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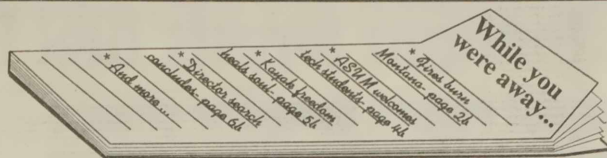
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RE-STUFFING THE GRAY STUFF

Thursday, August 25, 1994

Section B



Family housing demand creates year-long waits

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

Married student housing is full and the waiting list of 10 months to a couple years isn't going down, Family Housing Director Steve Laughrun said Monday.

"For one-bedrooms and two-bedrooms, our waiting list is probably one year to 10 months. For our three-bedrooms, it's probably four years and for our four-bedroom places, it's probably never," Laughrun said.

The demand for family housing hasn't gone down in about five years, he said. Besides being six blocks from the university, the apartments are cheap even with a rent increase of 8 percent a year. One-bedroom apartments with paid utilities cost \$275 a month. A four-bedroom place with the utilities paid is less than \$400.

Although the waiting list is

always long, Laughrun said it's worse in the fall, when students come to town at the last minute and need a place to stay.

Students shouldn't get discouraged by the long list, however. Laughrun said people on the list are dropped if they don't check in every six months.

Laughrun also points out that you don't have to have children to apply. He estimates that 30 percent of family housing residents don't have kids. A smaller percent of the tenants are single parents.

The key to getting into family housing is planning ahead, he said. People don't have to be registered for school to apply, though they do have to be registered when they move in.

Students who can't wait for housing can try the off-campus housing service at the information desk in the University Center.

Students await trial for spring drug bust

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

Fourteen students arrested in a May 1994 drug sting have been kicked out of UM and two more are facing disciplinary measures in University Court, Dean of Students Barbara Hollmann said Wednesday.

Missoula police, Campus Security and state narcotics officials arrested the 16 along with three other people after raiding their dormitory rooms, apartments and houses following a four-month investigation of Missoula drug sales.

Police bought about 22 ounces of marijuana, mostly through sales of a half-ounce or less, court reports

state. Two of the students are also accused of selling several ounces of psilocybin mushrooms and another of possessing LSD.

Hollmann said punishment at UM is based on individual situations and that the two students awaiting punishment may be allowed to stay in school.

"We look at the mitigated circumstances and prior student behavior," she said.

In addition to suspension, the students could also lose a year of federal aid, she added. All matters before the

University Court are confidential.

All the students pleaded innocent in district court and await trial.

However, Carrie Jo Schara, one of the students arrested, filed a motion to change her plea to guilty Aug. 6 as part of a plea bargain, court records state.

Deputy County Attorney Karen S. Townsend said she expects the students' defense to argue entrapment and outrageous government conduct.

Entrapment is the conception and planning of an offense by an officer who persuades or tricks a person who would not otherwise commit

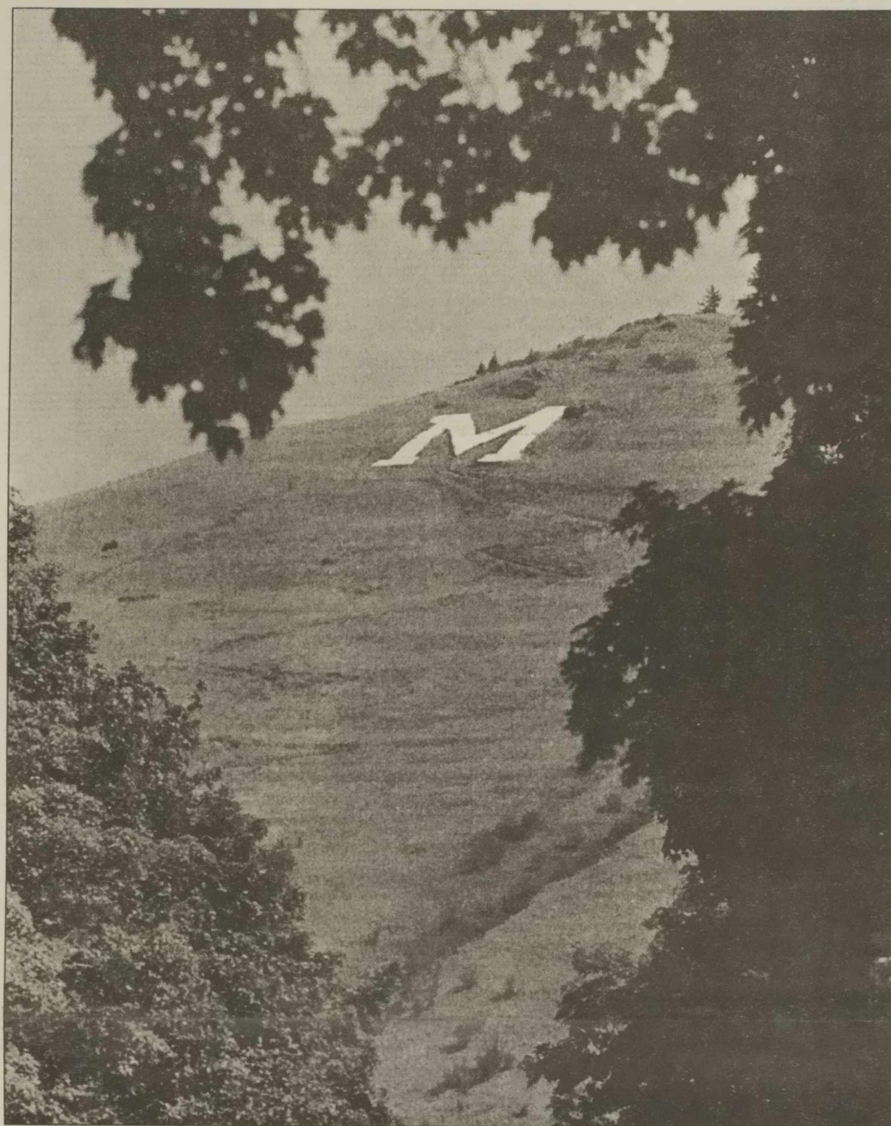
the crime into doing so, Townsend said.

Outrageous government conduct is when the actions of the

officials involved seem so out of hand that convicting the defendant wouldn't be fair, she said. If the court ruled in favor of either motion in a pretrial hearing, which has yet to be set, the cases would be thrown out.

The standard sentencing range for the criminal sale of dangerous drugs is one year to life in prison, but Townsend said softer sentencing is common.

"Typically these people will receive a deferred sentence with probation and a fine," she said.



Gregory Rec/Kaimin

PEOPLE BURNING to take a hike will have to cool their heels with a view from the base of Mount Sentinel. Blue Mountain, south of Missoula, is still open to recreation.

Fire danger closes Mount Sentinel

Mark Matthews
Kaimin Reporter

Hikers and strollers looking for an aerobic workout or a beautiful sunset will have to look some place other than Mount Sentinel or the Kim Williams Trail, which have been closed because of extreme fire danger.

The gate to the popular trail up to the "M" was locked in early August and, according to the Montana Department of State Lands, will not re-open until some substantial rain — or snow — falls in Missoula.

The traditional lighting of the "M" with flashlights at Wednesday night's Moonlight Mix and Mingle was called off because of the fire danger.

The Kim Williams Trail is also closed because of fire danger, said Ken Willett, Campus Security director.

Longtime "M" hiker Ken Stolz, assistant to the vice-president of Administration and Finance, has heard some complaints from other hikers about the closure.

"They wonder why the 'M' trail has been singled out, while the other trails as close

as the Rattlesnake remain open," he said. "Can the fire risk there be any better or worse than on Sentinel?"

On any given morning, when the mountain was open to traffic, an observer could count as many as 10 to 15 people trudging up the trail to the "M." On warm afternoons, that number could escalate to 50.

This is why the mountain should be closed, said Paul May, the fire program manager with the Department of State Lands.

"If the base of Sentinel ever gets

ignited with those many people up there, some of them are going to die," he said.

"In the past, fires with 30-foot flames have raced up to the ridge of Sentinel within five minutes in fuels that were as dry as they are now."

May said regional fire fighting resources are spread thin. Lolo National Forest has requested 65 additional

crews to fight ongoing fires.

"The cheapest, easiest and safest fire to fight is one that we've prevented," May said.

So how long will the "M" trail stay closed? That depends on Mother Nature, Willett said.

"We need some good old rainy, muddy, soggy days," he said.

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—Paul May,
fire program manager

For the most part, people have heeded the signs, said Sgt. Dick Thurman of Campus Security. "We don't have the personnel to

chase anyone all the way to the top," Thurman said. "But we do try to intercept them on the way up or down."

At this time, Campus Security is not arresting anyone for climbing Mount Sentinel, though officers could.

A trespassing conviction can carry a fine of up to \$500 and six months in jail.

Montana forests fuel fires, troubles for UM students

August return dampens chance to work on summer fire crews

Mark Matthews
Kaimin Reporter

University students who apply for work next year with the fire crews on the Lolo National Forest will have a tougher time getting jobs than in the past because of the early semester start.

Last year, when the fire season fizzled under summer-long rains, the early return of UM students put little strain on fire fighting resources. This year is a different story. There have been close to 600 fire incidents since July in the Lolo National Forest, which includes the Missoula, Ninemile, Seeley

Lake, Plains and Superior ranger districts.

Fire management officers faced with shorthanded crews are wondering if they might not be better off without the students who are quitting their jobs just when the Montana fire season traditionally peaks.

Steve Karkanen, superintendent of the Lolo Hotshots, an elite forest service crew, says he doesn't hire UM students anymore unless they agree to skip the fall semester. That requirement has cut the number of students on the crew to nine, down 50 percent from previous years.

Karkanen explains that the Hotshots are a national resource and can be sent anywhere in the country. Their fire season doesn't end when snow falls in Montana. They can end up fighting fires in other parts of the country.

"To be a Hotshot requires a big commitment," says Karkanen. "We give the crew 80 hours of training before the fire season starts and we can't afford to have people leaving at the end of August during the worst of the fires."

"The crew isn't as strong or well-tuned if we bring in new people that late in the season."

Karkanen was glad to hire UM students when the university was under the quarter system and school didn't begin until the third week of

September rather than the third week of August.

"It's a shame," Karkanen says. "Hotshot jobs have paid for a lot of educations in the past. The average take-home pay for a crew member is between \$12,000 to \$15,000 during a busy year."

Some students who work for the Lolo initial attack crews that don't require the later commitment also elect to give up school in order to keep earning big paychecks during a rip-roaring fire season.

R.C. Carroll, Missoula District's fire operation supervisor, says he's happy when students stay on. "But we

never force anyone into that situation," he said.

Carroll says that the initial attack crews, all of which stick to specific ranger districts, also

get stuck in a bind when half the personnel leaves early in the season.

"If we're lucky, we pick up a few experienced people to replace them. But those people are hard to locate during a busy season like this year."

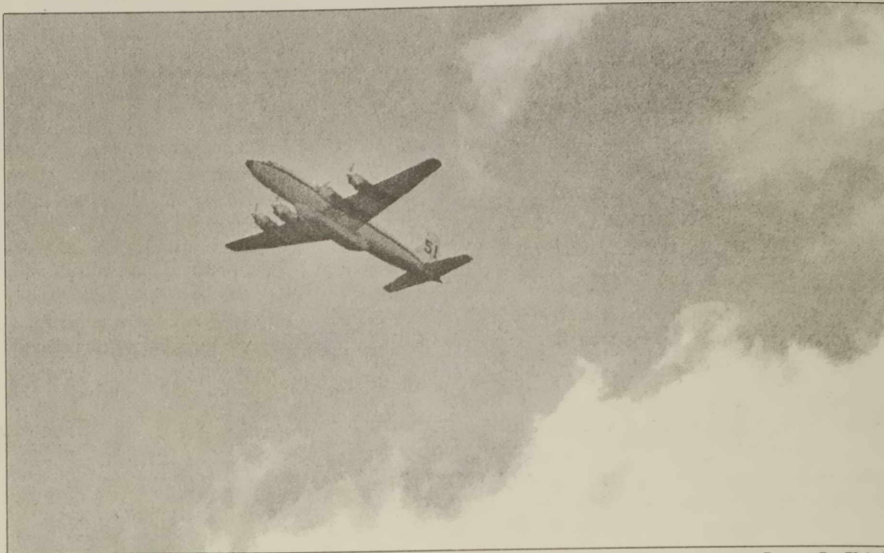
At the Ninemile Ranger District, Assistant Fire Management Officer Dave Ramirez has been able to keep the bulk of his crew together longer by hiring students from Oregon schools that are still on the quarter system.

"I used to hire about 10 UM students a year at Ninemile," Ramirez says. "This year I only hired five out of a total crew of 26. If we go to a smaller overall crew next year that number may drop even lower."

Although opportunities for work on the Lolo fire crews are dwindling for UM students, jobs should never completely disappear. Most crew supervisors still covet students as firefighters and wish that the start of the school year would be pushed back again.

"We'll never have a crew without any students," says R.C. Carroll. "They're young, enthusiastic, and make good fire crew members."

Fighter pilot



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PLANES like this one, a DC-9, are being used to attack with fire retardant some of the nearly 4,000 wild fires in the region this season with fire retardant.

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—Steve Karkanen,
superintendent,
Lolo Hotshots

Student pick pulaskis over pencils

Financial Aid Office grants three-week extensions

Kevin Crough
Kaimin Staff

Twenty UM students currently fighting forest fires have received an extension that gives them three weeks to begin classes, UM's financial aid office released Tuesday.

Myron "Mick" Hanson, UM's financial aid director, said the Montana University System has handled the situation very well.

"The methodology that was used in forming the extension was very good," Hanson said. "President Dennison and Dave Purviance (UM Director of Communications) did a good job putting this together, and the telephone service did a

good job setting up a 24-hour telephone line."

Financial aid, registration, housing and other deadlines for student firefighters and support personnel were extended this week until Sept. 15.

Hanson said the deadline was set at Sept. 15 because students would still have a good chance to make up lost work.

The work "probably couldn't be made up" if the extension was any longer than three weeks, he said.

Students still wishing to apply for the extension must do so by 5 p.m. Friday. The numbers for application are; 243-4448 for UM students and

994-5543 for Montana State University students in Bozeman, Havre and Billings campuses.

UM's financial aid office is collecting extension applications from students who attend UM, Tech of UM in Butte and Western Montana College of UM in Dillon.

Three students from Dillon have applied for the extension.

If the Montana National Guard is activated to help with fighting fires, the deadline extension will also apply to National Guard members, Hanson said.

"I am very happy to respond and make exceptions for firefighting students risking their lives out in the fires," he said.

Fire behavior specialist:

Wild land fires rage on six-year cycle

KALISPELL (AP) — It might seem to be superstition, something like Friday the 13th, but the "sixth-year cycle" of disastrous fire seasons is an ominous phenomenon that fire behavior specialists take seriously.

Especially in 1994, six years after the devastating fires of 1988.

"There's an obvious pattern; whether it has any scientific or statistical basis, I don't know," said Dave Bunnell, fire behavior specialist for the Flathead National Forest.

Bunnell said that almost every six years since 1949, the northern Rockies have experienced bad fire seasons involving summers with prolonged high temperatures, dry soils and little precipitation, periods of heavy lightning activity, and later in the season, high winds.

The fire management teams currently fighting northwest Montana wildfires are anticipating the "August singularity" — the meteorological transition from summer to fall.

They refer to it as the "season-ending event" that usually occurs between Aug. 22 and the first week of September.

"It generally heralds the end of the fire season and the beginning of Indian summer," Bunnell said. "There's a critical point where things seem to change."

The days become shorter, and the sun angle shortens, bringing lower temperatures. A low-pressure system typically works its way into the region from the west, precipitation increases at night and lasts longer through the morn-

ing.

Bunnell said that the transition usually occurs gradually and brings prolonged precipitation. But if it is delayed into September, he said, history has shown that it results in a weather system with high winds.

"If it is extended into September, it usually comes in a severe weather change," he said.

"When we are so vulnerable as we are now with so much (fire) line exposed, a major situation can develop in a matter of hours, if that event occurs."

Dave Bunnell, fire behavior specialist for the Flathead National Forest, shows how wildfires have run in six-year cycle:

- In 1949, the infamous Mann Gulch fire near Helena that killed 13 firefighters was typical for that season in the region;
- 1955 was another year of widespread fires;
- In 1961, the Sleeping Child fire near Hamilton was the largest in the country;
- 1967 brought huge fires to the Idaho Panhandle;

- 1973 was the next big fire year;



- In 1979, the Forest Service deployed more fire retardant than ever before;
- In 1985, there were large fires around Helena and Missoula;
- Just three years later, in 1988, the six-year cycle was broken;
- And now, in 1994, the six-year cycle seems to have begun



University readies for another overcrowded fall semester

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

When Zac Zaricor of Memphis, Tenn. checked into his prepaid accommodations at UM, he found himself settling for something less than Graceland.

"I called ahead of time to see who my roommate was and what he was bringing to school and they said, 'which one do you want to talk to?'" Zaricor said. "They put me in Miller, that's what I requested but I'm in overflow."

Like 128 other students

checking into the dorms this fall, Zaricor was relegated to a less than spacious study room with five other freshman refugees while the university straightens out its overcrowded dorm conditions.

The worst part about his subterranean refuge in Miller Hall, the freshman said, is the long trip to the men's rest room.

"I call it Egypt because it's so far away," he said.

Ron Brunell, director of residence life, said all of the university's 2,049 regular beds are full at the moment but that

students should begin trickling out of overflow housing as more spacious single rooms are converted to doubles.

The university overbooks its dormitories in anticipation of students who don't show, he said. About 1 percent, or 22 of the students who sign up for on campus housing don't show up, Brunell said. Most of the overflow residents are men, he said. Only five are women.

Brunell predicts that it will take eight weeks at the most to find housing for the crowded students. Matters could get worse though, he said, depend-

ing on how many students currently fighting forest fires are signed up for campus housing. He won't know that answer until Sept. 15, the last day students fighting fires can register for class and housing.

Students in overflow housing receive a \$2.72 a day cut in their daily rent, which would otherwise be \$7.72, Brunell said. The difference is refunded later in the semester when students are transferred to normal rooms.

Overflow housing has been a problem since 1991, when UM started breaking annual

enrollment records. Although enrollment at the university has steadily risen, he said the number of students in overflow housing fall semester hasn't changed much.

Brunell hopes that the addition of 201-bed Pantzer Hall scheduled to open in fall 1995 will help. However, the renovation of Miller Hall, which will begin next spring, will result in a loss of 105 beds. The overflow is likely to continue until fall 1996, when both dorms are up and running and UM increases its occupancy by 226 spaces, he said.

New phone registration backed up with bugs

Thomas Nybo
Kaimin Reporter

A new system that allows UM students to sign up for classes over the phone has been delayed by bugs and will probably not be in place for spring registration, the UM registrar said Tuesday.

"We had hoped that we'd put it into effect for spring semester, which would mean we'd have to have it ready to go in late October or early November," said UM registrar Phil Bain. "As the days and weeks go by, that's becoming a bit more doubtful."

The state Board of Regents OK'd purchasing the \$100,000 telephone registration system last spring, Bain said, but the equipment hasn't arrived yet. Until it does, faculty and staff can't be trained on the software, which will take weeks.

"An order went out late June and I guess the company we're purchasing from is still working on the software

and so we're just kind of in a holding pattern right now," Bain said.

Systems and Computer Technology Corp., the manufacturer of the system, is no stranger to UM.

"SCT is the company that produces Banner, the student records system we have," Bain said. "This is just another module of it, pilot-tested this spring at three schools around the country. And when you pilot-test anything, you'll hit some bugs. So that's what they're working on - just to get those all cleaned up before they do their general release."

Although hundreds of schools register by telephone, the SCT system is a new one, and UM will be one of the first schools in the nation using it.

Bain said that despite the delay, he was optimistic that UM students would be able to get their grades over the phone this December using the new system.

"I think that'd be a heck of a lot better than leaving envelopes and waiting for them, or standing in line for grades," Bain said.

Record enrollment packs classes

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

The coffee lines may be long, the sidewalks hard to navigate, and with 580 courses closed before school actually begins, the classrooms at UM are packed.

From accounting to Spanish classes, popular and required courses are taking the brunt of UM's estimated 11,000 students this fall — up from 10,828 last year. Some of the bigger closures include 43 math courses numbering 005 to 241; 42 biology courses, numbering 102 through 465; 20 Spanish courses, numbering 101 through 301; and 20 history courses, numbering 151 through 300.

Frank Matule, director of new student services, said his office sent out a letter to all departments this summer requesting that they add new sections for popular courses. So far, the university has mustered 45 extra sections.

The biggest addition is 14 sections of Freshman Seminar. Initially, 13 sections of Freshman Seminar were offered. Although it's too early to

determine how many freshmen will attend UM this fall, Matule said the number of freshmen who applied this semester was high.

"For freshmen we have 3,160 applications, about 200 more than last year," Matule said. A record 1,000 students participated in summer orientation as well, he said.

Most freshmen apply to several universities and Matule said about 45 percent of the applicants will actually show up.

Those who do show up should maintain at least a "C" average, he said.

High enrollments for the past five years have encouraged the administration to crack down on poor academic performance. At least 300 students were suspended for academic reasons last semester.

"What's happened is that the university is enforcing improvement standards and the Board of Regents have engaged in discussions about enrollment caps," he said. "They need to remain above a 2.0 grade point average if they're going to stay."

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ASUM priorities include welcoming new tech students

Erin Billings
for the Kaimin

While most students took a three-month vacation from university life this summer, ASUM executives were busy lobbying for change.

Restructuring of the university system, a controversial housing law and University Center renovations dominated the attentions of ASUM President Jennifer Panasuk and Vice President Jon Lindsay as they split paid hours this summer.

These changes set a heavy agenda for ASUM this fall. Panasuk and Lindsay said their priorities include: merging College of Technology students with UM students, trying to change the existing housing law and encouraging students to register and vote in local elections.

The ASUM Senate's first meeting is August 31 at 6 p.m. in the Mount Sentinel Room in the UC.

The number one priority for ASUM this fall is getting the approximately 700 students from the College of Technology of UM, formerly the Vo-Tech, involved with UM, Vice President Jon Lindsay said.

"We are trying to welcome the Vo-Tech," he said.

But integrating these students won't be easy. Lindsay said he is concerned technology students won't be willing to pay the required \$28 ASUM activity fee. The fee is optional for technology students this year, but may be required next year.

"They are used to low costs, no frills," Lindsay said. "They aren't interested in the same things our university has been."

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First ASUM meeting scheduled for August 31 at 6 p.m. in the Mount Sentinel Room in the UC.

ASUM is also trying to integrate the College of Technology of UM by allowing one technology student to fill one of the two vacant senate seats.

Two seats opened up when senators William Little Soldier Mike and Tripp Chenault failed to meet ASUM eligibility requirements. Senators are required to take at least seven credits and maintain a 2.0 cumulative G.P.A. Both Mike and Chenault are not registered for the fall semester.

Both Lindsay and Panasuk also successfully lobbied for \$4.5 million in UC renovations during the summer. In addition to the \$4 million bond approved last year, UM borrowed \$500,000 from the UC Bookstore to increase the number of student work spaces and lounges over the next two years.

Some of the projects, such as the ASUM office renovation and the UC Market expansion, are on a long-term plan, and will be completed by summer 1995. This fall, food service equipment will be updated and potentially hazardous asbestos from the Copper Commons will be removed.

However, not all of ASUM's work paid off. The Missoula City Council rejected ASUM's lobbying efforts to ban or change the ordinance that says no more than two unrelated people can live together.

The failure to overturn the housing law is one reason Lindsay said it is important to push students to vote in Missoula. He said that if more UM students were encouraged to vote, they could elect city council candidates who are sympathetic to their needs.

"It's important to vote locally because we could own a couple of seats on that city council," Lindsay said.

Celebrity golf pro-am to benefit UM Excellence Fund

Professional golfers and celebrities will drive, putt and chip for UM at the fourth annual Miller Barber Montana Pro-Am, which benefits the UM Excellence Fund.

Eighty amateur golfers will join Barber and Professional Golfer's

Association Senior Tour pros Homero Blancas, Jim Colbert, J.C. Snead, Bobby Brue, John Paul Cain, 1993 Senior Rookie of the Year Bob Murphy, 1994 Senior U.S. Open Champion Simon Hobday and 1994 Senior British Open Champion Tom Wargo.

Celebrity golfers will include professional basketball player Larry Krystkowiak, actor Dirk Benedict, retired astronaut Gene Cernan and Gil Brandt, former president of the Dallas Cowboys.

The event begins at 10 a.m. with a

golf clinic by Bobby Brue. Gallery passes cost \$15 and are available at the country club, area golf courses, the UM Foundation and the following businesses: Golf USA, The Shipping Depot, Worden's Market and Streamside Anglers.

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Wanted: young activists

Mother Jones magazine is looking for a few good activists.

The magazine announced the MoJo Awards for Young Activists this month. This program will recognize activists younger than 30 who have found creative ways to make a difference, rallied others behind a new idea, or found a brand of activism that resonates with their peers.

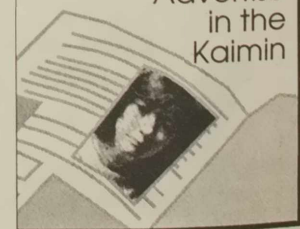
Winners will be profiled in the Sept./Oct. 1995 issue of Mother Jones.

Entrants must be younger than 30 as of Dec. 31, 1995. Nominations are due by May 1, 1995 and must include the nominee's name, address and telephone number plus a brief description of accomplishments (500 words or less), press clips (if any) and phone numbers of three references.

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River works therapeutic magic on local kayaker

Photos and Story
By Thomas Nybo

Two weeks after Jim Vermillion bought his first white-water kayak, he quit his job as a lab technician at a Missoula eyeglass shop. The job required him to spend his days indoors, wearing a lab coat and polyester pants. He was working 50-hour weeks in a room with no windows.

Vermillion joined a bowling league with his cohorts. He was beginning to hallucinate. At the age of 24, Vermillion was experiencing a breakdown. He needed therapy and he found it in the river.

"The river is my shrink," says Vermillion, cruising down I-90 in a friend's \$500 truck with two kayaks strapped on back.

On any given afternoon, Vermillion is usually shooting through the rapids at Alberton Gorge, a 45-minute drive from Missoula, with a friend.

At an entry point, one person gets out of the truck and carries both kayaks, filled with paddles and gear, down to the water's edge. The other person drives downriver several miles and parks the truck at a convenient take-out point, biking back to the original departure area.

It's been three months since he bought his first kayak, a Dagger "Crossfire," and during that time Vermillion has not been away from the river for more than three days.

To support his kayaking habit, he works nights at Zorba's Greek Cuisine across from the Orange Street Food

Farm in Missoula. Vermillion cooks gyros, scrubs dishes and empties trash. After paying rent, utilities, and gas fare to and from the river, the kayaker is basically broke.

"I eat like a squirrel," Vermillion says. "When I worked at Eyecare, I had more money than I could spend. I ate everything. But now, hell, it seems I eat nothing but potatoes, pancakes and rice."

For Vermillion and a handful of other Missoulians, kayaking represents the perfect fix, like heroin without the shakes, beer without the hangover, or ice cream without the guilt.

The white water becomes a need, something that validates day-to-day living and a low-paying job. Who cares if your car's a piece of junk? As long as it's got a full tank of gas and a kayak strapped to the top, it's a beautiful piece of junk.

"I'm happier than I've ever been," Vermillion says. "I don't have to wear any of that polyester crap and I get to go kayaking everyday. My car doesn't even run, but when I look at my Crossfire, it's like I see . . . hell, I don't know, a Ferrari or something."

And while Montana skiers and snowboarders look forward to the year's first snowfall, Vermillion fears the coming winter.

"When it snows," Vermillion says, "I don't know what the devil I'm gonna do. I wish I could hibernate. Yeah, I like that - hibernation. At least until the snow melts."

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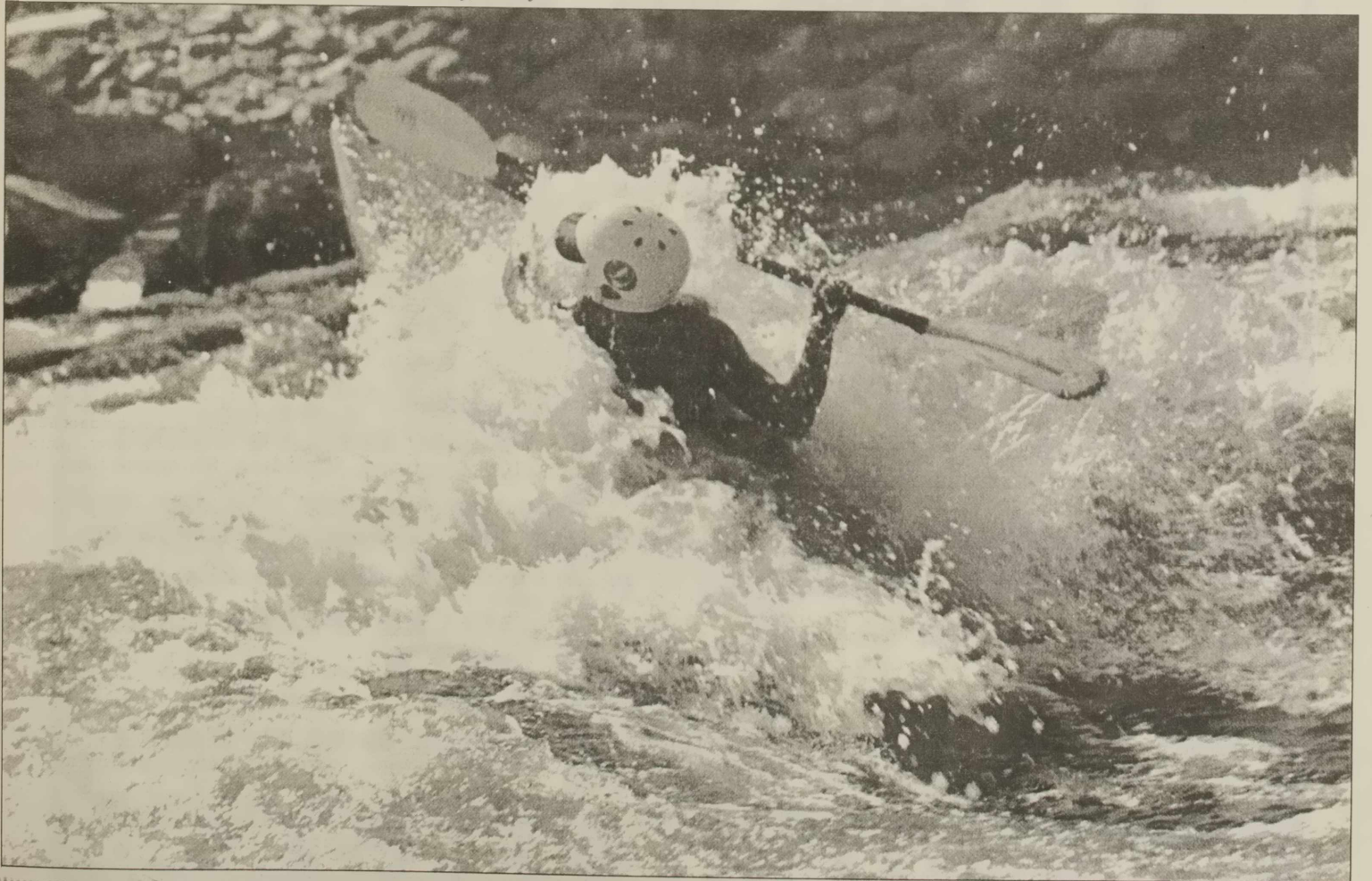
- Jim Vermillion

Vermillion traded in a lab jacket and security for a whitewater kayak and a new life. "I have more fun before 9 a.m. than most people have all day," he says.



The road to kayaking is a long and winding one, especially in a \$500 truck with a clogged carburetor.

Luckily, it's all downhill from here, baby.



Teaching force strengthened by new additions to faculty

Shir-Khim Go
Kaimin Reporter

Freshmen are not the only newcomers to UM this fall. According to the human resource department, 75 professors, including a director for a new African-American Studies program and two deans, will be joining the UM faculty.

Edward K. Sanford, who formerly taught African-American Studies at Penn State University, will be the builder of an African-American program in the liberal arts department.

"It's a challenge, in a nutshell," Sanford said about the new program. He's aware there are very few African-American students at UM, but said that's not a problem.

"I'm very optimistic about people being interested in African-American affairs," he said. "The role it (the program) will play will be an important one. I think it will help the students grow intellectually."

Sanford will be teaching two courses this semester, one on the history of African-Americans and the other about the evolution of the African-American family.

He said he's taking a "holistic, multi-cultural type of approach" to his program. He hopes it will raise people's interest, increase their awareness, and break down any misconceptions about African-Americans.

For example, he said people tend to associate crime with African-Americans just because in some areas, the crime rates among them are higher.

"There's a stereotype that all African-Americans are like that,"

Sanford said.

He hopes the program will be expanded into a department by itself, although he said that's probably not possible in the near future.

Sanford, who's settling down with wife, Gail Bruce-Sanford and their two sons, says people in Missoula have "a deeper sense of friendliness" than those in Pennsylvania.

Gail Bruce-Sanford will join UM as a psychology professor this fall.

The School of Journalism's new dean, Frank Allen, agrees that people in Missoula are more friendly than the people he faced when working at The Wall Street Journal. He was a senior editor and national correspondent before accepting the dean position at UM.

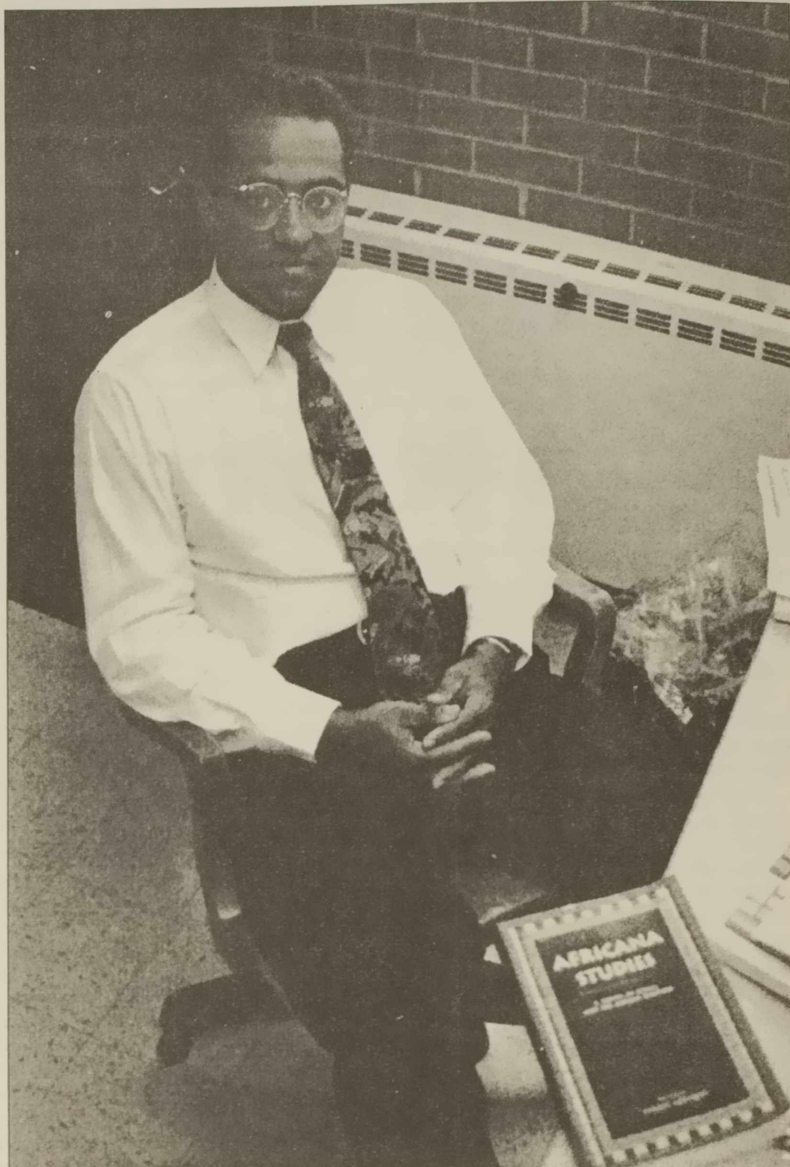
"I like the people here very much," he said. "I find most people very friendly and very helpful, and very willing to teach me."

However, Allen said things get done much slower here.

"I have to recognize it's a different culture here," he said.

Allen said he wants his students to become journalists who can do more than "type fast and take good quotes." They should think broadly, critically and make sense of complicated topics.

Forestry students can also expect their new dean, Perry Brown, in September. Brown was the associate dean for instruction, continuing education and international programs at Oregon State University's College of Forestry. He has also held editorial positions with the Utah Tourism and Recreation Review, the Journal of Leisure Research, and the Journal of Leisure Sciences.



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EDWARD K. SANFORD is the new director of UM's African-American Studies program.

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Merger benefits College of Technology students

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

UM College of Technology students, once Missoula Vo-Tech students, now have access to student housing, ASUM Child Care and Legal Services as a result of the merger of five schools with the University of Montana.

Frank Matule, new student services director, said the university plans to allow the College of Technology's 650 students to enroll directly into university classes next fall. To enroll at both universities this year, a student would have to apply at both campuses.

If the transition goes well, UM will try cross registration on a larger scale with the university's 11,000 students in the fall of 1996.

The school merged with UM along with Montana Tech of UM in Butte, and Western Montana College of UM in Dillon this year in an attempt to reduce administrative costs by sharing services. The merger also links UM with the UM College of Technology in Helena, formerly Helena Vo-Tech and Butte Vocational Technical School through its relationship with Montana Tech of UM.

According to Residence Life Director Ron Brunell, nine College of Technology students are currently living in campus dormitories.

Steve Laughrun, director of family housing, said he has students in married student



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THE EDUCATIONAL merger of the College of Technology with the University of Montana will give its students access to expanded social services.

housing who once qualified as a UM couple and now live in student housing as College of Technology students.

"We do have some students now who have graduated from the university whose spouses are going to Tech and they're staying," he said.

The drawback to family housing for College of Technology students is the waiting list. Students typically wait 10 months or more for an apartment. Most College of Technology students finish

school in two years. However, Laughrun said, even if a student lives in family housing for a year they could still save \$100 a month in rent.

By paying the \$30 ASUM activity fee, College of Technology students can gain access to ASUM Child Care Services, and ASUM Legal Services, which charge about \$10 a case. The fee includes the chance to participate in over 100 ASUM organizations. Payment also allows students to use ASUM conference

rooms, and vote in ASUM elections. They will also be eligible to use the student health service through the university next year.

By paying the \$28 campus recreation fee, College of Technology students can rent sports equipment, take a dip in the pool and use the weight room.

Students of the College of Technology have had limited access to ASUM services in the past that excluded legal services and child care.

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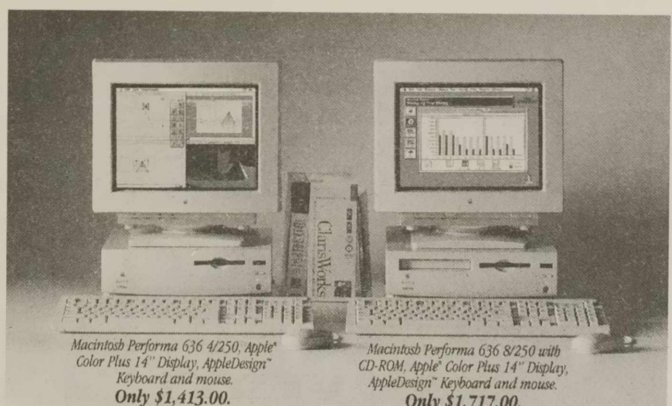
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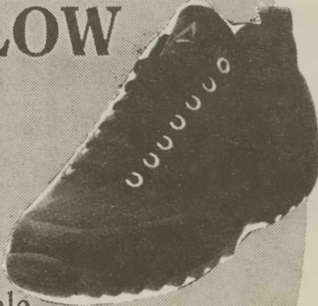
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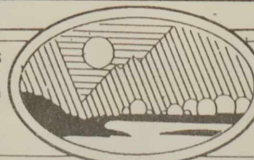
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