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More Courses Opening Soon

An increasing variety of courses and seminars for business people and other adults will be offered by the Continuing Education Division of UMP during the coming weeks. Adults in our area are becoming increasingly aware of the value of continuing education to meet the challenge of tomorrow.

A new semester of evening and Saturday undergraduate and graduate college courses will open on February 1, with more than 2,000 registrations expected. A number of courses will be available for adults who have never started college work previously, and Mr. Fred Freise at Payson Smith Hall (telephone 774-8251) will be glad to counsel any new students as to the most appropriate courses.

At the other end of the spectrum, graduate courses in Managerial Economics and Financial Management will be available to college graduates who desire to work for the degree of Master of Business Administration. There will also be a number of courses on the graduate level of Education.

A series of specialized seminars for business executives is also being offered. On January 21 Dr. Clyde Crobaugh of our School of Business Administration will conduct a one-day seminar on Business Forecasting.

On January 14 Dr. Sanborn will conduct another one-day seminar on Personnel Testing.

On February 26 and 27 a two-day seminar centering around the "Gnome Game" of Computer Simulation of business competition will be offered to senior executives. During this seminar the executives will work as teams, each team making investment, production, and promotional decisions for one of several competing manufacturers. The decisions from the competing teams will be fed into an electronic computer and the results will be known almost immediately. Then each team will make adjustments in policy for the next theoretical quarter and within half an hour the entire simulation will be reported by the computer. Several years of business will be compressed into one day.

The Computer Simulation Seminar will be an advanced program following up the work of a very successful Executive Computer Concepts seminar conducted on December 3 and 4 for the benefit of top-ranking executives and company officials.

Circle K Sponsors Five Major Service Projects

By Cathy Barrett

"We build." This is the motto and the summation of Circle K, the service organization for college men sponsored by Kiwanis International; and this year Circle K at UMP is already engaged in five major projects of benefit to the University and to the Greater Portland community.

Under the leadership of Lee Sapiro, president of Circle K at UMP and district lieutenant governor for Southern Maine and New Hampshire, twenty Circle K members act as "big brothers" to children at Pineland, visiting them on Thursday, Saturday, or Sunday, every other week. They bring into these children's lives many of the family values which would otherwise be lost in the institutional setting, providing the children with informal recreation which would otherwise be impossible, and assuring the necessarily impersonal atmosphere of the institution with a personalized interest in the children as individuals.

Recording college textbooks for blind students is another major project of Circle K. Each John Donovan of Circle K tapes textbooks for blind college students.
E D I T O R I A L S

We Need a New Gym

By Greg Smith

There has been considerable discussion lately on the proposal by our U. of M. Trustees for a new physical education building at UMP before another classroom or laboratory building is started. Most of us in Southern Maine are interested in seeing UMP grow to the size school we feel that the area needs.

Some people cannot understand why a new gym is needed before more classrooms.

Physical education is a part of the curriculum of every college student, and the condition of UMP, physical education has not been offered to any female student at this campus. A new building would provide for the facilities which are necessary for this program for freshman and sophomore women, and also for sophomore boys, who now have to be neglected.

The facilities at present, with over one hundred male freshmen, are crowded to the say. Students find it very difficult to attend functions in this gym for this reason. Many dances and other activities held in the gym would be successful if the gym were larger and had better facilities.

We do not have facilities for large gatherings to hear speakers, to see movies, to ask the public to join us in many of our programs. Final exams require much space, and the present gym has already proved to be inadequate for this purpose. What happens in the future? Graduation is traditionally held out of doors, but what happens if it rains? We do not have a place that is large enough now.

A new physical education building is certainly apparent.

In the next few years, with the completion of the classroom-building under way, UMP, our enrollment will increase greatly. Certainly, many more freshmen will be required and it is thought that the need for this multi-purpose physical education building is certainly apparent.

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Somehow in some way Coach Sullivan and his staff have managed to live and work around these poor conditions, but the time has come when his pleas must not fall on deaf ears.

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The following story is told to its class structure, is familiar to some American colonists in Pennsylvania, leaves. On the night that Christ was born, the family took him in each with a plum pudding and a picture of the snow, the poor child and a chorus of angels were singing Christmas songs. Now the child was no longer poor but dressed in heavenly clothing, and he exclaimed that he was the Christ- king: he would bring them blessings, and the little fir outside the window would be his emblem. The children looked at the fir which was covered with silver nuts, lights, apples, and threads of gold.

Most of our American customs are adopted from the English. Caroling, still practiced in America, is done by companies of visiting groups which appear in front of homes before and after Christmas Eve services. One custom, characteristic of England with its class structure, is familiar to readers of Little Women. After breakfast on Christmas morning, the young people carry baskets, each with a plum pudding and a new coin, to families of the poorer classes.

Even within a single country, different customs are practiced Americans have preserved many of the observances of various ethnic groups and have developed some customs peculiar to our own land. The Negroes, for instance, had their own modes of celebration in the days of slavery. Whatever the customs, Martin Luther’s Cradle Hymn or Away in a Manger best describes the purpose of celebration — the birth of the Savior — in all lands.

C USTOMS OF CHRISTMAS

By Sheila Benner

"Deck the halls with boughs of holly . . ." This carol, rich in Christmas gaiety, is a song from England and is one of the most beloved of secular Christmas carols. It symbolizes the spirit of Christmas and the Christmasmattime throughout the Christian world.

There are as many customs practiced in manifesting the Christmas spirit as there are lands which celebrate Christmas. Most customs are ancient and their practices which only legend can explain, and perhaps for that reason these customs have become inseparable parts of Christmas to the people who observe the holiday.

Have you ever wondered why the fir tree is brought into homes and decorated at Christmas? Its honey smell and festive look when lighted are no doubt reasons for its continuing popularity.

Although the Christmas tree was originally introduced in America by the German colonists in Pennsylvania, probably even before the American Revolution, it did not become popular with our English-speaking population until Prince Albert, the German consort to Queen Victoria, introduced the Christmas tree to the British people, a little more than a century ago. As the custom spread throughout England, it gradually won favor in American seacoast cities. The westward movement of population following the Civil War eventually made the use of the Christmas tree common throughout our country.

The tree has always been the center of German celebration, and it is thought that the custom of decorating it originated from a story of a German peasant. In ancient times, the peasant would hang a large red cap and suit of St. Nicholas, a symbol of the God Thor. When the oak hit night, the family took him in each with a plum pudding and a picture of the snow, the poor child and a chorus of angels were singing Christmas songs. Now the child was no longer poor but dressed in heavenly clothing, and he exclaimed that he was the Christ-king: he would bring them blessings, and the little fir outside the window would be his emblem. The children looked at the fir which was covered with silver nuts, lights, apples, and threads of gold.

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Calendar Of Holiday Events

Dec. 17 - Spaghetti Supper in UMP Cafeteria, with entertainment by the Fortlighters.


Dec. 19 - Recept Hop in UMP Cafeteria, with Bob Fuller as DJ.

Dec. 23 - Semi-formal Ball at the Eastland Motor Hotel, sponsored by the Freshman Class.

Dec. 25 - Dance in UMP Cafeteria, sponsored by Circle K.

Jan. 2 - Dance in UMP Gym, with the Citations, sponsored by the Business Club. Refreshments.

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The Young Republicans have worked closely with various other Republican headquarters throughout greater Portland and the surrounding communities. When Goldwater visited Portland this year, our YGOP also manned the float for the rally held for him at the airport. They distributed Republican literature throughout the area and held organizational meetings with prominent Republican speakers, such as Richard Bakke, the former president of the Greater Portland YGOP.

The young Democrats have been equally active. They have organized rallies for President Johnson’s visit at City Hall. They have raised funds for the Democratic County Committee and have worked closely with various Democratic candidates, especially Ken Curtis of Cape Elizabeth. Both the YGOP and the Young Democrats worked together to hold the mock election here at UMP and to stage an extremely interesting debate on campaign issues.

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INSIDE — OR OUT — OUR GYM'S A MESS

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A student who first reads this short book, and who then reads Hamlet, will find the story easier to follow and understand. Personally, I would like to see Mr. Jackson re-do all of Shakespeare's plays in the same way that he has done Hamlet. He would be doing all readers of Shakespeare a great service if he wrote 'scene by scene' books for at least Shakespeare's major dramas.

The third book is titled A Maine History; the biography of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company. This book is not for sale, but it is available in most Maine libraries (UMP). It may not be on the shelf any day now). Ninety-nine percent of the time job, or who loses a few days Hanley of A. H. Benoit Company, William J. Graham of Portland Savings Bank, and fairly enjoyable.

The book is just what it implies; a history of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company. The subject of a company's growth is not extremely interesting, and I was bored in a few places. There were, however, interesting glimpses of many of the men and women who helped establish the company which held my interest. This book might be of some interest and help to various business and students.

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