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UM opposes proposal

Regents to weigh student athletic fee

A measure calling for a mandatory student athletic fee is to be instituted at all 10 Montana University System campuses in an effort to "stabilize" the athletic programs of Montana's colleges. He said he did not know how large the proposed fee would be.

Peterson said he intends to delay the proposal until after Com­missioner of Higher Education Lawrence Pettit is available to give his input from the perspective of a Montana legislator. Commissioner of Higher Education Lawrence Pettit has not yet responded to a brief written request for his position on the matter.

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The eye on Blue Mountain

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From there, the Milky Way seems to rise to the stars above 9,075-foot Lolo Peak. The Milky Way galaxy, are especially附近的things we were studying," he commented. "The telescope can follow the stars east-to-west with an automatic, clock-like rotation, and it is vital to the telescope's ability to track the stars as they move."

The entire Physics and Astronomy department—six professors, Chief Technician Bob Ellis and others—was back on Blue Mountain again that fall. A massive concrete pier had finally been poured in the ground at the center of the site. This would be the telescope's vibrations basis foundation. A circular wall eight feet high had been erected by Tangberg Construction Co., Missoula. The firm's $5,526 contract also called for a two-hole brick outhouse downstream from the observatory building.

Margrave and others on the staff did preliminary work on the mountain that summer. One task required a surveyor's transit to determine the most important measurement: the exact north-south line at the point where the telescope would rest. The measurement relies on the transit, which is itself a telescope, to point accurately to Polaris, the north star. Polaris seems to stay in the north, though it deviates by slightly less than a degree, so as the earth turns and the stars all circle around the north pole, Polaris tracks the smallest circle. A few computations to correct for Polaris' wobble, and the staff had the measurement.

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The snow quit long enough for the telescope mounting pier up and down it through the viewing slit in the dome and a television news crew. The show quit long enough for the installation to go safely. Once it was assembled and its pier bolted down, the observatory, the telescope worked perfectly. But there was a problem.

"I don't think we used it at all that fall," Margrave recalls. "The weather was so bad and the snow made it impossible to get up there very easily...one night we peeked at the moon or Jupiter or something and that was it."

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Reorganization Necessary

Pengelly said, he offered his resignation as director last winter in order to make it easier for the administration to reorganize the school.

The resignation as director last winter in various departments rotated as necessary, he said, to "bring the program under one head."

A problem arose, Pengelly said, because "the forestry school didn't want to let go, and zoology didn't want to let go, and zoology didn't want to let go." So they agreed on a standoff, he added, under which the administration will be assumed by the forestry school.

Pengelly said directing the program is time-consuming, and the full-time director should be hired. In addition to his duties with the wildlife program, Pengelly said, the forestry school and two state environmental boards place demands on his time.

But a decision on whether to seek a full-time director has been delayed by the rapid turnover of UM administrators. The tendency was for the forestry school to be "a tough one," because "there were people who might get a forestry professor, "might get moving," Pengelly said.

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