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'to show the real crisis'

Trustees discuss energy projects

by Stephen Betts
Staff writer

Energy was the focus of the University of Maine Board of Trustees meeting held on Tuesday morning at the Bangor campus.

The trustees heard from professors and a representative from the Maine Extension Service on the status of energy technology and ways in which these processes could benefit the university system.

"The presentation was made to show the real crisis of energy on campus," Roger Snow of the Chancellor's office said. "the fuel costs for the colleges in fiscal 1979 was in the vicinity of $4 million and next year that figure should be at $4.5 million."

An overview of the technology now available in the field of energy was given by Professor Richard Hill of the Department of Mechanical Engineering. Hill noted that a large amount of energy could be saved in the production of paper. He estimated that 2 million barrels of oil could be saved each year if the wood being processed was 1 percent dryer.

Dr. Alton Clark of the Physics Department spoke to the trustees on the advances in photovoltaics (cells in solar heating systems that transform light to energy). Cells are now being constructed to reduce the steps in transforming light to energy and making solar power more cost efficient.

Three pilot projects are also being tried at three UMaine campuses across the state. A solar water heater is being installed at the cafeteria on the UMaine at Presque Isle campus. A coal furnace will replace an oil-fired burner in Merril Hall at the college in Farmington.

"We expect this coal furnace to cut energy by 25 percent in this building," Snow said. "This translates out to a savings of $6000 a year for that one building alone."

A burner that will use wood chips is the third project to be tried by the trustees. This will be installed at Powers Hall at the Machias campus.

The board also took action on three appointments to university positions, including one to the Orono campus. Lewis E. Clark was named as director of International Agricultural Programs. Clark is a UMO graduate with a degree in farm management and finances. His duties will be to coordinate international agricultural programs at Orono.

Also named to posts were Loren W. Dowey, Dean of Education at the University of Southern Maine, and Lostus C. Carson as associate professor at USM.

The trustees also heard from Robert B. Binswanger on the progress of the assessments of the academic programs throughout the university system. Two programs are to be evaluated at each college, except UMO which will have six of its programs reviewed.

With soul etched in his face, this man moves to the beat of a jazz band on the streets of New Orleans. [photo by Mark Munro]

UMO's Bush pilot

Student leads campaign

Mike Saltz, shown here at a General Student Senate meeting, is the chairman of the Bush for President Committee in this area. [photo by Mitch Tarr]

by Debbie Noack
Staff writer

Politics runs in the blood of a UM freshman. Michael Saltz has been named chairman of the George Bush for President Committee for a district including UMO through the rest of central and northern Maine.

Saltz said he got the position by going into the Portland headquarters saying he was a supporter of Bush and had had previous experience in political campaigns.

Saltz said he worked in Carter's and Cohen's campaigns before he was old enough to register. He said he decided to register as a Republican because of the influence Cohen's campaign had on him. "I believe in the Republican caucus," Saltz said.

Saltz organized the rally for Bush that will be held in the Memorial Union at 7 p.m. He also helped to organize Bush's appearance in the Hilton tomorrow morning at 9:00.

During Christmas break, Saltz organized rallies for Bush in schools in the Portland area.

Saltz said he has political aspirations. He is a student senator from Cumberland Hall and said he plans to go to law school after he gets his degree in electrical engineering. He said he wants to go into politics some day.

[See SALTZ back page]

Orono-BCC night bus halted after low turnout

by Susan Day
Staff writer

A two-week trial period of extended evening bus service between the Orono and BCC campuses determined that service was unnecessary, according to Brian T. Page, director of the BCC grounds and services department.

The shuttle bus between campuses started the evening bus route in early December to go into effect after the Citibus stopped service for the evening.

The shuttle bus was started to aid students who lived in Bangor and wished to remain on campus after the Citibus made its last run to Bangor.

Page said Tuesday that the three or four bus trips averaged "only three or four people" combined per night.

The costs of the test, $3 per trip, were added to the original costs of the service and picked up by Page's department.

John T. Cyr, of Cyr Bus Company, said he was not surprised by the information the program covered. He said the cost increases—for the added three and a half to four miles per trip—did not justify the extremely small turnout.

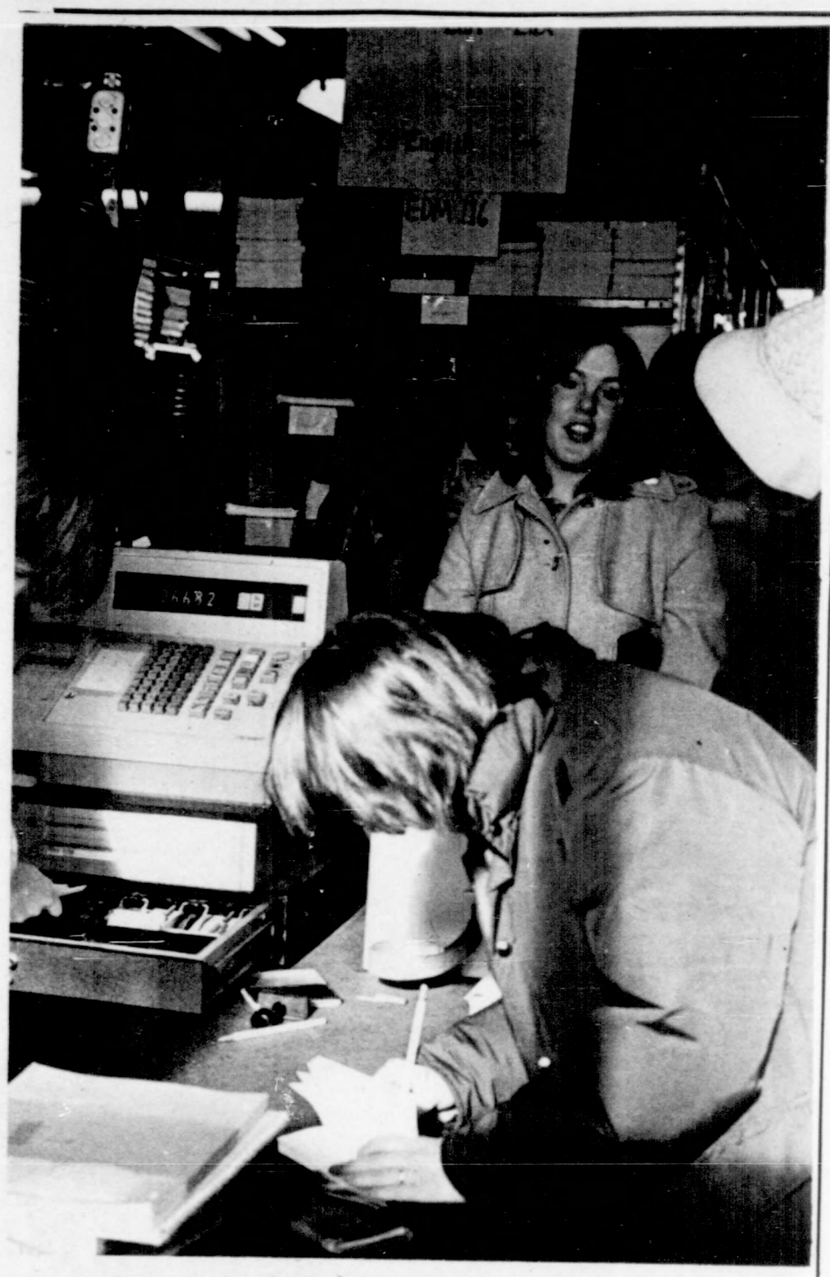
Original trip routes called for the buses to travel from one campus to the other by way of I-95. The route used during the trial period had buses traveling down Route 2 (State Street), up Union St. in Bangor to the BCC campus.

Lew Strickland, an off-campus senator, had received the approval of the student senate in October of last year to plan the re-routing. Strickland had originally estimated about 1,000 students would be effected by the service. Page and Cyr, however, were never sure there was that large a market for the buses.

"I wasn't surprised at all," Cyr said. "There are only a few people that want to use it (the service)."

Page said, "When I was told there were so many people who might want to use the service, I said 'Let's go ahead with it.' But things never quiet got that big."

Neither Page nor Cyr indicated if the program would be started again.



Writing checks is like getting things free. But wait 'til this cash register amount catches up with her—even with a discount, books are expensive. [photo by Don Powers]

Shortage of candidates may allow an easy win

by Steve McGrath
Staff writer

The student government elections for president, vice president and about a dozen senatorial posts are about a month away. However, current Student Government Vice President Steve Bucherati said he hasn't heard of anybody running.

"I see no one running," Bucherati said. He knew of one person who was thinking of running for president but withdrew Monday.

"Every year, you have a hunch (who will run)," Bucherati said. But this year, it's different.

"Anybody could run and win," he said.

Bucherati said he hoped some candidates would begin to express their interest in running. Those students who are interested must become aware of the time schedule that will be involved in this year's election.

Bucherati said the senate voted overwhelmingly last semester to move the elections from their customary date in March to late February. This requires a campuswide vote to change a bylaw of the senate constitution.

Students will be asked to go to poll booths on Jan. 31 to decide the question of whether the senate should be allowed to hold the election in February. A majority vote is needed to pass the question, Bucherati said.

Then on the following day, Jan. 31, students will be able to pick up nomination papers for the presidential, vice presidential, vice presidential and senatorial seats.

These nomination papers are due on Feb. 6 and each candidate must have obtained 75 signatures to be placed on the ballot.

The public will have an opportunity to meet the candidates in the Feb. 12 senate meeting. Each candidate will speak to the members of the senate, Bucherati said.

Bucherati, who has about a month left to serve in his term said he hoped to bring the senate as close to the public as possible. He has tried throughout his term to get students to be less apathetic when it came to turning out for student elections.

The first senate meeting will be held on Jan. 29 in Stewart Commons, Bucherati said. He also hopes to hold one meeting in the Damn Yankee, which Bucherati said, was centrally located and thus would make it easy for the public to attend.

Bucherati said he hoped to accomplish as much as possible in his last month to set the next administration off on the right foot.

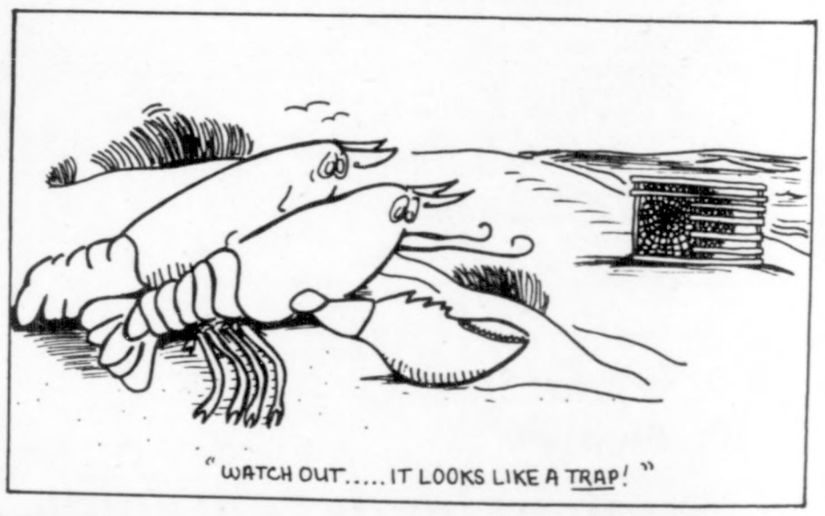
"I want to lay the most groundwork I can in the time remaining," he said.

One of the projects Bucherati feels he and student government President Dick Hewes will be able to accomplish is the establishment of a Dental facility in the basement of the Health Center.

Bucherati said the service would be funded by part of the student health fee and would cover the cost of cleaning and cavity detection.

"There wouldn't be any drilling at first. They'd just be able to tell you if you had any problems (developing)," Bucherati said.

Bucherati believes there is a strong possibility the facility could be in operation by next fall.



Student government asks for MUAB name change

by Stephen Betts
Mike Lowry
Staff writers

MUAB, formerly the Memorial Union Activities Board, has become SEA—for "Student Entertainment and Activities."

Kent Dyer, president of SEA, said that student government, who gave the board $27,150 in funds last year, asked for the change in title.

"They asked us to change our name because it (MUAB) didn't tell anything about us," Dyer said.

Student Government President Hewes said the change to SEA should give the board more recognition. "MUAB doesn't appropriately describe the mission of the group. Students actually pay for it," he said.

The group changed its name to MUAB from the Memorial Union Activities Board in 1975, when the Memorial Union was about to "drastically cut our budget," said Dyer. MUAB then became a board of student government.

The decision to change names from MUAB to SEA was officially made Dec. 17, and was brought before the student senate and approved the following night.

The new name, said Dyer, tells that SEA "brings entertainment, and it is student-run. Anyone can work here—it's not a closed group."

There are presently 56 people working for SEA and "always room for more," Dyer said.

However, the change in name has caused "a lot of problems in recognition," said Roger Brodeur, a senator from Estabrook Hall and a member of SEA. "Booking agencies and companies still refer to MUAB. Our pins and tickets still say MUAB, as do other previously printed material. Bills are still sent to the Memorial Union Activities Board."

Dyer agreed there was a lot of confusion generated by the name change, and that they were trying hard to relieve that confusion.

SEA will present a Gordon Bok concert Feb. 3. Upcoming events include "Roots and Wings," by the Hyde School of Performing Arts in April, and a series of

Lowdown

Wednesday, Jan. 23

7:00 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. IDB Movie: "The Pink Panther Strikes Again." 130 Little.

7:00—9:00 p.m. George Bush for president rally. Peabody Lounge, Union.

7:30 p.m. Public television—"In the Kitchen." Final program in the series.

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

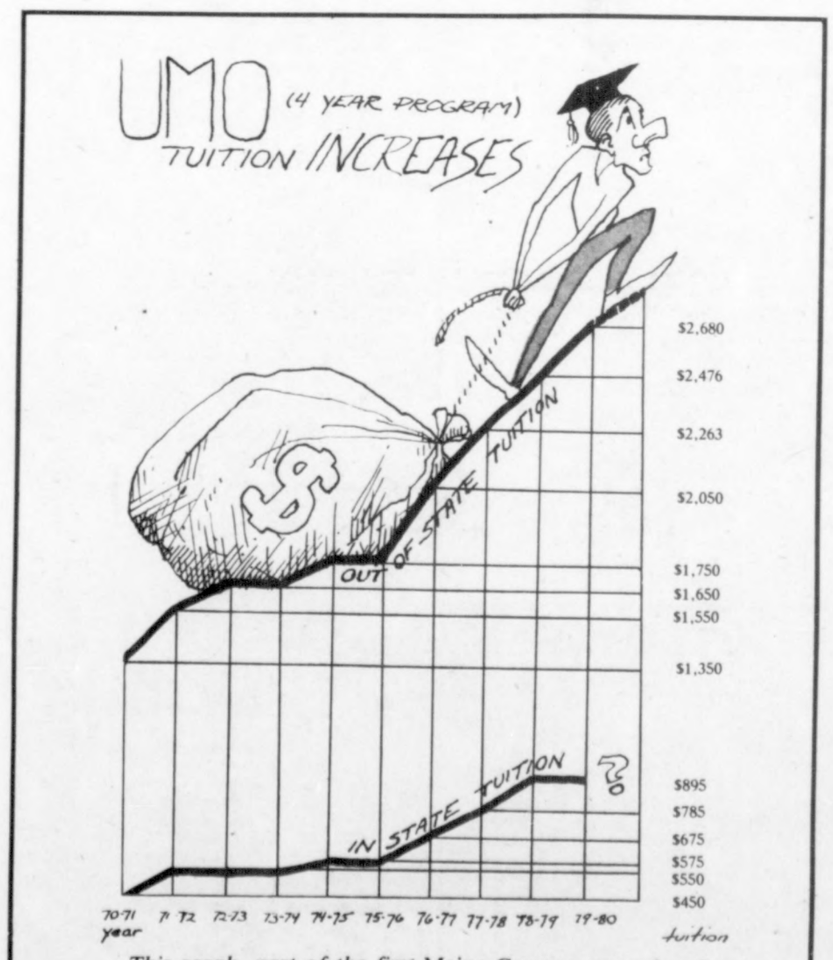
Thursday, Jan. 24

9:00 a.m. George Bush will be speaking at the Hilton Inn in Bangor.

Eves-Thomas

The story behind the pen

Cindy Eves-Thomas, one of the staff cartoonists for the Campus, *has five months experience illustrating for the paper, as well as a formal art background. (photo by Bill Mason)*



This graph, part of the first Maine Campus *paper last September, was Eves-Thomas' first effort for the publication.*

by Susan Day
Staff writer

Eves-Thomas is not a comedy team from vaudeville, nor a famous double-play from the 1937 World Series. Eves-Thomas is the 22-year-old woman who draws many of the cartoons for the *Maine Campus.*

The name Eves-Thomas first appeared in these pages on Sept. 4, 1979, with the semester's first newspaper. A job that began with an illustrated graph of a man struggling up the steep hill of UMO tuition costs has worked its way into an average of about nine or ten pieces of art per week.

Eves-Thomas was originally Cindy Eves until she married one Robert M. Thomas in January of 1979. She opted for the hyphenated version of the last name for professional rather than feministic reasons.

Eves-Thomas came into the job of paper cartoonist when her sister Tammy Eves, then a managing editor of the paper, told her of an opening on the graphics staff. She submitted some of her work to then editor Dan Warren, and the job began in ernest.

"'Eves-Thomas' sounds so much better than just 'Cindy Thomas' or 'Cindy Eves' on the bottom of a painting," she said, smiling. "It was such a windfall to be able to add another name on the end."

Eves-Thomas received her formal training in art at UMO, graduating last May. The majority of her work was in the graphics area, though a dramatic rendering in her apartment of a violinist practicing testifies to her experience in paint.

Apart from the academic aspects of the art, Eves-Thomas has been penning "from about the time I was 13 or so I was drawing pretty seriously. I drew people mostly, protraist of famous people a lot.

"In junior high I did some drawings for the newspaper—things like Christmas trees at Christmas time and Snoopys on dog houses," she said.

When she began drawing the editorial cartoons, those on page four, "they took me about two hours. Now I can usually do one in about half that time," she said.

How does she start the process of filling in a five-inch by seven-inch space to show an opinion or a viewpoint? Armed with a sketch pad, bottle of black ink, bottle of eradicator fluid (to cover up extra lines), a set of nibs and holders and one of those erasers that has the consistency of Silly-Puddy, she outlines in pencil the size of the cartoon. The basic plan of the piece is also sketched on in pencil, erased and changed as she sees fit.

"First," Eves-Thomas said, "I have to decide what to put in that little five-by-seven box. I usually read the editorials and think about them for a while. Sometimes they aren't anything you can do a cartoon of, then I do a national (issue-based) one."

She prefers doing the cartoons with a national basis, she said, "because the figures are so much better known. Everyone knows what Kennedy looks like and what Carter looks like, almost no one on campus could identify (board of trustees Chairman Francis) Brown or even (acting President) Ken Allen." Eves-Thomas pointed to the editorial cartoon in today's paper as an example of this.

Eves-Thomas believes her graphic work has improved more in the five months of cartooning than her ideas for the drawings.

"In the beginning I used a lot of the plastic (a layer of acetate, trimmed to size and added to the drawing to uniformly darken the area), but now I use more details. I work more on having points of emphasis in the compostion now instead of hollow spaces.

While some of the editorial content of the *Campus* came under fire last semester, Eves-Thomas' cartoons did not escape the wrath of readers.

A cartoon she did about the killing of fraternity brothers by some animals brought the comment of "asinine" by a member of a fraternity. Eves-Thomas said she liked the idea of that particular cartoon well, but regrets having so little time to do the actual execution.

One of Eves-Thomas' favorite *Campus* illustration appeared on Nov. 12, 1979, picturing an American and an Iranian flag being burned by members of the opposite factions. The idea of the drawing, Eves-Thomas said, appeared in the work of an award-winning local cartoonist soon after the initial publication.

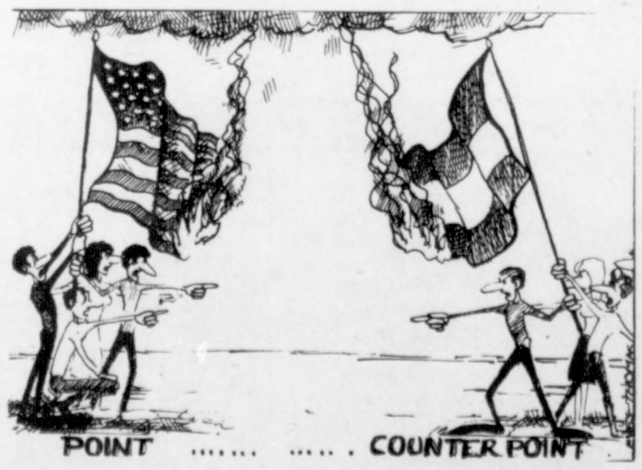
The characterist features of the Eves-Thomas cartoon have changed as her style

Eves-Thomas by Eves-Thomas

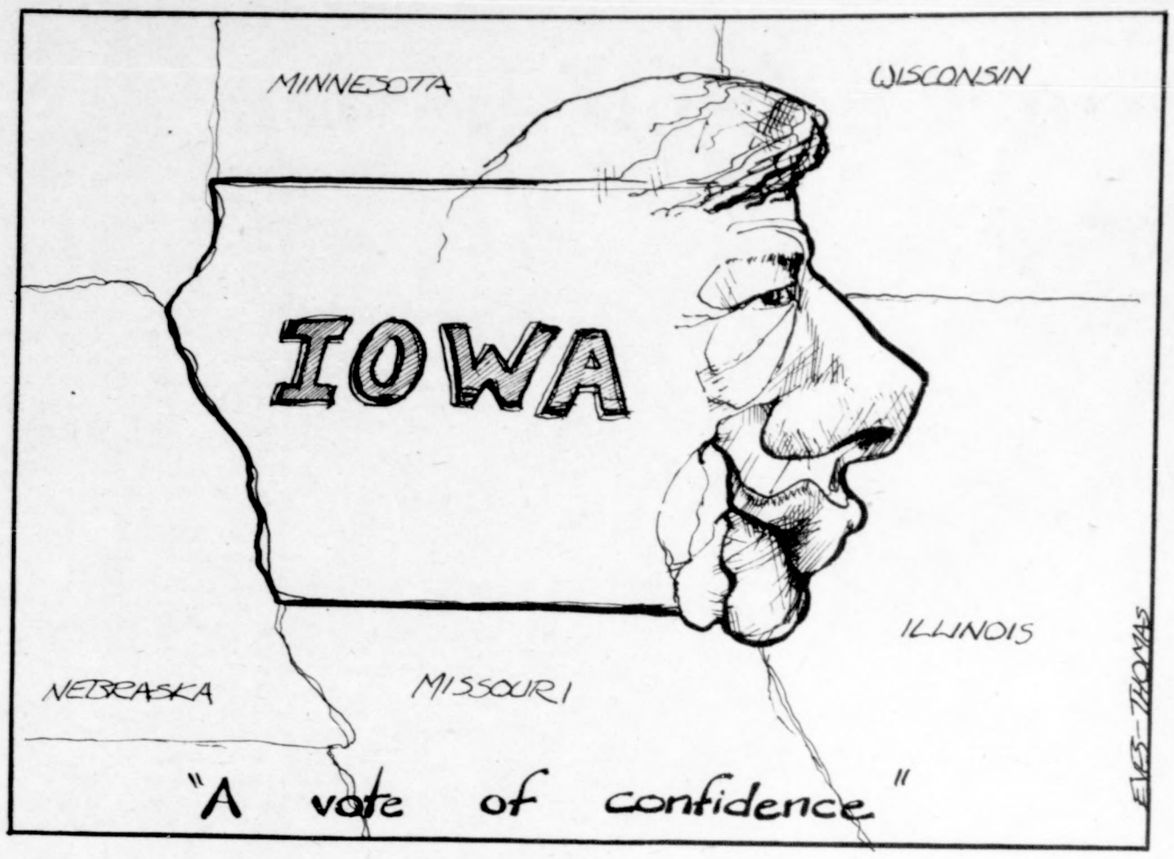
has evolved. Initially the noses were over-exaggerated ("I didn't know what to do to make them look like cartoons in the beginning," she said, "so I made the noses big,") and the feet over-sized.

Now, the noses are more average-shaped, and the feet remain the same—most women in clogs, most men in sneakers. "It's pretyy hard to put high heels on big feet," she laughed, quickly trying to sketch the picture in question. She was right, the end result was pretty funny.

But then, a lot of her end results are pretty funny. That's the point, sometimes.



This drawing, one of Eves-Thomas' favorites, was published at the beginning of the Iranian crisis.



Olympians as pawns

You can almost picture Johnny Carson strolling out to do his monologue. He'd adjust his tie and then open with a line like, "Hey, what do you folks think? Why don't we send our athletes to Moscow, let them bring home the gold and then sell it for $840 an ounce."

It would be Carson's attempt to inject a little levity into what is becoming a very volatile world problem—the question of participating in the 1980 Summer Olympics in Moscow.

But it's an area of very little levity. Both the athletes, who have trained long, grueling years for that once-in-a-lifetime shot at the class of world competition and the rest of the world have been watching the United States for the cue of what to do.

It came Sunday when President Carter announced on national television that unless the Soviet Union withdrew its military forces from Afghanistan, he would strongly recommend the site of the games be switched to another country, or, a boycott of the games by the world's athletes.

Carter was quick to say he did not want to "inject" politics into the Olympics

American athletes and Olympic officials were sharply divided in their opinions of President Carter's decision. The loudest reaction was heard from IOC President Lord Killanin who called Carter's decision "hasty" and "disasterous" to the cause of the sport.

As IOC President it will be Killanin's final word as to whether or not there will be Americans represented in the Summer Olympic games in Moscow.

Killanin had already said that moving the games from Moscow would be "both legally and technically impossible."

Having the games without the United States would, in fact, be no victory at all.

Whatever Killanin's decision may be, American athletes as well as world athletes ought to be taken out of the chess game of world affairs and allowed to participate in a world class competition against the best from every country and not be caught in a political stalemate. Especially after all that goes into making an Olympic hopeful.

S.M.

Anne Lucey

Same time, next year

I'm sick of it.

Ever since Dec. 15, everyone and his brother (and mother, too) have been talking about THE seventies.

You remember the seventies—how could you forget? Each day two weeks prior to and following Jan. 1, TV, radio, newspapers and magazines reminisced about the tragic Vietnam War, the groovy anti-war protests, the dishonest Watergate incident, the wacky new drugs, the cheap (yet inexpensive) Proposition 13, the disastrous disaster movies, the unequlaed ERA, the unknown Peanut President, and the decadent disco.

The end-of-the-year media wrap-up was more sickening this year, though. Because of wrapping-up one year, the media went nuts and wrapped-up what they thought was a decade.

Being a part of this oft-criticized Fourth Estate, I find it traiterous to criticize. But, a "I love you, but get outa here" (as Bill Murray would say) must be extended to the media when it comes to decade wrap-ups.

You see, the media have confused a decade with the seventies.

The seventies are over. The decade is not.

This decade, in fact, does not end until Dec. 31, 1980.

For many people (including media people) this simple fact is terribly difficult to comprehend.

'The seventies are over. The decade is not.'

To explain the "decade theory" I start with Year One. (after all, the very first year was not labeled Year Zero). Year One ended Dec. 31 of Year One. The first decade (or 10 years), then, ended Dec. 31 of Year Ten.

It logically follows Dec. 31 of Year 1980 is the end of this decade.

This small point proves to be a small point. Who cares whether the decade ends today, tomorrow or Dec. 31 or this year?

The big problem comes if and when a TV or radio news producer, or magazine or newspaper editor realizes the new decade actually doesn't begin until next Jan. 1.

At that time, we shall all be inundated with a decade wrap-up. . .again.

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Animals are helpless

To the Editor:

Peter Hoefele's letter, printed in the Dec. 10 edition of the *Campus*, prompted me to write. In my opinion, Mr. Hoefele has a severely exaggerated view of the ability of an animal to escape a hunter, and of the amount of skill a hunter must possess to kill one.

It seems to me there are many animals who are helpless against a man, armed or not: turtles, ants and snails are just a few. Now I know you're probably thinking, "Don't be ridiculous! We're talking about bears and deer, not snails and turtles!" "Well, isn't it slightly ridiculous to state that there are no defenseless animals on Earth? If the dodo and the passenger pigeon had had defenses, they would still be present in this world. Why are whales and seals on their way to extinction, if they aren't defenseless?

While it is true that deer and other animals have adapted their senses to help them evade hunters, the hunters haven't exactly stuck to their basic club. Man has studied the habits and lifestyles of most game, and devised methods of killing them which take advantage of these traits. A few of the procedures used on deer (which require immense quantities of skill on the part of the hunter) are: The Drive, in which five or six men form a line and sweep through an area, crashing through the underbrush and making a helluva racket, herding all the deer in the area towards one or two men sitting quietly in previously well-picked positions.

Buck Lure, which has an odor like that of a doe in heat, when liberally applied, effectively hides the scent of the hunter, so that all the male deer smells is female deer. The horny young stag bursts into a clearing expecting to find Brigitte Bardoe, but all he finds is Pete Hoefele peering at him through the telescopic sights of his .30-06. For weapons, the club has been replaced by the high-powered, extremely accurate hunting rifle.

As for the "homefield advantage," deer do not remain in one area throughout their lives, but migrate from place to place in search of food, especially in fall and winter (hunting season), when plant growth, and therefore food renewal, slows.

Hunting is not a massacre, but neither is it a sport. The fact that wildlife cannot use reason and logic to outwit their opponent makes this painfully obvious. Don't get me wrong, I am in favor of hunting, within limits, but I also believe that hunters should be honest with themselves and others when they speak about how much skill it takes, and how much of hunting is just having the right equipment.

Perhaps if men went back to hunting with a bow and stealth as his only weapons, or if a way could be found to give the animals a way to shoot back, then hunting could be called a sport, and a contest of skill. But until then, it's just a bunch of guys using technology to annihilate defenseless animals.

Howard Nichols
317 Aroostook Hall

We can't let them die

To the Editor:

Thanks so much for your recent and timely gift to Oxfam's Cambodian relief efforts. Your dollars are becoming rice, medicine, wheat. We are packing supplies on barges in Singapore and sailing them across the South China Sea to Kompong Som or up the Mekong River to Phnom Penh.

Because of your support, assistance is reaching those starving civilians, young and old, who are desperately struggling to hold onto life in Cambodia.

As you know, much, much more remains to be done in this tragic country. And we are working against time.

Anthony Lewis of *The New York Times* wrote the other day: "What we can do, and must, is help the Cambodians survive." Guy Stringer, an Oxfam man in Phnom Penh, estimates that if the world promises are kept, "A good proportion of the people will be just about alive by April, when the next harvest is due."

Again, our deep, deep thanks for what you've done. We must not let this gentle people die.

Sincerely,
Joe Short
Executive Director
Oxfam America

"What do they have that I don't?" This girl waits for the pigeons, but with no luck.
[photo by Mark Munro]

gay viewpoint — jon roberts

Gays must organize

Gay people must organize because many people working together constructively can certainly accomplish more than a few organized individuals. If gay people work together great strides would be made in the struggle for equality.

I say "great strides," but nothing happens overnight. If gay people actively campaign for human rights, the struggle won't take as long.

There are several politicians currently in office with pro-gay views. There are more politicians who are anti-gay. The accepted figure for the gay population is 10 percent. If every gay person voted against anti-gay representatives by voting for all pro-gay officials, the gay vote could very well sway the election.

There exists an organization of lobbyists in Washington whose main purpose is active lobbying for gay rights. The group is called the Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL). GRNL sends mailings throughout the country asking for support for pro-gay legislation when those bills are being heard in Congress. The GRNL needs mail from every gay person in Maine.

There are several issues and controversies gay people can get involved in. The ongoing battle between women and the Mormon Church is a good example. The women picketing the church in Bangor have received local media coverage. Gay people should have been there. We weren't.

Locally, there are many activities gay people can undertake to lessen the need for a struggle. Spruce Run in Bangor serves women. Aren't gay people still women? Shouldn't gay women and men help out at Spruce Run? You can. BMHI's inmates include gay people. Shouldn't they be visited by their gay sisters and brothers?

Gays have been put down too long. We can fight back, not with violence, but with fellowship and a clear demonstration of our concerns for our communities.

If you have questions about this or any gay article, send your questions to: QUESTIONS, c/o Wilde-Stein, Memorial Union, UMO 04469

If you wish a personal reply, enclose a stamped, self-adressed envelope.

Hope lies in the young

To the Editor:

God bless you. I write to you young people because I care and have a great concern and interest in young people. We need you young people very much. You young people are great citizens. I am so thankful for you young people. You young people are very important to our country and its future. You young people are the ones who will make our country great and strong. I care for you young people very much.

Sincerely,
Mr. B. J. Blurch
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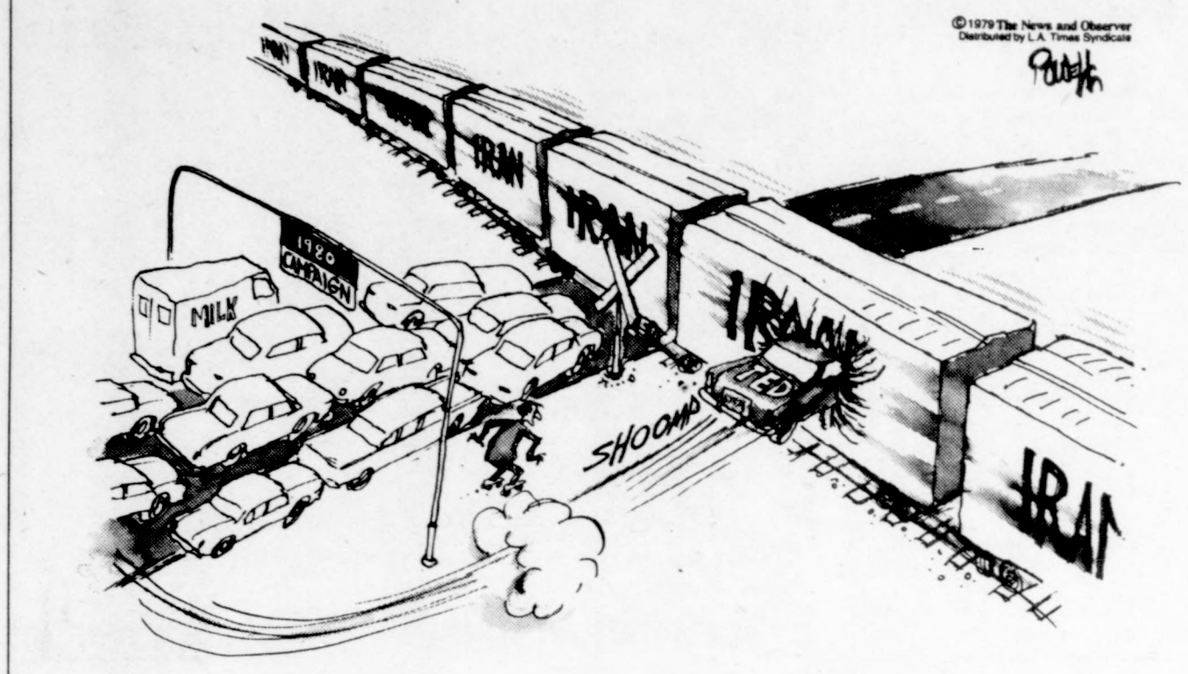

Carter dumps Kennedy, Bush edges Reagen in nation's first presidential caucus in Iowa

Something happened yesterday in Iowa that's happened only once before—a Kennedy lost a campaign contest. Sen. Edward Kennedy came in second to President Carter in the Iowa caucuses, by a margin which caused Kennedy to concede victory to Carter. The only previous loss by a Kennedy was in 1968, when Robert Kennedy was defeated in the Oregon primary.

Kennedy had said Carter would need 50 percent of the delegates to claim a real victory in Iowa. The President got 59 percent to Kennedy's 31 percent. The other ten percent of the delegates are listed as uncommitted. California Governor Jerry Brown captured none of the Iowa Democratic delegates.

Kennedy, however, is far from out of the presidential race. He told reporters that, with the defeat in Iowa, he must win the Maine caucus on February tenth and the New Hampshire primary on February 26th.

The Iowa Democratic caucuses were binding contests, but the Republican meetings weren't. The GOP caucuses were actually just a straw poll. But binding or not, the results of the Republican caucuses have severely dented Ronald Reagan's position as the front-runner.

Reagan finished second—with 27 percent—to George Bush's 33 percent. Bush, a former UN Ambassador and C.I.A. chief, built his Iowa campaign on organization at the local level—the same technique used by Jimmy Carter in Iowa in 1976.

Behind Bush and Reagan in the GOP straw poll were Howard Baker with 14 percent, John Conally with ten percent, Philip Crane with seven percent, John Anderson with four percent, and Bob Dole with three percent. Two percent of the delegates were uncommitted.

Price of gold drops

A few days ago, gold traders were wondering how high the price of bullion would go. Now they're speculating on how far it will drop.

On the world market, gold fell by as much as 133 dollars an ounce on Tuesday.

The price of silver also took a beating closing at 36 dollars an ounce from the mid-fourties of last week.

Meanwhile, this activity caused the dollar to strengthen against all major European currencies.

Some gold traders speculated that people were deciding to take their profits right now, causing a temporary drop in the world-wide price.

Analysts also pointed to President Carter's tough stand on the Afghanistan crisis and the Olympic boycott issue as reasons for a gold drop in value.

Carter asks Congress for aid to Pakistan

WASHINGTON—

President Carter on Tuesday asked Congress to make its first order of business in 1980 the passing of an economic and military aid package to Pakistan to help it defend itself from a possible attack from the Soviet Union.

Carter did not give a figure, but administration officials said he would seek approximately $400 million for Pakistan.

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On the Russian invasion of Afghanistan, Carter said, "It has brought the Soviet Union within striking distance of the Indian Ocean and the Persian Gulf. It has eliminated a buffer between the Soviet Union and Pakistan and now presents a new threat to Iran."

Australia joins U.S. pledges games boycott

CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA—Australia yesterday became the first country to join the United States in officially calling for a boycott of the summer Olympics in Moscow.

Prime Minister Malcolm Frazer announced that his country would boycott the Moscow games if Soviet troops were not removed from Afghanistan in the next month.

Frazer totally supports the proposals of President Carter to either move the games away from Moscow or boycott them.

England is one other country which is believed might boycott the 1980 summer Olympics if the United States does.

Tax Bureau announces beefed up enforcement

AUGUSTA—

State Tax Administrators have launched a beefed up enforcement effort designed to find those who submit fraudulent returns.

"I think the chances of their being nabbed this year are probably about 1,000 percent better then last year," Finance Commissioner Rodney Scribner said.

Legislators bored, want week's vacation

AUGUSTA, MAINE—Maine legislative leaders today suggested they take a week off because there isn't enough to keep them busy.

In a six-to-three vote, the Legislative Council recommended that the Legislature adjourn after Friday's session until February fourth. The council's recommendation must be approved by both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Meetings of the House and the Senate have rarely taken longer than 15 minutes a day for the first three weeks of this session, and many lawmakers say it's a waste of their time. The session is limited to 50 legislative days, and the clock keeps running every day the Legislature meets.

The trouble is, many bills are still in committee, and can't be sent to the Legislature until the committees make their recommendations. The Legislative Council is proposing the committees continue to meet during next week to speed up the process of getting bills to the Legislature for action.

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UMO's Dave Myers ready to hit slopes as pro

by Sean Brodrick
Staff writer

Few of us get a chance to realize our childhood dreams, but for one UMO student, yesterday's dreams are about to become today's reality. Nineteen year old Dave Myers is going to become a professional skier this year, and he has been looking forward to it since he was a kid.

"I first started skiing up at Squaw Mountain when I was 10," says Dave, "and I won my first really important contest at 14. I used to watch Jean Claude Killy on TVwhen I was a kid and I knew that was what I wanted to do. When I got on the slopes, skiing just came naturally."

For Myers, a native of Waterville skiing is no idle pastime. He is the American amateur freestyle champion and holds second place in the Canadian-American title. He is gererally acknowledged to be one of the top 10 amateur skiers in the country and has high hopes of a good rookie pro season.

As well as being a skier, Dave is also a full time education major here at UMO. He came to UMO he says, to be close to his job as assistant coach at the Sugarloaf Mountain skiing area and also because he was recruited as a fullback by UMO's soccer team.

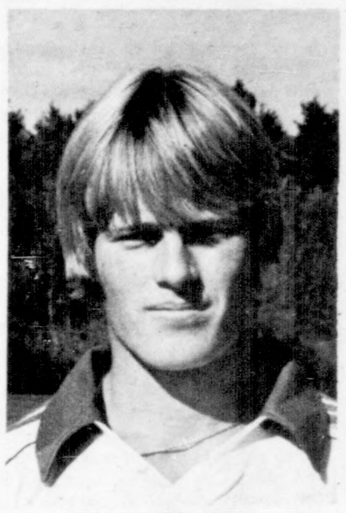
As was mentioned earlier, Dave is a freestyle skier. The freestyle consists of three types of events; ballet skiing, aerial manuevers, and mogul skiing which is a contest of speed and coordination. Dave has reached the peak of his career as an amateur, since freestyle isn't an Olympic event. The shunning of Olympic freestyle is a big disappointment to him. He would have liked to have competed against an international field as an amateur. Now he will have a chance for world competition as a pro.

"I've got a couple of meets lined up in New England and a few in Canada this year," Myers comments, "and these always attract world class skiers. I'm very eager to see how I rate against them."

If he has a good rookie year Dave could make close to $25,000 this season. But the benefits don't come without risks. Two seasons ago a close buddy of his was paralyzed as the result of an accident during an aerial manuever. This has made Dave more cautious about what kind of stunts he uses, "I do all of my stunts upright, no flips.. Flips are what kill you,"

A professional skier is usually "over the hill" by age 35, Myers notes, because 'your back and knees get shot to hell." Upon retiring from pro competition he will probably work for Rossignol skis, one of his sponsers.

"I'm lucky, because I have a chance to do what I've always wanted to do," Meyers states, "not everyone has that chance.



Dave Myers

The troubled Moscow Olympics update

President Carter has picked up some support for his appeal to keep athletes out of the Moscow Olympics if the Russians don't get out of Afghanistan. Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser of Australia called for an effective boycott of the Moscow games.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain told the House of Commons she'll ask the British Olympic committee to seek another site for the games beside Moscow.

In Schenectady, New York, the boxing coach of the American Olympic squad, Pat Nappi, says he wants the US to compete in the games. He says it's not fair to the fighters to pull out.

Olympic Basketball Coach Dave Gavitt of Providence College says he's concentrating on tactics for the U.S. Team and leaving the strategy to the politicians. Gavitt says the question of participating in the Moscow Summer Games is up to the U.S. Olympic Committee and the Government.

At Harvard, Swimming Coach Joe Bernal has been telling his Olympic prospects to keep on stroking and let him do the worrying about Moscow.

Bernal is training 12 Harvad athletes for the Olympic trials at the University of Texas in June and a possible slot on the 22 member U.S. Swim Team.

The *Chicago Tribune* took a poll of people in that area about an Olympic boycott. Sixty percent of the people polled expressed support for staging an alternative Olympics in another country at the same time as the games in Moscow.

A lot of rhetoric is flowing about an Olympic boycott, but Colorado basketball coach Bill Blair has a more positive suggestion.

He says, "We either stop them with a boycott, or we send Bobby Knight over there and let him whip 'em all."

Knight is the volatile coach of Indiana who was involved in a controversy in San Juan last summer and was charged with assaulting a Puerto Rican cop.

Late basket sinks Bears in Boston

For the second time this year, Chip Rucker had a large hand in dealing the University of Maine a crucial ECAC North defeat as the Northeastern forward sunk a basket with 18 seconds remaining to give NU a 72-71 victory over the Black Bears at the Cabot Gymnasium in Boston last night.

Maine's Jimmy Mercer managed to squeeze up three shots before the buzzer sounded but couldn't hit on any as Skip Chappelle's crew plummetted to a 6-9 mark on the season.

The Black Bears maintained varying leads of five and six through most of the second half. As the game wound down to its final minutes the visitors clutched a 71-70 lead. A key play in the waning moments occurred when Rufus Harris failed to connect on a one and one. Earlier Dave Wyman had come up with cold hand during a one and one situation.

Captain Harris had come through on many other occasions during the game as he poured in 29 points while continuing his streak of being Maine's high scorer in every game thus far. The Huskies' Peter Harris (no relation to Rufus) hit for 28 points in the "Duel of the Harrises."

The Black Bears managed to hop into the lead at halftime sporting a 38-36 advantage. The host Huskies led by as many as eight points in the half before the Bears, led by the hot hand of Mr. Consistency, Rufus Harris, began chopping into the advantage late in the half. Harris netted 19 first half points.

A result of the losses of Clay Gunn, Champ Godbolt, and Keith Ogden was a starting nod for freshman Joe Johnson. Sophomore Tommy Brown came off the bench to chip in with six points.

The reeling Bears will be looking to battle back to .500 beginning this weekend when they host Vermont on Friday and Saturday nights in "The Pit."

N.E. sports news

Associated Press reports that the Celtics may have met yesterday with free agent guard Pete Maravich. Maravich is shopping aroung after being released from his contract by the Utah Jazz.

A big showdown this week at the Boston Garden. The Bruins, winners of six in a row, take on the first place Buffalo Sabres Thursday night.

The coach of the Milwaukee Bucks, Don Nelson, will undergo surgery today in Boston. He is suffering from a herniated disc.

Harriers pick 1980 captains

Three outstanding junior runners have been elected 1980 captains of the men's and women's cross country squads by their UMO teammates.

The men's squad elected co-captains Brad Brown of Augusta and Jim Newett of Allendale, N.J. to lead next fall's squad, while the women's team picked former Mt. Blue standout Kathy Kohtala of Vienna as the team's captain.

In seven years under coach Jim Ballinger, who also coaches the women's team, the men's squad has won 56 and lost 23 meets and has had four straight winning seasons. The women's squad went 3-3 last fall. Last year, the men had a 9-4 record.

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Chairman named

Dr. James E. Swasey, a member of the plant and soil sciences faculty at UMO since 1971, has been named chairman of the department for a term of three years.

Swasey has also served as landscape designer for the Orono campus, an assignment which involves the planting and care of approximately 50 herbaceous garden areas. He is also responsible for designing the plantings around new buildings and the renovation of landscape surrounding older buildings.

New faculty member

A consulting engineer for the General Electric Company, Gerhard Sonder, will join the College of Engineering and Science faculty at UMO this spring as its first Engineer-in-Residence.

Sonder will spend the spring semester on campus to foster understanding and stronger working relationships between the academic community and practicing engineers. In addition to seminars, teaching and consultation with faculty and students, Sonder will also present a Distinguished Seminar Series composed of 15 lectures.

His introductory week seminars Jan. 22 and 24 will be followed by seminars every Tuesday Feb. 5 through May 6 with the exception of spring vacation week March 18.

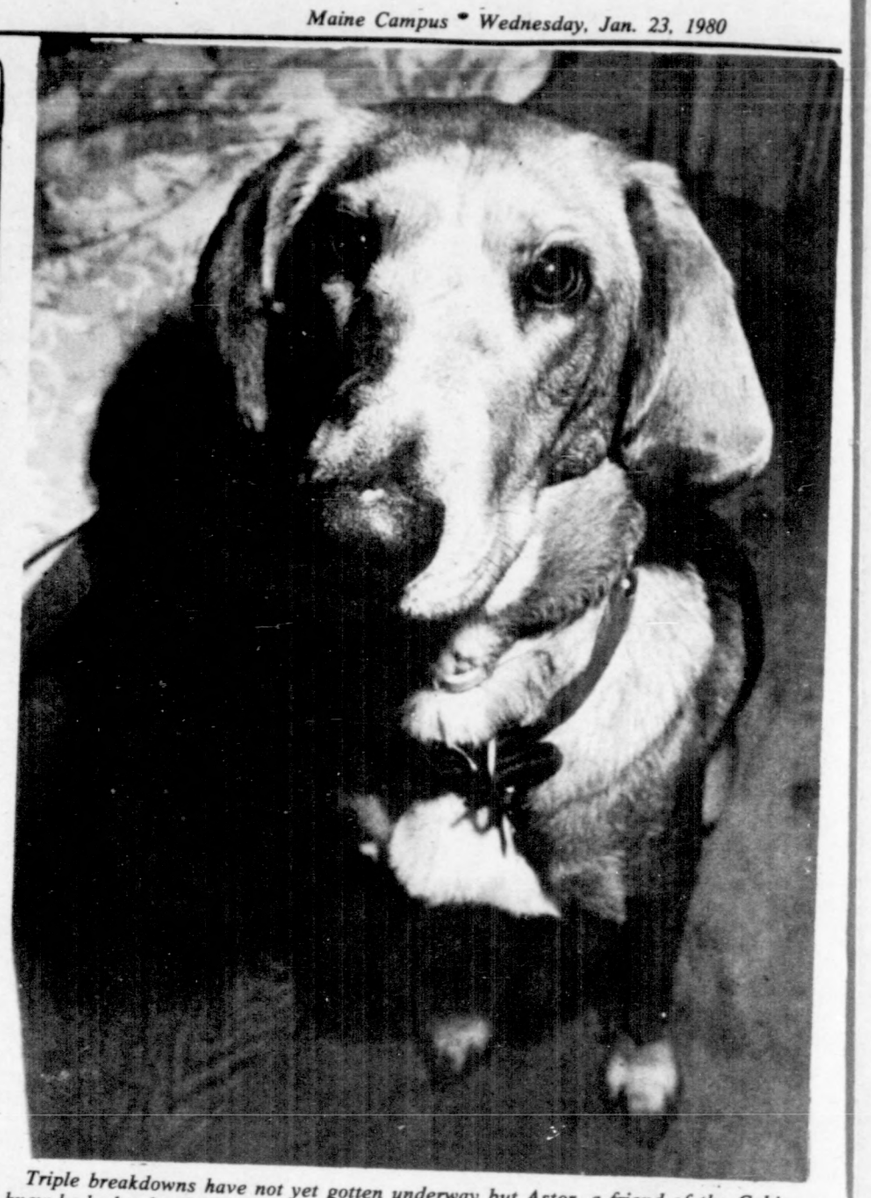
Poetry published

Constance Hunting's "Nightwalk and Other Poems," the fourth published collection of the work of the Orono poet, has been released by the University of Maine at Orono Press.

The 19 poems in the new collection are marked by the sometimes tart and occasionally nostalgic response of the writer to many ordinary events and places. A morning shopping in Old Town, a visit to the doctor's office or an Easter Sunday in New England are part of the grist of the Hunting poetry.

Her earlier volumes of poetry are "After the Stravinsky Concert," 1969; "Cimmerian," 1972, and "Beyond the Summerhouse," 1976.

While Mrs. Hunting regularly teaches in the university's Continuing Education Division, this year she is teaching full time at UMO as a visiting writer in the English department.



Triple breakdowns have not yet gotten underway but Astor, a friend of the Cabins, knew he had to be the one to go. Astor is presently living in Old Town. [photo by Mark Munro]

● Saltz

Saltz thinks his experience in political campaigning will be helpful. "It would be good for anyone," he said. "It doesn't matter who you are. It gives you a broader experience, brings you in touch with political issues and makes you more aware of how government works."

Saltz said working on campaigns is "fun, but a lot of work. But," he added, "if you enjoy doing something like this, it doesn't matter how much work it involves."

With Bush's upcoming trip to Maine, Saltz has been busy, but as soom as it's all over, he plans to go back to the books. "This takes a lot of time, but school and engineering always come first," Saltz said.

"I'll be as involved in the campaign as the Bush headquarters wants me to be," he said, "but they realize that I'm a student and can only put in as much time as doesn't conflict with my schoolwork."

● SEA

movie musicals every Sunday night, beginning with "The Sound of Music" Jan. 27.

Upcoming movies presented by SEA this semester include "Superman—The Movie," "Life of Brian," "Animal House," "Interiors," and "Manhattan."

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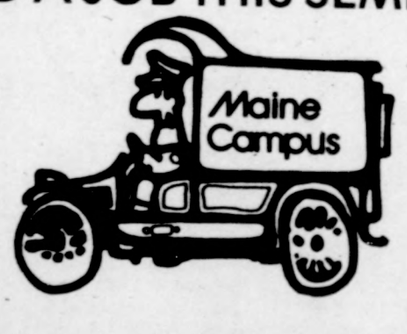

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