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Senate to Hire Lawyer

Overwhelming Vote Backs Senate

Administration Acts With Surprise

The UMP Student Senate, after issuing a strong worded resolution on the tuition difference between the two campuses of UMPG some two weeks ago, will officially engage the services of a local attorney, probably at its next meeting tomorrow.

The action comes about with the results of a student referendum held last Monday and Tuesday in which 377 UMP students voted to back the Senate in its action of bringing legal power to bear on the university.

In response to the Senate's legal move, the UMPG administration, acting as if caught by surprise, convened the UMPG Advisory Committee and hurriedly met with UMP student leaders.

The present tuition rates that are of concern to UMP students are $100 per semester at Gorham and $225 per semester at Portland. UMP students claim the alleged inequity discriminates against them since UMP and Gorham are now one school. They cite the UMP professors and students who, respectively, teach and take courses on both campuses. The feeling is that in such cases their Gorham counterpart is thus paying less than half the cost, yet is receiving the same quality of education.

At two Senate meetings this past week, one a regular and the other a special meeting, the Student Senate discussed accepting a number of lawyers. Much of the discussion centered around quality of the legal representation and the cost required for an attorney. A Biddeford attorney, who was related to one of the senators, was finally turned down after considerable debate. Other local attorneys also were turned down, some because of an apparent conflict-of-interest.

The Viking has learned, however, that the committee appointed by the Senate to seek out a lawyer is prepared to present a name at tomorrow's meeting.

The rapidly growing tuition row received public press coverage this past week as a result of a snub received by UMP student leaders at a Wednesday evening meeting of the President's Advisory Committee. The meeting, called at the request of the UMP student representatives to it to discuss the tuition problem, was attended by UMP Student Senate officers and senators.

After a vain attempt by UMP senior Nick Hazlett, a member of the Advisory Committee, to have the committee listen to the student leaders, the committee turned down the proposal. At that point, both UMP and Gorham students walked out of the meeting.

Thursday morning a number of student senate members were called into the office of the UMP Director of Academic Planning to discuss the consequences of the proposed legal action. They were assured that the U. of Maine Board of Trustees would tackle the UMPG.

University News

Southern Asia and Quebec Discussed

Focusing on the problems of Southern Asia and the recent disturbances in Quebec, respectively, American Friends Service New England Peace Secretary Russell Johnson and McGill University professor Andre Michalski spoke in Luther Bonney Auditorium last Friday afternoon.

RUSSELL JOHNSON

Russell Johnson, who was introduced by Maine Civil Liberties Union lawyer Cushman Anthony, recently completed his eleventh tour of Southeast Asia since 1961. He felt the (con't on page four)

Concert in Gym

This Saturday night, November 7, the Portland Campus will have its second rock concert of the fall semester. The show will feature three (3) English acts: MUNGO JERRY, BADFINGER and BLACK SABBATH.

Three different types of music will be presented at the concert. MUNGO JERRY is a jug-rock group, BADFINGER is soft or light rock and BLACK SABBATH plays heavy rock.

Tickets are now available in the information booth in LBH.

Saturday Night

There are 1250 tickets which will be sold to Portland-Gorham students who present an ID card, at $1 off the public ticket price of $3.00. There is a limit of TWO discount tickets to an ID. Also, the discount rate will end on November 6, or when the 1250 tickets have been sold.

The show will start at 8PM in the Portland Campus gym. If any tickets remain, they will be sold in the info booth or the Union Building.

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Editorials

Ignoring the Problem

It has often been said about the New England weather that if you do not like what it is, stay around because it will change in a day or so. Unfortunately, the saying has recently escaped from its meteorological confines and now appears to resemble policy statements from University of Maine officials.

At an open-end session last month UMPG Acting President William MacLeod said that the tuition problem would be resolved at the December meeting of the Board of Trustees; a week or so later during an interview with The Viking University of Maine Chancellor Donald McNeill hinted that the decision might not come until a later meeting; last Wednesday evening at a UMPG Advisory Committee meeting Vice Chancellor Archie Ruffkins said that tuition would be discussed only in general terms and the UMPG tuition problem would not be taken up specifically at the session; the next day Chancellor Archibald Buffkins said that tuition would be most influenced by the UMP Student Senate resolution calling for equal tuition no later than semester nor the results of a UMP campus-wide referendum on seeking legal aid. From this point on things deteriorated.

During the ensuing discussion on the issue mention was made of polling the students to see how they felt on the issue. One had to really wonder where the Committee member had been the past two weeks. Only a person totally insensitive or apathetic would have failed to notice that the UMP students had approved the referendum by a landslide vote. Also, one Committee representative said that the people present in the audience did not truly represent their constituencies. This judgement even surpassed the limits of the normally warped reasoning used in Advisory Committee decisions. Could they not have somehow found it conceivable that the UMP Student Senate President, Vice President, five Senators, the editor of the newspaper, and the editor of the yearbook, all elected positions, could somehow adequately represent their constituencies?

Since the University is doing its best to ignore the problem, it becomes more urgent for the Student Senate to take action. They have received their mandate from the student body. When they meet tomorrow afternoon a week will have elapsed since the referendum. The long run will be most influenced by the decisions of the candidate whom is elected.

We will make no attempt here to evaluate or endorse any candidate; we would only urge voters to attempt to cut through the campaign verbiage and vote for the candidate whom they feel will best represent them.

Imperative to Vote

You have undoubtedly heard it by now- "the system better work this time or we will destroy it" scream of the radical Left. Although we do not subscribe to this theory, we feel it is imperative that every eligible citizen vote tomorrow.

For college students who are fortunate enough to be able to vote the necessity is particularly vital as it is the only roll in the long run he most influenced by the decisions of the candidate whom is elected.

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Quote of the Week

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MERGING THE TWO CAMPUSES

In Loco Parentis

MERGING THE TWO CAMPUSES is an easy matter if only the chancellor would adopt the following suggestion. Instead of spending tens of thousands of dollars on studies and reports, invest thirty thousand to start intercollegiate football. While the initial cost may be great, the benefits of school spirit and the power of a new public image will soften the blow to our purses. Locally we have ova hundred thousand people, with Maine's best athletes coming from this area, and there is no excuse why we can not become a power. Even with the money, we may have to start on a shoestring; but the first step must be taken sometime. It is understood that we will not have a championship team the first year, but let's begin. Placing the students on the same bleachers rooting for the same team will merge the student bodies much faster than any other proposal thus far.

It is recommended that the Trustees allot $30,000 from last year's tuition to the Portland-Gorham Advisory Committee for the coming academic year, or perhaps even more. Harry Glassman, in his usual naive manner, has managed again to put students below his level; and for him that's a remarkable achievement. He has placed a student in charge of the tuition committee knowing that any fair recommendation would be knocked down immediately. A fair recommendation means that the university doesn't make a profit out of the student bodies, and that Gorham students are not overburdened with an increase. The fair amount of equality is the average amount in tuition paid per student last year. This year's increase is only to replace a budget deficit suffered by the administration; and because this surplus tuition will not be justified in the future; last year's tuition is used for the computation. Gorham students paid $50 and UMPG students paid $200. About the same amount of students go to both campuses; therefore, in order to find out how to keep them coming in, one should find the mean. Dividing $50 plus $200 by 2 gives us $125. This is the average amount of students to study the "carpet" by the chancellor. Reliable sources indicate that he was wrong to do that and that he was brought on the "carpet" by the chancellor.

By Eddie L. Beard

Academic Member Expresses Optimism

Since there hasn't been a recent article on the Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Organization, I will try to bring you up to date. At its weekend meeting, October 16-18, the direction of the committee was set with a definition of University missions and goals. After work in general terms, the three sub-committees- Baccalaureate, 1-2 year programs, and graduate studies- worked for two weeks on rough drafts of their proposals presented last Saturday. The committee is diligently working toward having hearings of its draft on each campus the week before Thanksgiving. Distribution of the drafts will be the week previous. Enough copies will be available to allow any interested student to study the results.

Steve Miller, another committee member, put it much better than I can. "It is the feeling of this writer that a chance for many opinions on the part of both faculty and the students will be realized in the new university. Traces of traditionalism have been married to some new and exciting ideas to yield to the most pleasing choice a student may be offered that I have ever seen." Details are being drawn up, and thus I must withhold the more specific nature of what a student of UMPG will see as he enters the University. Although some may think me secretive and general, I don't intend to be, but since something in print is often taken as truth, and since nothing is final in our proceedings, I will wait until the draft is printed for the hearings. But let me venture to say that I am enthusiastic and confident for an exciting future for UMPG.

Viking Staff Opening

A position as typist has been opened on the rapidly increasing Viking staff. This is a paid position requiring excellent typing skills. The hours are flexible ranging from 5 to 6 hours per weekend. This position is not restricted to students.

For further information drop by The Viking office.

Editorial Comment

IT WILL BE HELD AT THE DECEMBER BOARD MEETING. 
NO YOU CAN'T SPEAK AT THIS MEETING.
I DON'T CARE WHEN IT COMES UP.
"IT MAY COME UP IN DECEMBER BUT COULD COME UP IN JANUARY." 
MACLEOD PRESENT BUT WILL NOT SPEAK AT THIS MEETING.

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current Vietnam war "indeed is now the second Indo-China War. The thinking of (people like) Nixon is outdated and immoral."

Part of Johnson's talk was specifically focused upon Laos, which he termed a "secret and U.S. Executive war." He claimed that our efforts in that country have displaced at least one-third of the population. The American bombing missions, according to the New England Peace Secretary, "have been trying to destroy the social structure."

"I'm prepared to bet that the reason that the President has cut down the number of troops (in South Vietnam) is that he faced the real possibility of rebellion among our troops," was Johnson's remark concerning the state of American military in South Vietnam. He backed his claim by saying that the desertion rate has risen considerably in the past three years.

South Vietnam, according to Johnson, is far from being a state of war as he contended that the inflation has increased 300% there in the past two years. In addition, he expressed doubts about how secure the country is as "the hamlet evaluation system is not that reliable."

Recently, the AFS representative spoke of discontent in the United States; he felt that the role of he and his fellow Quakers should be to "speak truth to Power."

Americans should refuse, stated Johnson, to join the polarization of parents against students and hard-hats against students. Although he deplored the bombing of buildings, he felt all the blame should not be placed upon students as "some of the leadership of the radical left today are government agents."

Michalski professed his remarks on the current difficulties by giving a brief history of the plight of the French in Quebec and Canada. From the beginning, according to the Canadian university professor, the English language has been used exclusively in industry and business. The only way of life for the French Canadian has traditionally been to speak French, till the soil, support the Catholic Church, and have as many babies as possible. Michalski stated that in the past 20 children per family was not infrequent. However, in recent years, with the use of birth control pills, the birth rate among French Canadians has dropped so that they now comprise less than one-quarter of the Canadian population.

The influence of the Catholic Church, according to the former Yale instructor, has also had a detrimental effect upon the French population as the Church has had a controlling interest in many aspects of education. Up until a few years ago a French Canadian student wanting to go to a University would first have to go to a college classique, of which 84 of 86 are controlled by the Catholic Church. Michalski stated that the college classique stressed only the humanities and had few science or mathematics courses. In addition, universities like McGill were supposed to receive $2,000,000 per year from the federal government. However, Michalski pointed out that the money was not used by the universities as it was forced to be placed in the national treasury by the government.

Michalski went into the background of the Separatist movement in Quebec. In recent years the separatists have split into two factions. The more moderate faction wants Quebec to be a sovereign country, but still belong to the rest of Canada. This faction has steadily increased its support in Quebec as it has increased its percentage of the vote from 6 to 26 during the past five years. Much more violent and activist is the Front du Liberation de Quebec (FLQ).

The FLQ has been in existence since 1960. However,Michalski said that during the first couple years "all they did was scribble graffiti on washroom walls." By 1963, they were still rather harmless if they had started such activities as bombing mailboxes. The next year, however, the French professor said that the NLQ claimed their first bombing victim, a janitor killed at McGill University.

The present explosion of terror by the revolutionary group has been very hard to stop because they only form in groups of four or five people, which are very hard to infiltrate. Michalski expressed his belief that some of them have fought with the guerrillas in Jordan.

Although Michalski described himself as a sympathizer with the Separatist cause, he called the NLQ "negative and juvenile."

So far unrelated to the War Measures Act, imposed by Prime Minister Trudeau after the capture of Pierre LaPorte, approximately 500 people have been captured, of which 186 are still in prison. An exact list of who is held is not known, according to Michalski, because the press is afraid to publish the names.

Michalski admitted that he did not understand all of the motives behind Trudeau's actions. He felt that he may have "good reasons which he cannot reveal now. My own idea is that Trudeau, an extremely able man, took advantage of the situation to carry out a plan to bring about Canadian unity again."

He based his hypothesis on some of the Prime Minister's recent actions such as requiring all Federal Service applicants to be bi-lingual.

Lawyer to be Hired tuition difference at their current school. However, the consideration would apparently only be in terms of action on the problem for next year. In its resolution of two weeks ago, the UMP Senate called the tuition difference "intolerable" for the current semester and recommended that "starting no later than next semester the tuition rates of the Gorham and Portland campuses should be no less than equal."

At the Wednesday evening meeting, the Advisory Committee, composed of a student composed subcommittee to study and make recommendations on the problem. The subcommittee, under the chairmanship of Gorham Student Senate President, Dick Dyer, has had one meeting and plans to hold further meetings on the tuition matter.

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Finally, I climbed upon the discontentment.

The annual Fiddler's Contest, held each fall at Windham Junior High, remains one of the final bastions of Southern Maine's Geritol generation. Last year, when I attended this glorious event with a young lady (who must remain anonymous since she has sworn to kill me if I ever mention her name in this column), we appeared to be the only couple there under the age of thirty; in fact, most of the audience was over fifty. But this was fortunate, for the audience inadvertently provided almost as much entertainment as the performers: silver-haired matrons dressed in their finest coats all bedecked their best to outdo one another, wearing the most luxurious clothing seen since the yearly Eastern Promenade. Whispers from the seats behind, easily audible to my sharp ear, were even more amusing: "Edna, look at that long hair. Isn't it disgraceful?" "Oh Harriet, see that hippie! What's he doing here?"

As showtime approached, the gymnasium got so full there were people standing in the aisles. The announcements were explained: each test were approved almost unanimously. "It was obvious that the audience fell into wondrous silence, for he was truly a master of his art. But when the warning gong sounded, he and his friend made no attempt to finish up the act. 30 seconds later, a whistle blew and the ensemce nervously rushed onto the stage, urging them to stop. But the Canadian, not understanding the rules, simply grinned and kept on playing. The audience erupted in applause, and the fiddler continued until his song was finished. To the surprise of no one, he won first prize anyway.

This year the Fiddler's Contest will be held on the evening of November 6. For my money, there's nothing to match it in New England. I'll be there next week even if it means coming all the way from Boston. It would be fun to see the reaction if a bunch of young people showed up. For if you're not doing anything that night, try to make it to Windham, especially if you have long hair. But please don't bring any joints to pass around. It's not exactly that type of concert.

The highlight of the evening was provided by a boys' French Canadian fiddler whose command of the English language was something less than perfect. From the moment he began fiddling, the whole audience was into wondrous silence, for he was truly a master of his art. But when the warning gong sounded, he and his friend made no attempt to finish up the act. 30 seconds later, a whistle blew and the ensemble nervously rushed onto the stage, urging them to stop. But the Canadian, not understanding the rules, simply grinned and kept on playing. The audience erupted in applause, and the fiddler continued until his song was finished. To the surprise of no one, he won first prize anyway.

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The Potpourri

who had been injured in a car accident prior to the performance, carried on nobly. It was easy to see, considering their musical and visual presence, why they were the toast of Woodstock, or why they caused a riot in Chicago by showing up late. People can get worked up over a group like that.

Now, I could be a spoilsport and mention the fascist overtones of Sly's performance. I could make an analogy to Sly's cries of "Gonna take you higher", the infamous Nazi speeches. I could do that but I won't because I don't really subscribe to that theory at all. I also think that's half-baked because, while rock often involves political overtones, it is primarily entertainment and any emotion it might evoke is not directly tied to any political philosophy.

Well, that's hardly relevant. They already told you about what songs they used last week so I don't have to do that. I should be critical here or something. Well, I guess I'll talk about the environment since that's what brought it down for me. The environment really stunk. I really hate gymnasiums for concerts. And all they had for refreshments was a little cubby hole. God, my highschool did better than that. And sitting on the floor with the butts and the beer did not help things either. Plus the aforementioned viewing problem brought things further down. It's no picnic standing on tippytoes for 1 1/2 hours (Tippytoes doesn't like it either).

To cap it all off, they let the doors open about halfway through and the Family Słone's set. All the free-loaders came pouring in pushing their way past the paying customers (one of whom was me). I was getting ripped. Under the circumstances, you can see why I was less than overjoyed. I'm no Spartan -- I would've hated Woodstock.
SPORTS

SPORTS ROUND-UP
by Dick Olsen
and Larry Leone

BASKETBALL PREVIEW

The basketball squad for this year looks to be one of the better ones in UMP's short history. Coach Sturgeon has chosen 15 members for a varsity squad and 12 members for the freshmen team coached by Joe Jabar from the Law School. In next week's Viking we will run pictures of the varsity along with a short history of each. The following week will be devoted to the freshmen. The schedules of games will also be upcoming.

FOOTBALL FOR UMP?

In the near future we will be attempting to bring you facts and opinions on the chances of a varsity football squad for UMPG next year.

CROSS COUNTRY
by Dick Olsen

"We finally won one," said coach Tom Martin. This about sums it up. It's been frustrating all season with only four scoring men, but now with Rolf Diamon winning 5th man, we finally have a winner.

Brian "Zippy" Gillespie toured the 4.1 mile hilly course in 8:26. The Tek's only defeats are the Tek's only

SOCCER CLUB

Soccer Club defeats SMVTI for the second time. These defeats are the Tek's only two defeats of the year, and it gives us a record of 4 wins and 3 loses. Stan Newell scored the only goal of the day as it was all that was needed. Ken Ross continued his fine goalkeeping, as the whole team played well.

TONIGHT (MONDAY) the Soccer Club plays for the last time, under the lights with our counterparts, Gorham, at the Gorham H.S. field. This is the last time this increasingly popular sport will be played as a team sport for UMP, and it could end in a winning one as a victory over Gorham assures us of that. Hope to see you there watching our boys win a resounding victory.

CHEERLEADERS

Last Oct. 21 the UMP Cheerleaders were chosen by such eminent judges as Mrs. Palmacci, Miss Willard, Mr. Sturgeon, Mr. VanAmburg, and Dr. Menninger. The 1970-71 squad will perform at all basketball games as they have in the past.

Those selected are Kerry Johnson, Sr. 2-yr. Bus., Portland; Connie Gouize, Fresh., South Portland; Anne Crichton, Fresh., Portland; boxAnne O'Wril, Fresh., Portland and Margie Ranaghan, Fresh., Portland.

It's been frustrating all season with Hayden to roll over the frat boys but were victims of the Joint Tortfeasors.

Pep squad to make things LOUD.

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL

It appears that there are some openings on this year's Freshman squad. There are plenty of games to be played which means everyone will play their share of minutes. So, those who were unsure before, sign up with coach Sturgeon anytime.

Intramural Sports

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

Rosters are due on Friday, Nov. 20, by 5 P.M. Play will begin the first Monday in Dec. on a round-robin basis. Those students with 10 credit hours or more are eligible to play. As usual there is a limit of 2 ex-varsity players per team. There are no favorites yet as the championship team of B&G is not entered this year. So get your roster in by Nov. 20, and get some scrimages in against the other teams before the season starts.

Joint Tortfeasors 36--TEP 12

The Tortfeasors put it together behind the quarter-backing of Sitar this week to roll over the frat boys who were starting to score, but were victims of the clock. Detroy, Sitar were the J.T.'s best as Tarr, Atkinson and Leone stood out for TEP.
Sports
CROSS COUNTRY

UMP closed out the season by beating Bentley and Clark University with the low score of 33 points. Bob Peiser, the great runner from Bentley, captured first place in a record setting time of 22:00:6 nearly 1:01:1 minutes better than Al McCann's old record for the 4.1 mile course. Jim Crichton from UMP came in second in the meet, first man for the team. Valiant running by Brian "Zippy" Gillespie placed him third as he is suffering from a bad virus infection. Bill Audette ran strong to nip team mate Frank Ward as they came in 7th and 8th respectively.

Rolf Diamon continued his iron man running in taking 13th place and by doing so we had our first five men in the first 13 to cap the decision.

The running of Hodgdon, Bartlett, and Cavallero helped tremendously as they displaced Clark's 5th man and by doing so assured the victory. The season started out rather bleakly, but with the fine running of this past week by everyone on the team, the final record shows f-5-1, a record the boys can be proud of.

social news
by Fred Ream

Monday, November 2

Today, Erick Hawkins, performer, lecturer and choreographer of modern dance will begin his week long visit to Maine on the Gorham campus of UMP. Hawkins and his dance group will present a master class in the Hill Gym at 4pm. This class is open to all interested persons.

At 7:30pm the public is invited to attend a lecture-demonstration in Russell Hall.

Wednesday, November 4

If you were unable to attend a production of "Sleep of Prisoners" last week, you have three more chances: tonight, November 6 or November 7. This Christopher Fry play is being presented at 8pm each night by the Longfellow Players in the State Street Church at 165 State Street in Portland. Admission is $1 for anyone else.

Thursday, November 5

The Gorham Treehouse Players presents the "World of Carl Sanburg" tonight, Friday and Saturday at 8pm in Russell Hall on the Gorham campus. Advance tickets daily in the lounge from 1-5pm or at the door. The price is $1/ticket to students, faculty, staff and administration. The public ticket price is $1.50/ticket. A phone call to the ticket office at Gorham will suffice to have tickets held at the door for your ultimate arrival.

This week the Gorham Thursday night movie is "The Third Man", a 1949 English film by Carol Reed. The 93 minute film will start at 7:30pm in Bailey Hall. Admission is FREE!

Friday, November 5

The Portland Campus Friday Night Movies this week are "Champs at Oxford" and "The Chimp" with Laurel and Hardy, "The Desperate Scoundrel", a Keystone Komedy, and "THE MYSTERIOUS MR. WONG" with Bella Lugosi. This 2½ hour program starts at 8pm in the Portland Campus Luther Room Auditorium. Admission is 25¢ with a Portland or Gorham ID card; 50¢ otherwise.

Two Bomb Scares in One Week

The Portland campus of the University of Maine, Portland-Gorham, got its third bomb threat in two weeks and its second in one week with a call to the UMP switchboard last Thursday afternoon.

The latest threat caused cancellation of all classes and school activities for the remainder of the day last Thursday. All CED (Continuing Education Division) evening classes were cancelled two days prior in a Tuesday evening threat to the UMP campus.

The threats have all been similar saying an explosion will occur in a specified amount of time. Reports indicate that the caller is a young male.

The Orono campus of the University of Maine has had 22 bomb scares in the past three weeks. Officials, however, have made no link between the two campuses.