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Staff photo by Scott McKelich

ABOUT 30 protesters are given a police escort as they march down Higgins Avenue to Senator Max Baucus' Missoula office. The march was held yesterday at about 1 p.m.

Protesters present petition to Baucus' office

By Dan Black

Kaimin Reporter

Thirty-one conservationists marched in slush and drizzle from the University of Montana to downtown Missoula yesterday to present to Sen. Max Baucus' a petition calling for wilderness designation of an area south of Glacier Park.

Although Baucus wasn't in his Missoula office, the group presented the petition to a staff worker, Barbara Gray, who said that Baucus will receive the petition in Washington tomorrow.

The petition, which was signed by about 1,200 people, calls for the Badger/Two Medicine area to be protected by federal law as wilderness.

The land is currently being considered for gas and oil well drilling, according to Mike Bader, president of the Badger Chapter of the Glacier/Two Medicine Alliance.

Bader said he hopes the march will draw attention to the importance of the area for eagles, grizzly bears and wolves.

The group slowed the lunch-hour traffic and drew the curiosity of bystanders as

they chanted and marched down Higgins Avenue.

Con Moler, sophomore in business, said, "I think they just want attention...but I think they're sincere, otherwise they wouldn't be out here."

Jesse Cavileer, minister of the Unitarian Church, said, "I suspect that it's just a knee jerk reaction (to development). Wilderness has a right to exist, but so do people. It should be a balance. They're alive here because someone did develop (the wilderness)."

An elderly man walking with a cane called the group "a bunch of idiots" as he was forced to maneuver his way around the crowd.

Jim Louquet said he believed the march would be effective. "Any time you march on a congressman's office, it's the fastest way to get action. It's their right."

Pat Murphy, junior in political science, also supported the march. "I agree with them," he said. "They do have to save the wilderness. I signed the petition. Maybe it'll help."

CB sends library fee proposal to students

By Tamara Mohawk

Kaimin Reporter

Central Board decided last night to have University of Montana students vote whether to create a \$10 per quarter mandatory student library materials fee for next year.

The one-year-only fee would raise about \$250,000 for the purchase of books, journals, and other materials for the Mansfield Library.

The vote will be on a referendum ballot and will be distributed at the same time students receive their Spring Quarter class schedules.

To go into effect, the fee must be approved by a majority vote with at least 25 percent of the student body voting, and must then be approved by the Montana Board of Regents.

The fee proposal arose out of student concern over the

declining quality of library materials because of an inadequate budget, ASUM Vice President Amy Johnson said last November.

The proposal had been in committee since then.

Paul Tuss, chairman of the committee, said student involvement in creating the fee will be a "signal" to the legislature that UM students are aware of and concerned over budget problems.

A CB-appointed student committee representing each school on campus would be responsible for allocating money collected from the fee.

In other business, CB approved ASUM President Bill Mercer's appointment of Terry Schoenen, a sophomore in political science and communication, to the CB position vacated Tuesday by John Crawford.

Piquette, Mitchell address CB

By Kevin McRae

Kaimin Reporter

The UM Food Service should work toward generating more income instead of cutting costs to ease the financial difficulties of Auxiliary Services, John Piquette, Lodge food service director, told Central Board Wednesday night.

Piquette, who has been at UM since 1974, said the food service has "changed a lot over the years" and it would not provide its present quality of service if cost cutting had been emphasized in the past. He noted that the cost of operating the UM Food Service is in the "lower half" of operating costs paid at colleges throughout the North-

west.

"No one has a better, more complete service than we do," he said. "We got to where we are today because we care."

He also said the food service was unfairly evaluated when representatives from food contracting companies were invited to the UM campus.

"Let's complete the study," he said. "But do it appropriately so we're not asking just one side of the people what ought to be done."

Auxiliary Services Director George Mitchell was also at the meeting. He urged CB to appoint a student committee that could contribute ideas to the budgeting of Auxiliary Services.

UM president, selection committee to be recommended to regents

By James Conwell

Kaimin Reporter

The Montana Board of Regents will hear recommendations for a University of Montana presidential selection committee and for an acting president for UM at its meeting in Dillon today and Friday.

The selection committee and acting president are being chosen to fill the vacancy of UM's highest administrative position, soon to be vacated by UM President Neil Bucklew who is assuming the presidency of West Vir-

ginia University.

Bucklew may be leaving as early as March 15.

The board will review a recommendation for the selection committee presented by acting Commissioner of Higher Education Carrol Krause and make its decision on the final committee sometime Friday, Krause said in a telephone interview.

The selection committee will include five faculty members, three regents, two students, two community members, one alumnus, one dean, one

UM Foundation member, one member of the administrative staff and one member of the UM staff, which includes such jobs as secretaries and custodians.

Krause said he made his choices for the committee after receiving suggestions from each of the groups.

Once the search committee is approved by the regents, it will begin reviewing applicants for the UM presidency, narrowing the group from three to five finalists.

The regents will then interview the

finalists and make a decision based on their findings.

An acting president for UM will also be chosen by the regents after Krause makes recommendations for the position.

Krause made a list of nominees for the position after he reviewed suggestions from ASUM, the Faculty Senate and other campus agencies, he said.

Krause speculated earlier in the

See 'Regents,' page 8.

Building our way to a more prosperous university

As Dennis Washington recently proved, many people are willing to shell out huge amounts of money to have their names put on the side of buildings. Therein lies the answer to the recent cuts in University of Montana's budget.

Editorial

UM has more than 50 buildings that can be renamed after the highest bidder in a campus building auction. But why stop there? The university can auction off the names of departments and academic programs as well.

Because Missoula doesn't have many millionaires like Washington, who donated \$1 million of in-kind services toward the construction of the new football stadium, the university must seek donations from national figures with the bucks to satisfy

their egos as did Washington.

However, the university should not accept in-kind donations at the auction. The campus needs cash to cover the nearly \$500,000 that was cut from UM's budget because of Gov. Schwinden's 2-percent reduction in the general fund. The auction could bring about some interesting changes on campus.

Visualize if you will, the Andy Warhol Art Annex. For a meager few hundred grand, this modern artist could scrawl his name on the building and redecorate it at will. The building, surrounded by pink fabric or disguised as a can of soup, would add greatly to the scenery of the campus.

Through some coercing the UM School of Journalism could get a prestigious journalist or newspaper to fork over some money. If nobody is interested in journalism alone, the university could throw in another department free of charge. The Hunter

S. Thompson School of Journalism and Pharmacy could soon be a reality. With Thompson's name and reputation backing the school enrollment would surely increase, bringing even more money to the university.

Maybe Jerry Falwell and the minions of the Moral Majority would be interested in buying the right to name the religious studies department. The Liberal Arts Building could become the Ultra-Conservative Arts Building for a little more money from Falwell. The religious studies program could soon be the richest on campus using Falwell's philosophy that salvation is best gained through donations.

Ronald Reagan will soon be out of a job and to avoid falling into obscurity maybe he would be interested in tacking his name onto the drama department. Nancy could supply the wardrobe for hundreds of students, again lowering costs.

You get the idea. If the university is willing to sell out to a Missoula mil-

lionaire, why not go whole hog?

If the auction fails to bring the needed money the university could raise the funds in other ways.

The departments on campus could include money-making requirements in their curriculum. For example, law students could be required to successfully sue a corporation before being allowed to graduate.

The military science professors could send their ROTC cadets on plundering raids before cadets are commissioned.

Botany students could team up with chemistry students to develop super-potent recreational drugs that could then be marketed by business and economics students.

Not only would students be gaining practical experience from these ventures, they could probably make enough money to allow the university to become financially independent of the state.

Kevin Twidwell

BLOOM COUNTY by Berke Breathed



Kill stupidity, not babies

Every year around this time the good people of America are inundated with simple-minded proclamations, editorials and full-page advertisements rejoicing that a slim majority of the U.S. Supreme Court decided that a mother had the right to kill her unborn child. The Roe vs. Wade decision ranked right up there with the Dred Scott decision, but radical feminists praise the court's action. The pro-baby killer movement (I refuse to mask the ugliness and brutality of the abortion movement by labeling it "pro-choice") from its inception has based its argument on the premise that a fetus is not a living human being. Most of us realize what a patent falsehood and denial of reality this is, but the Supreme Court agreed with the baby-killer lobby and cleared the way for 1.5 million babies to be led to slaughter annually.

Recent medical evidence makes the case for the unborn child's humanity even more convincing than in the past. Research shows that the fetus is indeed a living human being capable of experiencing a wide range of emotions and possessing a highly-developed central nervous system. In other words, unborn babies feel pain.

So what does the baby-killer movement do now? The very foundation of their argument is crumbling around them. Their answer is sickeningly simplistic. "Okay so it's alive. It's still not a viable human being." When does the baby become "viable?" Nine months? Eight months and two weeks? Eighteen years?

A perfect example of lamebrain feminist logic appeared in a local opinion column. The author gushed over the emancipation of women brought about since the Roe vs. Wade decision. The author then takes us on a trip through her varied life experiences: witnessing an abortion, aiding in a birth, family trials and tribulations, etc. The depth and breadth of her experience alone, the author assures us, should convince us all of the validity of her views.

The author claims that Roe vs. Wade "simply gave the right to every woman in this country to make decisions about their bodies." Not quite. What about all those female babies that don't get to make a decision about whether their bodies are torn from limb to limb, their skulls crushed or their skin burned with a saline solution? The author doesn't say so, but the underlying reason, (for that matter her only justification) for abortion is convenience masquerading as "choice."

Okay, so what if I make a "choice" to load my .357 magnum, walk up to the author and say, "I disagree with your position on abortion. I could write a column to expose your inherent mental deficiencies, but it would be much quicker to blow your head clean off. I'm sorry, but I've made a 'choice.'"

At this point the author might say, "But wait a minute! You've made a choice to kill me, but it is my life. I should be involved in your decision. I have a right to life that is greater than your right to



Bradley S. Burt

convenience."

"But according to your column," I would reply, "you don't believe that all interested parties have rights. You certainly don't believe in the sanctity of human life. Sorry, but I've made a 'choice.' This is most convenient for me, myself and I."

One can see the anarchy and barbarism that would reign if the author's logic were applied to all human beings rather than just unborn babies.

The thing that really blew my mind was the end of the column. The author tells of how she was forced to get married and give birth to her son because she didn't have the option of abortion. She goes on to inform us that her son will graduate from high school this spring, then strongly implies that the class of 1986 would have one less graduate if she had been able to obtain a legal abortion 18 years ago!

The author sums it all up by arguing that tax money used to support non-aborted children and their mothers could be better spent educating the lower classes. I don't know about that. It didn't do much good for her.

Bradley Burt is a senior in history.

Opinion

Open letter to Bill

Editor: This is an open letter to Bill Mercer!

When you campaigned and after you took office, you insisted on wanting to be open and fair and to include CB members in the decision making process of ASUM. Instead, you appear to be doing just the opposite. You ignore the opinion of the Board if you don't agree with it. You manipulate to get your own way as much as Phoebe ever did. I believed you when you told us that you respected what the Board and the students wanted.

Now you are in the process of "stacking" Central Board with people you can control, rather than with people who will represent the ideas of those they represent. You should have more respect of the Students of UM. Students vote for people to represent them. They vote for people who represent certain standards and ideals. The student concerns which were the deciding factors in the election of the Central Board members who were elected should be taken into consideration.

Trini Murillo was half Indian and half Chicano. He was also a 38-year-old divorced man with three children. There were only two elected Board members who received more votes than he did. With John Crawford gone, we are short another minority representative on the Board during budgeting. How are you going to justify replacing yet another Native American with the third young white male fraternity brother, who also happens to be an advocate.

You are an elected official and it is your duty to represent the interests of ALL the students, not just the few who agree with you. Have you polled the students to see how many want to get rid of the Student Action Center. SAC promotes a variety of activities and helps students address political and social is-

ssues that concern them. To be effective, SAC must be able to "go in a thousand different directions." In spite of what you think, people DO care about what goes on locally, nationally and even internationally. The legislative committee ONLY works on issues involving the legislature and its direct effect on UM.

How many students are aware that you refused to take the Director of ASUM DayCare along when you met with Dr. Easton to discuss day care issues? How many students are aware that you told the Board of Regents that you thought the Administration should be able to control and censor what was written in the Kairmin? Is that because you received some unfavorable press or is it because you think students are irresponsible and unable to think for themselves?

You need to be more responsive to the needs and desires of the students that elected you. In your appointment to replace John, I'd like to see you approach CB with three names and give them the deciding choice, with the Candidates present.

Margaret Miller

Junior, Economics/Political Science
Central Board Member

Earthbound Mortal

Editor: On January 14, while partaking in my usual ritual of climbing on the UC walls, I lost my grip and plummeted to the floor below. Both my feet were injured. My left received a broken heel bone and my right, soft tissue damage or bruises.

My skill level can only be judged by others, but my experiences are wide and varied. I have climbed rocks in the eastern and the western United States as well as in western Europe. I can tell you from what I have seen: climbers of any skill level or of any mental capacity know that there is a slight but grave

possibility that they might do harm to themselves if they should happen to fall.

Of course sane folk feel compelled towards self-preservation. While climbing they protect themselves as they may see fit. In my case, ropes were not needed as are usually used on long highly exposed climbs. Instead, a fellow climber offered to spot for me out of courtesy. (This is a common gesture by climbers towards one another.)

When I released my grasp of the mortared sandstone rock high on the wall, my spotter buffered and contained my fall against the floor below. It was a clean fall. Had it been a sloppy one, I would have landed on my back side.

I understood the risk I was taking and I honestly believe most climbers understand the risk involved in their sport. Despite the risk, if you have ever taken time to watch a "good" climber perform, it's much like watching a ballet done on a vertical floor. Although the dance floor is in the UC, I hope it will always be open to climbers who want to practice their art.

I must answer some dire questions. I do not hold anyone responsible for the events which took place on the evening of January 14. Nor will the events of that evening alter my passion for the sport of climbing. To me the event was but a hair on a dog's behind.

Mike O'Beirne

Sophomore, Business Administration

Which meeting?

Editor: I was wondering, having been present at the last two Central Board meetings, just which meeting the Kairmin covered on Wednesday nights. At the last meeting, President Bill Mercer ruled on constitutional matters

(I thought he was a president, not a judge) and it didn't get mentioned. I have trouble matching what I see with what I read...

But I do see that the Kairmin is upset that Wild Bill wants to control the press on campus. Until the press on campus starts doing an adequate job of covering what goes on on campus, he really doesn't have to worry about it.

Steve Devitt

Graduate, Journalism

Thanks

Editor: We would like to say thanks to all of those students who participated in the petition and letter drives supporting Wilderness designation for lands along the Rocky Mountain Front. Knowing that so many of you are concerned about the welfare of our wild public lands makes our efforts all the more worthwhile. As a result of your help, we feel like we're really starting to have an effect.

Thanks also to all those who, despite the weather, turned out for the wilderness march that delivered the petitions, with over 1,000 signatures to Senator Baucus' office.

For more information on the Rocky Mountain Front, or on our organization, write, The Badger Chapter, Box 8374, Missoula, MT, 59807. Or if you wish to join our efforts, we meet Thursday afternoon at 5:30 in the UC. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Badger Chapter, Glacier/Two Medicine Alliance
Bob Yetter, Sophomore Environmental Studies

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Displace residents

Editor: I would like to comment on the Jan. 23 Kairmin article, "ROTC house open to men and women." I was a resident at 120 Daly Ave., the house now occupied by ROTC, from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1985. I learned about the proposed ROTC plan to occupy the house second-hand from a friend. When I approached the owners of the house and asked if the rumor was true, no definite answer was given, only that the ROTC had expressed an interest in the house.

Army Captain Paul Rogan stated in the article, "...it was learned that the top two floors of the house on Daly Avenue would be available for rent." This is just not true! Eight residents, including myself, occupied the house and were given 30 days notice to move out on Dec. 5 when the deal between the owners and ROTC was apparently made final.

I can appreciate the owner's desire to have one group sign a lease for the house instead of eight individuals paying on a monthly basis. I can also appreciate the ROTC student's desire for a house big enough to accommodate the entire group. What I resent is the misinformation and run-around I had to deal with from both owners and ROTC when all I wanted to know was, "Do I have to move?"

Captain Rogan, when other ROTC departments request information on how the house at U.M. was organized, do you tell them how to best displace current residents?
Ross Greenfield
UM Alumni, School of Forestry, 1983

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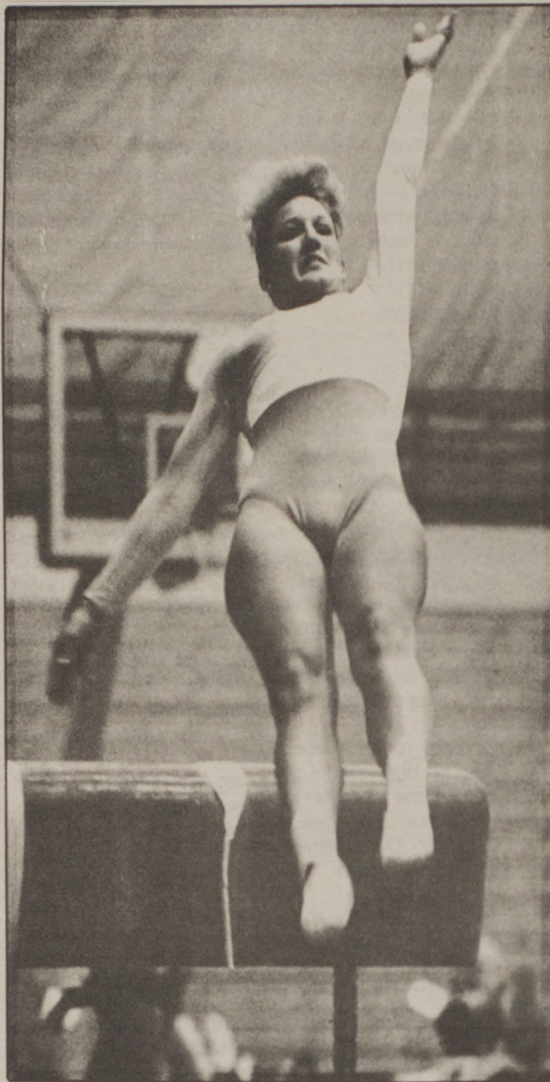
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Sports

NCAA may give athletes extra year

By Mike Olinger
Kaimin Sports Editor



Staff photo by Natalie Munden

UMS' Marcie Woolf comes in for a landing during vault competition in the Domino's Invitational Tournament. The Lady Grizzlies placed third in last Saturday's meet at Dahlberg Arena.

Montana travels to Pullman, Wash., Friday for a quadrangular meet with Washington State, Utah State and Spokane Community College. The Lady Grizzlies have a dual meet with Eastern Washington at Cheney Saturday.

In an attempt to decrease the number of college athletes that leave school before graduation, the NCAA is considering a proposition that would allow athletes to participate in college athletics an extra year.

The proposal presented to the NCAA annual convention two weeks ago by the Big Sky Conference would amend the NCAA Constitution bylaws to permit five years of competition with no allowance for red-shirting, according to Harley Lewis, UM's athletic director.

The current standard allows an athlete four years of competition within a five year span. An athlete may declare red-shirt status for one of the five years and still be able to compete the other four.

Because the existence of the proposal was unknown to most of the officials at the convention until its presentation, it was immediately referred to the NCAA Council and the Presidents' Commission, according to Gene Bleymaier, the initiator of the proposal and the athletic director at Boise State University.

In a Kaimin interview, Bleymaier said the proposal's referral to committee prevented floor debate on the new issue and allows one year for opponents and supporters to present arguments.

Bleymaier said the intent of the proposal is to decrease the number of athletes that leave school prior to graduation.

He said he developed the idea in late October last year after studying the graduation rates for student athletes. He said he has been concerned with the issue both at BSU and in his former position of assistant athletic director for Academic Affairs at UCLA.

According to Bleymaier, athletes often leave school after their term of eligibility and do not graduate. However, he said, athletes that have had a red-shirt season, and therefore five years at a school, have a much higher graduation rate.

He added that the NCAA ruling that requires progress toward a degree by all athletes is part of the cause. Currently, an athlete must declare a major after the second year in school and then each term must take 12 credits that apply to that major.

"Meeting that requirement puts athletes on a five year schedule," he said. "But when they can't compete for that fifth year, they

often lose interest or don't have the incentive to finish and leave school."

Lewis said "the bottom line is that the proposal gives students an opportunity to receive a degree at a reasonable rate, especially for the team sports like football and basketball where practice and travel require so much time."

Bleymaier cited a 1975-80 study by the NCAA that concluded that only 41 percent of all students graduate within five years. "If the average student takes five years and if an athlete is on a five year schedule to graduation, why not let them compete for five years?" he said.

"It's not that athletes can't graduate, but that they choose not to. For four years they've had a coach interested in them, something to do every day and buddies to work out with."

He said when the athletic atmosphere is gone and they see that they often have one to two years left until graduation, they lose their incentive and quit school.


Bleymaier said he talked with Big Sky Conference Commissioner Ron Stephenson and Jack Davis, president of the NCAA, and after discussing the idea with them, decided to get the necessary endorsements in order to meet the convention's Nov. 1 deadline for agenda items.

He said that for a proposal to be presented before the convention, it must be endorsed by six universities that belong to the NCAA. Bleymaier said all of the Big Sky schools except Idaho State and Montana State were listed as supporters of the proposal. He said that because of the time limitation involved he did not include more than the minimum number.

When contacted by the Kaimin, ISU's Assistant Athletic Director Scott Hobdey and MSU's Athletic Director Doug Fullerton said that while they were not listed as endorsers, they did support the proposal.

Stephenson told the Kaimin that his initial reaction to the proposal was, "It won't work, it goes against tradition. But after I'd taken a couple of days to think about it, I couldn't come up with a bunch of bad things."

He also said the proposal will save money for athletic departments. By having athletes compete for five years, he said, fewer scholarships will be given and travel costs for recruiting should decline.



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Wrestlers meet Bobcats tonight

A dual wrestling match between Montana and Montana State will kick off Grizzly-Bobcat week at UM tonight in Adams Field House at 7:30.

"It will be your typical intrastate rivalry," Montana head coach Scott Bliss said Tuesday. "There are going to be some upsets."

Montana has a dual record of 8-0 while MSU is currently 3-5.

Montana owns a 31-17 win over the Bobcats, but that came in early December. Bliss said MSU has improved since that match, but added "I think we're a better team too."

"It's not going to be easy for them. They're going to have to pull some upsets to beat us."

Mitchell doesn't fish for compliments

By Adina Lindgren

Kalmin Reporter

Fishing as a sport suits University of Montana Auxiliary Services Director George Mitchell fine, but as an administrator, Mitchell does little fishing for compliments.

"My obligation, regardless of whether I'm the most unpopular man on campus, is to keep the cost to students down," Mitchell said.

And recently, Mitchell is making few friends with his cost cutting decisions that he says will deal with declining funding for auxiliary services.

Mitchell said he is not oblivious to the students' needs and wishes. "I sit over here, on occasion, very mindful of the inconvenience (of certain decisions) to the students, but very motivated to cut costs."

He added he does not understand the logic of students who want to save money but opt for more costly policies such as letting students give away unwanted meals from the food service and leaving North Corbin Hall open this quarter.

Mitchell reversed his decisions when "it became quite apparent that there were a lot more people who cared about them than I ever anticipated," he said. However, he is convinced that his first decisions were best for students and said, "Even when I bow to their wishes, I'm not serving them well."

Mitchell's financial responsibilities with auxiliary services cover family housing, residence halls, food services, health service, University Center, swimming pool, golf course, recreation annex, men's gym, women's center and playing fields.

Mitchell's own administration also disagrees with some of his tactics. And as he sits and studies cost predictions in his office at a large round table covered with papers, Mitchell resembles King Arthur.

But where are his knights? They seem to be in rare appearance or agreement.

Auxiliary directors under Mitchell say he is a very organized, experienced administrator, but he too often overlooks them in the decision making process.

"All of our history, our experience, is being bypassed," said John Piquette, food service director. "If there's any shame to the whole operation it's that."

Piquette said "it has been a rare occasion that George has ever asked for our opinion and suggestion. Equally as often, when given our opinion and suggestion, it seems to have been disregarded."

Residence Halls Director Ron Brunell agreed saying, "The biggest difference between George and me is he's dealing from a standpoint of dollars and cents, I'm looking at a standpoint of student needs."

Brunell said he would prefer to have more control over his department with less involvement from Mitchell. "I know the operation better," he explained.

He said he was not consulted when Mitchell decided to close North Corbin Hall and said he was opposed to the idea. Brunell said he sees no need for any dormitory closures in the future.

However, Mitchell emphatically said because of the decline in student enrollment, he is "not through with closing dormitories, not at all." Mitchell said he has not chosen any specific dorms to be closed, but that will be determined by the number of room vacancies in the dorms.

Many of Mitchell's directors say they find his administrative style too distant.

"George operates over there, when he has a question, he calls," Brunell said, adding that he only talks to Mitchell face-to-face once or twice a week.

Piquette said he receives most of his communication from Mitchell in writing.

Some auxiliary departments have not been affected by Mitchell's decisions.

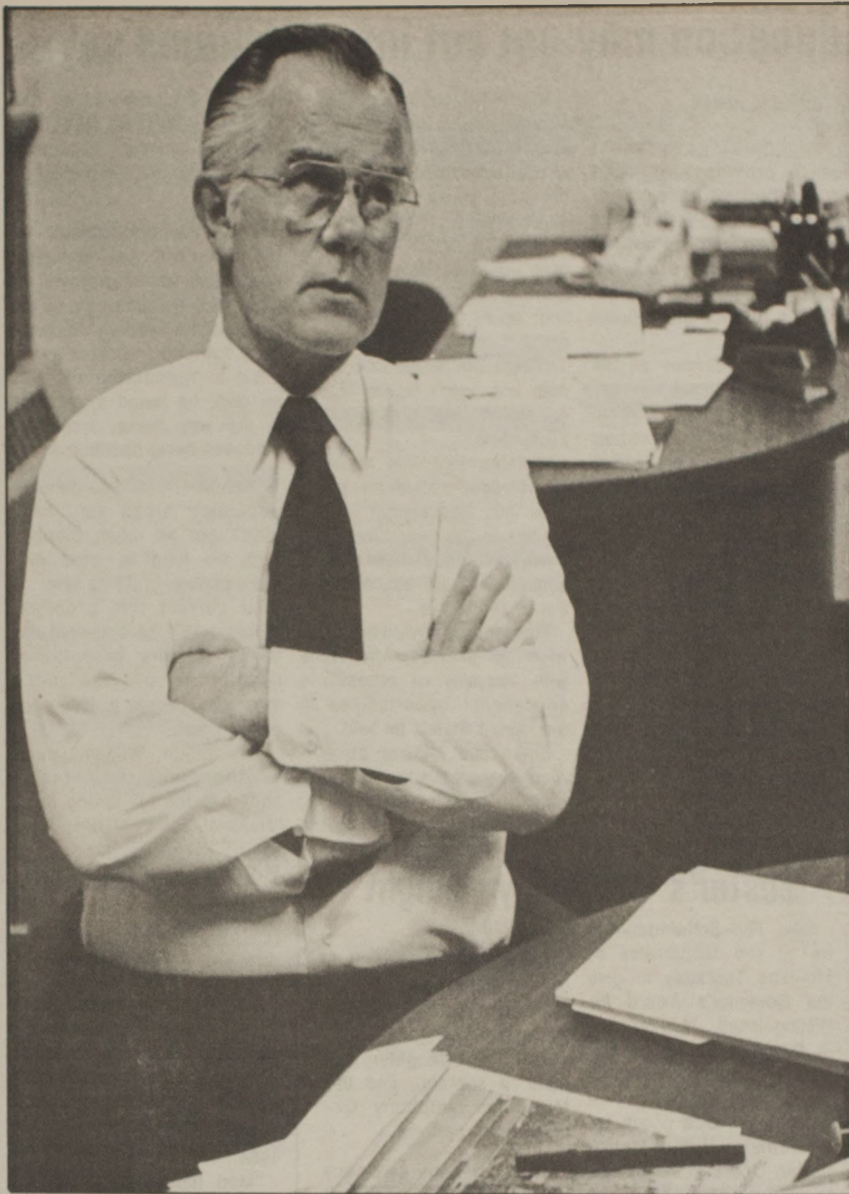
Dr. Robert Curry, UM Health Service director, said his department does not get much attention from Mitchell and he is happy with that.

"If he began to get into my area, then it would take me away from my students," Curry said, adding, "I realize we have to have administrative involvement, but we want to keep that to a minimum."

Mitchell is highly criticized for his actions by both students and administrators, and is said to act impulsively at times. But his involvement with UM is extensive and varied.

Mitchell first came to UM more than 25 years ago as a law student. Before that he did a four-year stint in the U.S. Air Force and graduated from the University of Arizona with a degree in English and a political science minor.

Mitchell graduated in 1962 with a law degree from UM and has since held the positions of associate business professor, administrative vice president to former President Robert Pantzer, special assistant to former President Richard Bowers and legal council to the university under Bow-



Staff photo by Dan Black

GEORGE MITCHELL says being popular doesn't matter to him, but keeping costs low does.

ers. In 1981, when UM President Neil Bucklew took office, Mitchell applied for, and was named director of auxiliary services.

Mitchell said change in UM presidents has usually been the reasoning behind most of his position changes, but he said he has stayed at UM because he likes the area and doesn't want to move to another job in another city.

As an instructor, Mitchell is remembered and admired for his thorough teaching manner.

"He was all business, like a dictator," recalled John Lipski, owner and manager of Eastgate Liquor Store and former business law student of Mitchell's.

George Halverson, another former student and owner of Halverson Realty in Missoula, recalls Mitchell as being "one of the better ones at that time (1963)."

In 1971, when Mitchell was administrative vice president, Dr. Curry remembers Mitchell being instrumental in negotiating approval to expand the UM Student Health Service.

Patricia Douglas, UM professor in accounting and finance who was fiscal affairs vice president during Mitch-

ell's time as legal council, said it was "amazing to me that he withstood the pressure of all he had to do."

Mitchell said part of the reasoning behind moving from administrative vice president to legal council was his involvement in the work-study scandal in 1972. A coach and four UM officials, including Mitchell, were indicted by a federal grand jury for misuse of work-study funds in the athletic department.

Charges were dropped against Mitchell and two other officials after two were acquitted, but Mitchell said he was "personally exhausted" and wanted to remove himself from the central administration.

He said UM was having legal problems at that time so, at his suggestion, the position of legal council was created.

When he was legal council, Mitchell was involved in developing the first state classification system which ensures that people in equivalent jobs receive equal pay.

Douglas credits Mitchell for being "single handedly responsible for drafting the first affirmative action program" at

UM. The program set guidelines for hiring on an equal basis.

Douglas said one of Mitchell's strongest traits was that during trying times "he kept this wonderful sense of humor that many of us lost."

Mitchell still smiles in the face of opposition.

When asked about the uproar caused by his investigation into the economics of hiring a private company to run the UM Food Service, he smiled and said it had been too "politicized" and people should not feel "threatened."

Mitchell said he finds his work interesting and he even "enjoyed talking to the students when they came in to talk about the dormitories" when they opposed his decision.

Mitchell is a controversial public figure these days. His administrative style has been described as controlling, distant, impulsive and abrasive by some and as supportive, organized and candid by others.

He said he has "always figured you serve on today's merit... and if the policies I implement have any merit, they will survive."

Education may get cut into, Williams says

By James Conwell

Kaimin Reporter

The federal government tries to provide Americans with the best educational opportunities, Rep. Pat Williams, D-Mont., said Wednesday, but those opportunities may become more limited with attempts to balance the national budget.

Williams, chairman of the House Subcommittee on Select Education, spoke to about 100 people in the Masquer Theatre in the Performing Arts and Radio-Television Center.

"If we begin to shift (the amount of money in) public spending into private institutions," Williams said, "we will devastate the educational system in America."

Williams said the recently enacted Gramm-Rudman Act will cut most forms of student aid by 4.5 percent in the next 45 days, a loss of about \$250 million of the \$8.7 billion spent on higher education.

This initial cut will not devastate education, Williams said, but added that additional cuts scheduled for September could be as high as 10 to 30 percent.

"Any cut of 25 to 30 percent would be devastating (to education)," Williams said, "but would sure help the deficit."

"There are some congressmen who aren't big on higher education, but are good at accounting."

Williams said that although the budget reduction plans may limit educational opportunities in the near future, the government still maintains its commitment to education in the United States.

The federal government has tried to provide Americans with "equality of access" to educational opportunities in the United States, he said.

Since the federal government recognized the arts as a part of overall education 20 years ago by establishing the

National Endowment for the Arts fund, Williams said, it is only right that there be equality of access to the money in this fund.

When the Endowment for the Arts bill was recently presented for reapproval in Congress, Williams said he introduced legislation to continue the fund.

But in researching the bill, he said, he found a problem in the way money from the fund was being distributed.

"People from less-densely populated areas said they didn't get as much money" from the fund as areas with more people, Williams said.

To correct this problem, Williams said he amended the bill to require proportional funding to provide more money to people in less-populated areas.

In addition, Williams said, another requirement was added to the bill calling for a "National State of the Arts"



Staff photo by Roger Meier

REPRESENTATIVE Pat Williams lists four areas of budget expenditure during a speech in the Masquer Theatre Wednesday.

report to be conducted every two years to check the progress of the arts in elementary and secondary schools across the nation.

The report will ensure students are "staying between the lines with their crayons," Williams said on a lighter note.

Lester's ceremony tonight

Gov. Ted Schwinden will be at the University of Montana Thursday to give the Governor's Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Arts to retired UM music professor John Lester.

Lester, a voice coach for performers of the Metropolitan Opera in New York, taught voice and coached opera at UM from 1939 to 1972. He was acting dean of the School of Fine Arts

from 1970 to 1972.

The award ceremony will begin at 8 p.m. in the Montana Theatre in the UM Performing Arts Building. Lester, his daughter Joanna, a soprano, and the Missoula Symphony Orchestra will perform.

Tickets for the ceremony are \$5 and are available at the Montana Theatre Box Office or the Montana Arts Council offices in Helena.

Experts disagree on merits of human-lighted fires

By John Engen

Kaimin Reporter

Though the U.S. Forest Service's wilderness fire management plan allows for human-lighted fires, a retired Forest Service director said Wednesday that human-started fires are incongruent with nature and the Wilderness Act of 1964.

"Man had been controlling natural fires and creating unnatural situations" for years before the Wilderness Act, said Bill Worf, a retired direc-

tor of Recreation, Wilderness and Lands for the Forest Service. Worf, along with Bob Mutch, regional fire ecologist for the Forest Service, and Ron Wakimoto, professor of fire science at the University of Montana, was a member of a panel discussing fire in the wilderness.

The panel discussion was sponsored by the Wilderness Institute as one of a series of lectures on wilderness issues.

Worf argued against "man-ignited" fires, which Forest

Service guidelines permit only to "reduce unnatural build-up of fuels," which may be a public safety hazard. "Man-ignited fire is not a natural force," he said, and fires started by humans to return wilderness to a natural state don't work.

The intent of the Wilderness Act, he said, is to maintain wilderness areas without the influence of humans.

Mutch, however, emphasized a need for all types of fires "if we are going to perpetuate natural ecosystems."

"We shouldn't just draw from the past" when planning fire management, Mutch said. Instead, he said fire managers must apply different plans for different wilderness areas.



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Regents

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month that the acting president will be "one of the senior level administrators — someone who has familiarity with the president's office."

The regents will also hear reports from each of the six campuses in the university system about how each institution is dealing with Gov. Ted Schwinden's recently ordered 2-percent cut in the state's general fund.

Krause said each campus will give the regents "detailed reports" of where cuts will be made from each institution's budget.

In other business regarding UM, the regents will be asked to grant UM the authority to plan and develop parking lots "F" and "G," John Kreidich, manager of UM planning and construction said.

The lots are on the eastern edge of campus on a block bordered by Keith, Beckwith, Maurice and Helena avenues.

The lots currently have 83

parking spaces and will have 200 additional spaces if long-range plans are made, Kreidich said.

If the regents approve the plan for the lots, Kreidich said, the project will be divided into three phases.

The first phase is to be completed by Autumn of 1986 and the second phase by Autumn of 1987.

The third phase will only be completed after the purchase of two privately-owned parcels of land on the 700 block of Keith Avenue.

Phases one and two of the project have been estimated to cost \$550,000. Kreidich said, which will come from a bond financed by parking fees and fines.

The estimated cost of the third phase is \$250,000 to be generated by parking fees.

Today

Meetings

AA meets M-F from 12-1 in the Basement of the Ark
UM Hockey Club will meet tonight at 8 p.m. at Connors Lounge 130 W. Pine
Sigma Xi will meet today at noon in SC 304
Raymond Murray will speak on "How To Solve Crimes With Rocks And Minerals (Forensic Geology)"

Interviews

Four Winds Westward Ho Camp Director Michael Douglas will be interviewing students for summer jobs on Friday, Jan. 31. Contact the Placement Office
Quaker Oats Company will interview students on Wednesday, Feb. 5. Sign-up for interviews at the Counter in Room 148 of the Lodge
Moore Financial Group, Inc./Idaho First National Bank will interview students on Tuesday, February 20. Sign-up by February 7 at the Counter in Room 148 of the Lodge

Lecture

"Some Historical Aspects of Halley's Comet" is the topic for today's lecture given by Scott Lewis, assistant professor in the department of mathematical sciences. The lecture is at 4 p.m. in Room 109 of the Math Building

Film

"Abortion Stories from North and South" will be shown tonight at 7 p.m. in Room 215 of McGill Hall. The film is free and is sponsored by the Women's Resource Center. For more information call 243-4153

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