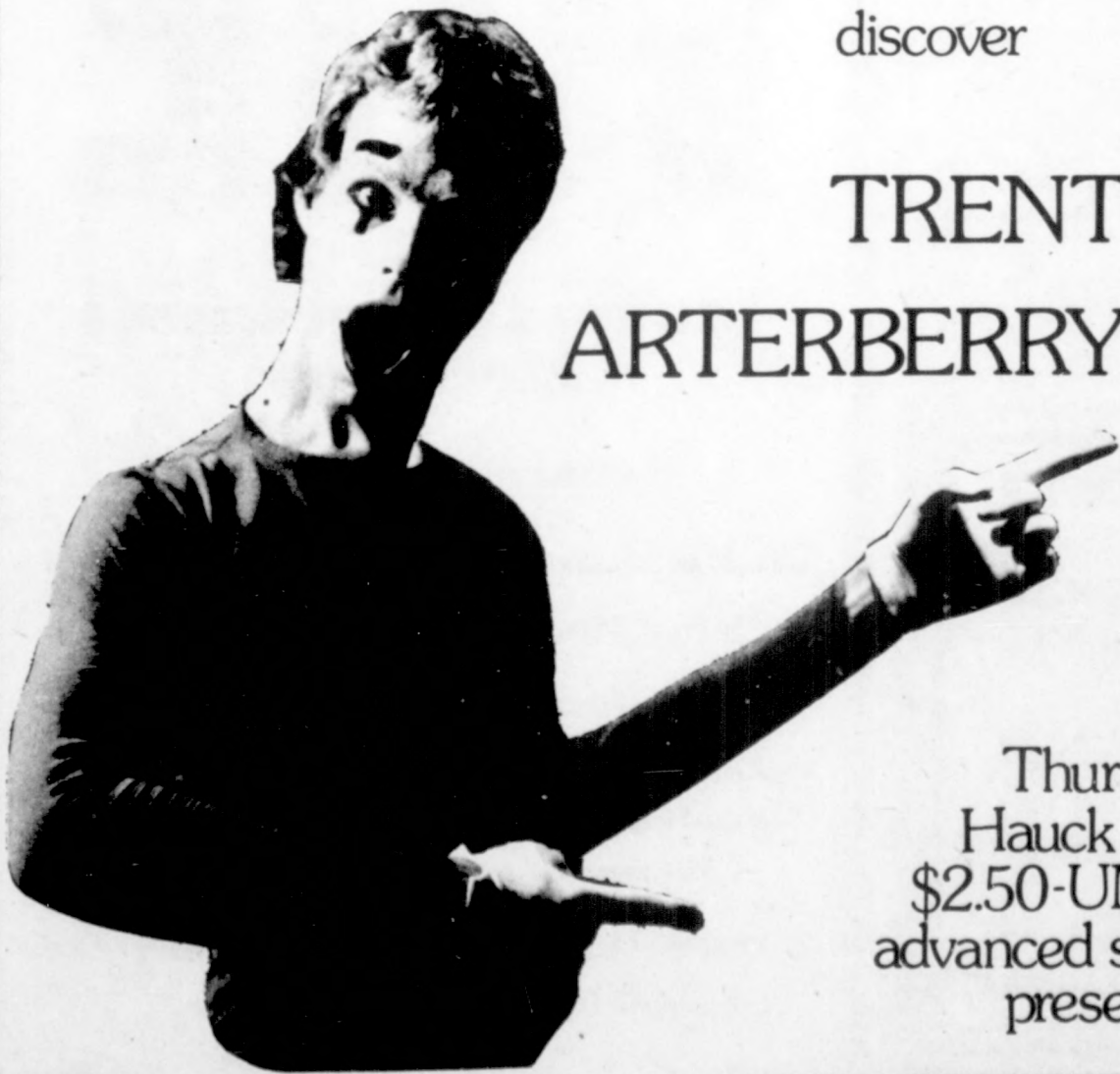
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Basketball preview

Bears, Terriers at B.U.

by Scott Cole

Staff Writer

The cover of the 1979-80 Boston University basketball press guide contains the words of the team theme, "There ain't no stopping us now."

Tonight at BU's Case Center, the UMO Black Bears will try to make a mockery of that theme when they square off with the Terriers in an ECAC North contest (WMEB 7:20 p.m.).

For 18 of the 24 games they've played this season, there truly has been no stopping the Terriers. Continuing an admirable turnaround in the school's hoop fortunes under second year coach Rick Pitino, B.U. has racked up an 18-6 record. The kids from Commonwealth Avenue have been the talk of New England college hoop circles as well as the leaders in the ECAC North all season.

Talk to BU officials about why the program has taken such a sudden turn for the better and they replay with two words "Rick Pitino". Pitino arrived in Boston from Syracuse University in the spring of '78, where he had been an assistant to Jim Boeheim in the Orangemen's highly successful program.

All he has done is led Boston University to two consecutive winning seasons and turned the campus population into raving hoop maniacs. Previously BU students spelled winter sports h-o-c-k-e-y and nothing else.

The Terriers will try to run Skip Chappelle's crew right out of the gym with their scrambling, pressing style of play. The hosts employ a full court or half court trapping press throughout the game and pressure the ball every minute. Monday night in an 83-76 loss to South Carolina in Carolina, Pitino used all 12 of his players within the first ten minutes of the ball game. This tactic was an attempt to keep fresh, kamikaze athletes clamping on continuous pressure.

Before leaving for Boston Tuesday, Skip Chappelle called BU probably the best pressure team he'd ever seen in New England. "Our guards and Rufus are going to have to be careful handling the ball. They rely on making you turn the ball over", he added.

Except for six games, the Terriers have obviously been very successful at making squads cough up the ball. Some of those players responsible are co-captain Steve Wright, a senior forward (19.7 ppg and BU's second all time leading scorer) point guard and assist leader Glenn Consor, guard Johnny Ray Wall (8.3 ppg), and big men Daryl Floyd and co-captain Wally West.

The Terrier's schedule is sprinkled with common opponents of the Black Bears. A couple of interesting notes along those lines are a two point win over North Carolina Wilmington. Meanwhile Maine beat UNCW rather handily. As noted earlier, BU fell to South Carolina while the Bears knocked off the Gamecocks in Portland in January.

Petkus wins

Harriers finish third

by Ed Crockett
Staff Writer

The Lady Black Bear track team finished third in the State Championships, Friday night, at Colby College in Waterville. Bates College outclassed the field, defeating runner-up Colby by 50 points and Maine by 60. Scores were Bates 149, Colby 99, Maine 89, and Bowdoin 49.

"I thought we should have run some better times and possibly finished second, but considering the absence of a few runners, we did fairly well," remarked Coach Jim Ballinger.

Joanne Petkus was the lone Black Bear winner, capturing the 55 meter hurdles in a personal best of 8.76 sec. Petkus also finished third in the 440 yd. run with a time of 61.65 sec.

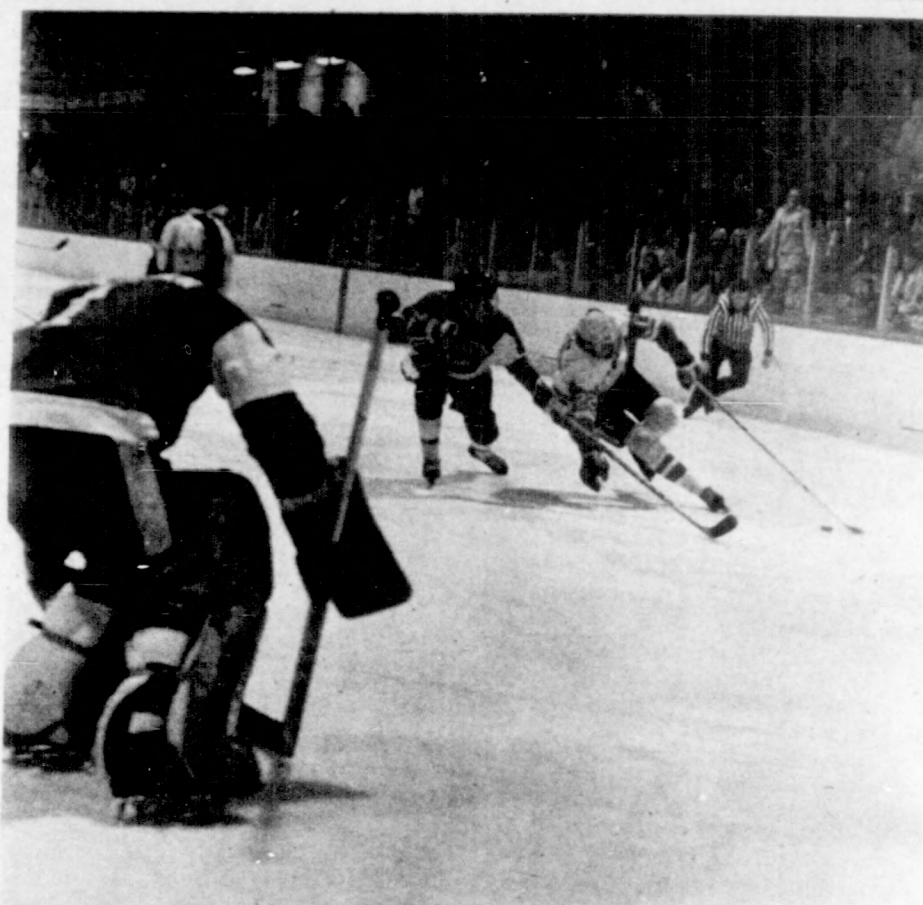
Susan Erwin and Dale

Cameron were other Maine runners who placed in two events. Erwin followed Petkus across the tape in the hurdles and raced to fifth in the 220 yd. dash. Cameron finished sixth in the long jump, then sped to a fifth place finish in the hurdles.

Marsha Cook placed second in the shot put with a toss of 35ft. 1 1/2 in., and Tina Berube tied for second in the long jump with a leap of 16ft. 8 in.

Maine fared well in the dashes as Stephanie Durant, Julie Bjorn, and Denise Dutil finished third, fifth, and sixth, respectively in the 60, and Alison Adams, Erwin, and Carol Roberts gained valuable points with a 4, 5, 6 finish in the 220.

The next meet for the Lady Black Bears is the New England Championships at Boston University, Saturday.



Jamie Logan skates past a BU defender for a shot on BU goalie Jeff Weisman. The Black Bears defeated the Terriers in an utterly wild game, 8-7. For full details see the story in Thursday's Campus [photo by Bill Mason]

Stenmark wins gold

In the men's giant slalom, Sweden's spectacular Ingemar Stenmark fulfilled a life-long dream by taking the gold medal. The man often acknowledged as the most technically-perfect skier ever to compete came from third place after the first run to beat Liechtenstein's Andreas Wenzel, who took the silver. Hans Enn of Austria copped the bronze medal. The best american showing was turned in by Phil Mahre. He wound up tenth while his twin brother Steve came in 15th.

Volleyballers split

The UMO men's volleyball club split their first two games on the road this weekend, at the start of this season's New England Collegiate Volleyball League, Division Two, play for Maine.

Friday night, the spiking Black Bears outlasted Providence College in Providence 15-12, 15-4, 13-15, 7-15, and 15-8. Saturday, in Smithfield, Rhode Island, the men dropped a close one to Bryant College 15-9, 15-11, 7-15, 1-15, and 13-15.

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in the
**Student Government
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Wednesday Feb. 20th

**Make your choice for President,
Vice President, and fill-in
positions for Student Senate.**

**Off campus, Fraternity, and Graduate
Students vote on 2nd floor of the
Memorial Union all day 8-5.**

**Dorm residents vote in your complexes
during lunch and dinner.**

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