

The Monadnock PLEASE!

College students, whether they admit it or not, like to think that professors know a little more than they do, have a little more wisdom, and can act with some maturity. They also like to think that the college is stable and the administration and faculty are on "terms."

In the last two years we have seen a new library erected, a dorm and commons building under construction, and a new gym and maintenance building in the plans for the future. Keene State is growing, but so is its reputation.

The news of the press, radio and T.V. about Keene State has not been to its credit lately. Have the headlines been beneficial to the college? How many incoming freshman like reading about their perspective college this way?

Can't an administration and faculty discuss, resolve, and take action without the whole state viewing the problem? If the college personnel is "squabbling" and the dissention spills onto the campus, how can the institution remain stable.

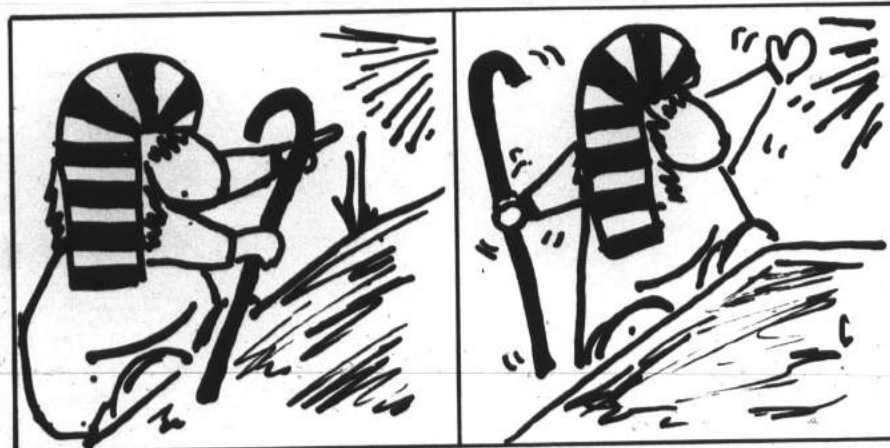
GET AN 'INSIGHT'

Sigma Phi Epsilon's Monthly Journal incorporating Insight is out!

Its role, the editors state, "is to stimulate and encourage creativity while providing an outlet for the products of this creativity. There is a world of value to be obtained from the intellectually aroused mind—pregnant with insight and perception. Perhaps we can share in this experience. It is our wish as well to acquaint those interested with literary and cultural happenings of time and place."

Keene has needed this outlet for a long time. If the current issue is an example of the creative thinking on campus, then it is only right that it should be shared.

It is a good start, keep up the good work!



Hear Del

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By REV. FAY GEMMELL
Frankincense and myrrh are "out," Gold is still in—along with Jade East and Seagrams. Man is still coming with his gifts.

Christmas has a long history, and history isn't over—yet. Neither is Christmas. Even in the original story, it took wise men longer than shepherds to catch up. There can be nothing but false cheap celebration of Christmas today except in the light of such insights. Christmas joy is not for squares only—provided it is child-like and not childish.

A man sleeps fitfully and steps lightly if he lives in a big house with dangerously weakened supporting beams. We are living today in a Big House—the current rage is (Texas) ranch style. There are, indeed, "many rooms" in the Big House, some of whose supporting beams are splitting. The man called Jesus was born into a similar world and to this day there is for his kind "no room" in many an inn—and in lot of "ins" too. There's something rotten all right, but let's forget the "little Denmark" bit. How about a "ins" inspection tour of our own cellars?

Why not take along that mystical Loner? He doesn't always come dressed in flowing robes, nor need he always stay framed in wooden icons on the wall or, worse yet, in those wallet pictures with hair like Sophia Loren's—but blonde, of course.

The central claim of Christianity is that the Great Teacher was for real. Besides, he was a carpenter and knew something about beams—those supporting houses and those which get into eyes.

Men before us have spiked beams into place because they cared about the house. All living houses are evolutions in themselves. Beams sag and corner stones crumble, but wise workmen can true them up until the New House is ready.

Complicated theologies about God no longer capture men's imaginations or loyalties. The creed to which they long to pledge allegiance "under God" is a social creed. It has to do (as does the Golden Rule) with neighbors.

More sentiment about a baby Jesus or fawning over a too meek and mild adult (?) Jesus—these weakened supports must go.

All false props and claims that in spite of everything the house will stand in some magic way must be replaced. Divided houses still fall.

The great, central supporting beam relates the whole structure. The baby Jesus in the story grew into a Man who related to the whole house and to everybody in it. He was a universal brother, relating us all.

But remember this: People learn to love old houses with weak beams. Actually, it is more accurate to say that they become too afraid to move.

Jesus wanted men to move, to "have life," but if we take that seriously, we must remember that old cross beams can be made into crosses.

So, after you've checked the beams in your cellar, come on up. Don't love the darkness. Up stairs amid all the light from candles and Christmas tree bulbs, invite the Carpenter to stay for the party. It's his birthday.

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Zunk Champ At Theta

Pat Corbin and Hank Basil are the new reigning Zunk champions. They defeated Mike O'Shaughnessey and Tagg Tardif Sunday night in the finals of the International Zunk Professionals Association. Corbin and Basil attained the title by winning three out of five games.

The tension packed finals began with Corbin and Basil easily taking the measure of Tardif and O'Shaughnessey, winning each of the first two games by as much as 80 points.

With their backs to the wall, Tagg and Mike rallied to win the next two games, with the big play being an outgoing hand of 64 points in the first game. The teams were then required to play the fifth and deciding game.

With the title on the line, the teams progressed evenly, the lead see-sawing back and forth. As the total climbed higher toward the 151 point mark, Pat and Hank began their move. With tension rising to a fever pitch, Corbin and Basil began pulling away. Tardif and O'Shaughnessey made one final attempt at catching up, but fell short. Corbin and Basil then iced the cake with a Zunk in the final hand to go out.

Corbin and Basil now face the possibility of defending their title in a future tournament. Word has it, though, that Fiske Hall is planning a tournament, with the winners challenging the I.Z.P.A. champs.

The girls at Fiske have apparently formed a new organization, called the U.Z.P.A., the United Zunk Players of America. But, until such time, winners Corbin and Basil are the present World Zunk Champions.

First Wrestling Meeting Held

By TED MILLER

December 9, at 7:30 p.m., the first meeting of the Wrestling Club was held in room 74 in Morrison Hall.

Kenneth Baldwin explained to twenty men that wrestling depends upon first, skill and second, endurance. He said wrestling consists of four main objectives: Learning the standing moves; learning the take-down; controlling an opponent on the mat and working the pins. Each man will be placed in 1 of 10 weight classes ranging from 115 lbs. to unlimited (over 190 lbs.). A wrestling match consists of three periods with three minutes a period. A match is won by a pin, decision, or default.

Practices started December 13, and will run Monday through Thursday of every week from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Members will receive physical education credit, said Coach Sumner Joyce.

Mr. Baldwin hopes a wrestling demonstration can be given at a college assembly after sufficient practice. He said, it would help to explain the new sport to the students on campus. He hopes to gradually work wrestling into the intramural program and later into an interscholastic team.

The new gymnasium according to the blueprints, will contain facilities for wrestling. "The success or failure of wrestling at Keene State College depends upon the students interest at practices started Monday," said Mr. Baldwin.

Keene Plans Hockey Team

By KEN LEAFE

On Monday, Dec. 13, 1965, there was a meeting of 20 prospective hockey team members in the Student Union Social room. They discussed establishing a hockey team to represent Keene State College.

Roger Fouriner and Tim Angwin conducted the meeting.

Thus far, the infant organization has been successful in obtaining \$1200 from the student council. \$900 will be used for construction of a rink and \$300 for the maintenance of it. The rink will be situated on the A field behind the married couples dorm.

The main problem facing the organization is the writing of a constitution, stating what the organization is and what it stands for. Angwin stated that this "... has to be a legalized organization for the student council to recognize it." When this is done, the constitution will be submitted to the Student Council with hopes of receiving more money for the purchasing of team uniforms.

Dean Earl C. Vanderwalker will serve as faculty advisor and coach. Larry Cormier and Bruce Dubois volunteered to be co-chairmen of the building committee. The building of the rink, which the boys will under take themselves, will begin this Saturday morning at 8 a.m. Those that are interested in helping can meet at that time behind the married couples dorm.

The next meeting has been scheduled for Monday, Jan. 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Union social room. At this meeting, the group will elect officers, submit the constitution, and present it to the Student Council.

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OWLHOOTS PSC With Less Men Than Normal Beats KSC 120-98

By WINKY BASOUKAS

Plymouth State, equipped with less than the usual amount of players that they have annually, ran wild over Coach Sumner Joyce's Owls last night, 120-98.

Employing a full-court press, the Panthers broke the game wide open as they forced Keene to rush, resulting in many errant Owl passes.

With Senior Jim Krug directing the attack, Plymouth moved methodically to score almost every opportunity.

Meanwhile, the Owls, under the floor leadership of no one, ran around throwing the ball away.

With Plymouth controlling both the backboards and Keene, the score read 56-33 at halftime.

The second session opened with Keene using a little better ball control. Both teams seemed to be scoring at will for about eight minutes and at the third-quarter, Plymouth led 85-52.

In the fourth quarter, Krug, Carl

McAllister, and Jim Durkee pumped in 43 of the 64 points scored in the second half by Plymouth.

For Plymouth, Krug was high scorer with 38, followed by Durkee with 33 while Tim Brown had 23 and Joe Giovannangeli had 20.

AT KEENE
Plymouth (120)
Rf, Durkee 16-1-33; lf, Lord 7-2-16; Forsythe; c, McAllister 6-2-14; Bley; rg, VanderElls 7-3-17; Araujo 1-0-2; lg, Krug 13-12-38.
Totals, 50-20-120.
Keene (98)
Lg, Brown 9-5-23; Clafin 5-6-16; rg, Moynihan 1-1-3; c, Stagner 7-0-14; Howe 2-0-4; lf, Giovannangeli 9-2-20; rf, Markham 8-2-18; Doonissar.
Totals, 41-16-98.
Plymouth 56 64-120
Keene 33 65-98
Referee, Benjamin; umpire, Bak.

Biology Club

By CHARLIE D'AMOUR

Last Thursday's Biology Club meeting was highlighted by a speech given by Richard A. Grant on the different organizations to which a biology teacher can belong.

These various organizations which Dick talked about were the Biologic Photographic Association, the American Institute of Biological Sciences, the American Society for Microbiology, the National Association of Biology Teachers, and the National Science Teachers Association.

Dick also talked about the three science fraternities which the Biology Club could possibly become a member of. They were Beta Beta Beta, Phi Delta Kappa, and Phi Sigma.

Dick is a sophomore here at Keene State College. A biology major and member of the Biology Club, he is originally from Manchester, N.H.

Commons Stated Next Semester

The opening of the new Commons Building should be a major highlight here on campus next semester. Operating on a cafeteria-style basis, it will enable students to choose from a selective menu.

Meals will be paid as usual for the whole semester. Students will be issued meal tickets which are valid for one month. According to Mrs. Mary Lou Haskins dietitian, hotdogs and hamburgers will be served daily for those who have no desire for the main course of that day. Faculty members and college employees will pay separately for each meal.

Students will not be allowed second helpings, but are allowed extra servings of whatever they desire while in line. They will serve themselves with milk from a cooler.

Since the abstinence from meat will soon be no longer obligatory on Fridays for Roman Catholics, Mrs. Haskins said that meat will be served on Fridays, but fish will still be served twice every week.

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Holiday Concert

By DAWN AMIDON

The warmth of the Christmas season was accentuated by the annual Christmas Concert held on Sunday, Dec. 12, at Spaulding Gymnasium.

The concert began with band selections conducted by Dr. Dennis K. Kieley, which ranged from Leroy Anderson's "A Christmas Festival" to Oliviodis "Zaragoza."

An organ interlude was played by Mrs. Carole Fredericks, and was followed by selections done by the chorus and Madrigal Choir, conducted by Mrs. Harold A. Goder. These included Bach's "For Us A Child Is Born," and "A Christmas Cantata."

"So Appears Thy Natal Day" was sung by baritone James E. Fletcher and "Lord, My Thanks To Thee" was done by tenor Robert Nute.

One of the high points of the concert was "Emmanuel! O Give To Me and Lord, I Sing Thy Name," sung by Peter Hayn, a counter-tenor. The counter-tenor was recently described in Time magazine as "the voice of the rarest of all male singers."

Christmas Party at Theta



Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, Theta Chi Delta held its annual Christmas party for ten underprivileged children of Keene.

Gifts were presented to the children by Santa Claus, and refreshments were served following Santa's visit.

The gifts and refreshments were donated to the fraternity by department stores in Keene, and the Coca-Cola company. This year Santa Claus was played by Pat Corbine.

On December 16, the brothers of Kappa Delta Phi will hold their annual Christmas Party for 12 underprivileged children from St. Bernard's School.

Movies will be shown and refreshments will be served. This year Brother Mike Carbone will play Santa Claus because Brother John Regan is working and Brother Bill Thomas is flying to Chicago Thursday morning.

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SNEA Panelists Discuss 'Catcher in the Rye'

By MARY JEAN KATHAN

Frederick J. Foshier, a Monadnock Regional English teacher, and C. Harold Hannan, a member of the Keene Union District School Board, were guest panelists for a discussion group at an SNEA meeting last Tuesday.

The two guests and Harold E. Nugent, KSC instructor of English and advisor for the group, discussed the pro's and con's of teaching J. D. Salinger's controversial book *Catcher in the Rye*, as required reading for eleventh graders.

Mr. Nugent portrayed the irate parent who was complaining to the school board member Mr. Hannan, that his daughter, Judy, should not be required by her teacher, Mr. Foshier to read this book. Mr. Nugent contested that he did not want his daughter exposed to the "... profanity and obscene language and scandalous actions ..." which he said were apt to have a bad influence on her.

Mr. Nugent quoted from the book some of the profane phrases used, and said that he could not justify having his daughter read a book in which the main character spent a weekend in New York with a prostitute.

Mr. Foshier, in defense of the book, told those present that the book, as he used it, had literary merit. He said that the few off-color words could not be isolated to discredit the book's total value. The book revealed a side of human nature typical of the high school student, he said, and many parents are not aware of this. He cited an example of the difference between the type of language students use when with their peers as contrasted to that used in the presence of adults.

He said that he required the students to make comparisons of Salinger's book with the medieval morality play "Everyman". In this way, the students are able to make literary as well as philosophical comparisons of the two works.

When asked why he chose *Catcher in the Rye*, in particular, Mr. Foshier said that the book is a realistic portrayal of modern teenagers. He remarked that the book has more to it than references to sex; that it has valuable religious references to the reactions of young people to persons of different faiths.

Young people cannot always be caged in glass, isolated from the realities—good and bad—of the adult world, Mr. Foshier said. "Isn't it better for them to learn about these things under adult supervision than to learn under less favorable circumstances?" he asked and added, "It is wrong for adults to underestimate the capabilities and judgment of teenagers."

Those present at the meeting did not decide which point of view was right. The guests inspired those present to give the matter consideration, as revealed by the various comments given in support of both sides of the controversy.

Mr. Hannan commented briefly on some of the problems faced by a school board member when confronted with a case similar to this—when a parent makes a complaint against the school.

He said that it was very important

for a school board member to be familiar with the community which he serves. He said that as a member of this board one has to take the responsibility of deciding what those whom he represents would want and not necessarily what he himself might prefer.

"One of the most important jobs of a school board member is to explain to the parents what is being done and why. Finally" he said, "a school board member must be thorough and persuasive in his presentation of a decision. He must be a professional in his job to be successful."

The KSC SNEA group has an invitational bid for holding a spring convention here on April 23, 1966. Possibilities for holding this convention, for approximately 300 students, was briefly discussed and then accepted by a majority vote. Further details will be discussed at a future meeting.

Kenneth L. Roulx, a KSC lecturer in Education, will be a guest speaker at the next meeting. The topic of discussion will be whether or not schools should have the prerogative to set and enforce regulations regarding dress.

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World Peace To Be Aided

Again this year students of Keene State will have an opportunity to make their contribution to world peace. Last summer Keene State sent its second official student ambassador, Roberta L. Barry, to Egypt. This year another student will be sent to one of seventy some-odd countries. The ambassador is responsible only for his spending money and camera. The rest of the expenses are taken care of by the Student Council. Ambassadors are chosen on the basis of maturity, scholarship and reasons for wanting the appointment.

The college ambassador program works in conjunction with the Experiment in International Living with the basic purpose of creating understanding between nations, and realizing that, everywhere, people are people. Here is an idea of how the program works:

- Living with "your host family" for approximately four weeks.
- An informal trip in which the experimenter takes a member of his "family" for a trip through their respective country.
- A week of independent travel in which the experimenter may go anywhere within a reasonable distance.

For further information your representative will be available Thursday evening January 6 at 8:00 in Morrison Hall, Rm. 74. Applications will be available at that time, or contact either Roberta L. Barry, at 352-6854 or Mrs. Stewart in the Faculty Office.

The selection committee will only be accepting applications throughout the month of January.

Hebert Says

"Uncle Sam and Molasses"

By ERNEST HEBERT

A funny thing happened over Christmas vacation. The Lloyd Young Student Union, Theta House, Proctor House, two tennis courts, and a parking lot disappeared—but only on paper. The U. S. government is exercising its right of "eminent domain" and is taking college buildings on the East side of Main: will tear them down, and erect a post office.

It's going to be tough for KSC administrators to determine what to do about replacing the old edifices, because it's difficult to tell how fast or slow the federal government is going to work. They may decide to put the post office up immediately (if not sooner), in which case the parking lot might be towed away. Mr. Campbell left with no base of operations, and die hard pool sharks of the game room, ducking a steel ball, swinging from a crane.

But then again, Uncle Sam usually works slowly—molasses slow—so slow the Student Union might become a historical monument through sheer accumulation of years.

The College could turn the impending destruction to its own advantage, however. For instance, in its present condition, the Monadnock room downstairs in the Union could be declared a disaster area and receive federal aid. The question is: does martial law conflict with academic freedom?

Since we're on the subject, a reliable source has stated that the Elliott Community Hospital may abandon its buildings and relocate. It seems the murmuring rumbles of gossiping KSC

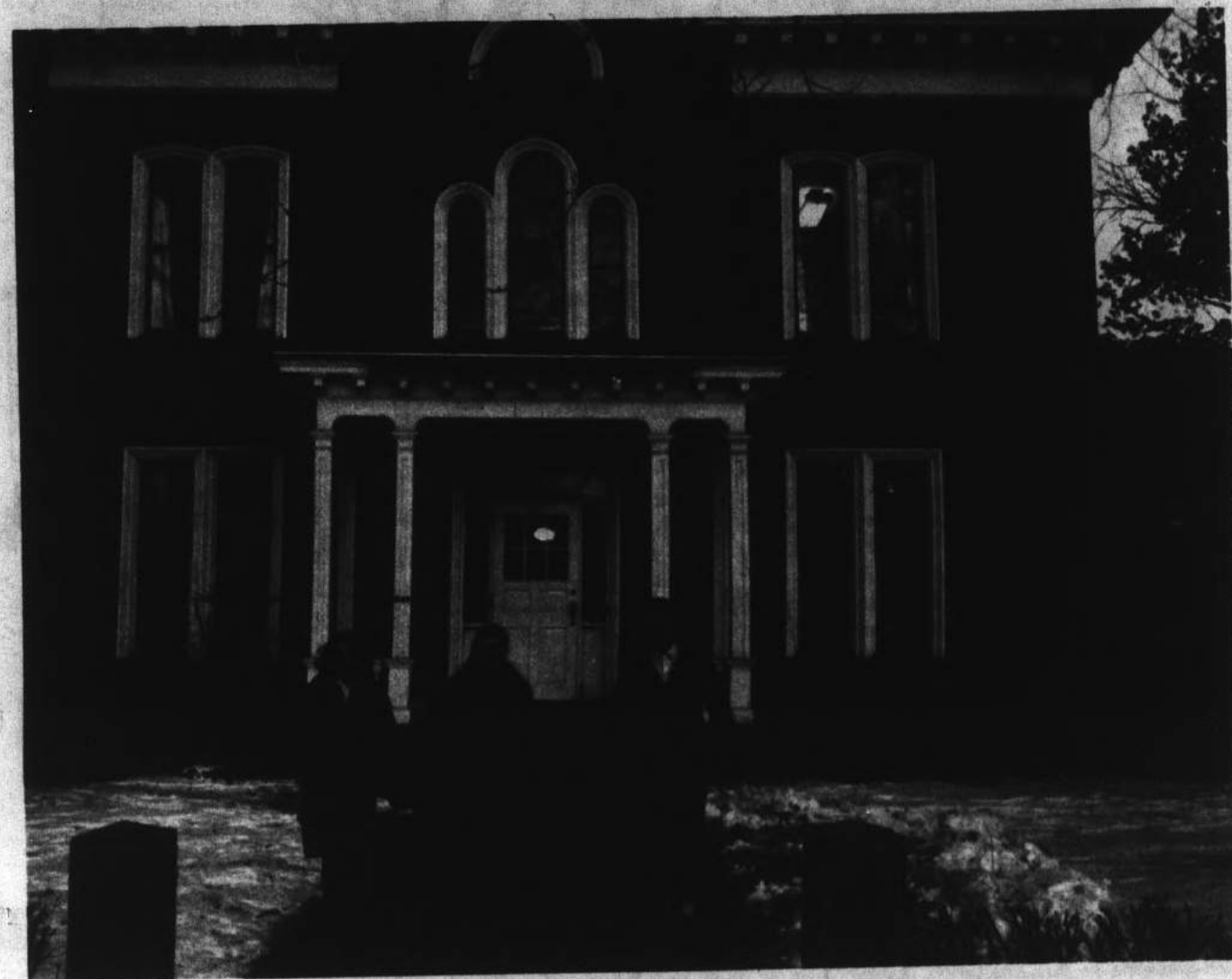
students in the Wallace E. Mason Library is disturbing the patients.

If the Government does take the Union at least the students won't have to buck that metallic bowling alley known as Main St. But, meanwhile, here is some advice to men students on how to cross the street. When standing by Main, the male student—his palms sweaty, adrenalin pumping, calculating the exact moment for a hole to open—accelerates, cuts left or right from an auto—like a half back feinting a line backer—and somehow makes it to the Union, where he needs something stronger than coffee. But this doesn't happen to the female student. She steps calmly into the Main stream, and walks blissfully across the street. Autos brake frightfully to a stop and politely let the girl go her way—the women drivers do so because they understand the helplessness of the poor dears; the men stop for different but more sound reasons. So, men students, here is how to cross the street. Wait quietly for a pretty girl and sneak across with her. It's safe as tuna fish and cranberries, but be sure to stay close to her heels or you'll get run over.

But, I suppose, the idea of crossing the street safely is naive: as naive as Democracy which assumes that all men are created equal; as naive as Communism which assumes that men are unselfish and will work for a common kitty with no regard for personal gain; as naive as people in their cars and pedestrians in their shoes.

Meanwhile, Councilman Aubrey W. Barrett strongly defended the proposed site. He

Keene State College Property Under Consideration For Location as New Post Office and Federal Building



The Federal Government is considering college owned land on the easterly side of Main Street as the site for the location of Keene's new post office and Federal building.

The property presently on this site is Theta Chi Delta, the Lloyd P. Young Student Union, Proctor House, two tennis courts, and the parking lot. No final decision has been made yet, Robert L. Mallat, Director of Physical Plant development said Monday. The final decision is up to the Board of Trustees.

In the event that the property was sold, Mr. Mallat said that the students need not feel that they were not being taken into consideration. Either a new Student Union would be constructed or a present building renovated, and the action would not happen in the next few months.

68,500 Feet

The lot released extends 237 feet along the east side of Main Street and 282 feet on the north side of Proctor Court. The site occupies approximately 68,500 square feet.

A prospectus issued earlier by GSA estimated the cost of the Keene construction at \$1,023,000. The cost was broken down at \$270,000 for site, design, engineering and supervision, and \$753,000 for improvements.

Postmaster Walter P. Kretowicz said recently that probably it would be a couple of years before construction would begin.

From Keene Evening Sentinel

Councilman Criticizes New Post Office Site

From Keene Evening Sentinel

Ward 5 Councilman Richard W. Conway yesterday expressed criticism of the site chosen for Keene's new post office and Federal building.

Conway said, "As a councilman, I think it's a very poor choice. There are much more desirable places for the construction of such a building in the city."

He added that he had received considerable unfavorable comment regarding the post office site, and commented that the city should take the matter under consideration.

Other Comments
Similar sentiments were expressed this morning by two other councilmen, Arnold F. Shea and Frederick A. Farrar.

Both Farrar and Shea said they received no complaints up to the present time, but Shea voiced objections on two counts. He said the new site appears "a bit out of town" and further commented, "They could have taken an area that was more blighted."

Farrar was quoted as saying, "I think the selection could have been better. I think they could have chosen a place to help the city more." Farrar said, however, that he had received no complaints regarding the selection of the site.

Defends Site
Meanwhile, Councilman Aubrey W. Barrett strongly defended the proposed site. He

said, "I think it's a good location. The decision of using Main Street as a site for the post office is a good one." Barrett went on to explain that almost no other street in the city would be able to carry the increased traffic that the new post office will bring about. He also said that the proposed location is fairly close to the Keene by-pass, and will provide easy access for trucks carrying mail into and out of the city.

In another development this morning, William W. McGowan, managing director of the Greater Keene Chamber of Commerce, said he plans to discuss the post office site with members of the Chamber's Executive Committee next week.

Depending on the outcome of the discussion, the matter may be brought to the attention of the Chamber's Board of Directors, which will meet on Jan. 20. McGowan said it was possible that the matter would be discussed with the Planning Board and possibly with members of the City Council.

Business District
McGowan said that the Chamber had expressed no opinion on the location of the post office, other than to presume it would be located in the central business district.

He said that the location that was finally chosen points up the need for a long-range planning program.

Rumors Killed, Facts Given

There will be classes as usual during the two-day closed period on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 13 and 14, President Roman J. Zorn said Wednesday. The rumors that these two days would be devoted solely to reading are erroneous. There was, Dr. Zorn said, some discussion of the matter in the Academic Council but no action was taken for this semester.

A closed period is not the same as a reading day President Zorn said. A closed period is defined as a preparatory time for final exams. During this time, no social activities, lectures or field trips may be scheduled.

Examinations will be given in all appropriate classes, Dr. Zorn continued, despite any rumors to the contrary. There will be no students excused because of existing grade averages; all will take the exams. This was decided by the College Senate at its last meeting, he said.

The rumor that the administration issued a notice that unexcused absences the day before and after vacation would be counted as a double cut, and that it is mandatory that attendance be taken is completely unfounded, the administration stated.

President Zorn stated that this policy had been discussed at a faculty meeting; however, the administration had never issued such a notice.