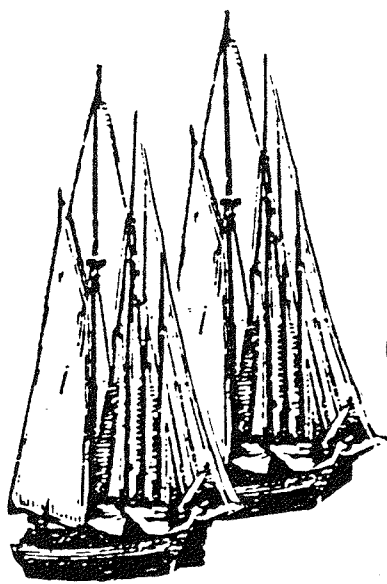


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State/Local Government Focus of First PP&M Conference

Timely and urgent. Those are the two words organizers are using to describe a conference featuring Washington Post columnist David Broder on the emerging roles of state and local governments.

Broder will also be featured in a free public lecture as part of FallFest (see story p.2).

Our graduate program in Public Policy and Management is sponsoring "The Growing Importance of State and Local Governments in American Life" on Thursday and Friday, October 3-4. It is open to anyone in government, business, education and other fields. Broder's keynote address is scheduled during the 7:00 p.m. dinner on Thursday.

Given the Public Policy and Management Program's focus on state and local issues, said Director Mark R. Shedd, it was natural for the program to facilitate an in-depth look at the shift in responsibility in the areas of education, economic development, environment, human services and others from the federal level to state and local governments.

"We have developed a major conference which will bring together leaders and decision-makers from governments, non-profit organizations and private enterprise to brainstorm in those areas substantially affected by the increase in power and responsibility within state and local governments," said Shedd.

A series of concurrent sessions will focus on five major areas: education; environmental/natural resources; economic affairs; health and human services; and government/management. In addition, plenary sessions have been scheduled featuring panelists actively involved in what columnist Broder has described as a "revolution" in the roles of state and local governments.

The first such session will explore the crises and/or challenges facing elected state and local leaders in the 1980s. Moderated by former Maine Governor Kenneth M. Curtis, the panel includes Portland City Councilor Linda Abromson, Mayor Nancy Hill of Waterville, Elizabeth Mitchell, former majority leader of the Maine House and Thomas W. Murphy Jr., minority leader of the Maine House.

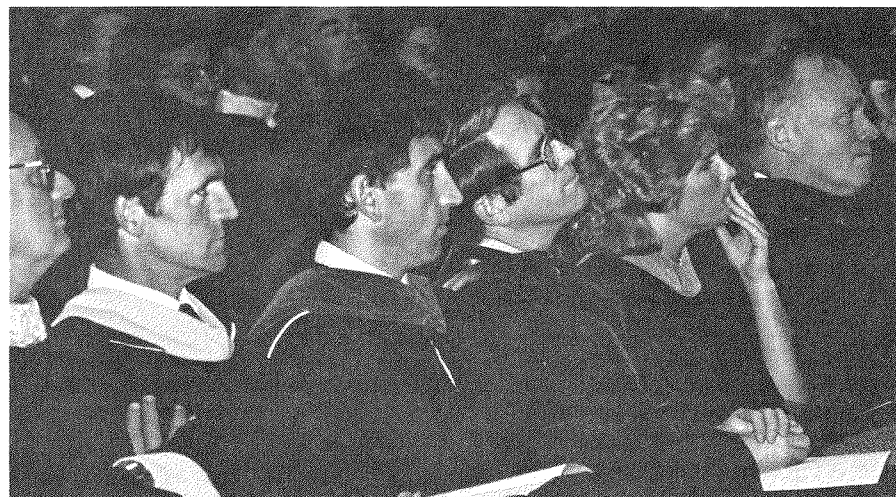
How will state and local governments use their new responsibilities? Linda Tarr-Whelan, president of the board for the National Center for Policy Alternatives, will address that question in a second plenary session. The center is noted for its development and dissemination of innovative solutions to problems facing state and local governments. Tarr-Whelan also serves as director of government relations for the National Education Association.

Maine Congressman John E. McKernan Jr. will lead a final plenary session on the new directions in federal policy.

Conference participants will then have the opportunity to analyze conference findings and future developments at the state and local levels with three Maine journalists. Winifred B. French, editor/publisher of The Quoddy Tides in Eastport, Clark T. Irwin Jr., staff writer for the Portland Press Herald and Nancy S. Remsen, assistant city editor of the Bangor Daily News, will serve as panelists. Angus King, talk show host on WCBB-TV, will moderate.

Conference fees are \$75 for the two days, including meals. The cost for those who just want to attend the October 3 dinner and Broder keynote is \$25. For more information, contact Betsy Levenson, Public Policy and Management.

Brody's Address Well-Received



Elaine M. Brody talked about aging and got a standing ovation. One student remarked that she wished the speech would have gone longer. "I want to know more," she said.

Nearly 1500 people filed into the Portland Gym on one of September's sunniest and warmest afternoons. Some were faculty and staff, (such as Arthur O. Berry, professor, industrial education, pictured here at the far right with his daughter Ronda M. Bridges, staff associate, School of Business, Economics and Management), others were students. But, there were many more displaying the experience lines and silver hair of age.

Dispelling the myth that families "dump" their old into nursing homes, Brody noted that only five percent of

the elderly are actually in nursing homes. "Families generally exert extreme efforts to avoid that solution," she said.

Brody, a top administrator at the Philadelphia Geriatric Center, refused in her talk "What do the Generations Owe Each Other?" to provide a roadmap for family care of the elderly. Instead she exhorted her listeners to discover their own values and act accordingly. "The generations and men and women should collaborate in search of solutions."

"Conflict between the generations is no more appropriate than conflict between the sexes," she said.

Brody, a researcher in gerontology and a consultant to the White House Conference on Aging opened Convocation 1985-86: The Aging of America.

(Trueworthy photo)



October 5, 1985

See p. 2 for highlights.



Governor Joseph E. Brennan headed the list of dignitaries who attended the official opening of the Portland Campus Center earlier this month. Seated from left to right are: Donna M. Somma, president of the Classified Staff Senate; Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy; John Spruill, president of the Student Senate; Marianne W. Rodgers, president of the Faculty Senate; Richard I. Morin, vice chairperson of the Board of Trustees; Joseph G. Hakanson, chairperson of the Board of Trustees; and Charles L. Cragin, president of the Alumni Association.

(Trueworthy photo)



HIGHLIGHTS

Saturday, October 5, is USM's answer to homecoming. Called FallFest, it is a daylong celebration of life at USM for students and their families, faculty and staff, alumni and friends. The following are among the day's highlights:

A TALK WITH DAVID BRODER

David Broder, a Pulitzer Prize-winning political columnist for the Washington Post will talk and then take questions on the topic "The Political Scene: Who's Got the Ball?" in Room 10 Bailey, Gorham.

The noted journalist originally planned to come to USM to participate in a two-day conference, "The Growing Importance of State and Local Governments in American Life," Thursday and Friday, October 3 and 4, sponsored by Public Policy and Management. (See story p.1.)

Broder has covered every major national and state political campaign since 1960, and annually logs nearly 100,000 miles to report on candidates and interview voters. Highly respected by his peers, a 1980 American University survey of the Washington press corps concluded, "David Broder heads an elite clan whose articles are carefully watched by the public, politicians and most important, other reporters."

Broder's books include, "The Changing of the Guard: Power and Leadership in America," published in 1980, and "The Party's Over: The Failure of Politics in America," published in 1972.

His FallFest talk is free and open to the public.

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FIRST TIME GOLF CLASSIC

A major new event at this year's FallFest is the Golf Classic to benefit the Athletic

For a complete schedule, call University Relations, 780-4440.

Department. Tee-off time is 12:30 at the Gorham Country Club. The entry fee of \$12 includes a \$5 tax-deductible gift to USM athletics.

A reception for the participants and awards of prizes to the top 15 golfers will take place on the Portland campus at the Alumni House from 5:30 to 7:00. There will be refreshments and entertainment by the Old Smoothies along with a cash bar.

To reserve your spot on the tee, call Al Bean, sports information, at 780-4200 or 780-5434.

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LOBSTER BAKE AND CHICKEN BARBECUE

Trusting that October 5 will be a crisp, cerulean, autumn day, a lobster bake and chicken barbecue will be served on the Corthell Green. The lunch will include either lobster or chicken, corn-on-the-cob, chips, salad bar, coffee and dessert for \$10 or \$6.50 respectively. There will also be a children's lunch for \$2.50.

The Fan Fare Band will provide music and students will present an art show. There will also be a medieval battle demonstration, and an attempt to break a Guinness Book world record.

Reservations are necessary for the lunch; to make them, call 780-4440.

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FIFTIES AND SIXTIES REDUX

There will be a "Chance to Dance" and to relive the spirit of the 1950s and 1960s as part of FallFest.

The Practical Cats will provide music from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m., Saturday, October 5, in USM's Portland Gym. Advance tickets are \$3 single and \$5 couple. For more information, call University Relations, 780-4440.

USM Seasons Tickets

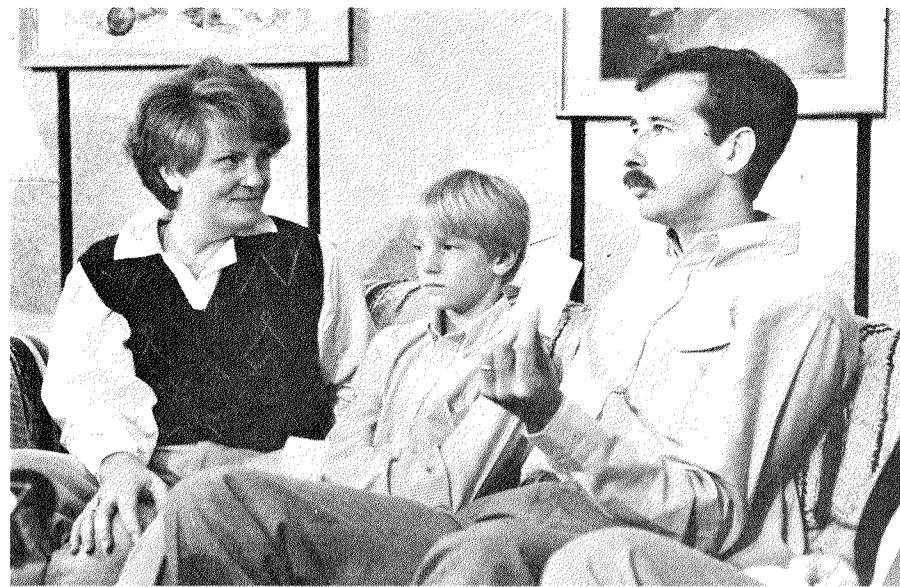
Although the fall sports season is already underway, it's not too late to purchase a sports pass and support the Huskies. This season, women's soccer and men's ice hockey have been added to the athletic program bringing the number of intercollegiate sports offered to 13.

The 1984-85 athletic season was a special one for USM athletes with three of our teams participating in national tournaments. Ten of the 11 teams competed in post-season play and this year already promises success.

Faculty and staff may purchase passes for one sport or all sports for the entire year. An all sports pass is \$25/family; \$20/single. A pass for a single sport season is \$15/family; \$10/single. Student prices are \$20 and \$10 respectively. Tickets may be purchased in the Athletic Office, Hill Gym, Gorham or at the Bookstore in the Campus Center, Portland.

For more information, call Athletic Director Richard A. Costello, 780-5430, or Al Bean, sports information, 780-5434 or 780-4200.

"Sour Grapes" for Megabucks Winner



The Campbell family at a news conference on that lucky Sunday, September 15, 1985.

(Photo courtesy of Portland Press Herald)

Somehow a mere congratulatory handshake didn't seem quite enough for a colleague who had just won \$935,919 in the nation's first regional lottery. So staffers in the Division of Educational Services carried tin cups that read "Non-profit corporation: Please give" at a special "sour grapes" party for Richard R. Campbell, director of student financial aid.

As everyone on campus has surely heard by now, Campbell purchased a Tri-State Megabucks ticket shortly before sales closed on Saturday, September 14 and woke up the next morning to find that he had beaten the nearly 600,000-to-one odds.

Instead of spending a typically restful Sunday at their South Portland home, Campbell, his wife Bette (a USM graduate who received the 1981 George Van Amburg Outstanding Service Alumni Award) and stepson Seth Roosevelt were the subjects of attention at a crowded news conference. "Andy Warhol once said that everybody is famous for 15 seconds," Campbell told the assembled reporters. "I guess this is our 15 seconds."

The Campbell family's 15 seconds brought them (and USM) mention in news reports across New England as well as in USA TODAY, the CBS Morning News, and in nationwide wire service stories.

Campbell, a staff member here since 1973, told reporters that he will keep his USM position and "significantly increase" his contributions to the new Campus Center, to a low-income housing program and to a local youth sports program. Campbell made good on his campus center promise just 24 hours after his big win.

Throughout it all, Campbell maintained a logical, calm demeanor. "If we had gone out and picked a winner we could not have picked anyone nicer," said Sandi Palmquist of Ron Palmquist Public Relations, the firm that handles publicity for the Maine State Lottery. "He's a perfect winner," Maine Lottery Director Richard "Spike" Carey was reported as saying. We agree and add our congratulations.

Skywatchers Alert!

Skywatchers everywhere will have their eyes turned toward the heavens for a once-in-a-lifetime event over the next several months. The reason: the appearance of Halley's comet, a phenomenon that occurs only once every 76 years.

To help amateur astronomers get the most out of the experience, our Southworth Planetarium is presenting "A Comet Called Halley," and is making available printed materials as well.

The 45-minute presentation of "A Comet Called Halley" will explore the fascinating past of this most famous comet, and tell where and when to observe its passage.

Discovered some 2000 years ago, the comet's passage will not be as bright as it was in 1910. "Halley will appear dimmer than it did last time," says Roy A. Gallant, planetarium director, "because its path is not bringing it as close to the Earth."

However, the comet will be visible through binoculars in November and visible to the naked eye in December. It will appear low in the southwest sky, below the Great Square of Pegasus, he added.

Gallant, a noted science author, has also prepared printed materials covering such topics as sky clues from October 1985 through June 1986; choosing binoculars or telescopes; and how best to photograph Halley.

"A Comet Called Halley" will open for daytime shows for school classes and other groups on Tuesday, October 1. Public evening shows will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays beginning Friday, September 27. Reservations are necessary for the 60-seat planetarium.

For ticket information and reservations, call the planetarium at 780-4249.



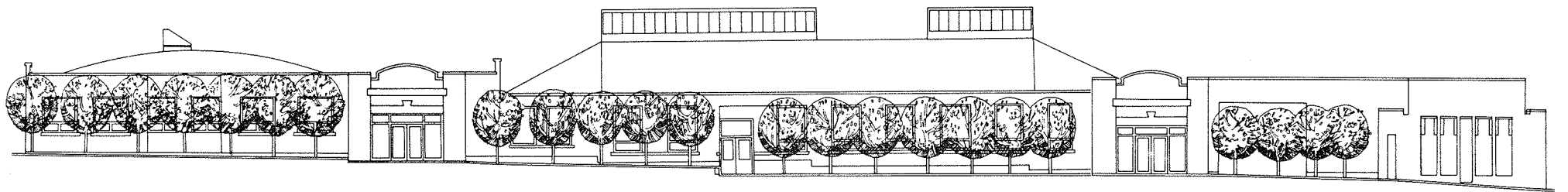
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Our new Campus Center opened officially at ceremonies which followed the keynote address of Convocation 1985-86: *The Aging of America*. Nearly 700 people flooded the former truck warehouse for the reception after the ribbon cutting by President Woodbury and John Spruill, president of the Student Senate (top left photo) as Governor Joseph E. Brennan and Portland City Manager Tim Honey look on. Convocation keynoter Elaine M. Brody chats with Richard Steinman, professor, social welfare, and Dean Dorothy D. Moore, College of Education in the new faculty/staff lounge (right photo).

(Trueworthy photos)



**Gala
Opening**

New Faculty Welcomed

— COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES —

Department of Foreign Languages and Classics



Sharyn A. Lawler is returning to her alma mater to serve as an instructor of classics. She earned a double B.A. in classical studies and philosophy while at USM and completed studies for her master's degree at University of Texas at Austin. The Biddeford native recently completed a teaching assistantship at Austin.

Department of Mathematics

Bhisham Chand Gupta is our new professor of applied mathematics. He has taught at universities throughout India, Brazil and Canada, including Nehru Memorial College in Mansa, India, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro and Concordia University in Montreal, Canada. He is a graduate of Punjab University, Chandigarh, India, and the University of Windsor, Ontario, Canada.



William A. Peterson, assistant professor of mathematics, taught and conducted research at Stanford University in the area of applied probability before joining our faculty. He is a graduate of Stanford and Dartmouth.



— SCHOOL OF LAW —

Colleen A. Khoury joins the University of Maine School of Law as a visiting associate professor of law. A taxation specialist with a Chicago law firm, she earned her degrees at Illinois Institute of Technology/Chicago-Kent College of Law, the University of Chicago and Colby College.



Leonard I. Sharon, visiting associate professor of law, specializes in civil and criminal litigation. A partner in a Pittsburgh firm, he has taught at the University of Pittsburgh and for the U.S. Attorney General's Advocacy Office. Leonard holds degrees from University of Pittsburgh.

— SCHOOL OF NURSING —

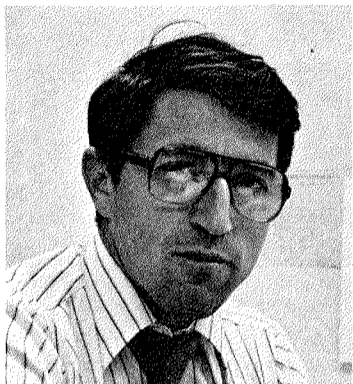
E. Christa Stern, associate professor of nursing, comes to campus with experience as a graduate professor and as a key administrator for organizations delivering nursing services in rural West Virginia and Mississippi. She is a graduate of Tulane University, the University of Nevada and Yuba College.



Hodgkin to Head School of Applied Science

A USM researcher, well known to the medical and engineering communities of the region, has been named dean of our new School of Applied Science.

Brian C. Hodgkin, former director of USM's Biomedical Research Institute and coordinator of the graduate engineering program, has been named to lead the School of Applied Science. Hodgkin joined USM in 1976 after serving as a research associate at Maine Medical Center for three years.



Brian C. Hodgkin (Greaves photo)

An electrical engineer with degrees from UMO and Johns Hopkins, Hodgkin has conducted research for the American Heart Association and the National Institutes of Health. The results of his research have been published in many professional journals, including the American Journal of Physiology, Journal of Electrocardiology, American Heart Journal, Critical Care Medicine and the Annals of Biomedical Engineering. Hodgkin has also testified as "expert witness" in court cases involving electric shock accidents.

While director of the BRI, Hodgkin organized a statewide steering committee to form the Maine Biological and Medical Symposium, a non-profit organization to promote communication among physicians, scientists, clinical researchers, educators and students. He served as chairman of its Board of Directors last year.

From 1979-84, Hodgkin was a member of the American Heart Association Maine Affiliate Research Committee, and was its chair from 1982-84. In that position, he co-authored the complete revision of its policies and procedures.

At USM, Hodgkin has been instrumental in organizing an advisory committee of local businessmen and engineers to bring about the graduate program in electrical engineering extended from Orono.

As dean of the SAS, Hodgkin will continue to oversee the graduate engineering program, as well as our previously existing programs in computer science and industrial education and technology. The school was established on July 1, 1985 by the University of Maine Board of Trustees.

"The reorganization of the three programs under one school was designed to improve USM's ability to respond to the every-increasing demands for such programs in southern Maine," said the new dean.

Greenleaf Receives Full-time Appointment

Nancy P. Greenleaf, who began her career as a hospital nurse and has since become a community counselor, a college professor and an expert on medical labor economics is the new dean of our School of Nursing.

The University of Maine Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Nancy P. Greenleaf to the USM deanship at their July meeting. The Pownal resident has served as acting dean of the School of Nursing for the past year. She is responsible for administra-



Nancy P. Greenleaf (Trueworthy photo)

tion of the USM undergraduate and graduate programs as well as the extension of nursing programs to five other University of Maine campuses.

"Nancy Greenleaf has the background and the abilities to create an environment that promotes excitement about learning itself," said USM Provost Helen L. Greenwood, "and an appreciation of the important role that the nursing profession plays in the delivery of quality health care."

A former nursing faculty member at Boston University and Boston State College, Greenleaf served as a counselor to rape and other trauma victims. In addition, she presented workshops to Boston area police, educators, hospital personnel and district attorneys' offices on the special needs of rape victims.

As a director of a Boston-based nursing consulting firm, Greenleaf also developed workshops to increase nurses' awareness of social and political issues affecting their profession.

A USM faculty member since 1982, Greenleaf has written extensively in the areas of nursing economics and stereotyped images in the nursing profession. She is a Boston University graduate with research experience in the area of medical labor economics. Last winter, she was one of several New England nursing professionals invited to tour the health care system in Nicaragua.

"As a profession, nursing has not been recognized as a dominant force for change in the health care field," said Greenleaf, "but nurses are now realizing that they have an important say in how care is to be provided. It's exciting to be in this position at a time when schools of nursing can help develop and change this nation's health care policies."

JILL L. BUBIER, staff attorney, Marine Law Institute, presented a paper on "The Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act" to coastal resource managers at the Coastal Zone 85 Conference in Baltimore, Md. this summer.

LOREN COLEMAN, research assistant, Human Services Development Institute, had his book, "Curious Encounters," reviewed in the Japanese monthly super mystery magazine, "Twilight Zone" September 9, 1985 issue.

ROY A. GALLANT, director, Southworth Planetarium, and adjunct professor of English, appeared as a panelist at the second Annual Everychild Publisher's Convention in New York City. The topic of his paper was "Social Issues in Science for Young People Today." More than 50 publishers took part.

MADELEINE D. GIGUERE, professor of sociology, recently presented a paper at the Biennial Meetings of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States which were held in Philadelphia, Pa. The title of the paper was "The Assimilation of Franco-Americans in Maine as Reflected in the Microdata of the 1980 Census of Population."

PHILIP JAGOLINZER, associate professor of accounting, received the Outstanding Educator Award for 1985 from the Maine Society of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

ELLEN A. KANDOIAN, associate professor, School of Law, has been appointed a member of the Maine State Bar Association's Commission on Alternate Dispute Resolution. Kandoian takes the place of ROBERT F. SEIBEL, associate professor, School of Law, who is on leave this year as a visiting faculty member at the Cornell Law School.

JOSEPH E. MEDLEY, assistant professor of economics, participated in a UMO series on "Accountability to the Public Interest in State Policies Promoting Industrial Development" at a symposium on alternative approaches to economic development in Maine.

LAWRENCE F. RAKOVAN, associate professor of art, has paintings on exhibit at the Front Street Gallery in Bath through October 19.

RICHARD G. STEBBINS, associate professor of chemistry, spent 10 weeks this summer as one of 22 scientists conducting research at the Air Force's Occupational and Environmental Health Laboratory in San Antonio, Tex. as part of the Summer Faculty Research Program funded by the Air Force Office of Scientific Research.

THOMAS M. WARD, associate dean and professor, School of Law, has been appointed to a special committee to study the disclosure process. The committee will make recommendations for legislative change in the court procedure under which a debtor against whom judgment

has been obtained must reveal his assets to enable the creditor to satisfy the judgment.

L. KINVIN WROTH, dean and professor, School of Law, was a speaker at the Blaine House Conference on Maine/Canadian Trade, held in Augusta in August. The conference brought together regional government and industry leaders from both countries to discuss mutual problems of trade and possible regional solutions. Wroth's topic was "The School of Law as a Resource."

Wilde Comedy to Open Russell Square Season

Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest," generally regarded as the wittiest comedy in the English language opens the 1985-86 season of our Russell Square Players.

The curtain goes up on this charade about a foundling who invented a brother and discovered him to be real, at 8:00 p.m., Thursday, October 10, in Russell Hall, Gorham. It will continue through Saturday, October 26.

First produced in London in 1895, "The Importance of Being Earnest," is not, as its title suggests, about the importance of having a serious and sincere purpose, but is concerned with the question of a man being named Ernest. The puns begin there and keep rolling throughout the play. For 60 years, critics and audiences alike have agreed that while Wilde was unraveling the comic complications of an absurd situation, he missed no opportunity to comment on the artificial manners, mores and customs of high society. Every scene of this classic comedy is spiced with the wit and epigrams for which its playwright has always been celebrated.

Members of the USM community receive reduced rates at Russell Square productions. Single tickets for faculty, staff and students are \$4 and \$15 for a season's subscription to six productions which include a show from King Alfred's College and the USM Dance Show. Prices for general admission are \$6 per show and \$24 for the season.

To make reservations, call the Box Office, 780-5483.

Muskie Announces for Heartline

Edmund S. Muskie will address a somewhat different audience and topic early next month as he tells health professionals about the benefits of a cardiac rehabilitation program.

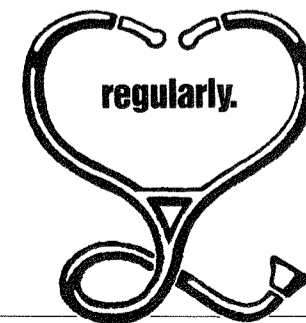
The former Maine governor, U.S. senator and U.S. secretary of state will be the keynote speaker at the Second Annual Lifeline Cardiac Rehabilitation Conference on Wednesday, October 9. Muskie suffered a heart attack in recent years and is a member of our Heartline Cardiac Rehabilitation Program, part of USM Lifeline.

The daylong program — designed for health professionals working in or planning cardiac rehabilitation programs — will cover screening procedures, exercise regimes, and nutrition programs for those afflicted by heart disease.

Lifeline, the American Heart Association's Maine Affiliate and Mer-

cy Hospital are sponsors. For more information, call 780-4170.

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