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## A concert for your eyes

Chris Bliss dazzled his audience with a juggling exhibition last Monday. See page 5 for the story.

The Oakland Sail/Dan Dean

## State cuts critical, reductions planned

By CINDY MOOTY  
News Editor

When Governor James Blanchard presented his first State of the State address last week, his intended cuts were not as predicted.

Higher education was intended to take a \$60 million reduction in state aid, but the cut announced Jan. 26 was only \$25 million.

Out of this \$25 million, OU lost \$790,000 over the next two fiscal years, and Vice President for Finance and Administration Robert McGarry said the university can brace itself for this reduction.

"WE'RE NOT happy with the cuts, but we're not ungrateful," he said. "We're grateful that it's just a \$25 million cut rather than the \$60 million requested by the task force."

This year \$592,000 will be cut from OU, and \$192,000 for next, and McGarry said they already know where \$400,000 can be trimmed.

\$200,000 was saved from last year's utility bill, and McGarry said that unless a snow storm causes some extensive damage, they've got that money.

Another \$200,000 will come from salary reductions.

Originally all faculty and staff members were going to receive a 3 percent (and possibly 4 percent) raise if the school received all of its state appropriations, but now that will be reduced.

THIS INDEX provision was to be given only if there were no appropriation cuts.

"We'll reduce the 4 percent to something less," McGarry said. I'm not quite sure what yet, because I don't have the formula here.

"At this late time in the year, it's difficult to try and come up with the funding to cover an

executive order cut," he said. "The Governor's recommendations at this point, won't be less than that (\$25 million), but the key point is passing the income tax."

He said that if Blanchard's proposed income tax increase isn't approved, more funding would be withheld from everyone.

"THE CUTS could be greater than this if his income tax doesn't pass," McGarry said. "The key is the legislature has to pass it. We'll know in April."

If the cuts were higher, McGarry said that they would have frozen hiring, traveling, and equipment purchases.

"If it had been \$60 million as higher education was recommended, we wouldn't have made it," he said.

## Loan plan foreseen

By DEAN STANLEY  
Staff Writer

A financial aid program similar to one which began more than ten years ago in Illinois may start at OU by next fall.

University Congress President Fred Zorn mentioned the possibility of a student-to-student loan program at the Jan. 17 Congress meeting.

The program, if realized, would share a similarity with one in use at the University of Illinois (U of I) since 1970.

Allen Latona, Associate Director of Financial Aid at U of I, described a program slightly different than the one proposed by Zorn.

THE ILLINOIS SCHOOL receives the funds by taxing students \$4 "up front" at registration, and students not wishing to contribute may apply for a refund, he said adding that the number of

requests are less than two percent.

Zorn's proposed plan calls for a voluntary assessment by the individual student, much like the Village Project, Pirgim, and Library donations of \$2.50.

With this type of 'self assessment' Zorn expects about 2,000 students to participate at registration.

ZORN'S PLAN would be a low interest loan operation, whereas U of I's is a money granting arrangement. Latona said that the state of Illinois "matches the students' contributions," although "several other (Illinois) schools have begun the same type of program and the (state) matching has dropped slightly."

WITH THAT MONEY about 430 students received an average grant around \$440 from the students' side and 316 (See Loan, page 3)

## Limits placed on enrollment

By MARTINA WHETSTONE  
Staff Writer

Enrollment capping has started in both the School of Economics and Management (SEM) and the Engineering Department.

SEM, which accounts for 25 percent of OU's graduates, has not had a substantial enrollment increase in two years, but still attracts most students.

"We've had more than we can handle," said Ron Horowitz, Dean of SEM. "It won't go any higher next year," he said, adding that the enrollment has been officially capped.

NOT ONLY WERE the admission standards raised, but the required GPA was increased from 2.2 to 2.5.

Then, the Engineering Department, which has more than doubled its undergraduate enrollment in the last five years, also had to cap its program and raise its GPA requirements. Now a 3.0 must be maintained in all math and science courses, along with an cumulative average of 2.8.

"We don't have enough lab room," said Mohammed Ghausi, Dean of Engineering.

"Some classes have more than 200 students."

ALMOST 50 PERCENT of all undergraduates are enrolled in either economics and Management, or Engineering, said David Beardslee Director of the office of Institutional Research. He also said that 20 percent of the women and 30 percent of all the men go into economics and management.

In a Jan. 14 letter to the faculty, Senior Vice President for University Affairs and Provost Keith R. Kleckner said that to cut back on these programs would greatly reduce the enrollment because the students would not transfer into other programs, but would transfer to other schools for these fields.

Kleckner also said that in August of this year, approximately 10 full-time faculty members will be repositioned into these fields from the School of Human and Educational Services, and six more may be added through the position-shift layoff process.

THIS PROCESS, which would reallocate positions to more heavily enrolled areas,

was considered by the tenured faculty, and they have 60 days to make a response or provide alternatives to Kleckner.

As a result of the position-shift layoff, four new positions will be created in August of 1984, three in engineering and one in the School of Economics and Management. An additional two positions may be authorized closer to that date if the university's financial position improves Kleckner said.

But on the other hand, liberal arts and teacher education majors have lost 30-40 percent of their students in the last 10 years.

This affects history, math, and modern language majors, because most students who majored in those subjects went into teaching.

"TEACHING FELL OUT as a job prospect in the 70's forcing OU students to look for alternatives," Beardslee said. "They (students) are looking for professionally oriented programs which will train them for employment. Desire for employability forced people into technical fields."

An American Council on Education survey, which is given to students during orientation, also indicates more interest in vocational programs.

Students are pursuing professional educations because "...many more employees are looking for Accounting and Engineering majors," Beardslee said.



An early morning fire torched a university trailer last Saturday. At 12:45 am, Sgt. Allen Steele reported seeing the fire as he was going off duty. The trailer is one of several used by the Meadow Brook Theatre's visiting actors. It was unoccupied at the time of the blaze. Pontiac Township Fire Department units were called to the scene. Sgt. Doug Godwin of Public Safety said he "would stress in this case there is not any indication of arson."

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# Legal aid services available to students

By CINDY MOOTY  
News Editor

Students and faculty can receive free legal services courtesy of the University Congress.

Robert Lahiff, a student from the Detroit College of Law who should have his degree by the spring of 1984, is working on an internship and provides free "legal information."

**THE KEY WORD** is "information", because Lahiff said he can't provide legal advice, because he's only an intern and not a certified lawyer.

"If I provided legal advice, then I'd be a lawyer without a license," he said.

What Lahiff provides is alternatives to legal problems, so that he won't have anyone saying "Well, the lawyer in CIPO told me to do that."

**SOME OF THE** issues covered in his sessions are contract negotiations, real estate problems, and domestic affairs questions.

"I'm sort of the Yellow Pages for certain legal information," he said. "The fact that I am a law student precludes me from certain things—certain ethical things."

One of the things he mentioned was breaking a contract.

"If a student was interested in breaking a contract, I couldn't tell him how to do it," he said. "But, I could talk about the concepts of the contract, the terms and languages of it."

**JOE EUCALANO**, assistant director/coordinator of CIPO said that Congress provides the funding (Lahiff receives \$5 an hour) and CIPO coordinates the service.

"It began as an out growth for off-campus services," he said. "Tenant's rights, landlord problems, and their rights under the law, but now there's a

whole variety of problems."

He added that it is legal aid information and that Lahiff is not a substitution for a lawyer.

"Bob's no lawyer, he's studying to be one," Euculano said. "He provides information rather than advice."

**"THERE'S ONLY** so much I can do," Lahiff said. "If you do have a large legal problem, you should see a lawyer as you want to make sure your interests are being covered."

This service has been in effect for the last five years, and Euculano said it's really starting to catch.

"We're just now getting more exposure," Euculano said. "It's



Robert Lahiff

a good service and the students really supported it."

Lahiff is available on Thursday's from 8 am to 1 pm in 59 OC. Appointments can be made through CIPO (377-2020).

## CIPO's ride pool program restricts parking

By VANESSA WARD  
Staff Writer

Many students feel that the parking situation on campus is both insufficient and inconvenient, compelling many of them to park in the spaces allocated for ride pool -- which results in their vehicles getting

ticketed.

"Students are ticketed because they failed to see the signs (prohibiting them to park there), and didn't have a permit," said Joe Eucalano, Assistant CIPO Director. "There is really no excuse for them to not know about parking restrictions because they're listed in the

schedule of classes."

Sometimes, Eucalano added, allowances are made for visitors or non-students. "If a visitor should come to campus," he said, "and they don't necessarily know about the ride pooling, and don't see the signs -- and just generally don't know what is going on,

then that would be more excusable."

**"AS OF TODAY**, there are over 100 car pools registered," said Sue Fagan, CIPO Transportation Assistant. "Anyone can join at anytime, and we have an average of four to five coming in every day to register, but people who come to campus alone are just not allowed to park there."

The whole idea is to get students to register for the ride pool because that cuts down on the number of cars traveling to and from campus; it's really a convenience for everyone," she said.

**"WE ISSUE ONE** sticker per pool, which means that if there

are three cars signed up, they can't all park there," Fagan said. "The ride pool has been successful," she added.

Eucalano said there are approximately 120 ride pool spaces for over 100 registered. However, unless a car has a ride pool sticker, the driver is not permitted to park there.

"Those spaces are reserved for ride pool participants and whether those spaces are available or not doesn't matter," he said. "They are reserved in much the same way that handicapped parking spaces are reserved."

Fagan continued, and said, "These are specialized spaces and to let anyone park there kills the whole idea."

## Loan

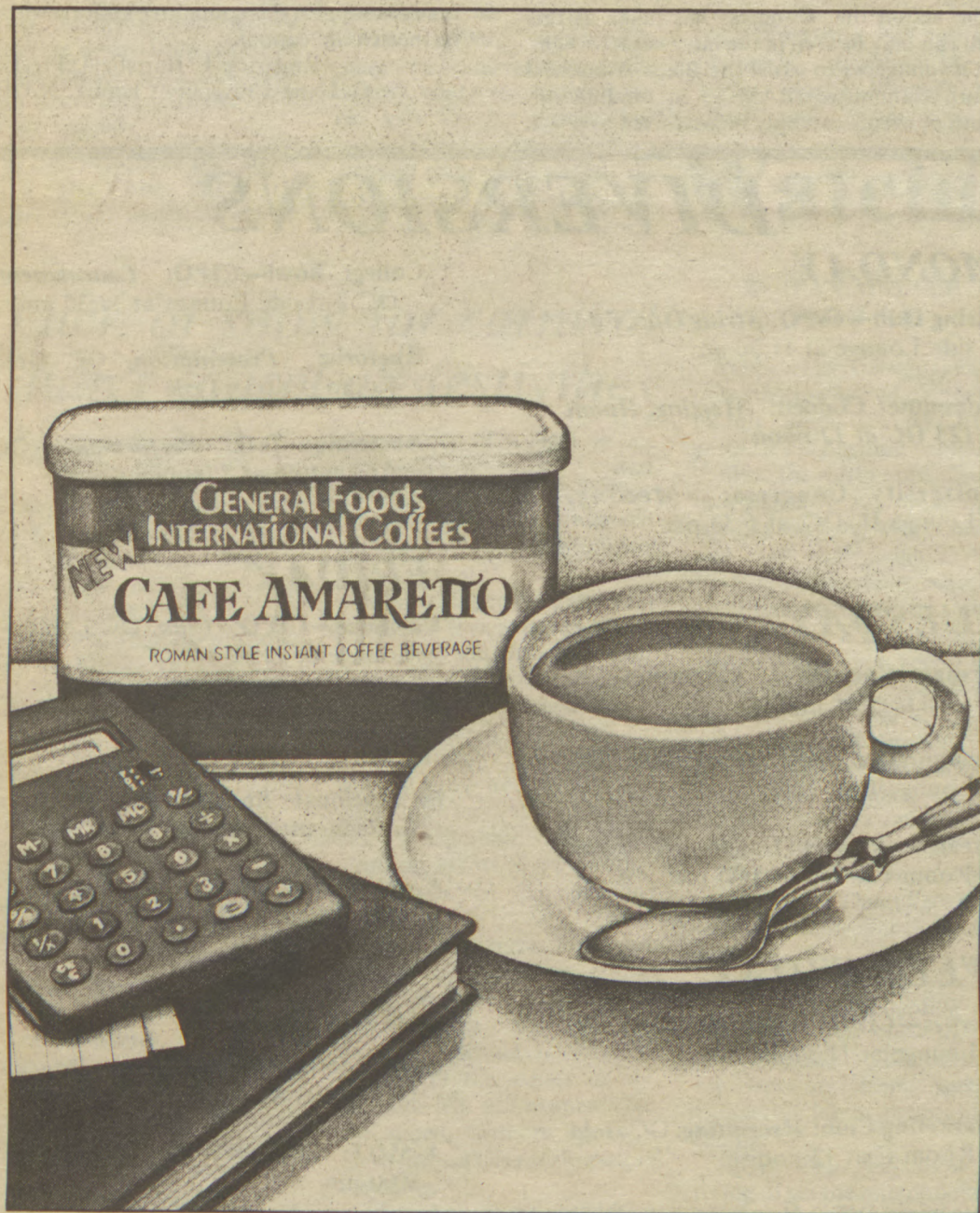
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were granted an average of \$470 from the state side of the program, Latona said.

OU doesn't have as large an enrollment as U of I and it may not be realistic to expect matching from Lansing, still, Zorn hopes to find local

corporations willing to contribute.

In a loan situation there is the usual loss due to non-payment; Latona, who has worked at other schools in Illinois, said that a 1.5 percent loan program at one school he worked for was "enough to make up for the dead-beats."

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# EDITORIAL

## Students need new book payment plan

OU is leading other Michigan universities, but this time nobody's cheering. For years students have complained about book prices, a staple purchase for their studies, and here it's a legitimate gripe.

College bookstores at the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Wayne State University all sell their texts for less than OU's Bookcenter. And, all of these suppliers seem able to stay solvent at the lower prices, so why can't it work at Oakland?

Granted, the Bookcenter has an agreement to contribute \$100,000 to the General Fund, but look at the alternative.

Instead of students being forced to pay high prices for books, the Bookcenter could charge the list price for the texts, saving the buyers 14 percent. In exchange, tuition would have to increase to handle the loss of the Bookcenter's contribution to the fund, but everyone can handle the estimated 40 cents hike and would probably do so gladly.

With the average purchase of books for a semester close to \$70, a full-time student would jump at the chance of paying only \$6.40 (40 cents per credit hour times 16 hours), saving about \$6.

Although the Bookcenter doesn't set its own policies, they must accept some of the responsibility. All day long management hears students complain, with just cause, about the money they pay each semester for the required books.

The management of the store and the people in the administration that make the rules, should share the blame. Both parties should sit down and reconsider the pricing policy, and change it.

As it stands now the bookstore is playing a part, wittingly or not, in passing on a hidden tuition to the students. Maybe the administration should ask the students what they would rather pay for: slightly higher tuition and realistic book prices or continued high markup on the necessities of education.

Textbooks are not a luxury item students read in their spare time, rather they are an integral part of the learning experience and should not be the vehicle for a money-making venture, whatever the reason.

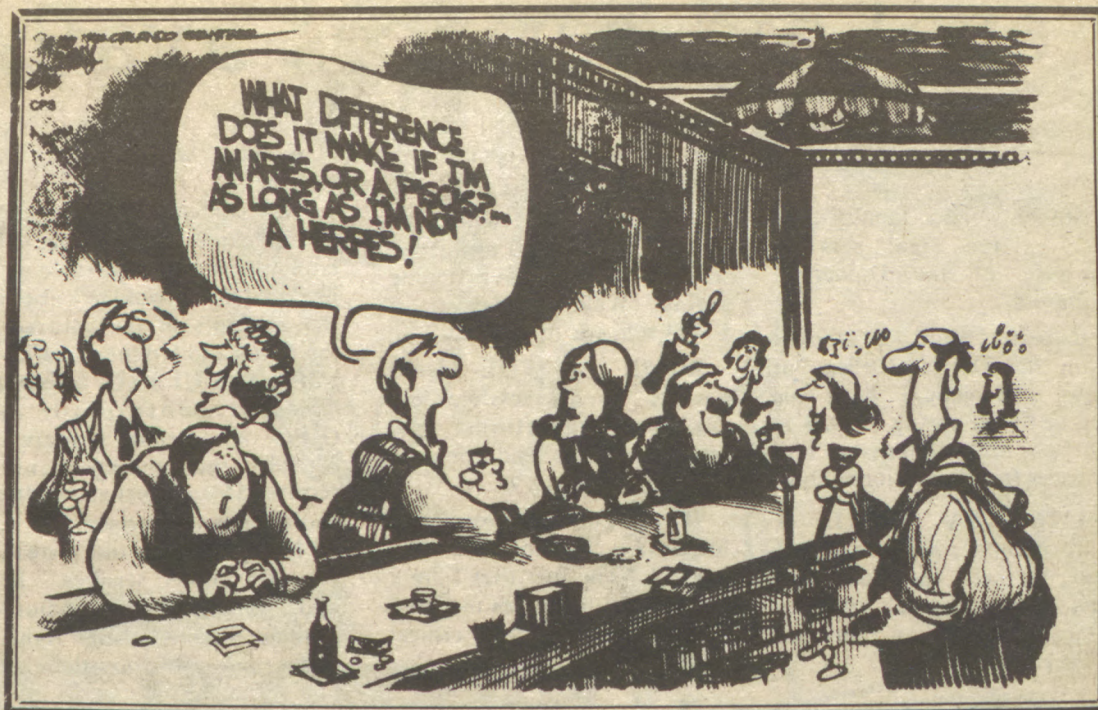
## Credit deserved

Despite the lack of cooperation Mother Nature gave, the many people who planned the Winter Carnival deserve some credit.

The committees involved put a lot of time and effort into setting up times, locations, and dreaming up a wide variety of events. They designed diversions to take away from the pressure of university life.

The [redacted], like the rest of us, they waited for the snow to fall. Not to be daunted by weather, the Winter Carnival proceeded. Sponsors had wisely created activities not dependent on snow.

It can only be hoped that the diversions offered were, indeed, taken advantage of by many people. After all, it's not often we get a chance to get away from the university pressures via the university.



## Lack of support criticized

Dear Editor:

I wish to convey my strong displeasure at the University Congress' handling of the funding for Black Awareness Month in February.

Black Awareness Month has long been one of the most important and outstanding activities within the OU community. In years past, it has been favored by the strong support of Congress. Its month of activities, including visits from influential and informative guests, is not without cost.

The action that Congress has taken at this point can only be seen in the most negative light. Its unwillingness to assist the Black Awareness Month Committee (BAM-C) in funding this month of events can only be perceived as a lack

of concern and interest for the ongoing efforts of this outstanding committee. It can also be taken as a sign of the current administration's insensitivity to black concerns; and this can not, and will not, be accepted or tolerated.

It is not BAM-C's desire to turn Congress into an allocations board or anything of that nature, but merely to seek the much desired support that has been readily provided in the past. It is my fervent hope that it will reconsider the BAM-C resolution, its decision on it, and provide the funds to support this committee's efforts without further complications.

Roderick T. Hartsfield, President  
Oakland University Chapter, NAACP

## DIVERSIONS

### MONDAY

String Duo—CIPO: *String Duo*, Fireside Lounge at 11:30 am

Commuter Council: *Meeting*, Room 125 OC at 12 noon

University Congress: *Meeting*, Lounge II, OC, at 6:30 pm

### TUESDAY

Inauguration Day: *Ceremony*, OC Crockery at 1:30 pm

Inauguration Day: *Reception*, OC Lounge II at 1:30 pm

Creative Players' Guild: *Rehearsal*, Room 126 OC at 3:00 pm

### WEDNESDAY

Herpes—CIPO: *Seminar*, OC Fireside Lounge at 11:30 am

Marketing Club: *Recruiting*, OC Gold Room C at 12 noon

Placement Office Nursing Career Day: OC Crockery, 12 noon—5:00 pm

### THURSDAY

BAMC Art Exhibit: *Exhibit*, OC Lounge II, 8:00 am—5:00 pm

College Bowl—CIPO: *Tournament*, OC Fireside Lounge at 11:30 am

Rhetoric: *Presentation*, OC Gold Room A at 3:00 pm

Abstention Jazz: *Performance*, OC Abstention at 7:00 pm

### FRIDAY

Cartoons—CIPO: *Film*, OC Exhibit Lounge at 11:30 am

Vocal Jazz: *Luncheon*, OC Meadowbrook Room at 12 noon

International Student Coffeehouse: *Coffeehouse*, Oakland at 3:00 pm

Angel Club: *Dance*, OC Gold Rooms A, B & C at 9:00 pm

### SATURDAY

6th Floor East Vandenberg: *Dance*, OC Abstention at 8:00 pm

A-MOT: *Dance*, OC Crockery at 9:00 pm

### SUNDAY

OU Gospel Choir: *Reception*, OC Heritage Room at 10:00 pm

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# CAMPUS LIVING/ARTS

## Children's Hour a disappointment

By KERRI LANGEN  
Staff Writer

Intense drama isn't always effective when packed with heart-wrenching dialogue delivered at ear-piercing volume.

Lillian Hellman's "The Children's Hour," now playing at Meadow Brook Theatre through Feb. 20, is one such example.

This particular production, under the direction of Terence Kilburn, is offending to the cardrums and an all around disappointment.

If you can get past the squeaky ear-piercing pitches in some of the actress' voices and the bombardment of overplayed speeches, however, you'll find potential in the script.

Ms. Hellman attempts to show the devastating effects of rumor caused by a sick child who is working to destroy two of her teachers.

Set in 1934, this play deals with the old yet still controversial issues of female

homosexuality coupled, ultimately by suicide.

Most of the action takes place in a girls' school run by the two women who founded the institution.

Watch out, though. You won't find the meat of this three-act story until Act II.

The problem is that the dialogue is just too much. Ms. Hellman dons each character with emotionally deep-seeded roots; and, everyone has something inspirational to say.

If you're like me, you'll tire of this easily unless the actors provide some relief. Unfortunately, this cast doesn't. They don't seem to work well together.

I had difficulty believing any character relationships any character relationships strong enough to warrant Ms. Hellman's crash ending.

For example, Karen Wright (played by Bethany Carpenter) is a weak character. I didn't see her love for her school, her work, her fiancé (Phillip Locker) or her best friend.

However, Linda Gehringer, a graduate of OU, gives a truly



O'Connell, Carpenter and Gehringer.

fine performance. Her portrayal of brash, outspoken Martha Dobie, Karen Wright's best friend and partner, is the

supporting block of this show. Her fellow actors give her little help, though.

You'll grow to hate the

manipulative Mary Tilford (played by Anne Catherine O'Connell), but you may begin to dislike her for the wrong reasons.

Her style remains basically the same throughout. She is a routine, spoiled child who successfully destroys Miss Wright and Miss Dobie with her accusations that they are lovers, yet her performance is too predictable. You won't have trouble figuring out her next move.

She screams and cries and raises her voice to disturbing levels as well as the other girls do. Mary is the "bad guy" so this gives her somewhat of an edge, but I often found myself wanting a change from her -- in voice, or tone, or something.

You may have trouble believing the 1934 setting also. Both women smoke openly in their school -- a practice that is questionable for that era.

"The Children's Hour" as a whole is questionable.

## Lack of snow for carnival didn't cancel all festivities

By MIKE STEWART  
Sports Editor

It doesn't happen often, but sometimes Michigan just refuses to live up to its 'Winter Wonderland' billing, as this year has proved.

The dismal amounts of snow and higher-than-average temperatures Michigan has provided thus far have caused more than a few gray hairs on the heads of those who run any winter-oriented programs.

Although Jean Chagnon-Royce has managed to retain the full color of her shoulder length brown hair, she too realizes the negative effect this lack of wintery weather may have had on the OU Winter Carnival.

Until recently, Chagnon-Royce was the programming intern at OU's CIPO office. She and the Major Events Committee were responsible for putting together this year's version of the carnival.

An annual event at OU since the mid-60's, the carnival is a nine day schedule of events lasting from January 21-29. It was designed to bring students out of hibernation, through participation in the many games, films and meals offered.

The lack of Mother Nature's participation, however, may have had a dampening effect.

"I think the lack of snow

plays more of a part in an attitudinal way," said Chagnon-Royce. "The only thing that will really be affected will be the snow sculpturing and ski events."

Still, Chagnon-Royce also expressed concern then about whether or not the ice on Beer Lake would be safe enough for the many events scheduled to take place on it.

The ice skating party, broom hockey game and whiffle ball game may have to take a back seat along with the many sledding events if the weather continues in its present manner.

Chagnon-Royce, however, remains optimistic as of the first of the week. "There are a lot of things that will still happen. I would say that 95 percent of the events on the schedule will still happen," but she added, "without the snow there just isn't as much spirit in the thing."

The whole event could be a lot worse if the carnival was designed to bring money into the University. But, says Chagnon-Royce, that isn't the idea of the carnival.

"It's not a fund raising event and it's not the money raising proposition. Every thing is free. It's for students to have fun; we hope the students will attend with or without snow," she (See Snow, page 7)

## Watching was pure Bliss

By JEAN MAUSER  
Staff Writer

Whoever says that juggling is only for clowns and daredevils hasn't seen Chriss Bliss perform his juggling magic.

Bliss, the world's only "high-tech juggler," was on campus last Monday showing students and staff that juggling does have its place among beautiful art forms, like dance.

Bliss' show is different from anything ever seen before and would be difficult to match. His combinations of black lighting and strobe illuminating the colored tennis balls, mirrored balls, and brightly colored scarves create a magnificent "concert for the eyes."

He creates an illusion similar to that seen at a laser light show with lights and shapes dancing on stage.

Bliss sets up and operates most of his own lighting and joked at the end of his performance, "I'd like to thank my feet for doing such a wonderful job with the lights tonight."

Bliss began his show by trying to get the microphone to work and telling jokes and anecdotes. Some of his comedy routine tended to be off-color, which undoubtedly left a few of the mothers with small children in the audience blushing.

He proceeded to choreograph to "Hideaway," a blues number which gave the audience their first taste of what juggling to music is really all about.

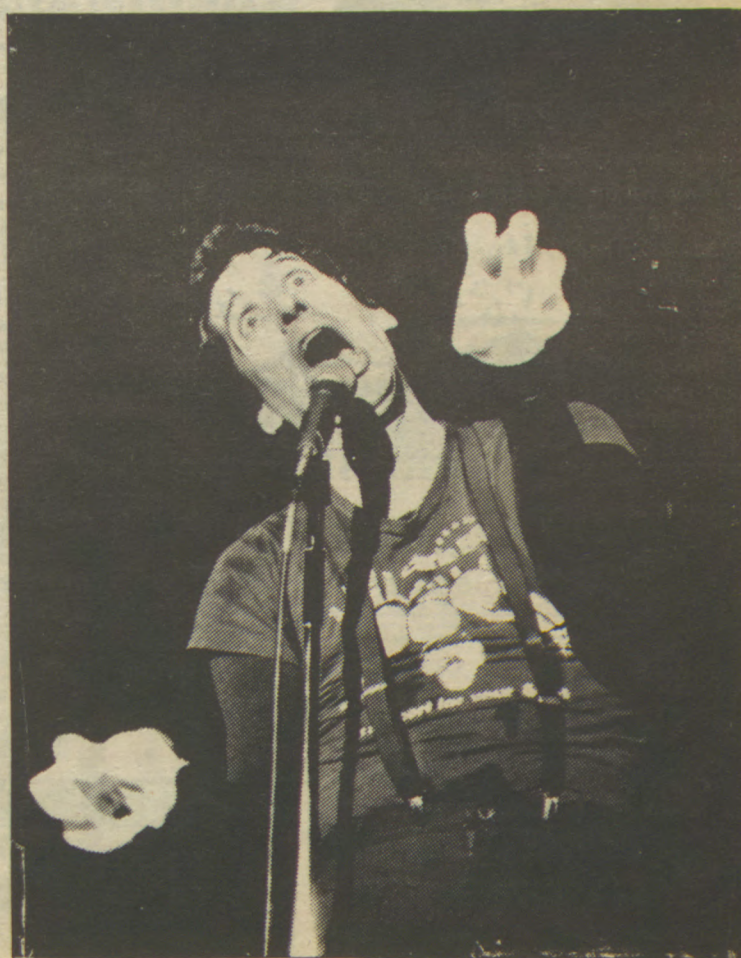
And judging from the audience's reaction, they really liked what they saw.

He juggled to a variety of music, including jazz, blues and rock. "I have a lot of classical records but I don't do it too much, because I'd have to sit

down for a week and do nothing but listen to music," said Bliss.

His most dramatic piece was *The Rock* by The Who, which Bliss likened to an exotic drug trip in his introduction.

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Part of Bliss' comedy included his recollections of his youth. Here he imitates his pet cat performing open heart surgery.



## by Jean Mauser

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# 'Sophie' a study in life, love and superb acting

By **ROBERT DEL VALLE**  
Staff Writer

Every now and then, as the saying goes, a film comes along that touches the mind as keenly as it touches the heart.

Such a film is *Sophie's Choice*. Alan J. Pakula's adaptation of William Styron's mammoth, semi-autobiographical novel is not only a portrait of emotional conflicts, it is an uncompromising study of how people react to - and sometimes collaborate with - the horrors of history.

No brief synopsis could

possibly do justice to the movie's intricate plot. We literally enter the personality of human being after seeing her through the eyes of one of the three principal characters in the film.

Stingo (Peter MacNicol), a would-be writer from the south, shows up in Brooklyn after World War II and takes a room in one of those boarding houses you thought only existed in the movies.

There he meets Nathan Landau (Kevin Kline), a Jew who has become obsessed with the Holocaust, and his lover,

Sophie (Meryl Streep).

Sophie, a Polish Catholic, has survived two hells - the Nazi occupation of her country and a nightmarish interlude in Auschwitz. What she suffers from is not merely the memory of anguished death, but the guilt of a survivor who has seen far too much and whose conscience has been stretched much too far in order to survive.

Stingo, befriending them both, is an eyewitness to their erratic relationship. The two fight, make love, fight, make love - as if maintaining this

cycle of alternating passion sustains them in the conspiracy against reality they have both entered upon.

Desperate creatures caught in the same invisible trap, they live only for each other.

Everyone in *Sophie's Choice* is worthy of commendation.

but ultimate praise has to go to Streep. The performance she gives is an extraordinary accomplishment.

If this talented actress doesn't carry off an Oscar for this one, it will be the biggest robbery since Brink's.

## Bliss

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It turned out to be just that with the strobe lights and flash powder, giving a magical feeling to the performance. He switched from balls to scarves mid-song which gave more of a flowing rhythm to his "dance." He ended his show with a

couple of Beatles songs; his beautiful choreography gave new meaning to these old classics.

Bliss has big plans for expanding his show. "I'm not doing it to stay at a certain level and then stagnate. There's a major expansion I've been working on for a while, of a

lighting platform where all the lights are built into a computer and run of preprogrammed computer discs. There would be 10 times more lighting and that's where you can do classical pieces."

This would give him more time to work on his juggling since the lighting would be operated for him. "I'd feel better concentrating on what goes on on stage instead of worrying about the technical stuff."

Bliss has been juggling to music for quite a while. "I've been doing this for 8 years but the first four probably don't count because I hardly had any gigs. My success has sort of developed of its own. I've had tremendous luck since I was never an actor or anything."

Juggling is one of those skills that just sort of comes naturally or can be easily acquired. As Bliss said when giving a few juggling pointers, "Just like Reggie Jackson when a fastball is coming at him: you visualize and let your body do all the calculating and respond."

Easier said than done?

## Snow

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said.

Chagnon-Royce noted that much of the funding is paid by students in the form of a student activity fee, and thus, the failure to attend is more a waste on the students part.

She also claimed that many of the cancelled events would be filled by a substitute activity; the snow sculpting, for instance, has become the Play-doh sculpturing contest.

The lack of snow and cold weather took its toll on this year's carnival no matter how one tries to plan for it, says Chagnon-Royce.

"This is my third year here (at O) and this is the first year that this has happened. It's unfortunate but you just have to work past it," she said.

As a result, the only winter "wondering" that Chagnon-Royce is doing, is "weather" Michigan could still come through with its true winter qualities.

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### Student Support Needed in Government

In Governor Blanchard's State of the State Address last Wednesday night, a proposal was forwarded to raise state income taxes from 4.6 percent to 6.35 percent. This 38 percent hike is part of his overall plan to wipe out Michigan's \$900 million deficit. Also included in his plan is the proposed slashing of \$225 million in spending in order to balance

the budget. These figures have a specific effect on college students, as \$25 million may be cut from state aid to colleges and universities.

It should be obvious that this cut, if enacted, will present further financial difficulties for OU and its students. For this reason, we ask for your help and cooperation. Please make an effort to contact a member

of the University Congress (members are listed on this page) and voice your opinion. If this is difficult, utilize the suggestion boxes located at Charlie Brown's or the Vandenberg Desk. University Congress Offices are located in 19 Oakland Center.

Students' opinions can and must make a difference.

### And Activities:

Each day of the week, from early morning to late night, is filled with campus activities. OU is fortunate in that these activities are designed to accommodate all students; residents as well as commuters, whites as well as blacks, and traditional (18-22 years) as well as non-traditional (22 and above).

Participation in these activities varies, sometimes good, but often times poor. It is the opinion of the University Congress that all students should make an effort to participate in at least one extra-curricular activity. It will become clear that, far from being time consuming, student

activities will enhance the educational experience offered at Oakland. There is a variety. OU has five fraternities and five sororities, which along with being socially active, contribute to this university's quality. Home athletic events occur every week, with our Division II program rated number one in the mid-east region. The Student Program Board, in conjunction with University Congress offers weekly entertainment through movies, lectures, concerts, and Mainstage. University Congress committees are also open to students who take an interest.

For commuting students, the

Commuter Council offers representation in the policy areas of food service, parking, and student locations. Area Hall Council functions in much the same manner for residence hall students. For creative writers there is the publishing organization of "Idyllers of the Bamboo Grove". For performers there is a well organized commercial music program and WOUX.

All in all, there are over one hundred student organizations on Oakland's Campus. Stop in at CIPO sometime to find out more.

### University Congress Committee Vacancies

University Senate Committees and student representation to them is essential to University Congress. If your are interested in a Congress' efforts to ensure student input into University policy making.

This is a list of current student vacancies for University Senate Committees. If you are interested in a committee please contact the Congress Office at 19E Oakland Center.

**Academic and Career Advising:** 4 vacancies

Recommends and evaluates advising functions.

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Campus development and improvement

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Recommends several

policies and requirements for undergraduate general education.

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## SPORTS

# Women take three, still in first



The women's basketball team doesn't usually show the long faces pictured here. The Pioneers had reason, however after seeing their conference winning streak come to an end last Saturday after 26 straight victories. Saginaw Valley downed OU 72-65.

By **ANGIE HOFFMANN**  
Sports Writer

The OU Women's Basketball team continues to look unbeatable. In a tough game at Michigan Tech University on Jan. 22, the Pioneers romped their way to another victory by a 98-72 margin.

"Speed and quickness were the key to this game," said Coach DeWayne Jones. Linda Krawford lead the team with 28 points and 13 rebounds.

Continuing their road trip through Northern Michigan, the Pioneers played a tough second half after leading by only one at halftime to beat Northern Michigan University Jan. 24, by a 83-67 margin.

Krawford's waltzing, Kish's racing speed, and McLean's power provided the perfect combination to produce a win. The team wanted a win, and did so by a lot of quick scoring in the second half.

Team statistics for this game: Linda Krawford: 32 points, 8 rebounds; Anne Kish: 18 points

(a game high), Brenda McLean: 12 points, 8 rebounds, and Teresa Vondrasek with 10 points, and 17 rebounds.

It wasn't the playoffs, although high scoring and intense play would tell otherwise. Jan. 27, the team chalked up another victory by beating Grand Valley State, at home, by a score of 102-68.

The Pioneers had a 9-4 lead within the first few minutes of the game, and that was about as close as GV would get to the Pioneers.

"The team is peaking in their performance level," said Jones after Thursday's win.

Linda Krawford had 24 points and 10 rebounds, bringing her season average to over 24 points per game. For the second week in a row, Krawford has been named Conference Player of the Week. Pam Springer had 16 points (a game high), and 15 points, along with 10 rebounds were compliments of Brenda McLean. Anne Kish's 17 points were a direct result of all her

fast breaks, and Kim Nash had 12 points.

Throughout the second half, McLean, Nash, and Vondrasek had Grand Valley State covered, never giving them an opportunity to decrease the gap in the point spread. The only easy breather Grand Valley State got was a time-out called for a deflating ball to be replaced.

The Pioneers have two tough games coming up against Saginaw Valley and University of Detroit. Winning these two games would make the championship playoffs an exciting reality.

The countdown continues with only 10 games left until the NCAA playoffs begin; and the Pioneers are a sure bet to be there.

Thursday's win gave the Pioneers their 11th straight victory. Their record is 14-2 overall, 8-0 conference, and they are ranked 5th in the country!

No need to ask why Coach DeWayne Jones wears an ear to ear grin!

## Tankers win again

By **MIKE STEWART**  
Sports Editor

The men's swim team went a long way in gaining nationwide respect last Friday, beating Chico State by a handy 60-47 score.

After losing to Chico State for the first time in OU history last year, the Pioneers came out quickly, taking firsts in the opening three races.

When the waves finally settled the squad left with four new school records: Tracy Huth in the 400 I.M., Derrin Abbasse in the 100 free, Jeff Colton in the 200 back, and Rusty Eubanks in the diving competition—with all swimmers attaining nationals-qualifying times.

"Beating Chico was one of the goals established at the beginning of the year—that and the Kenyon meet," said men's coach Pete Hovland.

Hovland knew at the beginning of the year that Chico State, ranked number three in the nation, and this Friday's meet with Clarion State and Kenyon College, ranked number one in the nation in division III, would be the true test of this year's team.

The team was obviously motivated because of last year's loss to Chico, but, said Hovland, "you don't like to look at it like revenge." He added, however, "But when

you come out on top it makes all the hard work rewarding."

The event was called a 'telephone meet' and the name says it all. Because of the high finances that would be needed for the California-based Chico to travel out to OU, and visa-

versa, the teams swam the events in their own pools and telephoned the times back and forth.

"They knew they had to go fast—when you know that the other team isn't here you just have to go as fast as you can," Hovland said.

The swimmin' women also continued to swim well, taking on the much-weaker Chico women and running off with a 50 point win.

"The Chico women weren't that tough," said women's coach Mark Johnston. "It wasn't as big a meet as the men's was."

Johnston is happy with the women's obvious progress this season, claiming, "We've made the big step, we're there right now."

Both coaches were hopeful that there would be a good crowd turn-out at this Friday's Kenyon meet, which would help in the teams' effort against the much talented club.

"They will see some of the finest swimming in the country," said Hovland.

Both squads now rest at 6-1 on the season.

## Fencing society starts up

By **ROBERT DEL VALLE**  
Staff Writer

The OU Fencing Society, which up to now has maintained a rather low profile on campus, hopes that the coming year will see many OU students develop an interest in the sport and try out for spots on the competitive team.

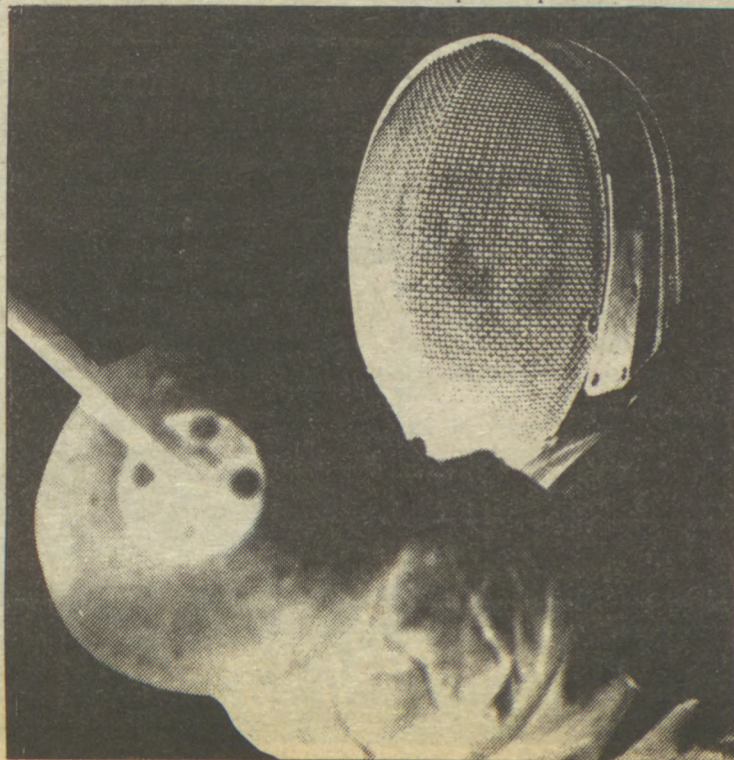
Until recently, the Fencing Society had been an informal association of students who merely wanted to practice and play against one another in their spare time. Individuals

supplied their own equipment and weapons, matches and demonstration contests were arranged with other groups,

and field trips were taken to collegiate meets.

Now the society wants to grow and become a more visible presence on campus. A request for more equipment was put to the Student Activities Board and signs were set up inviting the public to watch practice sessions held in the Lepley Sports Center.

Paul Franklin, an active participant in fencing for the past 11 years, will be the advisor and coach for the team. Among other achievements, Franklin coached the University of Maine at Farmington which was elected the best club in Maine while making it to the national championships.



This is the view you would have if you were fencing coach Paul Franklin's opponent.

The Oakland Sail Tom Primeau

Although it is far from being the great American pastime, fencing can boast of a history as old and as colorful as the sword itself. As an organized sport it dates back to the 16th century when numerous schools (called salles) were established in Europe to teach young aristocrats the skillful art of swordplay. Dueling was then the most common way for gentlemen to settle affairs of honor and a good blade-arm was often a matter of life and death. Later, with dueling prohibited by the authorities, fencing became an athletic discipline avidly pursued by the nobility, the military and the incurably romantic.

Fencing is a contest between two opponents who use one of three weapons—the foil, the epee, or the sabre. Each weapon has its own style of attack and method of scoring. Points are decided by a jury made up of a president and four judges.

Although the Fencing Society has won no major accolades since its inception, it does have an experienced fencer in advisor/coach Paul Franklin. A fencer for more than ten years, Franklin has studied under Ron Mason and Shelley Berman in the east, and qualified for national competition. He and Society President Al Parman hope that OU may be able to send a representative team to either a state or regional tournament.

Anyone interested in more information regarding the Fencing Society should contact either Paul Franklin (377-2020) or Al Parman (652-8190).

### Up and Coming Pioneer Home Events

Tues.	Feb. 1	Women's Basketball at U of D	7:35 pm
Wed.	Feb. 2	Wrestling: OU vs Grand Valley	7:00 pm
Fri.	Feb. 4	Swimming: Men vs Clarion/Kenyon	4:00 pm



# Pioneers place second

By GREG HANCOCK  
Sports Writer

The Pioneer wrestling team almost singed the whiskers off Notre Dame last Saturday, but the Fighting Irish held on to win the Sienna Heights 11-team tournament as OU finished runner-up with 81 points.

Coach Jack Gebauer's grapplers failed to look as impressive at home against Ferris State Wednesday losing 30-15.

A point and a quarter kept the OU Pioneers from a first place Sienna Heights tournament trophy, despite having the only tournament team with four champions. Division winner at 134-lbs. Brad Wilkerson, 142-lb. John

Craig, Matt Vondrosek in the 150-lb class, and Greg Mannino at 167-lbs.

Vondrosek and Mannino were recognized for their weight class dominance winning the tournament's Most Valuable Wrestler awards for their respective divisions.

Coach Gebauer was pleased with his wrestlers performance in the four-state meet that included schools from Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. "I think it really shows where our program has come when you can place second to a team like Notre Dame," said Gebauer, "it shows you the type of depth you have."

OU didn't fare as well against league leader Ferris State. According to Gebauer the loss of Brad Wilkerson to an injury,

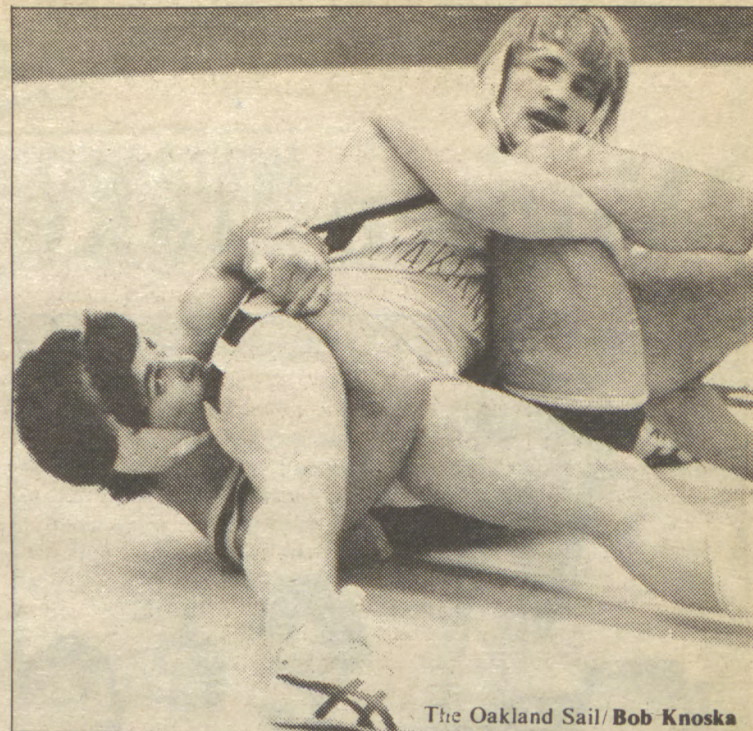
sustained in Tuesday's practice hurt the match's outcome. "When you lose a guy like Wilk you take it in the ear," said Gebauer.

Not to take anything away from Ferris State, Gebauer praised the opponent. "Ferris is going to be tough, they've got to be the favorite (for the league championship)."

Good OU performance did come from a lesson in come-back pin by Craig, a 13-5 victory from Vondrosek, and a match win in the final six seconds from Mannino.

But Gebauer admitted, "we have wrestled better. We were just a little flat."

Gebauer will try to straighten up his men in time for Wednesday's home clash against Grand Valley.



John Craig of the Pioneers tangles with his Ferris State opponent, Larry Biundo. Craig won the match, pinning Biundo with six seconds left. The Pioneers lost the meet to first place Ferris, 30-15.

## Ski team does well

By MIKE STEWART  
Sports Editor

Contrary to popular belief, the Pioneer ski team is alive and well - although they are struggling financially.

In last Wednesday's meet at Alpine, the men's and women's team's both took home trophies; the women for a second place finish and the men for a third.

That's not bad when you consider the competition included schools such as the University of Michigan and Michigan State.

In only their second year of operation, the ski team finds itself coming along quite well. The only problem they've come across so far is how to get a little more financial help from the university.

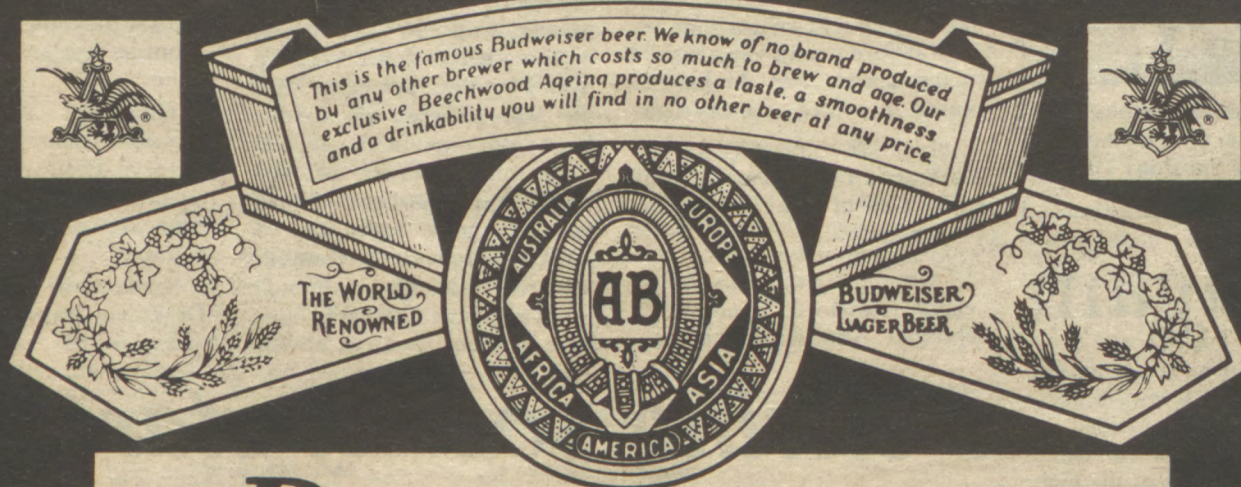
"At U of M they get \$30,000 a year to help them. They're a good team because they get a lot of backing," said women's team captain, Klara Dallas.

The team operates without a coach, is unable to use OU vehicle transportation, and, in general, is finding it hard to obtain funding from the university.

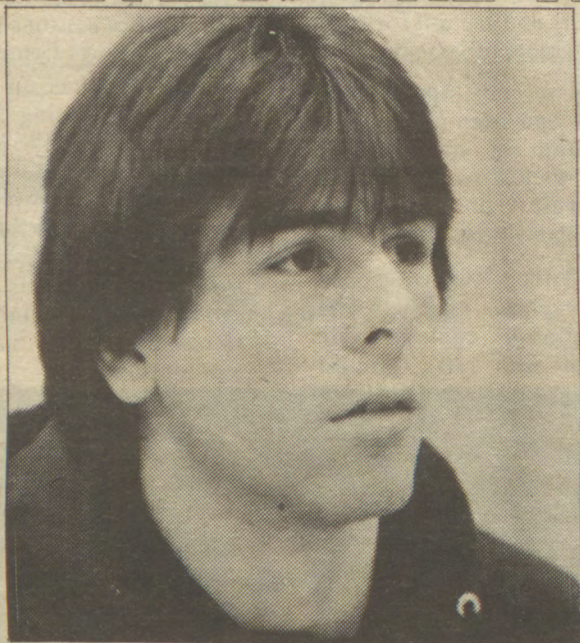
"If we had the resources we could (compete with the larger schools). That's what it comes down to. If we had the money to send the team to the meets it would help," Dallas said.

Still, with the financial problems aside, Dallas is happy with the way the team has competed thus far, claiming, "We're doing better. This was our first Alpine race; I think we have a good chance at being invited to the nationals."

Although U of M took most of the first place finishes at the meet, OU had several impressive individual efforts. Joe Schmur took a third place finish for the men, while Holly Amselmi, Klara Dallas, Sheila Kilnan, and Mary Wlodyga placed fourth, sixth, seventh, and eighth, respectively, for the women.



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Much of the success attained by this year's wrestling squad is a direct result of the efforts of senior Gregg Mannino.

Mannino attended Warren Tower High School where he was elected to the All-League team as well as being a State nationals qualifier.

In the past week he has won both of his meets against opponents on Northern and Ferris State, as well as taking first place and being named the MVP of the Sienna Heights Tournament. His season record now stands at 23-2.

A marketing major, Mannino competes in the 167 pound weight class.

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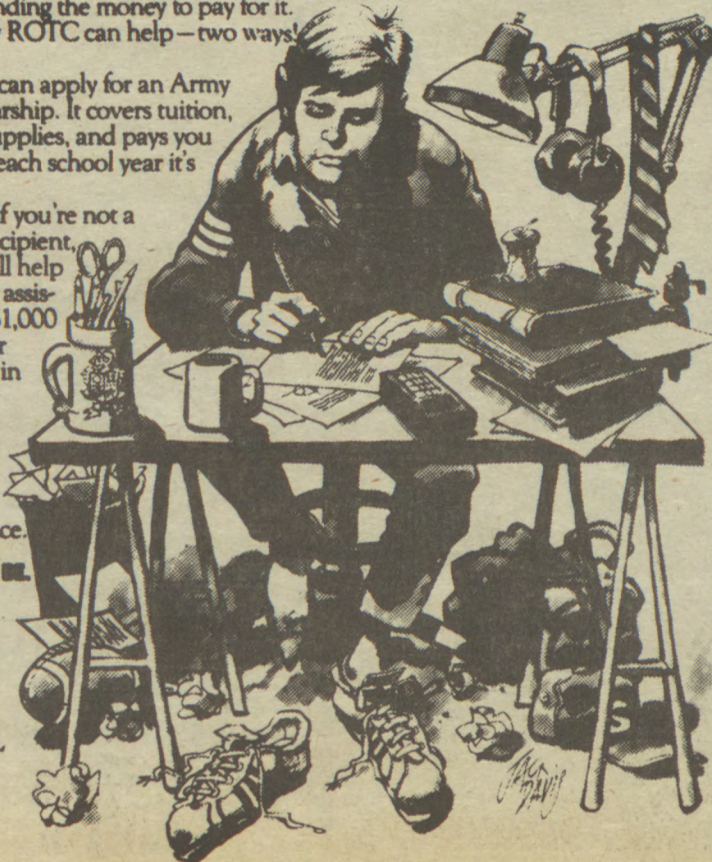
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## Men lose two, hopes fade fast

By **MIKE STEWART**  
 Sports Editor

equally unimpressive 96-72 home-court loss to Grand Valley.

The dam has finally exploded. The Pioneers couldn't hold the leak any longer.

It was just a trickle early in the season when the team lost its first conference game at Hillsdale; a 99-90 overtime defeat.

It started to flow harder in the timeclock/scorekeeping horror that saw them lose a one point decision to Indiana State University-Evansville.

Now, a loser in eight of their last ten games, the Pioneers have gone under for the third time.

The very-important northern swing that the team realistically needed to sweep, turned out to be just as dismal as the rest of the season. A 74-64 victory over Michigan Tech

was followed quickly by two losses; an 88-78 decision to Northern Michigan and an

The Pioneers now find themselves at 7-10 overall, and 2-6 in conference play—good enough for the GLIAC cellar.

"We have lost our confidence as a team and it's a shame," said Pioneer coach Lee Frederick. "We've been snake bit. Our guys are bright and sharp but they're playing like they're walking on eggshells," said a very unhappy Frederick.

The Pioneers are not out of the race—mathematically. But anybody that sees them play certainly wouldn't toss their playoff vote into the hat.

The string of tough losses even prompted the always-optimistic Frederick to claim, "We're in a situation where our goal now is to salvage the season. If we can gain some confidence it'll happen."

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