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Additional funds help government

by Glen Chase
Staff writer

The UMO Student Government financial bind will be lessened when an additional \$12,000 in student activity fee money is received from the business office.

President Richard N. Hewes said this money would be available along with approximately \$5,500 the student senate hasn't appropriated this semester.

In addition, further funds may become available as the final tally of transfer students and cancellations becomes complete, according to the business office.

Plagued by continual financial problems this year, the news of the increased funds comes at a time when drastic cutbacks were being made in funding requests from student groups.

Hewes said these problems were caused by two factors: the senate adding an additional \$7,000 to the 79-80 budget, and by the senate appropriating an additional \$7,000 thought available due to an accounting error. This put student government \$14,000 behind as compared to 78-79.

"The senate tacked on additional monies," said Hewes. "That doesn't happen very often."

Hewes said student government was able to keep in the black by using surplus monies from groups that didn't spend all the funds made available to them.

An accounting error ate up another \$7,000 when, then Vice President of Financial Affairs Jon Cyr, added the sum to the funds.

The money was to have come from the sale of a car to the university by student government. The error was located, causing further problems.

Hewes termed the error and "honest mistake" and said it was remedied. Nothing dishonest occurred, Hewes said.

Cyr later left student government and Hewes appointed Paula Chai to act as temporary treasurer.

"He was expected to go out anyways," said Hewes of Cyr. Nomination of the treasurer for the coming year is left up to the outgoing president and Hewes said he expects he will nominate Chai to the position.

Quiet campaign causes small student turnout

by Michael Finnegan
Staff writer

Why don't students participate in elections that will have some bearing on the UMO community in the next year?

After Wednesday's low student vote, student leaders sighted a lack of knowledge and care for the student government.

Student government president-elect Dave Spellman was surprised by the low turnout and attributed it to the unawareness of students to his or her role in the student government and the importance of having a student government.

"I don't think students are aware of the free legal service and other services that student fund and I think students should be more aware of what is available to them," Spellman said.

Eighty percent of Spellman's campaign was directed towards educating students on the possibilities for student government; to make students aware of what student government has done and explain what affects decisions by student government will have on the individual student, Spellman said.

"I find people were interested in student government when they knew what's going on," Spellman added.

But still only half the students that Spellman and vice-president elect Kevin Freeman talked to actually voted, Spellman estimated.

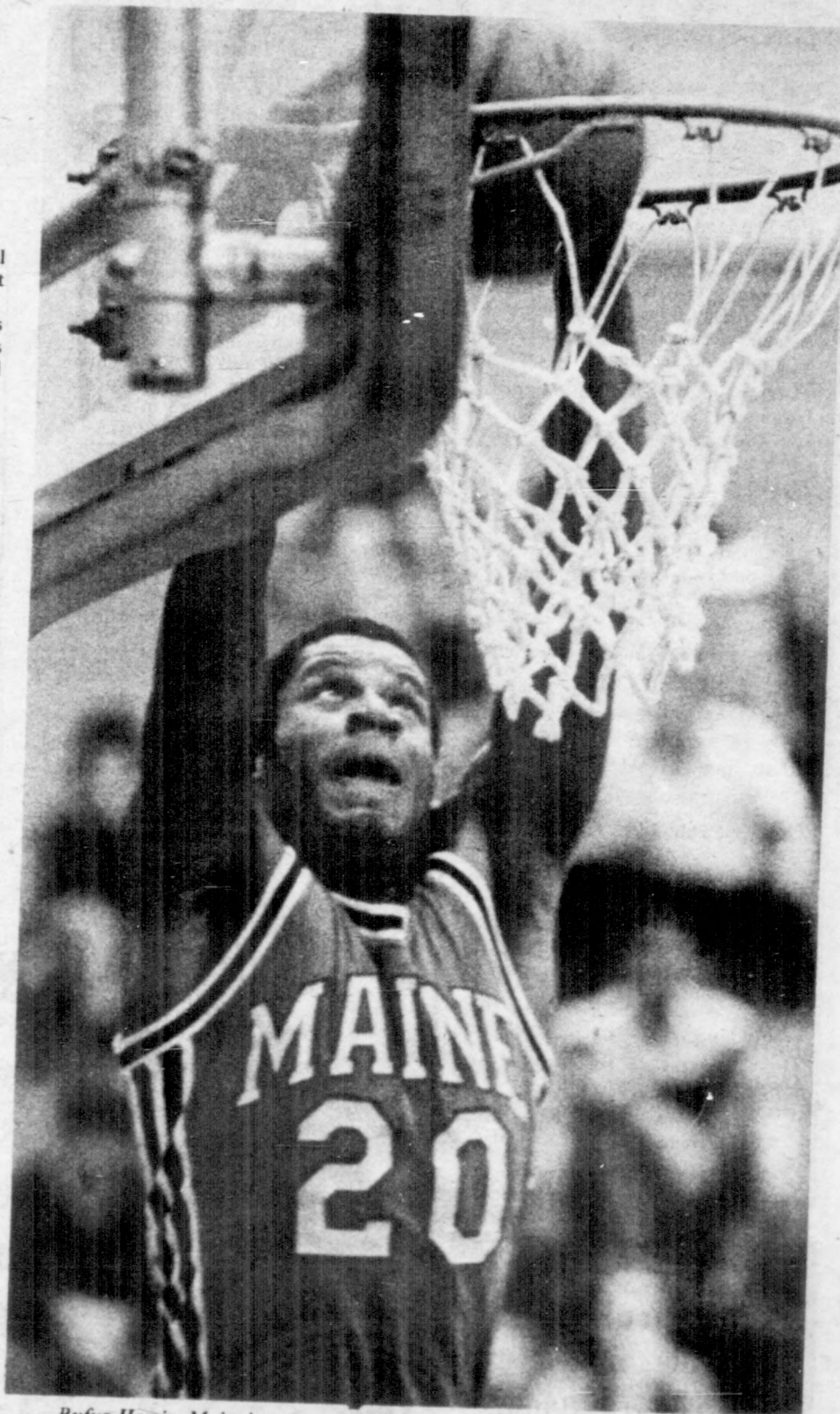
"It's easy to get caught up in the atmosphere at UMO which does not necessarily lend itself to student government," Spellman said.

"It's hard to get students to vote; you can stop and talk to a person for a half hour and the student still won't vote," student presidential candidate Lori Marsters said.

Marsters believed that students perceive the functions of student government as unchanging from one year to the next and when things need to be done the student assumes they will get done by student government and a vote will not breathe any new life into the UMO student senate.

"There aren't really any definite clear choices between candidates. They stand pretty much the same," Marsters said.

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Rufus Harris, Maine's career scoring leader, displays some of the style that symbolized his career at UMO. Tomorrow night, Harris will play in his last home game for Maine. (photo by John Ewing)

One last hurrah!!

by Greg Betts

"I didn't make Maine basketball, Maine basketball made me"—Rufus Harris

...And starting in his final home game, the captain, From Framingham Mass...

George Wilde will undoubtedly be interrupted at that point by a blast from the crowd Saturday night when he announces the starting lineup for the Maine Black Bears in their regular season finale against the University of Connecticut. But UMO's public address announcer won't be insulted by being cut off in the middle of his words—he won't be interrupted out of rudeness but out of love and admiration for someone very special.

The blast that emanates from the overflow audience in "The Pit" tomorrow night as Wilde attempts to introduce Rufus

Harris for the last time should be an accumulation of all the cheers the Black Bear superstar has received in his glorious four year career and may very well blow the roof off the Memorial Gymnasium. They may still be standing and cheering come midnight.

It will be an emotion-filled setting when the man most responsible for bringing Maine basketball out of the dark ages is honored. There never was and probably never will be another player of Harris' caliber at Maine. Ever since he first stepped on the floor, a skinny freshman with a boyish face, in December of 1976, Black Bear basketball hasn't been the same. Harris exploded for 25 points in his college game against Northeastern and soon became an instant celebrity.

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WMEB-FM

who's to blame for it's problems?

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Lowdown

Friday, Feb. 22

SPEECH SCREENING TODAY. Keep your scheduled appointment (or drop in) at the Conley Speech and Hearing Center, North Stevens Hall, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

4 p.m. Lifesyles Study Group meeting, MCA, College Avenue.

4:30 p.m. Sabbath Eve Services sponsored by Hillel, Drummond Chapel.

7 p.m. Women's basketball vs. UMF

7 and 9:30 p.m. SEA Movie "Life of Brian" Hauck Auditorium.

7:30 p.m. Auditions for the Bangor Community Theatre production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore." Will be held in BCC's Portland Hall. Singers, dancers and theater technicians are encouraged to attend the auditions

Midnight WMEB-FM "Midnight Armenian Hour."

Saturday, Feb. 23

Acadia Cross-Country Ski Trip. Call 581-7598 for information.

7 and 9:30 p.m. SEA Movie "Pinocchio." Hauck Auditorium

7:35 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Connecticut

8 p.m. Damn Yankee Coffeehouse. Judy Labbee, Ray Fowler.

8:15 p.m. Graduate Recital: Patricia Connors 120 Lord Hall

10 p.m. WMEB-FM "Thirsty Ears."

Sunday, Feb. 24

Squaw Mountain Day Trip. Call 581-7598 for information.

4 p.m. Wells Complex Recital Series. Scott Burditt, horn. Wells Commons Lounge.

6:05 p.m. WMEB-FM "The Hellenic Voice."

7 p.m. Musicals "King and I" 101 English/Math.

10 p.m. WMEB-FM "King Biscuit Flower Hour."

THE STORE Natural Foods Recipe of the Week

Bread Pudding

3 cups warm milk
one-fourth tsp salt
one-fourth tsp nutmeg
one-half to one tsp cinnamon
4 cups fresh or dry bread broken into pieces
2 eggs lightly beaten
one-fourth cup honey (or to taste)
1 tsp vanilla
one-half to one-third cup raisins
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large, lightly-oiled baking dish, mix salt and spices with milk, then add bread and set aside to soak. Mix eggs, honey, and vanilla, then add raisins and mix with soaked bread. Bake, covered about 45 minutes, removing cover for last 5 minutes. Serve hot or cool with yogurt, milk or fruit sauce. Just as good the next day—try some for breakfast some time!

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★ Police Blotter ★

★ Non-student Charles Sanborn of Cape Elizabeth pleaded guilty Thursday to the Feb. 3 assault of a York Hall female, police said. He was given a sentence of 30 days in jail, 28 of which were suspended, and one year probation. He was originally charged with both criminal trespass and simple assault, but the former was later dropped.

★ Thomas Bolduc of Oxford Hall pleaded guilty Feb. 11 on the charge of possessing a small, but "usable" amount of marijuana and was fined \$25, police said.

★ For refusing police to tow his car on Feb. 3, Tod Cameron of Auburn was fined \$50 Thursday, police said.

★ Brian Bonenfant of Hampden Highlands, who was charged with forgery Feb. 1, had his case filed for restitution Thursday, police said.

★ A motor vehicle accident was reported to have occurred Wednesday in which a 1977 white International truck hit the canopy on the north end sidewalk of Wells Commons, police said. Damage to the vehicle, which belonged to Stanley Badger of Bangor, was estimated at about \$900.

★ Mitchell Eyles of Dunn Hall reported that on Feb. 14 someone entered his unlocked room and took one down coat with stitching on the left sleeve and Camel written on the tag, one Seiko men's watch with a maroon face, gold casing, and no strap; and \$24 from his wallet, totalling in all, about \$134.

★ A 14 Karat, plain gold wedding band, belonging to Tad Pieffer of Hampden Highlands, was reported lost Wednesday at the Memorial Gym field house or immediate outside area, police said. The ring, which was lost sometime between Jan. 26 and Feb. 1, was valued at \$65.

★ An Ellsworth Hall male reported to police he received a harassing phone call from some unknown male caller Wednesday. The caller refused to identify himself and insulted the person by calling him an offensive name, police said. Police have suspects and plan to advise them of the harassment statute.

★ A sweatshirt, valued at \$15, was reported stolen from a locked locker Tuesday, police said. The owner was Linwood Caeville, Jr. (no address given)

★ A telephone harassment was reported Wednesday, police said. A man reported someone harassed his girlfriend on the phone pretending to be him. Police have a suspect and are looking into the case.

★ Firemen responded to a fire alarm on the third floor of English/Math building Wednesday, police said. There was smoke in the air, but firemen couldn't find the source of the smoke. The alarm reset itself eventually, police said.

★ Anthony P. Albano of Castigan lost a loading zone pass #623 somewhere near Smart's garage in Old Town Tuesday, police said. He was reissued a new one.

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Through a swinging hatch door, visitors are able to catch a glimpse of a concealed bed, built under the special platform. This is just one of the custom touches Danny Michaud and Jeff Adler added to their Gannett Hall room. (photo by Donna Sotomayor)

A special gathering place

Not just your average dorm room

by Melissa Gay

Staff writer

Imagine your typical bachelor pad complete with soft lights, fur-lined stereo cabinet, a well stocked bar and hidden beds.

Two males in Gannett Hall don't have to imagine anything, that's what their room looks like.

Danny Michaud and Jeff Adler have transformed an ordinary room, into a place with all the comforts of home, using scraps of paneling, pieces of rug and a lot of imagination.

"First semester last year we had a few of the things like the bar and the couch, be we wanted more," Michaud said. "We planned what we wanted to do and then over Christmas break I built the room."

As you walk into Danny and Jeff's room, your curiosity is aroused. Instead of the door opening into a wide open space, you're greeted by a paneled partition. You have to walk under a tapestry to get to the door in the partition, which leads into the room.

Now you can see the room. The loft holding Jeff's bunk is right in front of you, with the bar underneath. After you move around this structure, you gaze at the carpeted counter surrounding Danny's bed. It has a doorway cut in the side allowing access to Danny's bed.

A fur-lined stereo cabinet is built onto the left side of the counter, while a soon-to-be-filled fish tank balances off the other side. A couch, end table and chair round off the furnishings.

"I built the room from scraps of materials which were going to be thrown away," Michaud said. "I made the scraps into something decent."

The room is all built in panels that can be taken apart in a few days. "We haven't altered anything in the original room and nothing is nailed to the walls," Michaud said. "It's like a room within a room."

Danny also has a lighting system built into the room. Colored lights under the bar flash to the beat of loud music, a Phantom of the Opera picture has eyes which blink to the beat, and a black light and strobe light also add to the atmosphere.

"I have a vivid imagination," Michaud said. "I like to think of things most people say can't be done, then I try to build them."

Danny and Jeff have added touches to the room which complete the scene. Jeff's loft bunk has a bar sign attached to it. The sign lifts up to reveal a peep hole. Leopard skin curtains hang from the windows, a comic picture of Tarzan adorns the wall over the couch, and every inch of the room is carpeted.

Living in paradise isn't without its problems however. Danny and Jeff recently had a visit from the fire marshal to see if they were violating any fire codes.

"The room was reported after the steam plant checked every room's heater over Christmas break and they couldn't find ours," Adler said. "The fire marshal was checking to see if we were violating any fire codes."

The room passed the inspection, according to Fire Marshal, Dave Fielder. "We were checking to see if any codes had been broken," Fielder said. "We checked to see if the door was blocked in any way, the construction of the room, and the size of the window openings."

"We did make some recommendations concerning the tapestries hanging by the doorway," Fielder added.

Presently, no policies exist concerning students building in their rooms. "There is a policy that says students must be sure that everything in the room remains in the room and that nothing can be attached to the room itself," said Doug Williams, resident director at Gannett Hall.

"Danny and Jeff had their room

approved by the complex coordinator last year, so I assume they're not violating any policies," Williams added.

The room has become quite an attraction in Gannett. It's a good change of atmosphere from the regular dorm room combinations and a gathering place for Danny and Jeff's friends.

"Our only problem with the room is its size," Michaud said. "When we party it's hard to make places for everyone."

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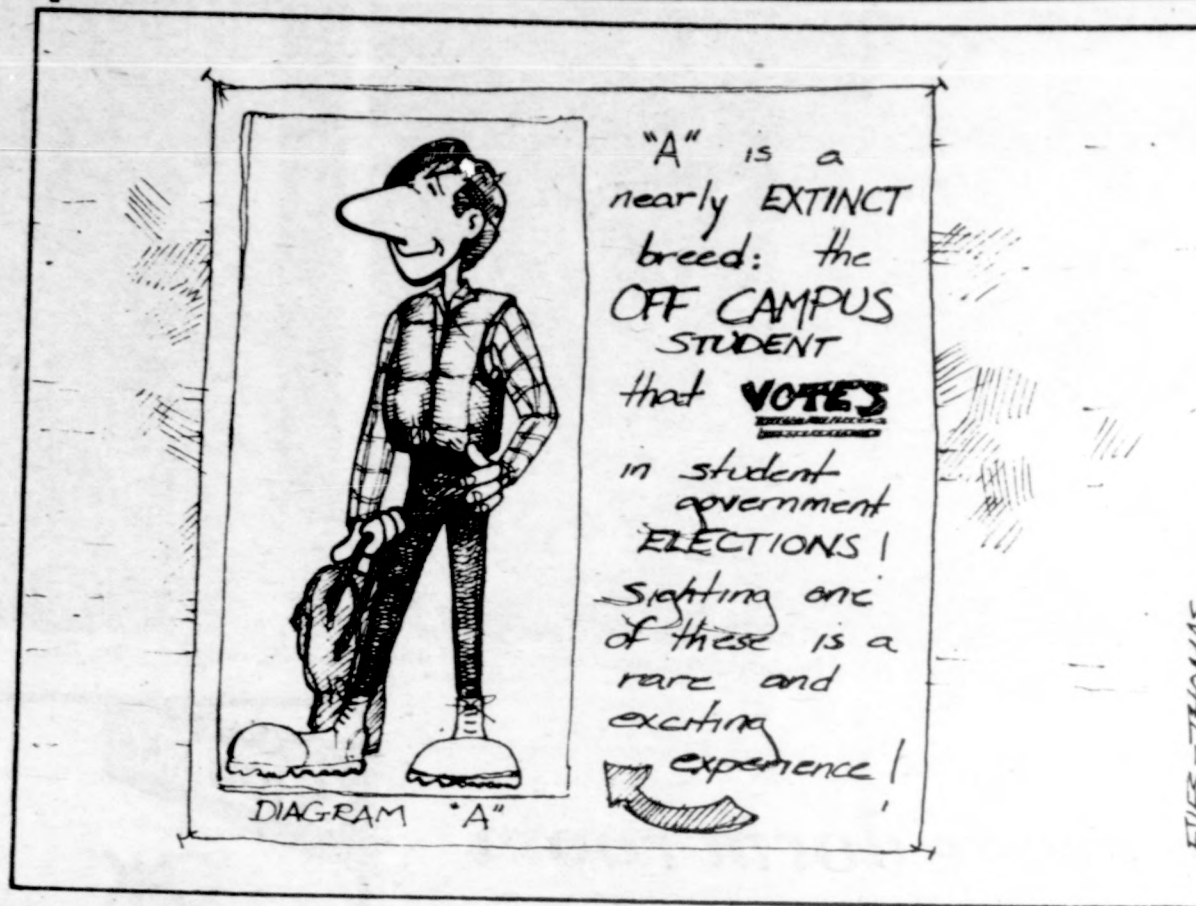
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Holy Cow!

The student senate gave \$450 to Hillel, the religious group for UMO's Jewish students.

Big Deal. They asked for \$3,000. But they were lucky. There were many senators who wanted to give them only \$100.

Dick Hewes, our lame duck president, didn't want to fund Hillel at all. Why? "A serious financial squeeze," he says.

At the same meeting the senate gave \$733.90 to the Rugby club, and the Lacrosse Club \$1,219.80, with an option for more money if matching funds don't come through from Ken Allen.

In past weeks, the senate has handed out funds to the Women's Ice Club, the Men's Volleyball Club, and to the Kayak Club, all to the total tune of \$1,200.

And they gave \$525 to the Penobscot Valley Energy Alliance, a group that isn't even a university group per se.

There weren't all that many cries of poverty when it came to funding these groups.

Hillel, it seems, is different. It is a religious group.

That's right...the argument is the ancient one of church and state. Senators ask, "Why should we, a government group, give our student activity fee dollars to a church group?"

Cabbages and kings

Congratulations this week go to Dave Spellman and Kevin Freeman for becoming the new kings of student government. Good luck taking over the kingdom. There are a lot of big problems to be dealt with right about now and we certainly don't envy you.

Also congratulations on a good, clean

What an archaic question. And what a stupid, prejudicial attitude. The student senate here at UMO is not the United States House of Representatives, where an action could possibly result in denial of the freedom to worship or not to worship.

This student senate is a congress, devised largely to hand out activity fee money to groups that need it to serve the participating students.

Hillel offers UMO students, particularly those of the Hebrew faith, an invaluable service and activity. So does the Maine Christian Association. So does the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. So does the Newman Center.

Perhaps, the Hillel students involved constitute a minority of UMO student body. But does Hillel serve any less students than the Kayak Club, or the Rugby Club?

And shouldn't an activity at UMO get more preference than an outside interest, a political force such as PVEA?

Hillel, or any other religious groups on campus, have as much right to money as the Kayak Club or any other group, should they need or want the funding.

We congratulate and thank the senate for finally prying open that tight wallet.

We hope that some of you will start opening up your closed minds.

M.L.

campaign.

On the other hand, there's plenty of cabbage to be passed around, and we won't bore you by naming all the names. But only 25 percent voting? If you voted, why don't you give yourself a king for the week? If not, go eat your cabbage. There's plenty of company in the cafeteria tonight.

Column inches Tammy Eves

The heartbreak of being scooped

If you've ever experienced a tense, churning feeling deep down in the pit of your stomach—when you either must sit there and steam all day or explode, then you know how a reporter feels when he gets scooped. It eats at you until it hurts.

We missed one of the most important stories of the semester this week. We lost it to Wayne Reilly of the Bangor Daily News.

A new UMO president will be named in a while, and the seven finalists were announced Thursday in a news release. Only that didn't really matter because the seven had already been announced earlier that morning by the BDN.

I have talked with anti-press people who don't believe the purpose of a newspaper should be to scoop other newspapers. Editors should be more concerned with enlightening the public than cutting their competitor's throat.

I'd like to say we aren't in it for the competition. I'd like to be able to say we just want to inform the public as fast as we can. But that's only part of it.

We want to be first because we want to be best. If a newspaper prints late news, then it may as well not print at all. I don't want the *Campus* ever to be second.

Maybe that's not the way newspapers should be. But that's the way they are.

Unless you've worked on a story and unless you've done all the legwork, sat on it for a while, agonized over the wording and then read it in "the other paper" first, then maybe you can't appreciate the drive to scoop.

But Thursday morning, our reporter Brian Farley, wanted to punch a wall. He had called members of the presidential search committee for hours the night before trying to find out the finalists, with no luck.

And when journalism Professor Brooks Hamilton came storming down the stairs with the BDN clutched in his fist, we found out we had been scooped.

The *News* was thrown onto the desk with red ink all over Wayne Reilly's article. "Eves!! McGrath!!!! Gawd-dammit. What did I tell you?" He was right. That story should have been ours and that's something that we won't forget.

Just as I've been told Wayne Reilly never forgot that the *Campus* scooped him on the faculty contract a year ago. Reilly got us this time, so now we're even.

But being even just isn't good enough.

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Send them to us at Suite 7A, Lord Hall, UMO, Orono, Maine 04469. Please include signature, phone number and address. Names withheld in special circumstances.

Need general consensus

To the Editor:

In a recent letter to the *Maine Campus*, Feb. 15, I saw a letter which I was quite pleased and gratified to see that someone, or some people felt so strongly about the unfortunate episode in the Stewart Commons. This person or persons, signed the letter "First Floor Cumberland." I realized, as a resident of the floor, and having looked into it, that not everyone saw that letter, or I'm sure, agreed with its contents. I do appreciate the letter, but

would hope that next time anyone who decides to write a letter to the editor and sign it "The Entire Floor," would check with the entire floor and make sure the letter is approved by everyone before signing it. That's what this person or persons did with the letter concerning me.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Michael Saltz
Cumberland

Naive female hitcher

To the Editor:

I was utterly repulsed by the article in the Friday, Feb. 15, *Maine Campus* written by an obviously naive female regarding hitchhiking. Your printing this article might actually have promoted more female hitchhikers and more perverted males to pick up and take advantage of naive girl.

Laura Proud, face facts. To judge all hitching by two very fortunate experiences is absurd. This is 1980. Not all people who drop you off at your front door are doing it out of the kindness of their hearts. Did it ever occur to you that they might want to find out where you live?

Young, naive, female hitchhikers are prime targets for rape. Don't kid yourself. Rape does happen and right here in Maine. Being so innocent, it could very well happen to you and those who have decided to try thumbing after reading your article. I hope you wake up before it's too late.

I have been there. I've been young and naive and didn't think twice about sticking out my thumb. I thank God, although I've had many "close calls," I have not been seriously harmed. But, some of my friends were not so fortunate. Thanks to hitching and being picked up by the "wrong" person, they have been mentally and physically abused and permanently damaged.



If you can't be at the slopes, at least you can have a good look at the run to the lodge at Sugarloaf. [photo by Don Powers]

Fraternities shafted

To the Editor:

Once again the University of Maine seeks to slap Fraternity Row in the face as it continues to appeal to our hearts, wallets, and alumni in the name of university loyalty.

I refer to recent developments in university-fraternity relations: 1) The cutting of fraternity campus mail-in effect communications, 2) The cutting of fraternity trash pick-up next fall.

These are only a couple of examples of the shaft we've been getting. Yet the University of Maine still seeks Greek support. Most recently in a *Maine Campus* article Jim Beaulieu suggested fraternities help raise money for an

elevator in the Union. Surely this is a good cause. The university constantly appeals to our alumni for donations and time. University Greek alumni give more time and money than any other Maine alumni.

You can contact the Student Activities Office for all the statistics and facts on Greek involvement and support at the University of Maine. The record shows our contributions outweigh our misgivings a million to one.

In the meantime, the university can slap us again. We must decide whether or not to respond in kind or in kindness, as we usually have

Sincerely,
Gerald R. Dube
Chairman, UMFB Services Committee

Liz Hale

Trash and treasures

Catching up after the plague

Hey, I can walk! After so long of being in bed, or vegetating in front of the tube, I can stand for half a day before I get weak, feverish and tearful. Recovering from the plague is a slowwww process. I've learned quite a few things to do and not to do in the process.

1. Do not, repeat, DO NOT hit, strangle, or otherwise damage those innocent fools who say: "Don't worry about falling behind, you'll catch up." It only leads to trouble. As they couldn't possibly know about the mountain of work you don't have the strength for, you can't really blame them for spouting inanities like "Your health is more important." (Notice that these poor deluded souls are usually doctors and parents, not college-wise people.) Just ignore them, or better yet, ask them to do some of

your work. That'll shut them up.

2. Explain to your professors exactly what prevented you from being in classes for 22 days. A note from your doctor or mortician might help. They'll still flunk you, but may be sympathetic while doing so.

3. Do not try to catch up by reading six chapters of medieval history all at once. You'll die either of eye-strain or boredom. Take it slowly. By May, you should only be three weeks behind instead of 23.

4. Work up to the sophistication of college work slowly. I've been preparing for re-entry into the stream by reading "Trixie Belden." And believe me, that's the lowest of the low. Trixie's barely into her teens, and her six equally nauseous friends sport goodness and charity while reforming

criminals, thwarting bad-guys and solving mystery cases the police can't solve. At any rate, it's good for a laugh. I should be ready for my textbooks by 1999. (Gee, professor, of course I did my report. It's on my pet cat. Hey, want to come to our happy house for dinner? Moms is making all us kids' favorites...hot dogs and pickles...

5. Above all, laugh. Laugh long, laugh hard, laugh often. Goggle at your rubber legs. Chortle at a silly joke. Guffaw at every thing possible. It's the only thing that'll keep you sane.

Next week: I hope to be back to normal and have a different kind of report.

Liz Hale's column appears here Fridays.



A tribe full of potential

To the Editor:

I recently read an article by a woman who attended the same Christian missions conference I did over the semester break. She told of a very interesting group of people she was concerned for.

"They live in communal long houses, often miles away from any close relatives. Not only do they ignore their family ties, but the males and females live in separate houses. Social interaction revolves around communal meals and unstructured evening gatherings where a locally prepared alcoholic beverage is consumed."

A barbaric ritual occurs at irregular intervals when individuals practice an unusual

form of self-torture. Hoping to appease their gods, they pore over obscure documents without rest, for days or until exhaustion overwhelms them.

Another tragedy is that the society's older members drop away from the others. They stop attending the communal meals and eventually leave the long houses. The remaining tribespeople don't know where these members have gone.

But members of the tribe have great potential. Research indicates that they are of at least average intelligence and that they are friendly, bright, young and creative. Yet they really need to hear how Jesus can transform their lives and give them the purpose and the hope that they long

for

The Bible has been translated into their language, but many have never read it or really heard its message. Christians have gone to live among the tribe, but these missionaries have often despaired, losing sight of their purpose and forgetting God's ability to work anywhere and to overcome all obstacles.

There are several names for this tribe, but the one you probably know them by is 'college students.'

This is an excerpt from *The Natives are Restless* by Kathy Weithoner, *HIS* magazine, February 1980.

Thank you,
Bill Mason
105 Aroostook

Ain't all refs

To the Editor:

I wish I could contact all of the high school basketball players that have included Maine on their list of colleges. I would tell them they needn't worry about playing well south of New England because there is no such thing. There are only bad referees. And I will tell them that it won't be their fault if they lose certain games - those refs will do it every time. The players should know before they sign up that the referees conspire against Maine at least two or three times each year. Some may find that hard to believe, but Coach Chappelle thinks it's true.

I did not see the East Carolina, North Carolina A&T, or Baltimore ballgames where Chappelle said the officiating was "three times as bad as any other year" (so they're bad every year, are they, Coach?). Maybe it was bad in those three games, but the games were close and perhaps better coaching or at least a better attitude might have made the results more favorable to Chappelle.

To top it off, Chappelle had the audacity to state he could have beaten Baltimore and North Carolina by 15 points if on a neutral court. Sure Coach, I'll bet you could have beaten Marquette and DePaul by at least eight or nine in the Pit, and you could probably give the Celtics a run for their money here at Orono.

There are a lot of young athletes who share the coach's feelings toward referees. I think Chappelle should realize there are questionable calls, and they may cost him a ballgame once in awhile.

All refs aren't bad, even when you lose. The last thing an athlete should do is blame the refs for a bad performance. The worst thing of all is having a coach who blames the ref for his team's performance.

Mike Mariano
325 Aroostook Hall

Research before writing

To the Editor:

Steve McGrath, in his editorial of Feb. 13, stated "about a dozen congressmen were charged with taking bribes," a statement which is patently untrue.

Will you please ask Mr. McGrath to check the facts concerning the FBI investigation of certain congressmen, and then have him look up in a dic-

tionary and a textbook on criminal procedure the terms investigation, allegation, charge, indictment, evidence, hearing, due process, conviction and exoneration.

The results of such a study would be useful in writing future editorials.

Sincerely yours,
John F. Battick
Associate professor of history

An election thank you

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to those who have contributed their efforts in this year's campaign. I wish to thank those who put in the hard work and

time, those that signed our nomination papers, our supporters, and especially the voters who elected us to office.

I would also like to commend our opponents on a very clean and well run campaign. This is something that has

the difficult job of running for office easier for us this year.

Also, I commend this past year's officers, Dick Hewes and Steve Bucherati, on a job well done. Once in office, Dave and I hope to do as well. We feel we can with the advice and support of the students here at UMO.

Therefore, I encourage each and every individual to come to student government with advice, opinions, questions and complaints.

With your input, Dave and I will do our best in fulfilling our responsibilities as president and vice president of student government.

Again, thank you for your support!

Respectfully yours,
Kevin Freeman
Vice President-elect of Student Government

commentary

History labels draft supporters unamerican

Steve Barkan

In light of the recent charges in the *Maine Campus* and elsewhere that opponents of the draft are unpatriotic and unamerican, it is worthwhile to look at the history of the draft in the United States. Throughout most of our country's past, conscription—another name for the draft—has been highly unpopular, and it was support for the draft, not opposition to it, that used to be branded "unAmerican."

Many people who long ago settled the U.S. were fleeing the draft in their own nations. As a result, conscription was long considered alien to American principles of freedom, even in several of the wars in which Americans have been involved. For example, George Washington's call for a draft to help fight England was rejected by other colonial leaders.

Later, during the War of 1812, Congress refused to initiate the draft, with Daniel Webster declaring, "A free government with an uncontrolled power of military conscription is the most ridiculous and abominable contradiction and nonsense that ever entered the head of man." Webster said there was nothing in the

Constitution that required "the American people to surrender everything valuable in life, and even life itself, whenever the purposes of an ambitious and mischievous government may require it."

The first draft was finally passed during the Civil War, but it proved an unpopular measure, to say the least. As detailed in the current newsletter of the Maine Peace Action Committee, Northern men could pay \$300 to the government to avoid being drafted. About 100 draft enforcement officials were shot by citizens. In 1863 Irish immigrants rioted in New York City against the draft, and more than 10,000 soldiers had to be taken from Gettysburg to stop the riots. Other draft riots occurred in Boston, Rutland, Vt., Portsmouth, N.H., and Wooster, Ohio.

The draft ended in 1864 and was not resumed until 1917, during World War I. Here again conscription was sharply debated in Congress. One senator declared of the draft, "It is as repugnant to democracy as any despotic principle which can be

conceived." The draft passed in April 1917, and although the war had already started, 51 percent of those called in the first set of induction orders requested exemptions. Thousands refused even to register. More than 250,000 other men failed to appear for induction and were never arrested. So many left the country to escape the draft that a law was passed prohibiting this form of resistance. And so many had their teeth extracted in order to disqualify physically that the War Department warned dentists they could be prosecuted for aiding draft evasion.

The draft ended after World War I, with the Army Chief of Staff Douglas MacArthur, stating in 1920, "Tradition and public sentiment have always precluded conscription as the basis of a peacetime defense policy."

But in 1940 the congress passed America's first peacetime draft. Once again, though, the measure was strongly opposed by many members of congress. A South Dakota senator asked, "Shall we abandon the time-honored traditions of a peace-loving, liberty-

loving people for that of military despotism?" Another senator charged, "Pass this conscription bill, Mr. President, and we will have forged the first link in the chain which will drag down America to the same militaristic level of fascist Italy and Nazi Germany." The draft passed in the House by only one vote, 203-202.

This brief summary illustrates the long tradition of opposition to the draft by Americans, regular citizens and members of Congress alike. Those now protesting the return of draft registration are following this honorable tradition and evoking the values on which our nation was founded. To call these latest draft opponents unamerican ignores history and unfairly smears their character. Indeed, the recent protest against the draft recalls an 1899 variation of a familiar quotation: "My country, right or wrong. When right, to be kept right; when wrong, to be put right."

Steve Barkan is an assistant professor in the sociology department.

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Gov't. views Boston as a possible Olympic site

BOSTON—The White House and Mayor Kevin White's office confirm Boston is being considered as a site for possible alternative athletic games this summer. The government is scouting for a place to hold the games following official word yesterday the United States will boycott the Moscow Olympics.

White House Counsel Lloyd Cutler said the facilities available at Boston's many colleges and universities make it a good candidate for any alternative games. According to Cutler, the government is thinking about staging events in different cities. Swimming, for instance, might be in one city, while the track and field competition would be held in another. White's News Aide, George Regan, confirms a city representative has talked with the White House about the proposed games. Just last week, Tufts University President Jean Mayer proposed Boston-area schools be used for any United States games this summer.

Reagan attacks court's refusal to block funds

BIRMINGHAM—Ronald Reagan has accused the Supreme Court of, what he called, "an abuse of power as bad as the transgressions of Watergate." Speaking in Birmingham, Ala. Reagan attacked the high court's refusal to block use of federal funds for Medicaid abortions.

Reagan was referring to the Supreme Court's refusal on Tuesday to set aside a New York City federal judge's decision directing the government to continue paying for abortions for poor women despite Congressional action denying funds for that purpose.

The former Calif. governor called it an unprecedented grasp for power over the federal treasury must be blocked.

Reagan's statement came one day after he made his debut as a Republican presidential campaign debater, joining six other GOP candidates in a confrontation in Manchester.

Congressman Richard Kelly halts debate on his expulsion from House Republicans Conference

WASHINGTON—Congressman Richard Kelly of Florida, implicated in the FBI bribery investigation, resigned Thursday from the House Republican Conference. He said he wanted to "save the Republican party from an action that would not be appropriate."

The conference is an organization of all GOP House members. Kelly's move halted debate on a motion by Republican leaders to expel Kelly from the conference because of his admitted acceptance of \$25,000 from FBI agents posing as Arab representatives.

Kelly is the only Republican among eight members of Congress who were implicated in the FBI undercover operation.

House GCP Leader John Rhodes of

Afghan stores protest Soviet Union invasion

KABUL—Nearly all shops and stores in Kabul, Afghanistan closed Thursday in a protest against the Soviet military occupation. Afghan police and army units were on alert throughout the city.

Thousands of civilians stood in the streets to observe the success of the protest with evident glee.

A rebel leaflet distributed in Kabul urged shopkeepers to show their "unanimous condemnation" of the invasion by paralyzing commercial life in the city.

All but a handful of shopkeepers complied, despite efforts by the Soviet-sponsored regime of President Babrak Karmal to force them to stay open.

One shopkeeper told a group of Western reporters: "We have won a great victory today...we have shown the Russians that the Afghan people think of them."

At several points, police were seen trying to force shopkeepers to remove the boarding from their windows. The shopkeepers generally obeyed, but replaced their shutters as soon as the police had gone.

Pro-lifers claim court overstepped its bounds

AUGUSTA—The head of the Maine Right to Life Committee said the U.S. Supreme Court overstepped its bounds this week when it temporarily ap-

proved a decision in favor of federal funding for indigent abortions.

Mrs. Sandra Faucher said the court refusal to act on a New York decision will require Maine to provide indigent abortions that the legislature has not provided funding for.

State Rep. John Simon, a Democrat from Lewiston, said he also is not happy with the decision.

Simon said the U.S. Constitution specifically says only Congress can appropriate money. And Simon said the Court's action will appropriate money by making states fund abortions.

Last month, a New York federal judge ruled that the federal government must fund all indigent abortions that a physician deems "medically necessary."



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WMEB lacks attention-

by Ernie Clark and George W. Roche

The station manager says things most certainly could be better. The advisor says things are most certainly better than before. But everyone involved sees a lot of room for improvement at WMEB-FM.

Formerly WORO, WMEB-FM came into existence in 1967. It has been authorized to operate at 380 watts by the Federal

"whole lot" of discussion between himself and station manager Tom Kevorkian, Department of Journalism and Broadcasting Chairperson Art Guesman said. "The relationship has improved over the last seven months. Of course, Utopia hasn't arrived and anyone anticipating a miracle will be disappointed."

"Granted," Guesman continued, "the program has suffered from a lack of

had a slightly different view of the situation. He felt that there have been bad moments in dealing with the administration due to personality conflicts, but generally relations have been adequate.

"All in all, relations between WMEB and the administration have been on the good side," Elfring, now employed by PICS, said.

"WMEB provides a media outlet for the administration to the students. They may not use it enough, but it is there."

Kevorkian was also irked at the administration's reaction to the "Christmas in Cambodia" program that aired last semester. He felt that the administration had overlooked the station, for a long time, but once the Christmas in Cambodia program began to attract national attention, the administration temporarily adopted the station as "their baby."

"The truth is that we lost money on 'Christmas in Cambodia,'" he said.

Tuesday, Acting President Kenneth Allen promised an investigation into the recurring problems plaguing the station.

"Let me start at my end and see what I

ment allotments, budget-cutting measures and the generosity of such groups as the president's office and the athletic department.

Last year, Acting President Allen channeled \$2,900 in additional funding into the station.

"Overall, this year's budget is not bad, it's the best we've had," Kevorkian said. "But who's to say what is going to happen in the future?"

Thus, raising enough money to operate the station for twenty hours a day can be a problem. According to Kevorkian, WMEB receives most of its funding from four principal sources; the Department of Journalism and Broadcasting, student government, fund-raising activities and corporate underwritings of specific programming.

However, this budgeted funding only provides enough capital for day-to-day operation. Another expenditure, which is not necessarily included in the standard budget, is the purchase of new equipment. Much of the present equipment at WMEB is old and in need of replacement, according to Kevorkian.

The equipment takes a beating because it is used continuously by either the radio station or broadcasting classes, and the money for replacing the equipment has been slow in coming over the years.

"Until this year, WMEB had little money appropriated for equipment," Kevorkian said.

"We even discussed going off the air in mid-October because of equipment difficulties."

Among the equipment in need of extensive repair or replacement is a remote broadcast board, the McMartin Board.

Since about 1973, this board has been used continuously whenever the station is on the air. According to former station engineer Chuck Davis, this apparatus was not designed for continuous use and has suffered as a result.

Turntables, cartridge machines, which are used for tape broadcasts and volume controls are also in need of replacement, according to Davis.

Another yet unsolved equipment problem within the stereo device has yet to be located, according to Davis. Once the problem is found the stereo signal will return to WMEB.

Much of the blame for equipment failures could be attributed to the student engineers, but Davis does not think this is the case.

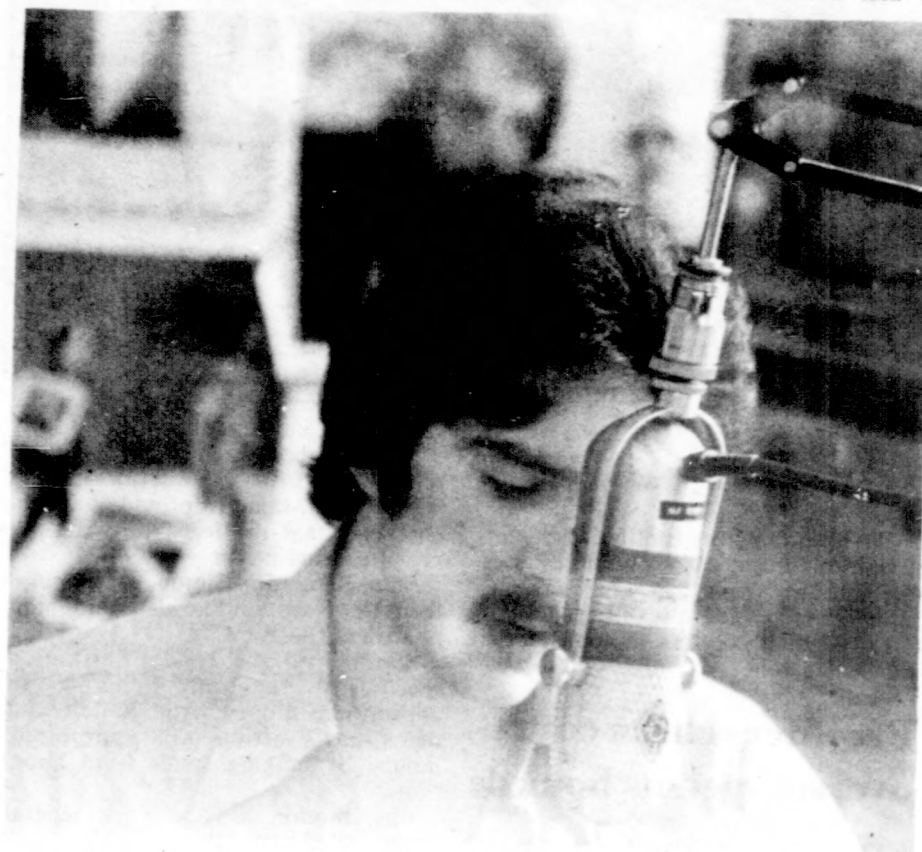
Attaining funds has become a Catch-22 situation

He said that when he was chief engineer at WMEB, from fall 1977 to spring 1979, he worked at least 20 hours a week for a salary of \$100 to \$150 per semester. Davis feels this is not adequate payment for the responsibilities inherent with the job.

"The salary is definitely not commensurate with the amount of work involved in the upkeep of the equipment," Davis said.

"One possible solution is to make the chief engineer a work-study position."

Some of the equipment is being



Scott LeClair broadcasts during WMEB's 20 hours of daily operation (photo by Donna Sotomayor)

Communications Commission although it presently operates at 250 watts.

The radio station became the responsibility of the newly-combined Department of Journalism and Broadcasting in the fall of 1979. Before that the Broadcasting Division had wandered from the Speech Department to the Performing Arts Department to a year in limbo as a special concern of the Dean of Arts and Sciences. It has had four different masters in a five-year span.

While admitting that there hadn't been a

attention at all levels. However, progress has been made at the upper levels in increasing the awareness of this program. The upper echelons are more informed and more involved in the problems."

"They think it's a toy," Kevorkian said.

"The support that the station gets from Ken Allen, Deans Lucy and Rand, and others is good at times, but only in isolated instances. I simply want them to come out of the closet."

A former station manager, B.L. Elfring



Records line the shelves over at WMEB; most are of a jazz format. (photo by Donna Sotomayor)

The Maine Public Broadcast Network, holders of the license claim no responsibility beyond insuring the maintenance of that license. According to Sue Torre, executive secretary to MPBN's vacationing general manager, Edward Winchester, "All the day-to-day workings are the responsibility of the department involved."

Kevorkian said that relations between the station and MPBN are not as good as they should be. He admits that part of the blame lies with himself, but also said that MPBN could be more helpful in the area of manpower and through donations of old equipment.

WMEB, unlike the *Maine Campus*, cannot rely on advertising revenue to finance their operation.

"Everything is available to give students experience in everything connected with the broadcast business except sales," White said.

Kevorkian said that the current budget, estimated at \$8,000 has been adequate for the station's needs due to four factors; fund-raising activities, student govern-

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replaced. Two direct drive turntables, without tone arms, valued at \$700 have been ordered. An automatic gain control amplifier, called Audimax, which will help eliminate inconsistencies of the station's volume control, was installed about two weeks ago.

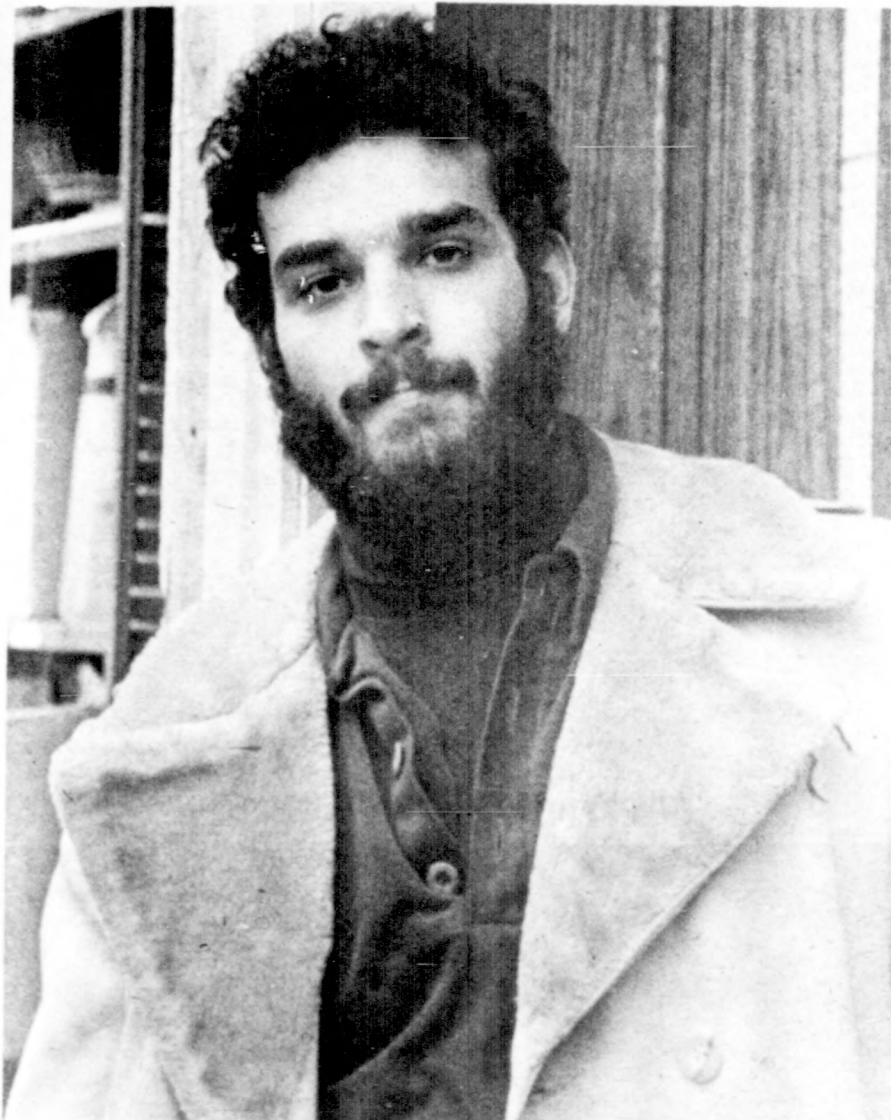
The athletic department has partially underwritten the purchase of a new remote broadcasting board. This board, called a Maxitel, was purchased for \$750 and is expected to improve the quality of remote pickups. The maxi-tel, installed last week, will be used primarily for covering sports events.

Attaining funds from the university, in

then the station advisor, department chairman, and several other persons, a situation which created much confusion as to how much money was being spent on what.

He said that during his term as station manager from September 1978 to May 1979, that the books were based on a relative total, because it took at least the three summer months to balance the books.

This resulted because there was not adequate faculty control over who had authorizing purchases.



Tom Kevorkian, WMEB's station manager is not too pleased with the administration's efforts to help the station. [photo by Donna Sotomayor]

addition to those allotted in the budget has become a "Catch-22" situation, according to Kevorkian.

Extra funds, used primarily for the purchase of equipment, from the administration have been hinged on the ability of the station to obtain a matching grant from another body, such as student government. Kevorkian realizes that the inflationary cycle is not conducive to an abundance of excess monies at the administrative level.

"I'm not expecting \$3,000 to come to the station tomorrow. I just want our side of the issue presented," Kevorkian said.

"I'm trying to make the station the best station possible, with or without the help of the administration"

Another problem that has plagued WMEB concerns bookkeeping. This problem arose because so many people were involved in the approval of purchases.

According to Elfring, a typical bill would first be approved by the station manager,

and the Broadcasting office, could be transferred into the station, as it is used only for a few hours each day.

Kevorkian said that the university should be able to find another room for classes affected by the room switch.

"There is a need for space which can be used primarily for academic purposes," said White. "A classroom/studio/control room set-up should be ideal."

Recently, plans have been made to move WMEB to a location accessible to disabled students. According to JoAnn Fritche, director of Equal Employment, the primary reason for the proposed move is to

is played. When asked about the traditional rock and roll musical tastes of most college students, Kevorkian said that the purpose of the station was to provide students with an alternative.

"The day we have to conform to conventional musical tastes is the day that I lock myself in the station, board up the doors and play music until they drag me out," he said.



A Mick Jagger cut-out stands in for the station manager at WMEB's studio. [photo by Donna Sotomayor]

provide a handicapped student in the broadcasting department with access to instructional facilities.

She was not sure if the instructional facilities were the same as the on-the-air broadcast studio, but if that were the case, then WMEB would definitely be moving.

"If there is a connection between the studio and the disabled student's use of instructional facilities, then the change will definitely involve WMEB," Fritche said.

WMEB's format is called free forum, in which music ranging from new wave to jazz

White also said, "It's a good tool. For people entering the radio field, the station's equipment is on par, if not better than, the equipment of most of your smaller, local stations."

Kevorkian is determined that WMEB continues to provide its services to the campus community.

"I'm trying to make the station the best station possible, with or without the help of the administration," he said.



Andy Orcutt, WMEB's news director, takes his post for the daily newscast. [photo by Donna Sotomayor]

A twinkle of the mind's eye

by Tim McCloskey
Staff writer

Art students enrolled in the three dimensional design class this semester had the unusual assignment—to make snow sculptures.

tree," she added.

"The bear...sleeping against Carnegie Hall" was the creation of Kathy Best, a student in the design class.

"He turned out pretty much the way I wanted," Best said.

"I just think it was a shame that



Art instructor, Shannon McArthur, gave the assignment to her class for the first time.

"They had a choice of two things they could do. The first (involved) three or more objects that had some

there wasn't more snow," Best said.

Susan Camp and Caroline Tippetts made a triangular design outside the door of Carnegie.

"It turned out different than we had planned," Camp said.



sort of visual relationship to each other (with) variations of geometric forms," McArthur said.

In the second choice, the sculpture "must visually relate to a building or some other physical object such as a



"We wanted to get it done before the sun went down," Tippetts said.

"We kind of made things up as we went along...It came out all right considering the conditions and all," Tippetts added.

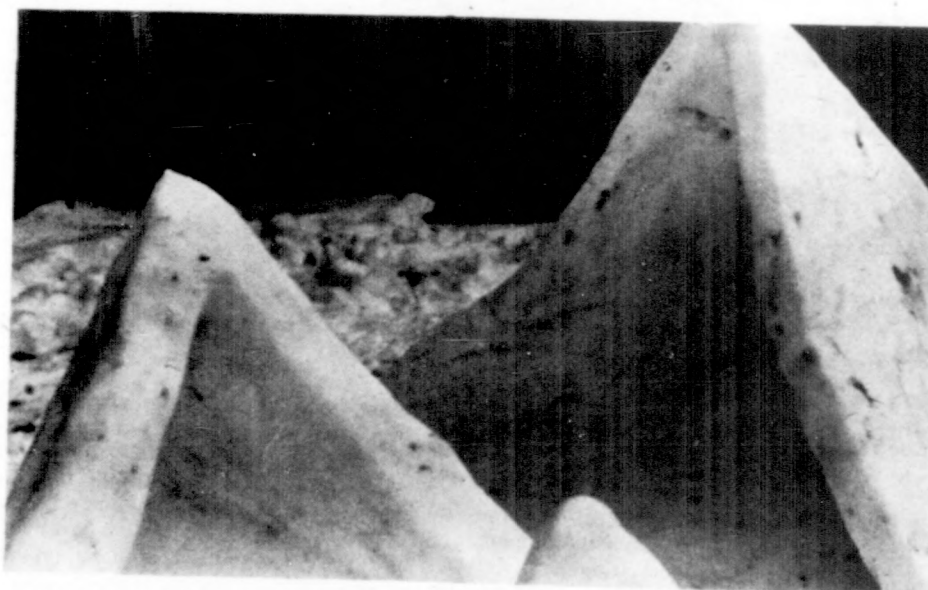
McArthur gave the assignment earlier in the semester and the students took advantage of last weekend's snowstorm.

"I've never assigned it before...It didn't cost anything and it was a faster medium (to work with) than plaster," McArthur said.

"I'm just hoping that nobody destroys them (because) they'll be graded on them," she added.



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Harris, Boucher say *sayonara*

Bears duel UConn in home finale

by Scott Cole
staff writer

This has been the one date on the home schedule which has been the lobster on a Mrs. Paul's fishsticks slate of opponents like C.W. Post, Long Island University, and North Carolina Wilmington.

Imagine UConn at the "Pit". An honest-to-goodness New England basketball power playing right here on campus. Undoubtedly the best team with the best players to play on the Memorial Gym hardwood in a couple of years. And unless you've been on an ocean liner cruise to Lithuania, you know Saturday night's 7:30 contest has a few other things going for it too.

Not only is this one the last home contest for the playoff-bound Black Bears but also it is the last time seniors Rufus Harris and Rick Boucher will step out onto the Memorial Gym floor for a dose of N.C.A.A. hoop.

The hard-luck Boucher will have to limp you onto the hardwood to receive the plaudits of the crowd since an ankle injury in the Vermont game has curtailed his playing time. Though Boucher has hit his last jump shot at the "Pit", his steady contribution in the backcourt over the last two seasons should not be forgotten.

And as for Mr. Harris? Well his exploits over the last four years in bringing UMO basketball out of the stone age have been chronicled on the front page of today's edition. Suffice it to say there'd be no substitution for the Bears come Tuesday if number 20 had never suited up in Maine blue and white.

Tomorrow's match-up is one between two clubs peaking at just the right time. The Bears and Huskies have gotten it together right as ol' man playoff peers around the corner.

Harris

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"I'll always remember the first response that I got from the crowd, it was genuine, it made me feel really good like, I was wanted as a player and as a person", said the man who became the first black basketball player at Maine and who eventually opened the door for others to come.

"It was a big adjustment for me coming in because the lifestyle was so different from what I'd come from", admitted Harris who lived until the age of 11 in Lagrange, Illinois outside of Chicago before moving to Framingham.

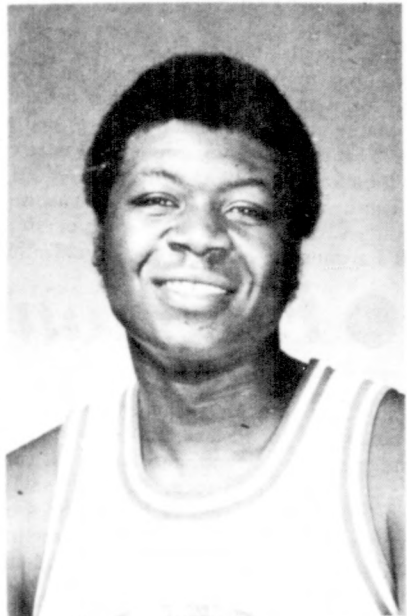
"I really grew up in a hurry. Coach Chappelle and Gavett and the guys on the team did a lot to make me feel a little more comfortable at that time. It only took me a week or so to feel at home because I was around good people and doing two things I wanted to do very much—play basketball and get an education."

Why did an 18 year old black from an urban environment bother to come to a place like Orono, Maine where the pace is much slower and the population much whiter?

"I just had a good feeling about it, it was like someone whispering into my ear that it was the right thing to do. I didn't look at it as a white-black situation, you know not like I was going to be outnumbered or something. It just seemed to be a place where I could play ball, study, and be around good people."

"When we recruited Rufus we never gave a thought to there being any major problem socially because of the way he is", explained Chappelle. "A lot of Rufus' success and popularity has come about because of his personality. He's a very decent person and

Maine's late-season symphony of basketball hit its crescendo Wednesday night in Boston in their 102-91 stuffing of Boston University. Aside from the overriding factor of the Bears' jelling as



Corny Thompson

a unit, head coach Skip Chappelle pointed to his team's marksmanship as a key to the win. "We shot the lights out (68 percent) from the floor and were unreal from the foul line."

UMO was also able to withstand the non-stop intensity of BU's pressure defense. The Bears had 18 turnovers which is a low mark compared to the give away stats of other teams who've played the Terriers. Chappelle noted that he was surprised his squad handled the pressure as well as they did. An important aspect of their effectiveness was their ability to consistently get good passes off under double-

a very solid citizen who has a humble quality that people like to see. I would have to admit having a very deep personal affection for Rufus because of the way he is. He's handled himself with tremendous class throughout his career.

There's no question that Harris is currently having one of the finest seasons of any player in the nation and many observers feel he is the most dominating player in New England and possibly the East.

His many records and fabulous play this year have almost been taken for granted by Maine fans who haven't exactly been breaking down the doors at Memorial Gymnasium in order to see the Black Bears play. This is a shame considering the team is going to be participating in post-season play for the first time next week. Harris is quick to share the credit for Maine's fast finish saying it has come about suddenly because of great coaching, teamwork and a little help from THE FORCE.

"I got the same good feeling I have now about the team going all the way as the year I was at MCI and we won it all that year (Maine has won eight of their last ten games). We were a respectable team not great—but we all came together to pull it off."

"We're playing like a team from another planet right now", explained Harris in Darrel Dawkins-like terminology, "our guards are the force, field out front and if on occasion it gets past our force field, then THE FORCE takes over. Joe Johnson is THAT FORCE. Dave Wyman and myself pick up whatever THE FORCE leaves. Guys off the bench are the helpers. THE FORCE is getting stronger and stronger and stronger."

teaming pressure.

Meanwhile duels in Storrs the basketball story is starting to look like a Xerox copy of the 78-79 season. According to assistant coach Jim O'Brien the 18-7 Huskies have had an up and down season. However O'Brien stated yesterday morning, "We have not played any better than in our last few games."

Those last few games include a 72-65 win over BU, a blow out dealt to Vermont, and an impressive 88-70 win over Holy Cross in Worcester Wednesday night.

"We played very, very well at Holy Cross. We're starting to play with confidence now," O'Brien said while adding that it again looks like UConn is jelling at tourney time.

Last season the Huskies got it in gear at tourney time and stunned the University of Rhode Island to cop the New England championship. They were later knocked out in the first round of the N.C.A.A. tourney.

There'll be no New England championship for the Huskies this year though. Last summer they jumped ship from the ECAC and joined the fledgling Big East Conference. The conference can boast number 3 ranked Syracuse, top ten club St. John's, Georgetown, Boston College, Providence College, and Seton Hall. All these clubs get together for a round robin tourney at the Providence Civic Center come February 28, 29, and March 1st. That kiddies should be absolute World War 3.

The Huskies will have a bit of a harder time emerging from that tourney a champion than they did last year. In the regular season Big East play they finished 3-3, losing at St. John's Syracuse, and Georgetown, and winning at home versus Boston College, P.C., and Seton Hall.

"Boston University press was awesome because of their press, Connecticut is awesome because of their size and stats", Chappelle was saying yesterday.

That size is personified by a front line of three ringers by the name of 6-8 Jim Abromaitis (9.5ppg), 6-6 Mike McKay (16.5 ppg), and 6-8 Corny Thompson (16.6ppg).

These boys can play Mr. Naismith's game. Abromaitis missed all last season with a knee injury but was still drafted in the fifth round by the New Jersey Nets. McKay, a swingman sophomore, was named a New England All-Star last year in his freshman year. He can bang the boards with the big guys and take you outside for a sweet jumpshot. Thompson is the best of the bunch. As just a freshman last year, Thompson was the vital cog that carried UConn to the New England Crown. He was named MVP of that ECAC tourney as well as being tabbed "New England's Player of the Year".

"We're gonna have to scramble on defense and rebound", said Chappelle laying out what his Bears will have to do to stay with heavy weight Huskies.

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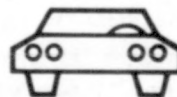
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Trent Arterberry, a Boston mime, goes through some of the paces of his "Silent Moves" show in Hauck Auditorium last night. [photo by Donna Sotomayor]

CARD to march on state and national capitals

by Paul Fillmore
Staff writer

At a sparsely attended meeting last night, CARD, the anti-draft group on campus, discussed its immediate and long range goals.

The group planned to attend two upcoming marches on Washington D.C. and Augusta in March with other colleges in Maine and also decided to set a goal of 5,000 for the number of signatures desired in their ongoing petition drive.

There was much talk at the meeting about CARD's dwindling membership. "It's a question of where the organization

is going as a whole," said Peter Blum, one of the founders of CARD. "We have become a single issue organization," he said, "and that is a sure way of having it all die out."

Another member of the group felt that there was a certain enthusiasm lacking from the meetings. "If people find the meetings boring, they won't come back," she said.

Two members of the group will be traveling to Bowdoin this weekend to attend a planning meeting for the upcoming march on Augusta later this spring. Students from Colby College will also attend the meeting.

● Elections

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Students vote for various reasons; the candidate is in a class, talk from fellow students about a candidate, and a lot care to take the time to vote, Marsters said.

A better positioning of ballot boxes on campus would lessen the crowds around the boxes, which can discourage students from voting, Marsters added.

Student government vice president, Steven Bucherati was also disappointed with the low voter turnout. Bucherati cited "a quiet campaign" as one reason students were not encouraged to get out and vote.

Despite the three-way race, excitement about the elections was very little as opposed to last year's elections when the voter turnout was increased by 800 students, Bucherati said.

President-elect Spellman intends to go to at least one dorm meeting a week and "be around to hear student opinions because if I am messing up I want to be the first to know."

"That way it's not just me talking but

the students behind me," Spellman said.

In an effort to develop more rapport with off-campus students, Spellman hopes to adopt the "town meeting" forum which will follow events, such as spaghetti dinners and enable the student and student government communities and opportunity to share views.

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