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## Under fire: employment of part-time pedagogues

Jim Picton  
Equinox Staff

Keene State College's accreditation may be jeopardized: the college may be violating the Affirmative Action law; faculty work loads are going up, and the quality of a KSC education is likely to slip.

These warnings came from Dr. Charles A. Hildebrandt, professor of sociology at KSC, during a discussion on part-time faculty. According to Hildebrandt, the part-time system here is greatly abused, and there is a real danger that serious problems will ensue.

One of the problems, Hildebrandt said, is due to the ratio of part-time teachers to full-time ones. Faculty responsibility, he explained, covers several areas besides actual teaching, such as serving on committees, advising students, and assisting in department matters in general. The ones actually responsible for these duties, however, are the full-time faculty members—part-time teachers are exempt. Of course, Hildebrandt added, these teachers should not be expected to take on extra responsibilities for the amount of money they receive. But, extra students whom part-time faculty handle in the classroom bring an added burden on the full-time professors, who are expected to handle work outside of class.

Hildebrandt also expressed some concern over the quality of part-time help. Although he praised many part-time teachers here, he pointed out that much of their hiring is done at the last minute, through "inadequate planning".

This, he said, is because the decision to add a section to a course comes from outside the department in question, often as the result of last-minute changes in registration. In the short period of time left to find a teacher, hasty decisions are inevitable, Hildebrandt said.

The last-minute decision problem has other ramifications. According to the Affirmative Action law, a thorough national search, on the open market, is supposed to be made by the school in the hiring of any

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PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD, who visited Keene last week, is shown here with History Professor Dr. Michael D. Keller. Ford spoke at Keene High School last Thursday evening, and at the Ramada Inn Friday morning. Since the Equinox was finished before any figures were released, we could not carry any primary results.

Chancellor Bruce R. Poulton has called for greater use of competitive bidding procedures to achieve increased savings in the operations of the campuses and departments of the University System of New Hampshire.

In a letter to the chief executive officers of the four campuses, Dr. Poulton says an internal audit "finds that the University System Purchasing Office is in a position to produce significant savings by taking advantage of open competition in today's marketplace."

"The primary purpose of the Purchasing Office is to insure that the best interests of the state and of the University System are met in the purchase of supplies, materials and equipment at minimum cost and of satisfactory quality," Poulton notes.

To achieve that goal, the University System Purchasing Office works closely with

the state director of purchase and property in acquiring common goods and services—enabling the University System to benefit from the state's greater buying power in such areas as gasoline purchases, while affording the state advantages in obtaining commodities where the University System has greater buying power, such as the purchase of scientific materials.

The University System is also affiliated with Educational and Institutional Cooperative Service, Inc., a non-profit organization which pools the buying power of more than 1,500

educational institutions in purchasing nearly every type of material used by colleges and universities.

"Through these associations and its own activities, our Purchasing Office has unusual resources and excellent procedures to enable us to secure competitive prices which result in substantial savings to the University System," Poulton notes.

To realize maximum savings, he recommends updating of written policies and practices in view of the substantial increase in

## Poulton calls for more competitive bidding

the volume and scope of University System purchasing, as well as need for all managers to carefully project their purchasing needs.

"These recommendations merit our immediate attention," Poulton said. "Accordingly, I am asking University System Vice President-Treasurer Norman W. Myers to assure that our policies provide for the most cost-effective purchasing procedures in today's economy. I am also urging that all purchases be planned well in advance so that an orderly process for securing competitive quotations can be followed in all advantageous situations."

University System purchasing policy now specifies that competitive bids or quotations are to be sought on all purchases exceeding \$500, and for lesser amounts where the purchasing officer deems the bidding procedure would

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# Violations threaten quality education

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employee. This is to ensure that the best possible choice is obtained, and to guard against discrimination. Carrying out this type of search is impossible, Hildebrandt said, in the space of a couple of days. In fact, he added, in some cases, people are hired practically off the street.

"It almost seems," he remarked, "that if the applicants have a temperature of 98.6 and are breathing, we hire them."

He pointed out that the administration should be concerned, at least, about violating the Affirmative Action law.

For the student, Hildebrandt continued, the irresponsible and/or excessive hiring of part-time faculty can cause a number of difficulties. There is, of course, the risk of



DR. HILDEBRANDT—part time system abused.

getting a teacher whose qualifications are inadequate. But in addition to that, said Hildebrandt, part-time teachers can be difficult to get hold of outside of class. For the student seeking extra help of advice, this can be a problem. However, he added, there are those part-time teachers who have both the time and

the inclination to put in extra hours helping the student. But in these cases, he said, space is often a problem. Part-time teachers are hired for classroom work, and, in some cases, have no place to base operations outside of class. Thus, said Hildebrandt, a teacher may be conscientious, but have no place to be conscientious in.

Miriam E. Goder, chairman of the Music Department, reported a similar situation. In music, she said, there are two kinds of part-time faculty. There are those who teach only specialty courses, such as lessons on the oboe; and there are the rest. The rest, she said, teach just about any course the Music Department offers. According to a study done by Goder, 63% of the teaching in the Music Department is done by people who receive hourly pay.

"That puts them in a category—of non-professional," she said.

Goder emphasized the excellence of the part-time staff, adding that the Music Department is lucky to have so many skilled specialists in the Keene area. But, she said, these teachers cannot be expected to participate to the same extent as full-time faculty in areas such as advisement, recitals, and the general logistics and management within the department. According to Goder, the Music Department consists of 25 members, only six of who are full-time faculty. Thus, she said, the burden of work falls on those six.

Dr. Michael D. Keller, a member of the History Department, has a different opinion on the subject of part-time faculty.

"It's a balance situation," he said, indicating that he was aware of advantages and disadvantages to the system. But Keller said he felt the benefits outweigh any difficulties. In the History Department Keller said, courses are offered to students which could not be provided, if it weren't for the availability of part-time faculty. These teachers can be hired, he said, at a substantial savings to the college;



DR. KELLER—benefits outweigh difficulties.

and they give students the opportunity to take courses on a one-time basis in areas where there is not enough demand to warrant hiring a full-time professor.

Keller did add that the History Department would welcome the addition of more full-time faculty; but he indicated that this is not feasible at present, for budgetary reasons. The part-time faculty, he said, are paid about \$1000 per course, which is significantly less than the cost of hiring a full-time teacher. Asked whether the students accommodated by part-timers added an objectionable load to the regular duties of the full-time faculty, Keller

replied, "I haven't noticed it."

The financial picture was another point brought up by Hildebrandt. He acknowledged that part-time faculty are less expensive to hire per se; but in his view, taking advantage of this situation is an "exploitation of labor." Basically, Hildebrandt said, the excessive hiring of part-time faculty allows the administration to save money, while the part-timers suffer with an added work load, and students are faced with the possibility of poorer education.

Regarding money problems, Goder pointed again to the small number of full-time faculty in the Music Department.

"There has been no additional full-time assignment to the Music Department since 1971," she said, adding that since that time, the Music Department has experienced its greatest growth. Although the budget has not been changed in three years, Goder said, the Music Department has been able, through great effort, to maintain high standards.

The college offers a "high powered bachelor of music degree," she said, and it draws students from all over. It is possibly the best Music Department in the state, she said. They want to retain the existing quality, but it is becoming increasingly difficult; so that at this point, Goder said, "we feel rather desperate about it."

Hildebrandt also points out that the part-time teachers themselves suffer, because of the insecurity of their position. They don't

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## Cost-effectiveness stressed throughout entire university

A drive for increased cost-effectiveness throughout the four-campus University System of New Hampshire will realize \$755,000 in economies and cost-reductions during the current biennium, according to Chancellor Bruce R. Poulton.

In a report prepared for last Saturday's meeting of the University System's Board of Trustees in Manchester, Poulton indicates that the savings reflect actual reductions achieved for fiscal year 1975-76 as well as proposed economies for fiscal year 1976-77.

According to the chancellor, current summaries show savings or cost recoveries of \$138,000 at Plymouth State College; \$166,000 at Keene State College; \$208,000 at the Merrimack Valley Branch in Manchester; and \$243,000 at the University of New Hampshire.

"Savings are being demonstrated in a wide variety of areas," Poulton says, "including personnel, physical plant operation, equipment, increased productivity requirements, supplies and travel."

Commenting on the campaign for

increased cost-effectiveness, the chancellor says: "Campus administrations are to be congratulated on efforts to date, but the hard fact remains that further dollars are going to have to be found internally, and the cost-efficiency of every dollar spent increased. If we are going to make legitimate requests for additional assistance from student tuition and state appropriations, we must show that effort to increase economies and efficiency are a top priority and are bringing results."

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## Physiological psychology

## Rat brains help understand humans

Walter Asonevich  
Equinox Staff

David B. Andrews, assistant professor of psychology at Keene State College, recently provided the Equinox with some insights into his own theories in the field of physiological psychology.

Warming up to the interview, Andrews mentioned that he works with rat brains. What he hopes to obtain from his research is a better understanding of the physiological processes that make us do what we do.

According to Andrews' theory, "the human brain is the basis of our experience." He continued by explaining that the brain is essentially a "somewhat imperfect" anti-entropy machine. That is to say the brain attempts to impose an orderly structure upon a situation that may or may not contain any orderly structure.

In still other words, the nervous system creates a logical internal model of what the external world is like.

Of course, Andrews added, there are new things being constructed by the brain as it moves through time. These new elements must either be assimilated—adjusted to fit the existing internal model—or else the model must be adjusted to make room for the new elements.

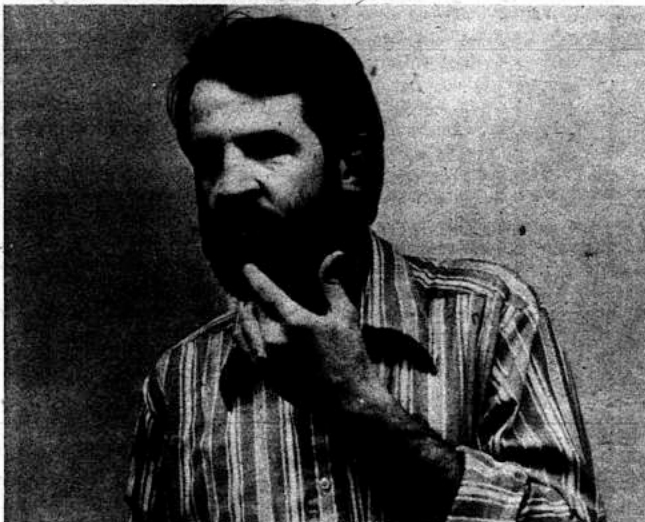
After explaining this task of the brain Andrews mentioned that mental illnesses are "incongruences"—nonharmonious elements—between the inside model and the external situation.



ANDREWS - "New things are being constructed by the brain as it moves through time."

Besides mental illness, Andrews suggests that many of the problems in the world today occur, "because of a great diversity of internal models."

When questioned concerning the similarity between his work and that of earlier researchers, Andrews allowed that there is resemblance, but also explained the difference. He asserted that "Piaget is more philosophical on this subject" and George Kelly "is dealing



DAVID B. ANDREWS, assistant professor of psychology at Keene State College, provides the Equinox with his own theories of physiological psychology.

with subjective human behavior". Neither of these researchers deal with the underlying mechanisms; and that, Andrews said is the difference.

He said he believes that science can come closer to describing the brain mechanisms that reduce uncertainty—that build the internal model. Ability to describe these mechanisms would provide reference points for many of the theories that are already useful to the field of psychology.

Andrews further stated that, without some form of reference points, theories tend towards faddish. As an example he mentioned therapies. One of the problems with therapy, he suggested, is that there is no reference point as to what constitutes a healthy person.

Admitting that there is a hard core of people who believe in psychological phenomena independent of the physical, Andrews pointed out that "the vast majority of things people do are limited by the physical." He asserted that man must learn the limitations of the nervous system and work from that.

Andrews also pointed out the problems in the way society handles new theories, saying, "The problem is that rewards exist for coming up with new truths. What should be going on is recognizing that we are attempting to build models of reality; this he added, "No model should be presumed to be true."

His own research has often been hampered. In graduate school, teaching took up much of his time; he found himself often doing more teaching than many of the professors. After applying four and a half years towards a doctorate, Andrews said he realized that several more years would be required to culminate his research, but that it was no longer feasible to live on the small pay as a teacher's assistant.



More years are needed to culminate Andrews' brain research.

At KSC, finding time for research work is still a problem. Andrews mentioned the lack of a pool of graduate students to alleviate the work load, as well as the fact that there is only one secretary for a department of nineteen to twenty professors.



ANDREWS - "The vast majority of things people do are limited by the physical."

Andrews asserted that it is not the course load that is a drain on the time, but all the committees and special meetings that faculty are expected to attend.

But the little room adjacent to Dave Andrews' office still has its rats and funny odors. Hopefully, the time will come when he and his little four-legged associates will be able to produce a working model of how the nervous system functions, and thus reduce uncertainty in our lives.

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# Visions emerge from KSC school daze

The room was dark, but filled with voices. From somewhere in the distance, Dr. Arthur Peanutbutterandjelly was giving a discourse on the democratic heavenly bodies. The United States was winning. Imperialist orientals, teaching innocent children to bow to the emperor in the East, were giving way to the wonderful West, the Lord's prayer, and democracy. Mountain-moving majority. It was all in the stars.

Nearer at hand, the smoothly nettling voice of KSC philosophy professor Dr. Spock gave calm assurance of nothing. In subtle harmony came a blend of voices from the math department—giving calm

*jim picton*

assurance of everything. A printing press was working in feverish competition with a teletype, bringing latest reports on the progress of the new library addition.

Recognizable in the sonorous nonversation at the center was the voice of Robert Mallard: quack, quack, quack. The merry chattering of the Redbird was all but drowned out by the throatier calls of the Crustees: polceee, polceee...

And then there was light. The student union snack bar was a seething Babylon. Judy was blathering to a shattered mirror. The entire security department was beating up the pinball machine, and a parking officer was giving it a ticket. Jim Skullander was licking the mustard off his sleeve, and giving the final touch to his "Dearth Notes."

When I woke up, I was writing this editorial. The editor is ill.

# EDITORIAL PTS

Hats off to the Newman Students Organization for deciding to present **Godspell** two more times. They will be: tomorrow night at 9:00pm, and Friday night at 8:00pm. The Thursday night performance is a benefit for John Wells, who is in Mary Hitchcock Hospital with viral mononucleosis.

go with what you've got





## Hildebrandt praises editorial

To the editor

The editorials by Steve Gordon regarding academic standards and first-semester freshmen are a welcome sight. It is good to see thoughtful commentary on such an important matter. I would like to respond with a few personal observations.

1. I am a strong advocate of high academic standards applied rigorously but fairly at all class levels. Upon the first reading of Steve's editorials, my instant reaction was not tempered with much mercy; freshman or not, if you can't hack it, farewell. After all, academic grades are intended to separate the goats from the sheep (skins).

After a few moments, however, a bit of reason returned. Since those of us who practice "education" still cannot explain with any precision the chemistry of what makes a successful freshman (though I am fairly convinced that great doses of intensive study are a rather reliable old prescription) we may be premature in reaching a judgement as devastating as automatic dismissal in only one semester. It is probably true that all of us at Keene State — faculty, administrators, and students — are to some degree responsible for the failure of a freshman, and since we do not know the proportions nor the validity of

those respective contributions we might give the student at least one more semester, an extra period of adjustment to the realities, good and bad, of Keene State.

2. At the end of the freshman year I have fewer, if any, qualms. In most cases, it becomes unfair to all parties involved, but particularly to the student, to continue the agony. After one year, it should be clear that at that time college is not beneficial for that particular individual. With the relatively generous opportunities for reinstatement at a later time now available at Keene State, the student should suspend operations and reconnoiter for a bit. Many of us who teach are aware of far too many freshmen who are not ready for college. For many of these people all that is required for readiness is a few more years of living. That is not intended as a statement insensitive to the economic crunch of today's world, but college should not be allowed to become a stopgap answer to a flawed economy. This is certainly true if we are to hold onto any measure of academic quality and propriety. I will actively support radical political and economic proposals to revamp this society, but as a teacher I will resist babysitting the unemployed or providing them with phony academic passports to the marketplace.

3. I must say a few words about the summer orientation program for freshmen at Keene State. I have participated in the program for two summers. What worries me is the impression that many freshmen may gather from those two days of gentle rapping in the sun, volleyball, barbecues, and the cool and easy good times on the ol' college green in contrast with that nasty, gritty, grimy descent for a few hours into the sordid world of registering for something quaintly and remotely referred to as "disciplines." This introduction to college is neither realistic nor desirable. It seems to me that most freshmen will find fun and good times efficiently. Do we really need to draw them a map? How about a little wholesome sampling of intellectual discipline by way of introduction?

Chuck Hildebrandt  
Social Science Dept.

## Student receives runaround from admissions board

Mr. Gordon,

I would like to congratulate you on your fine editorial in the February 11th issue of the Equinox. It was good enough to inspire me to write this letter.

After graduation from high school in 1974, I entered UNH. After attending for less than one semester I became disenchanted and dropped out.

I emphasize "dropped out." As I went through the long process of having several forms filled out by my advisor, Dean of Men, and others, I also applied to KSC for the fall term. During the time between my dropping out and applying to KSC, it was recorded that I had not dropped out, but had been academically suspended. I don't know what all the forms I filled out were for, or why I had been listed as suspended.

Because of my supposed suspension, KSC admitted me on probation, and I understood I would have to receive at least a cumulative average of 1.7 during my first semester. After completing the first semester, I felt I had just made the minimum grade. I sent my tuition for the second semester and was ready to return when I got my grades, which are as follows: Calculus I—D, College Algebra and Trig—AB, History of Western Civ—D, General Chem I—CD, Political Science—CD, Cumulative average—1.69.

I received a letter stating that I would be admitted back on probation for the following semester.

Later, I had a phone call from KSC telling me that they had made a mistake, and I was notified that I was dismissed from the school. I appealed their decision, but was denied readmittance. I was informed that my reason of not being able to adjust

## Increase in budget causes opposition

John Trabucco

In recent weeks, the office of treasurer has been gearing up for the mad rush of budget proposals. As many of you know these proposals come from recognized organizations who are felt to contribute to the educational and social enrichment of the community. Last year the Student Body had \$75,275 to give out. This money belongs, in part, to every student. This money is paid once a year. There are some who have proposed to raise this by \$5 per student. I personally oppose this increase for the simple reason that all of the other areas of the bill will be going up. This includes board and room, athletic fees, Union fees and health service fees.

Last year's overall budget does not require any increase. This year, seven organizations received \$5,000 or more. These organizations supply a substantial amount of extra curricular activities. I plan to redistribute some of these funds so that more organizations have a chance to present activities which we can all enjoy.

I strongly urge any of you who are members of organizations on campus to attend your organizational budget meetings so that you may have some input into the budgets which each group will submit to the Finance Committee and myself.

## Earth notes Term planner found - significance unknown

PRESS RELEASE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

← Further evidence is cited here, illustrating that the Keene State student body is quickly becoming disenchanted with the world of academia, and is en route to class conflicts and ultimately total inaction. It is not known whether this is as grim as it looks, or just a phase. The cause, and the short and long term effects are not known either. At this stage only the obvious is ascertainable. That is, seeing is believing; or, I see it but I don't believe it. I maintain the latter, hence this memorandum. Hence, all Keene Staters are sincerely advised to assess their values and life objectives, and take a retrospective, introspective look at their calendars, dumb-things-I-gotta-do-note-books, or self-initiated list of A-1's. Any resemblance to the one pictured (found and photographed in the SAC office) is just cause for one to admit immediate, overt defeat. In a word, pull the plug. In due consideration to the die-hard with living in mind, stand up and walk. From there the rest is relatively simple.



Will the owner of this please lie down.

## Math to solve world problems

To the people of KSC:

What do KSC students, faculty, and administrators consider to be the most significant problems affecting our universe today? For me, this is an important point of my future objectives in life, and, (in opinion) being part egocentric, I am curious if this is similarly thought by others.

This is how I presently solve the question:

First, to attempt to answer is to determine the influential factors and how these relate to one another. The following is a formula I consider effective:

$$I \propto \frac{(N)(d)}{D}$$

Where:

I = the importance of the problem,

$\propto$  means "proportional to,"

N = the number of people affected,

d = the intensity, or the extent to which the problem affects the individuals involved,

D = the distance between the problem and myself.

Hence, the greater the number of people involved and the greater the intensity, the more important the problem becomes, while the greater the distance, the less important the problem becomes.

Then, with some problems in mind, and applying my crude formula, I have been able to establish a hierarchy of priority. Here are my findings in descending order of importance:

- 1) The threat of nuclear war.
- 2) The world food shortage
- Environmental pollution
- 3) The lack of more permanent energy sources.

Perhaps mathematical analysis will, in the future, be able to determine quantitative values of the above factors, therefore pinning down concretely which problems are significant and which are not.

So ... what do other people think?

Those wishing to comment on these thoughts may, among other ways, reach me at Box 124, Owl's Nest 1, KSC.

Sincerely yours  
Richard S. Emmel

## Student berates administration

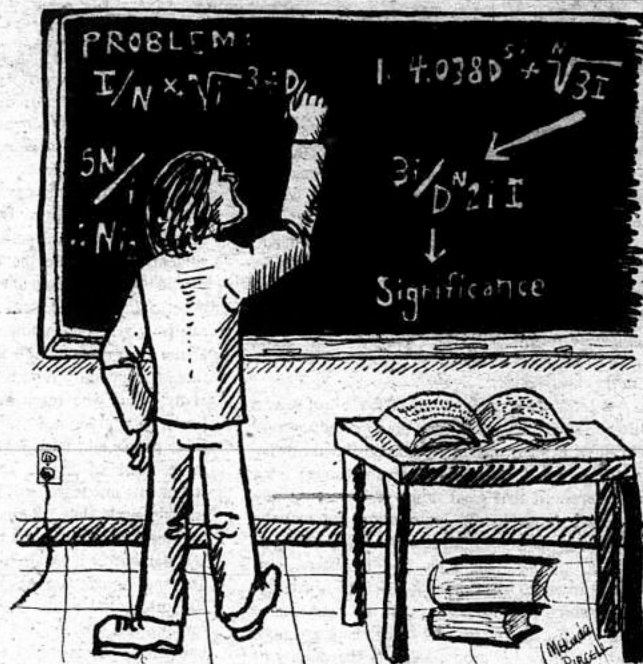
was not good enough, and that I could reapply after one complete year.

I will not be able to return to KSC as I lack the funds. Also, the lack of consideration on the part of the administration and the red tape has lessened my incentive.

I hope situations improve for freshmen, and I feel that the probation policy should seriously be looked at.

Thank you for allowing me to express myself.

David C. Arigori



## Student budget request due

All student organizations wishing to receive budgets for next year from the Student Activities Fund, must have their budget requests into Student Government by March 1, according to Board of Selectmen Treasurer John Trabucco. Also chairman of the Finance Committee, Trabucco added that requests should include an itemization of all expected expenditures, and a contingency fund for unexpected expenses.

It can probably be expected that the requests this year will be higher than they were last year.

Rich Eisle, business manager for the Equinox stated that their budget request for next year amounts to \$11,488, not including insurance.

Kronicle editor Lee Bird said that the budget request for the yearbook has not been determined yet. He did say that printing costs alone amounts to anywhere from \$6,000 to

\$8,000, and that he was glad they added a contingency fund for the organizations.

The Student Government's budget is also undecided at this time according to Trabucco. He said they will not be asking for more than a few thousand dollars. The government's main expense is the salaries of the President, Chairman of the Board and Treasurer which is full in-state tuition each.

Andy Davis, station manager of the college radio station WKNH, approximated their budget request at \$21,544. The reason for such a large request, he explained is the fact that WKNH is still at a building stage.

"I would like to see sponsors pay for programs of educational value rather than the students," Davis said.

The budget requests of all organizations will be voted on by the students at the spring student body meeting.

## State University System trustees hold monthly meeting

Trustees of the University System of New Hampshire, holding their monthly meeting at the new campus of the Merrimack Valley Branch here Saturday (Feb. 21) took the following actions:

Approved guidelines under which operating staff employees on all campuses may appeal grievances to a fourth-step, System-level hearing panel.

Approved a summary of faculty personnel policies currently in effect on the University campus at Durham.

Heard that its Property and Plant Development Committee has authorized preparation of detailed plans and cost estimates for construction of additional married-student housing facilities at Plymouth State College, as endorsed by the 1975 Legislature.

Authorized the seeking of bids for construction of a parking lot on Strafford

Avenue Extension in Durham. The lot will serve the alumni center building to be erected there, as well as accommodate overflow parking from an existing lot on that street.

Approved naming of the Faculty Office Building at Plymouth State College as the "Ellen Reed House" to honor a faculty member's service to that institution in 1878.

Received a report, prepared in response to an inquiry to the Board's Finance and Budget Committee, indicating that University System employees would suffer a \$680 loss in net earnings if the System's health insurance program were to be abandoned and the individual employee obliged to secure comparable health insurance protection at his or her own expense.

Were advised by the Finance and Budget Committee that state legislation mandating

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# Keene State College seeking Bicentennial status

Ann Hood  
Equinox Staff

"Can Keene State become a Bicentennial College?" was the question. Dr. Leo Redfern, president of the college, asked Marion Wood, secretary of the Keene American Revolution Bicentennial Commission. The answer was encouraging. Keene State was already qualifiable under the Bicentennial College stipulations with the exception that it lacked an official committee. Establishing the committee wasn't a serious problem. The most natural candidates were those who were already involved with Bicentennial activities. One such person is professor of English, and director of the Fine Films Society, Lawrence Benquist, coordinator of a Bicentennial oriented film program entitled "Heritage '76".

Hubert Bird, of the Music Department, who will present a faculty recital of federal composers, became another member.

A third member, Howard Wheelock, will sponsor lectures on the American Revolution to town groups.

Student representatives are Rene Bergeron, student body president, and Terry Wiggin, chairman of the Student Bicentennial Committee.

Margaret Ramsay, University System trustee from Keene, and Constance Trembley, chairman of the Alumni Day Program, along with Marion Wood, now chairman of the college committee, finished off the list, and Keene State became a Bicentennial College.

An activity in keeping with the Bicentennial theme that directly involves the students, is the planting of a lilac tree. This event will be combined with the dedication of Elliot Hall, as a historical site.

Elliot Hall is the location of the famous mural depicting Central Keene, which was painted in 1943, by local artist Barry Faulkner. Both the painting and the hall are priceless historical inheritances to the college.

## Dedications

Under the coordination of Terry Wiggin, the student body will be asked to help provide funds needed for the project of painting pictures of each residential unit. The finished "portraits" will be permanently fixed in to each respective location, to provide future generations the opportunity of viewing the structures as they appeared during the Bicentennial year.

In addition to the residential units, paintings of other notable buildings on campus will also be done.

Another aspect of the July 10th and 11th Bicentennial celebration that will directly involve Keene State, is the dedication of two of the three declared historical buildings. One is Hale Building, the nucleus of the campus; home of two former governors (Dinsmoor and Hale).

Hale is presently the Administration Building. The second building to be dedicated is the President's Residence, which was built in 1805, and housed the second women's boarding school in the country, and the first in the state.



Marion Wood, secretary of the Keene Bicentennial Commission, accepts the position of chairman of the new college bicentennial committee.

In 1909 it was sold to New Hampshire for use as the home of the president of Keene Normal School. Also in 1909, the city of Keene purchased Hale Building to sell to the State of New Hampshire, so that the Normal School would be located in Keene instead of Nashua.

## Part-time positions questioned

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know from one semester to the next whether they will be hired again, and are subject, as much as students and other faculty, to last-minute changes in the registration and scheduling of courses.

Nancy Coutts, a teacher in the Drama Department, was asked whether she is now a full-time professor.

"Well...seven eighths," she replied. Coutts has taught part-time at KSC for three years, and is now handling three courses. In the past, she has taught courses at KSC free of charge, but has been unable to continue that policy. This year, she said, she is receiving full benefits from the college, but is still not considered a full-time faculty. Coutts expressed discontent with the insecurity of her position, and said she

was considering leaving Keene, to accept an offer at another school.

Hildebrandt made it clear that he has no major complaints against the part-time faculty themselves; regarding their qualification, they range from the best to worst—just like the regular faculty, he said. He did raise a question about the real financial benefits in hiring what he considers a disproportionate number of part-timers. In the long run, he explained, it has to be decided whether the return is greater from, say, five full-time teachers, or fifty part-timers. He indicated that this return ought to be measured in terms of benefit to all parties concerned, and to the educational process as a whole.

year. Applications from New Hampshire residents seeking to transfer from other institutions to University System institutions show a 20 percent increase over Feb. 1 of last year.

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mental health insurance protection for employees "is not an appropriate subject for the Board of Trustees to express feelings about at this time." The committee noted that legislation to amend the mental health provisions is before the House Rules Committee and that the insuring company is unable to set firm costs for the program pending actual experience.

Were advised that the number of New Hampshire students seeking freshman admission to University System institutions next fall reflect a gain of nearly 530 applications (a 27 percent increase) compared with Feb. 1 of last

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## Praises America

## President Ford appears in Keene

Clay Foster  
Equinox Staff

President Gerald R. Ford spoke to 3000 Keene residents in the Keene High School gymnasium last Thursday night during his final campaign swing through the state before the primary.

The message Ford had for Keene was that it was high time people stopped running America down and started bragging about our greatness. We are the most richly blessed nation in the world, he said.

Ford emphasized that it was his leadership and his ability to say "no" that has brought this country out of its recession. He pointed out the 2,100,000 jobs that had been recovered during his administration—roughly 90% of those lost in the recession.

"We're on the attack, and we will stay on the attack until we win this important

economic battle," he said.

The need for a strong, effective intelligence agency is paramount to keeping America safe from external threat, Ford said. But they must be kept out of politics and private lives, he added.

Ford did not say, however, that the CIA would be kept out of the politics of other countries if the need arose.

Reacting to a question as to whether he would instruct the CIA to actively oppose the election of a communist government in Italy, Ford said that NATO must not have communist members among its ranks, and that he would "vigorously oppose" communist participation.

### Conniving

A question from the floor concerning connivance and secrecy on the part of Ford's

administration and Congress over the recent Congressional pay raise brought a heated response from the President. The question has been a major campaign issue with the Reagan camp in recent weeks.

"Congress and some members of my staff consulted one another over this issue, and it was right that they did so. But there was no conniving. Any charge to that effect is inaccurate and without foundation," Ford said.

Ford went on to say that instead of the requested 8.6% increase proposed, Congress accepted the 5% increase he had recommended. This saved the country \$1,200,000,000—"and that's not bad," he added.

The question as to why Ford first pardoned former President Nixon and now was allowing him to go to China was asked. Ford reiterated his past statements that because

Nixon had to resign in disgrace, he had suffered enough. Moreover, the country had suffered enough, he said.

The question of defense was raised when a Keene resident asked if Ford would authorize the first strike in a nuclear war; and if he wouldn't, how he justified the high defense budget.

"We have no plans for a first strike, and we have actually decreased defense spending during my administration. But we must remember that the USSR has increased theirs," Ford said.

"We must correct the situation to keep the US out of jeopardy. Only with a strong military base can we deter war and defend America's freedom," Ford added.

## Jimmy Carter proclaims America's strengths

"America is drifting. People are ashamed of their government. All I want to see is America with a government as idealistic, as decent, as competent, as compassionate, as

good as its people."

So said Jimmy Carter, former Naval officer/nuclear scientist, State Senator, Governor of Georgia, peanut farmer and now Presidential candidate.

He appeared at KSC last Friday.

He walked up and down the aisles, shaking hands, kissing girls and posing for photographers.

Carter said he feels the potential for greatness still exists in America. He claims the economy is still strong, as is our system of government; and most of all, he said, "the strength of the American people still persists."

Asked about a national insurance plan, Carter said he would support one.

Carter has said such things in the past: Wallace is a "perennial candidate," who is forever running and losing; and, "I think President Ford is honest and sincere—he's honestly and sincerely wrong about almost everything." But, Carter claims he doesn't like to bring personal conflict into his campaign.

The question of euthanasia was brought up, to which Carter replied that it's an issue that shouldn't be dealt with by a President.

He said he believes our current foreign

policy does not reflect the people's views, since they are excluded from the process.

Racism, and issue with which Carter is very familiar, was mentioned. He didn't relate the issue to the United States domestically, however. He said he believes that our foreign policy is racist, evidence of which appeared in Vietnam and presently in Angola.

Carter has been boycotted several times

in the past, due to his support of integration and civil rights in general. He has support of Georgia Representative Andrew Young, and has received high praise from Georgia State Senator Julian Bond.

Carter went on to say that the nation's first priority should be the unemployment problem, but said that the federal government shouldn't supply the jobs.

The solution, he said, is in creating new industries, such as solar energy.

Concerning abortion, he said he is against a constitutional amendment; "but the availability of abortion should be minimized," he said.

Carter, with his experience in nuclear science, went on to discuss the energy issue, giving a detailed account of nuclear energy, its advantages, and dangers.

Carter said he is quite confident about his outcome in the upcoming primary.



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Al Dawson of "The Alan Dawson Group" will be coming to Keene State College to perform, on the "Day of Percussion", Saturday, March 6. The public is invited to attend.

## Percussion conference scheduled

The Keene State College chapter of Music Educators National Conference (MENC) will be hosting the New England Percussion Conference on Saturday, March 6, 1976. This will be the first event of its kind anywhere in the New England area.

Following an 8:00-9:30 AM registration, clinics and concerts will be conducted throughout the day. In addition to performance

by ensembles from the Berklee College of Music, the University of Bridgeport, Keene State College, and the University of Massachusetts ("U Mass Marimbas"), the Day of Percussion will feature clinics by outstanding names nationally known for their work in the percussion field.

The guest artist-clinician of the event will be Alan Dawson, formally on the faculty of the

Berklee College of Music. Dawson has recorded with such greats as Dave Brubeck, Lionel Hampton, Sonny Stitt, and Terry Gibbs. He is the author of method books for the drum set, and is now teaching privately in the Boston area. He fronts his own group, the Alan Dawson Quartet, who will also be featured during the Day of Percussion at KSC.

Additional clinics will be conducted by Howard Zwicker and Peter Tanner. Zwicker is a professor of Music at the University of Bridgeport, instructing in percussion and music education. He is currently freelancing in and around New York City, and is a percussionist with the New Haven Symphony Orchestra. Zwicker is the author of the book for mallet percussion, "Tone Row Exercises".

Tanner is a professor of Music at the University of Massachusetts. He is a former member of the U.S. Marine Band, Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, Springfield Symphony, and the Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra. As a marimbist, he has performed on the Ed Sullivan and Arthur Godfrey shows. Tanner is a former member of the faculties at Kansas State University and Wisconsin State University at Eau Claire. He is also on the Board of Directors for Percussive Arts Society and PAS state chairman in Massachusetts.

The Day of Percussion will conclude with  
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## Entrance policy examined

A commitment to accommodate all qualified New Hampshire students within the state's public institutions of higher education has been reaffirmed by trustees of the University System of New Hampshire in approving a change in admissions policy for the University campus at Durham.

Meeting at the new Merrimack Valley Branch campus here Saturday (Feb. 21), the board adopted a modified recommendation from its executive committee which, in effect, deletes from the University's admissions policy a provision assuring admission to every in-state student graduating in the upper two-fifths of his or her high school class. Simultaneously, the board agreed that admission of out-of-state freshmen at the University will be held to 25 percent of each entering class to assure adequate space for New Hampshire students.

University System Chancellor Bruce R. Poulton noted that removal of the "upper two-fifths class standing" provision will "give to the University campus the same flexibility in its admission policy which the State College campuses enjoy and which works to the advantage of New Hampshire youths."

While the "class standing" provision is presently qualified by requirements that the applicant have "completed appropriate college preparatory work and be recommended by his or her high school," University officials say the provision has tended to overshadow other criteria which are important in the admissions process.

Chancellor Poulton, describing the existing UNH policy as "somewhat arbitrary," said it "discriminates against the student who

has taken a more rigorous high school program and perhaps weakened his or her class rank. It deludes the student who has taken a less comprehensive preparatory program into thinking that class rank guarantees the ability to do college-level work."

The new policy, as approved by the trustees, provides:

"The University (at Durham) accepts New Hampshire residents for bachelor degree programs on the basis of academic achievement, secondary school course selections, rank-in-class, school recommendations and Scholastic Aptitude Test results. Consideration is also given to such related factors as personal character, leadership, initiative, special aptitudes and talents. All candidates must meet the minimum secondary school program requirements (these requirements are the same as existed under the previous admissions policy)."

In approving the policy change to take effect for students entering the University in the fall of 1977, trustees noted that the geographical location, size, academic program development and specialization, and variety in financial costs at the different institutions of the University System now offer specific advantages for a wide range of New Hampshire students.

They emphasized that the institutions have sufficient space to accommodate all qualified New Hampshire students, and that long-range master planning is being carried on to maintain those educational opportunities for in-state students.

## NH residents accommodated

A University System of New Hampshire council on admissions has been named to advise the administrative board of the system and assist in implementing trustee policy ensuring the accommodation of every qualified New Hampshire resident within the University System of New Hampshire.

The advisory group named by Chancellor Bruce R. Poulton, chairman of the administrative board, which is made up of the chancellor, the presidents of the University of New Hampshire, Keene, Plymouth State Colleges and the dean of the System's school of continuing studies.

Three charges have been given the new council on admissions: to devise practices which will "ensure the Trustee policy of accommodating all qualified New Hampshire residents within the System; provide ongoing review of admissions procedures at all System units; and to administer common admissions application forms and the exchange of supporting materials among all campuses of the University System."

Poulton noted that the admissions officers of the five institutions of the University System have been working closely for several years, and said:

"Formalizing procedures for coordinating admissions policies and practices will give added emphasis to serving the needs and interests of New Hampshire students seeking to take  
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## Women's basketball team loses lead and game

A funny thing happened to Coach Karen Booth's girls on their way to a lopsided victory Friday night at Spaulding Gym. They lost a 10

point lead along with the game, 76-60.

That's not a typographical error. The Owls, behind the always hot shooting of Senior Debbie Higgins, were enjoying a 37-27 halftime lead over not so powerful Bridgewater State of Massachusetts. The Owls saw their 10 point lead dissipated when they became unable to contain Bridgewater's fast breaking game.

Offering few excuses for KSC's inability to hold leads, Booth cited a long Christmas layoff and lack of height as the primary reason for the team's current record of 6-5.

"At no time this season have we been totally outclassed. But with our girls having to compensate for lack of height by playing positions we've found easy games hard to come by," she said.

Diane Lowell, at 5-8, is Keene's tallest player, and is playing the lofty position of center. Often she finds herself dwarfed by opposing centers.

What they lack in height, they make up in hustle. With a lineup dominated by underclassmen, KSC can run and fastbreak with the best. It's not unusual to see three players with double scoring figures, as demonstrated in Friday's Bridgewater State game, when Higgins, Linda Finnigan, and Karen Pelletier ripped the nets for 20, 13, and 12 points respectively.

Looking forward to upcoming contests, guard Edith Turcotte figures Keene to be up for all of them.

"We have an easy one at home against Plymouth this Tuesday."

Northeastern (Mass.) and UNH won't roll over and play dead though, according to Booth, who says the UNH games are always emotional as well as physically bruising.

Higgins leads the team in points as well as assists. Edith Turcotte, however, leads the team shooting percentage, ripping the cords at a better than 51% clip.

Freshman Chris Landry continues to hold down Booth's 6th player position. With a squad laden with small players, it seems unlikely that their main problem would be fouls. Yet the young but swift Owls are guilty of continuing foul problems.



The Women's basketball team in action against Bridgewater State College. (Photo by A. Tolerico)

## Equinox sports

### Swim team ends year even at 3-3

Greg Towle  
Equinox Sports

The swim team's regular season is over, ending with a 3-3 record. What the swimmers have to look forward to now are the New Englands on March 4, 5, 6 at Springfield College and the Nationals in the latter part of March, in Pennsylvania.

Coach Peter Plante said, "All of our training now is aimed at preparing us for the Nationals. We have been doing a lot of distance training but we are now doing speed training. With speed training the men are beginning to taper now. The men will be well prepared for the New Englands, but will peak at the Nationals."

"The New Englands will probably be tougher competition than the Nationals," Plante said. The Nationals are divided into divisions, but the New Englands aren't. All schools in New England, regardless of what division they are in, race against each other in the New Englands.

"There are many tough swimmers in the New England," said Plante.

In the Nationals KSC's chances look very good. Seniors Ron Demers, All-American last year Dave Hague, and Karl Arlig have a good chance at All-American honors. Plante said;

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### KSC intramural program expands its services

Bernie McLaughlin  
Equinox Sports

The Keene State College intramural program plans to expand its services for this semester. The activities this spring range from the traditional basketball league to the new Superstars obstacle race. Also slated for this semester are indoor soccer, volleyball and paddleball competition.

The indoor soccer schedule started this past Monday with Alpha challenging the Faculty, and the Whip II's vs. the Nads. The soccer league is divided into a varsity division of four teams, and a six team non-varsity division. Only varsity soccer players will be eligible to compete in the four team division; whereas the six team section excludes varsity players. There will not be a play-off between the two divisions at the end of the schedule. The soccer games will be played on Monday and Thursday nights, and schedules are available on the north entrance bulletin board in the gymnasium.

Bill Ruwell, intramural co-ordinator, has planned a volleyball tournament.

"The volleyball games will possibly start around the second week in March, but that is not definite yet," state Ruwell. "We are also organizing a co-ed paddleball tournament. Kay Maroni will be running this program," Ruwell stated.

The intramural basketball league for this spring will be underway late in April. The holiday tournament last semester was won by the Nads. Coaching the Nads this year is Joe Palumbo. He claimed that the team will be ready to defend their title.

The semester's basketball scores may become more balanced due to the fact that Ruwell is in the process of modifying the intramural rules. The rule changes will deal with the problem of lopsided scores because several ex-varsity players have entered the league.

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## Owls swim to nationals

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"There is no question in my mind that Ron Demers will get All-American in the 100 and 200 yard breast stroke. Dave Hague is an excellent sprinter and has a very good chance at All-American in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle events. Karl Arlig is a strong distance swimmer and has an excellent chance at All-American in the 200 and 500 yard freestyle events." An All-American is chosen on the basis of all his times during the season and his performance in the Nationals. Usually the top two or three in every event are chosen as All-Americans.

The 400 yard medley relay, consisting of Demers, Arlig, Hague, and Newell Roberts also has an excellent chance at All-Americans, said Plante.

Plante said he is pleased with this year's team, but with only five swimmers, and three of them seniors, next year doesn't look too good.

"Three years ago, the Owls were a powerhouse under Jim Quirk," Coach Plante said, "but when he left, the swimming program fell apart, and now I am picking up the pieces and putting them back together. Thanks to Miss Bovinet's co-operation and with a good crop of freshmen next year I hope the KSC men's team can once again become a powerhouse in New England."

The Women's team didn't do so well this year, winning only one meet against Fitchburg 48-47.

"The women's team is young and I think they can do well in the next couple of years," Coach Plante said. One of the girl's best swimmers is out this semester with a pelvic infection and will not be able to compete in the Nationals, but she will be back next year. Coach Plante said he is also expecting to get some good girl swimmers from New Jersey next year.



Dave Hague is caught performing the butterfly in a practice session.

(Photo by Bratt)

## Ruwell will change rule

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"I will be developing criteria for participation of ex-varsity players for the league. I have found this necessary because of teams that have packed themselves with ex-varsity players," stated Ruwell. The new rules will be formulated and exercise before the year is out. Those rules will pertain to an ex-varsity player of the same specific sport. The intramural basketball program was the main reason for the consideration of the rule change.

Triumph, 92-87

## Keene wins in thriller

From the outset, one could see that this was to be a different type of game. This was a fast moving, explosive, hotly contested game which, in the end, was won by Keene over Eastern Connecticut, 92-87. The Owls opened up with tight man-to-man defense which helped to produce an early lead of 31-15.

First half play was marred by the ejection of both the coach, and assistant coach from Eastern Conn. In all, the Warriors collected four technical fouls, a rarity in any game. For a moment, it seems as though the bus driver was going to coach, but in the end the trainer took the helm. Eastern Connecticut responded well to this new leadership and at half time the Keene lead was cut to 49-44.

In the second half, the lead changed hands several times, but with 5:43 remaining, the Warriors took that fleeting entity and held a

77-76 advantage. However, this lead was not to hold, as two of the Warriors fouled out of the game; and with 48 seconds remaining, Keene took the unrelinquished lead of 88-85. With 29 seconds to go, Mark Yeaton gathered in a key rebound which helped to scalp the Warriors.

As he has done all year, guard Kevin Savage again demonstrated his passing prowess. More than once, the Alvirne High graduate deftly directed crisp, accurate passes to his teammates, who converted them to baskets. Joe Yaris also played very well, scoring 30 points and grabbing 17 caroms.

Individual statistics; Joe Yaris: 30 points, 17 rebounds; Al Hicks: 19 points, 8 rebounds; Mark Yeaton: 15 points, 5 rebounds; Kevin

Savage: 10 points, 3 rebounds; Warren Marshall: 8 points, 5 rebounds; Bob Duffy: 6 points, 7 rebounds; Rene Williams: 2 points; Mike Theulen: 2 points, one rebound.

On Thursday, the Owls traveled to Johnson State where they won the game, 47-41.

Scoring; Joe Yaris: 17 points; Al Hicks: 16; Warren Marshall: 8; Mark Yeaton: 2; Bob Duffy: 2; Kevin Savage: 2. The top scorer for the game was Johnson's Ron Thomas with 20 points;

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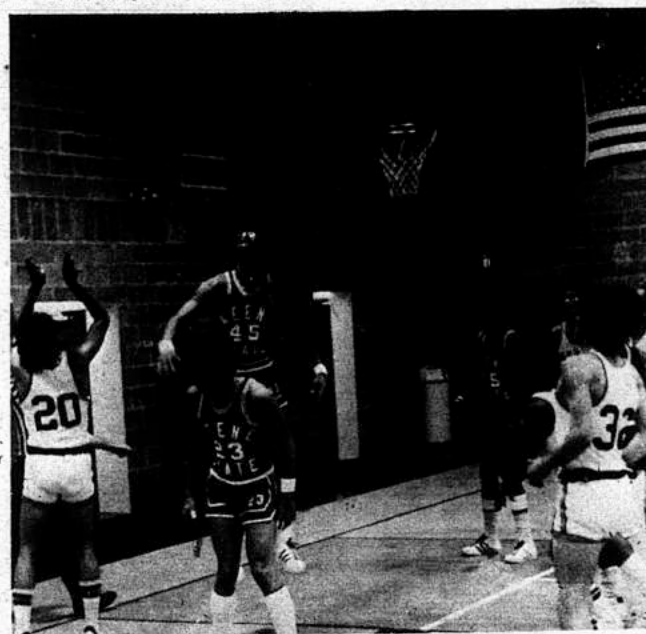
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## KSC basketball team chosen for tournament

For the fourth time in the past five years, the Keene State College basketball Owls have been chosen to compete in the NAIA District 5 Tournament.

Keene State will compete in the western division tourney, along with Hawthorne College, New Hampshire College and Roger Williams College. The eastern division event will feature four Maine schools, Husson, Thomas, Maine (Fort Kent) and Maine (Farmington).

Seeding for the western division event will not be completed until after a Wednesday (Feb. 25) meeting between New Hampshire College and Roger Williams, but Keene State will definitely be hosting a first round game this Friday (Feb 27) night. The Owls' opponent in that game will be either Hawthorne or New Hampshire College.



Mark Yeaton (23), Joe Yaris (45), and Warren Marshall (35), battle against NHC. (Bembry photo)

# Interim students get feeling of past

Keene State College's course, "Archives and Snowshoes," gave this year's interim students a sense of history and an understanding of hillside winter life through t-hand experience.

"Archives and Snowshoes," taught by History Professor Richard Scaramelli, trained students in research of an archival nature and gave them a feeling for the history of the area.

The course, held this January, involved snowshoeing to house foundation sights near Picture Mt. in Stoddard and researching through original documents in the town hall and historical society.

The students were hoping to form

## Admissions procedures

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advantage of educational opportunities on our campuses."

Named to the council were admissions directors Eugene A. Savage of the University of New Hampshire; John J. Cunningham, Keene State College; Clarence W. Baily Jr., Plymouth State College; Bernard Otterson, Merrimack Valley Branch; and K. Russell Kennedy of the statewide School of Continuing Studies.

## Percussion group performs

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an evening performance by the Alan Dawson Quartet and the Keene State College Jazz Ensemble featuring Alan Dawson as soloist. The Day of Percussion and evening concert are open to the public.

"Even a non-percussionist would find the day interesting, exciting and educational," declared Gary Bolinger, the coordinator of the Day of Percussion and an instructor of percussion at Keene State College.

"The ensembles performing are among the finest in the country. This event should be considered a must for every student of percussion", he stated.

The fee for this event is \$5, and \$3 for Percussive Arts Society members. The admission for the evening concert is only \$2. The KSC student tickets are half-price in advance. They are available at the music office or in the Student Union the first week of March.

The Percussive Arts Society (PAS), is an international, non-profit organization. The purpose of this association is to raise the level of musical percussion performance and teaching, to expand understanding of the needs and responsibilities of the percussion student, teacher, and performer; and to promote a greater communication between all areas of the percussion arts.

The Keene State Jazz Ensemble will be performing the following week at the Music Educators National Conference national convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

connections between the "theoretical" histories and what actually took place in Stoddard. By studying documents and house foundations, students learned some of the reasons for the dramatic decline in Stoddard's population.

"At one time," Scaramelli said, "Stoddard had a population of 1,200 and supported eight school houses. The present population of 25 and the single school house

## Poulton calls for increased savings

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benefit the University System. Only in emergency situations of "extreme need" are such purchases allowed without competitive bids, and Chancellor Poulton stresses that situations "can be avoided through good inventory control and careful advance planning."

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lead some historians to form theories about the town's life and the people's migration. We looked for concrete reasons why people left Stoddard."

In order to be out on the trail during the warmest part of the day, the group began their ascent at 10 a.m. and were on sight by noon. However, the fierce winds and chilling temperatures gave students an insight into weather hillside dwellers had to contend with.

Scaramelli said he is thankful to the Stoddard town clerk and the historical society who more than tolerated the researchers' wet boots.

The dozen students taking the course uncovered some 100-year-old scandals—messy suicides, multiple marriages and bankruptcies. These and other data collected by the students should lead to a broader understanding of Stoddard and New England in days gone by.

With the assistance of a grant from the

## Equinox meeting Thursday night

There will be a meeting for the staff of the Equinox tomorrow night at the office at 7:00 p.m. Any students that wish to work for the paper in any capacity (except editor) are invited to attend. All staff members are required to attend. All J-lab students are also expected to be there.

part of that trail.

Officially called "The Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway," the 45-mile trail is a system of hiking paths. The Greenway, which was in existence prior to the 1938 hurricane, is being reconstructed by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF). The trail goes through five area towns—Dublin, Harrisville, Nelson, Stoddard and Washington. The centers of these towns were once located on the ridges the hiking paths now traverse. Lucia Kittredge, SPNHF Greenway project director, hopes to make Scaramelli's research available to hikers through a trail guide and historical markers.

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STUDENT UNION CONFERENCE ROOM

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