

# Watts and Mills elected

"This is the time, power is ready to be exploited," said Fritz Mills, newly elected vice-president of the Associated Students of NMU (ASNMU).

Jeff Watts, marketing major, and Mills, economics major, won the elections with 13 per cent of the students voting. (Last year eight per cent voted.)

Offering justification for campaigning within 50 feet of the election tables, Mills said he was misinformed by election commissioner Bev

Miller that the limit was 10 feet. "When people complained, I left," said Mills, adding that he also ripped down campaign posters in the area.

"I'm sure that these kinds of things won't happen next year," he said.

Speaking of WBKX news director Bruce Peek's editorial, which questioned the validity of the elections and suggested a re-vote without Watts and Mills on the ballot, Watts claimed that in some respects such action

would have promoted student interest. But Peek did not file a formal complaint by the Monday 5 p.m. deadline so the election results stand firm.

"Personally I think he was going too far," said Mills. "It was obvious that the majority who voted preferred us. But it does help to get another viewpoint."

Explaining plans for next year, Watts said that they would like to retain a lawyer for student s at a 1000 fee, financed by the student activity fee. Regarding the

parking situation, Mills supports investigation, claiming that there are 835 registered cars for commuters, but only 424 parking spaces allotted for them. Between April 1 and 14, 444 tickets were issued, with 85-90 per cent of the resulting money fed into the general fund, he said.

Also, in order to facilitate more August graduates and a wider variety of classes, Watts said they are working on a tri-semester year to benefit the students.

"The administration keeps things together," said Watts. "The students are here for a purpose; we're striving for anti-student apathy." He and Mills are planning a clean up day in conjunction with the NORTH WIND to encourage involvement and appreciation of the University.

In morder to further initiate students to the purpose of ASNMU, Watts may, depending on finances, lecture to orientation groups this summer. "We intent to make them aware of their potential," he concluded. "The students can make it happen."



SHAWN ROBERTS

## Roberts loses by twelve votes

Losing by only 12 votes in his campaign for student government president, Shawn Roberts, Detroit freshman, had the support of numerous students and WBKX radio station in his right to demand a re-vote.

But Roberts didn't. "It made me feel good," said Roberts of WBKX news director Bruce Peek's editorial, "but I think it was a little more hostile than is part of my character."

The editorial pointed out vice-president elect Fritz Mills campaigning within 50 feet of the election tables, as well as president Jeff Watts slight edge over Roberts (12 votes). Calling for a re-vote, Peek suggested that Mills and Watts be taken off the next ballot.

Though not giving up (Roberts and his running mate, Mark Maskill of Rochester, plan to run again next year), he is adamant in his claim that a re-vote would only split the University and create unneeded, ill feelings.

Asked whether he believed his chances in this year's elections were good, Roberts said that he began his campaign only with the intention of making his concerns known. But once he became involved, his intentions were serious, though losing did not upset him, he said.

Roberts admitted that Maskill's and his own experience is limited, but he said that many students supported them because of it, reasoning that other candidates have much experience, yet still have "done nothing" in their term of office.

Roberts said that his only personal disturbance regarding this year's elections was the structure of the related committee. He cited Mills' campaigning as a harmless, spontaneous response, but said that he found it hard to believe that Mills and election commissioner Bev Miller did not know the rules.

Also, no check-off system was incorporated in the vote

casting, which could have made multiple votes possible for loyal friends, Roberts said.

"The thing that upsets me is the way the election committee is set up. The chairman is one of my opponent's right hand friends. She should never have put herself in that position."

Not wanting to encourage any hassles, Roberts plans to lie back and work congruently with Mills and Watts in various capacities. In addition to attending student government meetings, Roberts intends to help with the clean-up campaign, entertainment and hopefully secure a position on the finance committee.

Such experience, he feels, will better qualify him to run in next year's elections. "The day of the elections I went to Spooner hall and said, 'Wake up Spooner hall, it's time to get out and vote,'" mused Roberts.

"After the elections I went back and said, 'Wake up Spooner hall; it's me again reminding you that I'll be back next year.'"

## Election Results

PRESIDENT  
Jeff Watts

ON-CAMPUS REPS.  
Kathy Clark  
James Pollick  
Bob Veeneman

VICE-PRESIDENT  
Fritz Mills

ON-CAMPUS REPS.  
Ted Burkhart  
Robert D. Maloney  
Christine Anderson  
F. Michael; Harris  
James Loman

CONSTITUTION  
REFERENDUM  
Yes ..... 544  
No ..... 98

## N Wind seminar scheduled

The NORTH WIND will sponsor an organizational meeting for people interested in working on the paper next year on Thursday, May 1, at 8 p.m. in I.F. 206.

The meeting will serve to acquaint prospective reporters with the NORTH WIND's operation and with the general form of newspaper writing.

## Wakowski will read poetry

Diana Wakoski, nationally renowned poet, will appear at NMU April 28 at 8:15 p.m. in I.F. 102.

Her poetry has a native American Surrealism, with shocking images and a strong narrative interest. Their unity and liveliness express her whole personality. She was first published in 1962, and that year she was also in a collection of poetry by leRoi Jones entitled, Four Young Lady Poets.

In 1966 she won a Robert Frost Fellowship and first received national circulation. She has published 20 books of poetry, including Discrepancies and Apparations, and Smudging.


She received five grants and 10 Poetry in Residence

positions at colleges such as the University of California and Michigan State Univer-

sity. She graduated from University of Calafornia at Berkeley with a B.A. in 1960.



Virgil Fox played in Hedgecock Fieldhouse last night. The event was sponsored through the Student Activities Office.



Open forum with Dr. Jamrich

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April 30, 3-4 p.m.  
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Lenore Romney, wife of the former Michigan Governor, will be the main speaker at Northern Michigan University's seventy-fifth anniversary Birthday Party Saturday evening, May 10, 1975. NMU President John X. Jamrich announced recently.

Ms. Romney will be joined by her husband, former Governor George Romney, other dignitaries and an estimated 2,000 guests at the dinner, scheduled for 6:45 p.m. in the C.B. Hedgecock

Fieldhouse. Earlier in the day the Romneys will receive honorary doctor of humane letters degrees at Northern's commencement exercises where Mr. Romney will deliver the commencement address.

"Lenore Romney has been aptly described as a 'born doer' who has been a positive force in such areas as education, social service, mental health and the arts," Dr. Jamrich declared. "Her example of voluntarism is truly an inspiring one."

## Faculty members vote for AAUP

Faculty members voted on the collective bargaining question Thursday April 17 resulting in the elimination of the Michigan Education Association (MEA) as a bargaining agent, with only 50 of the 234 votes cast.

The other selections on the contested Michigan Employment Relations Commission (MERC) ballot were the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) and No Agent with 67 votes.

MERC will conduct a run off election May 6 between AAUP and no agent. Two hundred

and thirty four faculty members of a possible 284 voted in the elections with six votes challenged.

The university lawyers working for the administration are contesting the form of the MERC ballot used, claiming it is unconstitutional. The administration had tried previously to substitute its own ballot in the election, and to have the election stayed, but failed.

The appeal has been submitted, but no legal action has been taken. Plans are to continue with the May 6 election according to Dr.

James Greene, AAUP spokesman and philosophy professor.

Dr. John X. Jamrich requested that the number of paper ballots be checked against the number of names checked on the list after last Thursday's election, and was refused by MERC elections officer Theodore Kieffer.

Jamrich learned the ballot box had been locked but unattended between 12 and 1 p.m. According to Matt Surrill, University Relations, the University plans no legal action concerning the election itself.

## End near for marijuana charges

The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) today endorsed two congressional bills which would eliminate all federal criminal penalties for minor marijuana offenses, and predicted an early end to the criminalization of marijuana smokers in this country.

The Javits-Koch bill (H.R. 561), first introduced in 1972, has been reintroduced, and incorporates the recommendation of the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse (Shafer Commission). This bill would remove all penalties for possessing small amounts of marijuana, but retain criminal sanctions against the commercial seller.

The Marijuana Control Act of 1975 (S.1450-H.R. 6108), introduced on Thursday, April 17, in the Senate and in the House, calls for the adoption of a civil-fine system, enforceable with a citation and a maximum \$100 fine rather than an arrest. This civil-fine alternative is based on a similar plan adopted in Oregon in October, 1973.

Keith Stroup, Director of NORML, said the organization prefers the removal of all penalties against users, but supports the citation-system as a reasonable alternative.

"The Oregon experience has been overwhelmingly successful, and cannot be ignored," Stroup said. "There has been no increase in marijuana usage in Oregon since criminal penalties were removed, while court backlogs have been significantly reduced, police and prosecutorial resources have been freed to pursue serious crime, and thousands of Oregonians have been spared the senseless and

stigmatizing experience of a criminal arrest and record.

Moreover, the Oregonians strongly approve of this new approach. According to recent surveys by the independent Washington, D.C. based Drug Abuse Council, 58 per cent approve, with only 39 per cent favoring a return to criminal penalties.

Similar measures are currently being considered by more than 20 state legislatures, with a number of them expected to pass this session.

Stroup continued, "There were more than 420,000 marijuana arrests in this country last year, mostly otherwise law-abiding young people caught with a small amount. Marijuana smokers are not criminals in any traditional sense, and should not be subject to criminal arrest simply because they have chosen to smoke marijuana.

Both of these federal proposals would eliminate more than 90 per cent of these arrests. Nationwide, the adoption of this plan could represent a yearly savings of nearly half a billion dollars

now being spent on marijuana arrests."

"We can continue to discourage marijuana smoking, as we should do for all recreational drug use, including alcohol and tobacco, by honest drug education and warning the user about potential health hazards, and by focusing law enforcement resources against the commercial trafficker.

But we should stop wrecking people's lives and careers by treating a potential health problem as a criminal problem. The harm which results to the individual when he is dragged through the criminal justice system far exceeds any potential harm to his health from the use of marijuana."

Stroup predicted that citation systems for minor marijuana offenses would be adopted within a few weeks in California, Colorado and Minnesota, with several other states following later in this year's legislative session.

"The end of the criminal prohibition of marijuana smoking in the U.S. is within sight," Stroup said.

## Vets tutorial program offered

A new veterans tutorial program has been established with funds from the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act through the Office of Veterans Affairs. Trained tutors are available to help you in any or all subject areas as well as with the improvement of study skills. Tutoring times will be arranged for your con-

venience.

Both on-campus and off-campus Vets are encouraged to use this free service which will continue through the summer semester.

If you are interested or have any questions concerning this service, contact Tony Dinallo at 227-2101 to stop by the Veterans Affairs Office in Lee Hall.

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# Malaney reflects on term

The gray skies had not stopped the candidates from their flurry of campaigning or the entire environment from seeming strangely unsettled in these last few weeks of spring term. Now is the time of the last or first flair of ambition to burst from the chests and pens of NMU students. Though voices wandered to and fro, the Wildcat Den seemed a refuge from the spreading insanity.

Dennis Malaney, whose present term of service and trials has come to an end to give way to new ones, settled down peacefully for reflection upon the past, present, and future of the student body, ASNMU, and Northern in general.

He is watching the ropes slip from his hands to new ones eager to take them over, and for him this is a curious time of finishes and starts.

"It's been a lot of effort," Malaney acknowledged. "It doesn't matter what we do, there are always people who think we can do more—ourselves included," he remarked of the ASNMU achievements. He sees the student evaluation accomplishment as the biggest step for the year—perhaps of NMU history. "We'll see the results in a couple of years."

He began recapitulating the activities of the ASNMU, starting from the beginning. Once the semester started there was the speed bump thing. Some said it was a waste of time, but he pointed out that ASNMU got rid of them.

Then there were problems with the university advisory council (a council composed of faculty, administrators and students, with ten committees under them). There were complaints that the council was incompetent. They had meetings in which they cleared many projects. Some important projects were the tenants' union, a co-op food store and more benefits for off-campus students.

One member of the council started an off-campus union, recruiting 10 to 15 people. The problem, according to Malaney, was when they diversified too much, getting into the snow queen competition and such, instead of working on more pressing problems. Conflicts forced the union to disband. Some people complained that ASNMU was partly to blame by not offering enough support. There were problems with the governing board, too. Certain members were running committees and couldn't get down to specific problems. Second semester there were no graduate students, and a few quit too late to hold elections.

Elections would have taken too much time and money, Malaney explained. Due

partly to disinterest, the board was down four or five members, which was damaging to morale.

"The Board of Control issue was blown way out of proportion," Malaney commented. "People said we were interested in getting students on it—that's bullshit." They did not know in advance about the Michigan Tech guy. A lot of politics were involved in that decision, Malaney explained.

The Senate has to investigate the candidates. If students are interested, they could start now on working on the next appointment, which will come two to four years from now. Malaney believes the appointment shouldn't be held solely to students—a recent grad of five or six years could be beneficial.

"Certain people think we would benefit with a Board of Control student—it would only be good if he represented not only the students, but all concerned," he said. "Thomas Korpi, recent MTU appointee, stated this."

My rapport with the Board of Control was good—they listened to me attentively because they took a keen interest in what I said, like about the evaluation. At the last meeting, the tri-semester idea was discussed. Other ideas are cutting the summer tuition and the food co-op store.

"I would hate to see the next government fail or drop off," Malaney confided. He pointed to the housing situation—"It's horrible, there's no other way you can describe it." He commented that people come and criticize the problems after the fact, then when they lose they are gone. Four ran for office last year, and the three losers never came back.

"Students should take an interest in the city," asserted Malaney. "There's two memberships coming up on the city commission next November. We could get someone there who sympathizes with the students. It would be a big asset for the students—especially with housing."

Malaney then began on the future of NMU. "The next government could either hamper or help things, depending on how they work," he said.

He thinks the meal plan idea is good. It had been brought up before, but now more students are interested, which makes a big difference.

As far as housing goes, he thinks both freshmen and sophomores should be required to live on campus. Marquette has housing problems, and having more students in apartments would push the prices up. It's almost impossible now in the dorms without pushing prices up. If

dorms were converted to apartments, the price would still be thrown back to the students. "It's worth looking into," he added.

Different proposals for changing the U.C. into a student center have already been looked into with Bob Fisher of auxiliary services. Ideas were solicited both in the NORTH WIND and on the radio and there was little response. People are starting to gripe now.

The NORTH WIND and WBKX will probably move there. If action had been taken there could also have been a sauna, a food store, and rental equipment etc. Malaney remembers that in 1969 the U.C. was a hot spot for students, but now more live down campus.

The parking lot problem is age old, Malaney said. Every year the administration tells the students there's plenty of parking in places like Lot O. It's a dead end.

The finance committee has already been allocating money for such things as movies, and although there are complaints, it's been improving yearly. Those involved work 10 to 20 hours a week with no pay. It's a lot of responsibility and Malaney commends them.

Getting more periodicals for the library is fine, said Malaney, but with the financial crises we're in now, how are we going to budget it? Administration salary cuts would help the situation, but that is unrealistic to ask for or expect.

"I'm glad it's over," Malaney concluded. "I'm looking forward to getting out of here. Students shouldn't be so critical of the academics of our school. Neither should the faculty, especially in academics."



A wall hanging by Tom Mosler is one of the individual art works now on display in L.R.C.

## Where to live?

A "Guide to Housing in Marquette" will be available for use by NMU students and local residents in late May, under a program developed this year by United Ministries in Higher Education at Northern and St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The "Guide" is being compiled from information supplied by the Chamber of Commerce, local real estate agents, and off-campus students on apartments and rooms in the Marquette area.

A task-force of members of St. Paul's has been working with UMHE Director Russ Allen in responding to what they feel is the initial need of off-campus students: locating housing in the city.

Copies of the "Guide" will be made available by June 1, at which time arrangements will also be made for establishing an information service for off-campus students moving to Marquette this summer.

Prior to the final compilation of the "Guide" in May, further information on apartments and rooms in Marquette is welcome from any owners or tenants who have not yet participated in the housing survey. Survey cards are available on campus, by writing UMHE-NMU at 811 West Fair Avenue, Marquette, or by calling Russ Allen at 225-0302.

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## Prove it

Thirteen per cent of the student body voted in the Associated Students of NMU (ASNMU) elections. Reasons why more students did not participate vary from "I forgot" to "What good will it do no matter who wins.?"

Consequently, a minority of concerned students determined the structure of next year's government. The NORTH WIND wishes to thank those people and offer its congratulations to President Jeff Watts and Vice-president Fritz Mills, as well as ASNMU representatives.

Now that we put our faith behind you, prove that you do indeed deserve it.

## Roberts loses election, wins respect

Presidential candidate Shawn Roberts lost the election by only 12 votes (a re-count revealed that the first count of 13 was incorrect). Because of the minute margin of loss, WBKX and several students encouraged Roberts to demand a re-vote.

But, acting in the good of student interest, he refrained from such action, claiming that it would only split the University. (See story page one). Instead, he will work closely with ASNMU government, in hopes of running again next year.

the NORTH WIND commends Roberts on this decision which warrants student support and respect.

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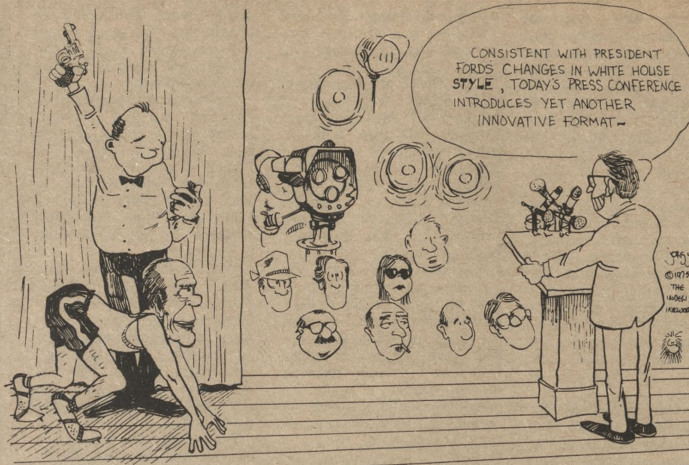
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## Letter to the Editor

# Drop football team

Dear Editor:

We do not understand sports at Northern. How can the administration appropriate more funds to a losing football team and will not give equal facilities, money and time to the prospering minor sports, such as women's field hockey, women's basketball, women's volleyball and women's skiing?

We know this question is out of season, but it is something that needs to be said. Why is a football team necessary?

Something to do on a Saturday afternoon when most students should be studying to bring up the academic standards of Northern.

Speaking of academic standards, what do individual members of the NMU squad do besides bring it down? Not necessarily in lower grade points, but in achieving the grade points.

At a time when NMU needs funds and even our dear old president is giving part of his salary up, why are we giving money to football players to

lose? When schools such as the University of Tampa can give up their football team, why cannot NMU?

If valid answers can be found for these questions asked, we just may join the cheering fans on a fall Saturday afternoon, never of course in exchange for our seats in the grassy fields along side the NMU women's field hockey team.

MARGARET A. GILLIS  
LAURA S. STROM

## Letter to the Editor

# Sororities clean up

Dear Editor:

To the sororities that were involved in the campus clean up drive. A great big thank you for the wonderful job done

on litter pick up at the Quad II area. It is this type of involvement that brings the student and service staff closer together and makes

Northern the great university that it is.

Thanks very much!

BILL EADE  
Quad II Supervisor

# An apple a day

by ROBERT B. WHITE, M.D.

Q: Is it unhealthy to maintain a diet of canned and boxed foods, as many of the students in Carey Hall do?

A: Yes. Canned and boxed foods are usually heavy on carbohydrates and fats; low on protein, vitamins and minerals. However, I am aware that the mere statement of fact is not going to alter eating habits. Cost and convenience are potent arguments that are not easily dismissed. Therefore, let me at least plead for the addition of raw fruits and vegetables to two meals a day.

Q: Is there really an epidemic of mono going around or is it just the "in" thing to have this semester?

A: Mono (short for infectious mononucleosis) is rarely found in epidemics. Rather on college campuses it is present in what is called endemic form; i.e., present more or less all the time. In fact there is never a month including summer) when we do not see cases of mono.

On the other hand, it is true that at this time of year we often see a slight increase in the number of more severe cases. This may be due in part to the general fatigue which for various reasons afflicts some students in the spring.

The fatigue in turn may result in lowered body defense mechanisms, thus allowing the virus to produce actual disease. For more complete coverage of this disease entity, why not stop by the Health Center and pick up one of our pamphlets entitled "So You Have Mono."

Q: Will listening to my stereo with my earphones and the volume up to the max really damage my hearing?

A: Yes. Sound is transmitted to the brain through the eighth cranial nerve by means of a helical shaped structure in the ear called the cochlea. This organ contains a clear fluid and fine hairs called cilia. Outside sound produces movement of the fluid which in turn causes the cilia to oscillate.

These oscillations send messages to the brain over the course of the eighth nerve bundle in an electrical fashion and are interpreted as sound. It is really a marvelous mechanism and should be treated with care.

When you turn that volume to the max, those little cilia (particularly those responsible for picking up the higher frequencies) just lay down and die. Result: You can end up with a permanent hearing loss for certain high frequency sounds.

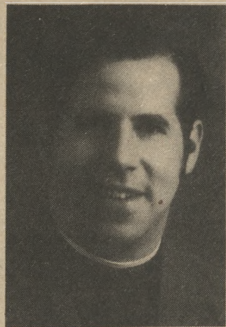
On further reflection, the human ear and brain are capable of interpreting an almost infinite number and variety of sounds with different impact on body, mind and spirit.

While I, too, enjoy the big sound, I must say that over the years I have had an ever-increasing appreciation for the subtle beauty of the small sounds—those you have to strain to hear—like a chamber music quartet.

Inquiry

# A Marquette problem?

(Editor's Note: Throughout this term, Inquiry has been concerned with the reality of World Hunger and its relationship to the university and to our lifestyles. However, hunger is not the only issue confronting Northern, Marquette, the U.P. or the human community. During the remaining issues of this semester, we wish to discuss a few of these questions from perspectives which we feel are not usually considered.)



edited by  
RUSSELL H. ALLEN

A recent action by the Marquette City Commission which aroused surprisingly little public reaction may appear to be of slight interest for Northern, the NORTH WIND, or this column.

We refer to the 4-0 (with one Commissioner absent) decision to allow a \$100 million suit against Superior Public Rights, Inc., for, among other items, "defaming the City of Marquette" and "unnecessary mental anguish."

We must assume that such an action by a legitimate government body acting for the people of Marquette, reflects the opinion of a majority of that people (university and non-university alike) and expresses the wishes of those groups and institutions which comprise their leadership.

The role which the university has in assisting its community (i.e. Marquette) in constructively responding to the social, economic, political, etc., problems of the city gives a dynamic meaning to the town-gown relationship which does exist. Out of that role is formed an interest and concern for the actions which affect the whole community.

In what way, then, ought we to view the institution of this legal action? It is difficult to

take it seriously. There can be no realistic belief that \$100 million would actually be awarded to the victorious city, provided the city could demonstrate what seems essential to the suit: That the goal of Superior Public Rights was to achieve the ends specifically charged in the suit.

It is not unlike John Adams' opening song in 1776, where he claims the only reason Congress exists is to drive him mad.

If then, the purpose of the suit is not to actually obtain \$100 million, nor even to win the suit itself, what is the reasoning behind it? A logical conclusion is that the suit is an attempt at "counter-harassment".

The language attributed to His Honor the Mayor in the April 1, 1975 Mining Journal suggests "strongly" that the

SPR is little more than an annoying gnat bent on obstructing progress in the city of Marquette (i.e. the erection of the unloader).

Rather than responding to the particular opinions and perspectives of the SPR position, the Commission seems to have decided to fight fire with fire. SPR viewed as a small elite core bent on harassing the economic growth of Marquette, must be attacked (and, presumably, destroyed) by similar acts of harassment.

What is troubling is that there appears to be little or no attempt to respond directly to the position held by Superior Public Rights, Inc., nor to allow the question to be arbitrated fairly in the courts.

The prior decisions made by the Marquette Board of Appeals and the City Commission to change or amend zoning regulations to enable the coal unloader's construction have appeared to be motivated in part by the desire to deny SPR its day in court. Such an approach seriously contradicts many of the national and moral principles of our society.

We wish to call upon those institutions in Marquette which are self-committed to moral integrity and rational dialogue to assist in the resolution of this conflict so as to allow for the constructive use of our legal system and for open and responsible policies regarding the use of our natural resources and the growth of economic stability for our people.

## Enrollment picture brightens

While the national trend in higher education enrollments appears to be plateauing, Northern Michigan University's admissions-enrollment picture is showing signs of brightening. Acting Admissions Director Lowell Kafer said today.

Total enrollment for the current semester is up over last year, as is the number of persons applying to Northern for admission in the fall 1975 term, he said.

"Both of these figures are a cause for optimism that the quality program offerings at this university are attracting increasing numbers of students from both in and out of the state, in spite of the current economic downturn," he added.

Kafer reported that the head

count for the current semester totaled 8,037, or 245 more than last year's figure of 7,792. The figure includes 6,881 undergraduates and 1,156 graduate students.

The application count as of March 23 totaled 3,437, up by 148 over last year.

"The major upswing is in incoming freshmen, with 2,855 indicating an interest in Northern," he said. Of these, 814 are from the Upper Peninsula, 1,838 from lower Michigan and 203 from out of state.

This compares with last year's figures of 2,691 freshmen applications. The breakdown included 769 from the U.P., 1,752 from downstate and 170 from out of state.

Among transfer students applying to Northern, 582 had

applied as of March 28, down slightly from 598 who had applied a year ago.

Dr. Kafer said the increase "is due largely to the efforts of the members of the Admissions Office and the excellent cooperation received from faculty and staff in our recruitment efforts."

"Northern's fine reputation for academic excellence continues to grow," he said.

"Satisfied customers are spreading the word about the excellence of our faculty and our facilities. And the many high school principals and counselors realize this too, and are offering us splendid cooperation in helping us to tell Northern's story to their students."

## In perspective



## Think about it

by GLORIA WILLIAMS  
NORTH WIND Reporter

The week of April 13 was to be observed as World Hunger Week on the NMU campus. World Hunger Week was recognized as an official campus activity by the Academic Senate and the Office of the President.

Even though World Hunger Week was an official event, there was little or no publicity posted on campus. The residence hall committees along with other University organizations shared the responsibility of advertising the event. Some professors discussed the hunger observance with their classes.

The purpose of World Hunger Week was to make students aware of the nutrition problem. Rev. R. Allen stated that favorites such as desserts are wasteful because they lack nutritional value. Rev. Allen also said that any waste affects what others eat.

A hunger meal was scheduled for April 15. The purpose of this meal was to save money so that dollars that weren't used would go to countries where people are starving.

Students who planned to fast were to sign-up with members of the hunger committee. The University would then give the pupils a rebate for the meal so they could donate the money to the hunger committee.

Other activities that took place in addition to the hunger meal was a Balldicer game in the Quad I cafeteria. Literature concerning the underfed populations was distributed in the Learning Resources last Thursday.

Even though this year's event wasn't a success, Rev. Allen wants to have another observance next year. Rev. Allen hopes that next year's committee will use their talents to promote Hunger Week the same way they were used in Winfeater events.

Next year's tribute to hunger will be a success if there is more involvement from student activity office, quad program boards, etc.

This year only 50 students took part in Hunger Week. Hopefully more students will participate next year.

The next time your tray goes through the slop line with food still on it think about this:

The U.P. isn't immune to world hunger.

## Canadian professor highlights International Week

A professor of political science from Laurentian University in Ontario, Canada, will talk on Canadian-American relations during International Week on Northern Michigan University's campus April 7 through 11.

Robert V. Segsworth of Sudbury will speak on the Canadian economy and culture and the responses to these influences by the federal and provincial governments. His talk will be given at 8 p.m. tonight in West Science Building, Lecture Room A.

Segsworth's address will be a highlight of the International Week observance being sponsored by NMU's departments of political science and foreign languages as part of Northern's 75th anniversary.

Another guest of International Week will be Dale Tahtinen, an honor graduate of NMU who is now assistant director of foreign and defense policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research in Washington, D.C. Tahtinen will make several appearances on the NMU campus and in the Marquette area on April 7 and 8. He will deliver a public lecture, "The United States and the Middle East," April 7 at 8 p.m. in IF

101. The agenda also includes a faculty-student panel discussion on foreign studies to be held at 8 p.m. April 9 in the Brule Room of the Don H. Botton University Center. Panelists will include Dr. Midrag Georgevich, head of the political science department, Rolande Graves of the foreign language department, and two students who have participated in Northern's foreign studies program. Topic will be the nature and benefits of foreign studies.

On April 11, the foreign language department will hold a program for area high school students in the Marquette Armory which will feature foreign language dances, songs and skits performed by students beginning at 9 a.m. Games will be played and refreshments served.

### letter

Dear Editor:  
The Brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi would like to express our appreciation to the guests, performers and staff of the Back Door who made Good Times and Friends possible. A special thanks to Ron Stump. This time it was a gasi gang. Thanks!

CHUCK PELTO



# Summer school announced

A wide variety of subjects geared to the region's particular needs will be offered by NMU during its 1975 Summer Session scheduled to begin June 16.

"We have scheduled classes and workshops which we think will be of special interest to persons who are considering attending Northern this summer," said Dr. J. Donovan Jackson, director of summer session.

A large number of high school summer camps will be held, Jackson said.

In addition to the main campus in Marquette, courses will also be offered at Lake Superior State College in Sault Ste. Marie, at Iron Mountain-Kingsford, and at the NMU Field Station on Cusino Lake near Munising.

Four sessions are slated: the first four-week segment will be held June 16-July 11; a six-week session will begin June 30, ending August 8; an eight-week session also begins on June 16, terminating August 8, and a second four-week session will be held July 14-August 8.

Courses will be offered in 18 associate degree and 12

master's degree programs, and also in the areas of educational administration and supervision leading to the education specialist degree. Mott inter-university clinical programs will also be taught.

A series of one-week workshops for teachers include such topics as the middle school, the open classroom, use of teacher aids and the gifted student.

Two-week teacher workshops will touch on kindergarten curriculum, career education and organization and supervision of reading programs.

Teacher workshops begin June 16 and continue through August 22.

Slated for administrators are three two-week workshops beginning June 30 and ending August 7. Topics to be covered include organizational development, educational planning and the future, and evaluation of performance.

Special subject workshops will be held in the areas of industry and technology, conservation, business education, speech pathology and audiology, English, debate and forensics, home

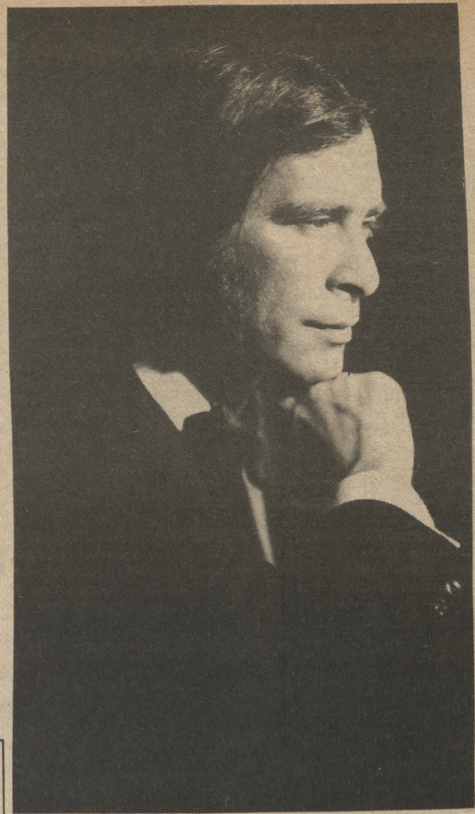
economics and physical education and recreation.

An unusually large selection of summer camps for high school students will be held. Included are boys' basketball, June 15-21, July 6-12 and August 3-9; girls' gymnastics, June 15-21; boys' football, June 22-28; swimming, June 22-28; tennis, July 20-26, and cheerleading, July 27 August 1.

Also scheduled are wrestling, August 10-17; girls' basketball, July 27-August 1; athletic trainer's clinic, July 9-12; debate workshop, August 2-16; forensic workshop, July 28-August 2 and August 4-9; visual arts prep school, August 9-16 and music, August 9-16.

Information on the 1975 Summer Session is available by contacting the Director of Summer Sessions, Northern Michigan University, Marquette 49855, telephone 227-2420.

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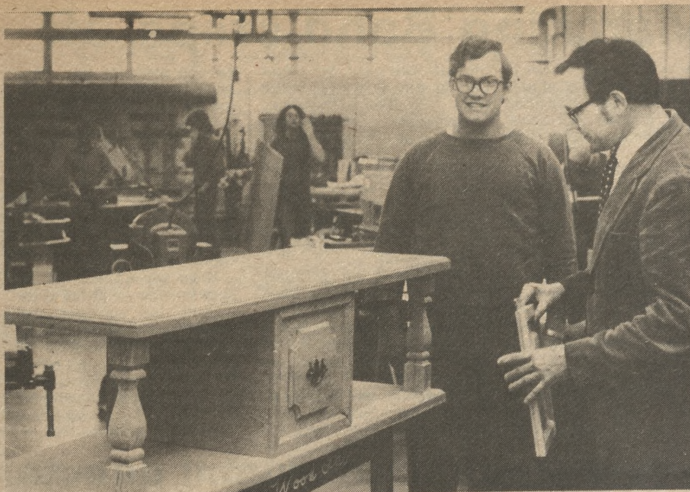
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**FROM THE U.P. FORESTS**—To the finished product, this coffee table built by Northern Michigan University Junior John Ashley of Marquette is produced entirely in the Upper Peninsula. Made of choice black cherry supplied by the Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co. Forest Center Sawmill near Munising, the piece is being viewed by classmate Taylor Brintlinger, a junior from Negaunee, and Woodworking instructor, Dr. Cairl Moore.

## 'Women-Health' conference topic

"Women and Health" will be the topic of a one-day conference taking place here on the campus of Northern Michigan University April 26.

Dr. Barbara Lyons, formerly director of the NMU Health Center and now practicing family medicine in Marquette, will be the keynote speaker.

The conference will be held in the Don H. Bottum University Center, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is being sponsored by the NMU Women's Center and the Marquette Chapter of the National Organization of Women.

"In the past few years, there has been an increased interest on the part of women to know more about their bodies and themselves" said Holly Greer, director of the NMU center.

"The conference is a response to this interest.

Through panel discussions, small group experiences, films and other media, the workshops are designed to replace fears and myths with sound information and the ability to use it to enjoy a state of well-being," she said.

Participants can choose from four workshops in the morning and four in the afternoon.

The workshops are:

**Lifestyles in Nutrition and Exercise**—What your body needs in foods and vitamins to keep healthy and active;

**The How-Not-To Workshop**—Information on birth control, abortion and venereal disease;

**Being a Woman and Liking it: The Fertility Cycle**—Emphasis on pregnancy and menopause;

**How To Be Me**—Exploring crises in identity development

common to women and how to grow through them;

**Women and Cancer**—Answers to questions about lung, breast, uterine and colon cancer through films and a panel of experts;

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**The Body Electric**—Designed for high school and college women to integrate sexuality, body awareness and positive self-concepts.

For registration or more information about the conference, call the Women's Center at NMU, 227-2219.

## Special Olympics Saturday

The Upper Peninsula Special Olympics is coming to NMU's campus Saturday, April 26. Four hundred and sixty-four participants from throughout the U.P. will be competing in track and field events, swimming and gymnastics.

The day will begin at 8:45 a.m. Saturday when the athletes march into the Hper fieldhouse for the opening ceremonies. Then comes the moment the students have been working toward: Their chance to compete and show the skills they have acquired.

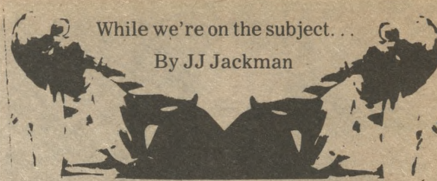
At lunch break, the J.F.

Kennedy school of Escanaba will present a square dance as special entertainment. Then comes more competition and the closing ceremonies.

Saturday will bring all the training and participating to a close for some but for others it may bring the chance to travel across the bridge to Central Michigan University to compete in the Michigan State Olympics.

You can help send an "Olympian" to CMU by contributing \$25 to the Adopt-A-Champ program, initiated at NMU by the Student Council for Exceptional Children. Many organizations

on campus have already donated, and those wishing to donate can contact or mail a check payable to U.P. Special Olympics to Steve Taylor, 227-3284, 110 Gant Hall, or Barb Welch, 227-1491, 229 Spalding.



While we're on the subject...

By JJ Jackman

Like a nagging half-memory it haunts you. Things begin to look strange. The sun comes up before noon and doesn't go down until after 4 p.m. Where before there were mounds of packed snow and ice, now is sprouting growth. Nasty rumors begin to spread, and everyone's hopes are raised. Then you realize what it is—it's spring.

Along with the sun and the six seagulls who had the brains to migrate, there are a lot of other dead give-aways to increase one's awareness of the change in seasons. The unmistakable aroma of doggie deposits around the LRC is a heady example.

Spring fever hits the dorms. This phenomenon is spotted easily by the unusual body movements the affliction causes. People are obsessively driven to coughing, sneezing, breathing and otherwise infecting the rest of the student body with the top 10 diseases of the week.

When students finally become accustomed to blinding daylight before 3 p.m., a progressively worse mental disease develops. People who catch it early seldom survive a semester with it. I am speaking of the calendar counters.

You've seen them. The walk around campus counting backwards, checking their digital watches and babbling quietly to themselves, "hand in there, you can make it."

In the more advanced cases the calendar counter will find himself wide awake in the middle of the night pondering questions like "What am I doing here," or more importantly "Will I get caught?" The counter just can't wait for finals week because he knows how much fun it will all be.

My favorite part about spring is that it brings out the patches of mud, empty beer cans, soggy cardboard boxes, rotten grass and old chicken bones that add to the festive look of the campus. It offers one the security of living in a communal garbage can owned by a cyclops with a bad aim.



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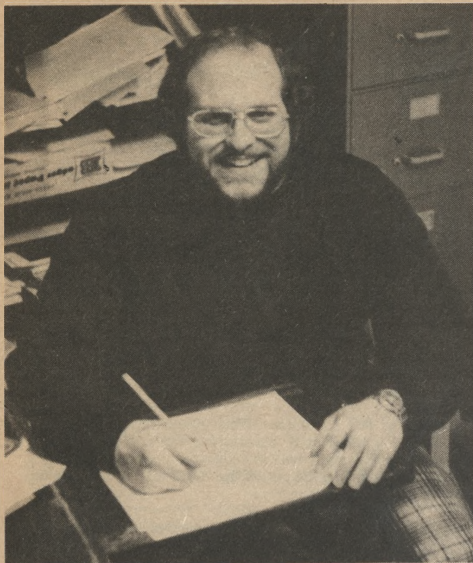
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### Interested in creativity?

Again it is that time of the year to choose the new yearbook staff and students interested in working on Northern's yearbook, The Peninsula, for 1975-76; are asked to apply for the job. Positions open include: copy editor, page editors, picture editor, activities editor, art editor, and a variety of business jobs, some of which are: business manager, ad-

vertising manager and sales manager. This could be just the opportunity some artists, journalists and business majors have been looking for to share talents, skills, and abilities.

Students should contact Peggy Kuntz at 227-1378, or come by to see her at 211 Spalding.

### Outstanding educators named

Four Northern Michigan University professors have been selected to appear in the 1975 edition of "Outstanding Educators of America."

The four are: Dr. Robert Charles Moore, associate professor of physics; Dr. Suzanne Kiesby, assistant professor of speech; Dr. Fillmore C.F. Earney, associate professor of geography, earth science and conservation; and Dr. William W. Ralph, assistant professor of physics.

Nominated earlier in the year by administrators, deans and department chairmen of the university, they are being honored for their exceptional academic accomplishments and contributions.

Complete biographical sketches on each of the four will be featured in the annual awards volume, which includes special introductory messages from prominent Americans.

## Marching Band steps off

The annual body search to fill the ranks and files of next year's Wildcat Marching Band is already well under way, reports director Ben Miller.

Miller said that letters have already been sent to all previous band members to determine how many veterans will be returning next fall.

With tongue firmly in cheek, Miller continued, "But in case our four million dollar marching band computer has somehow overlooked someone, I hope they will come and see me."

"But seriously, I feel that there are a lot of people on this campus who play instruments, who haven't been

in marching band, but might like to give it a try," Miller said. "I'd like to encourage these people to come and talk to me about joining the band."

The director said that prospective band members shouldn't worry about band taking up too much of their time, but should consider all the friends that are part of being in band.

Miller hopes the recruiting efforts will net him a band larger than last year's group of about 85, since he has a number of new uniforms on order in anticipation of the larger band.

As part of this expansion, Miller reports that last year's High Stepper Dance Corps will

become separate flag corps and dance corps next year, to get the best in both fields.

He asked that anyone with any experience or interest in these areas contact him. Miller said that the flag corps could be co-ed, but that the dancers will most likely be female, "...unless we run across some guys with exceptionally good legs."

Miller hopes to have all the show themes completed by the end of the semester, but welcomes any show or music suggestions from students. He can be contacted in his office, B-8 in Thomas Fine Arts or by calling the Music Department at 227-3540 or by calling Miller at home at 228-6870.

## Nyquist appointed alumni director

Terry Nyquist, former football standout at NMU, has been appointed director of alumni relations.

Associate director for alumni relations from 1969-1973, Nyquist became acting director in 1973.

Student recruitment will be a high priority in Nyquist's

upcoming program. He calls it the Alumni Ambassador Program, which will use alumni as ambassadors assisting in student recruitment.

He also plans to revive the alumni clubs in the U.P. and in major areas of the Lower

Peninsula.

Nyquist received his undergraduate degree from NMU in 1965 and his masters in 1968. He also holds Northern's football records for the longest punt (74 yards), and the longest field goal (49 yards).

### Letter to the Editor

## Tote-bag stolen

Dear Editor:

This past Tuesday (April 15) the tote bag in which I carry my books to class was stolen from the bookstore. The bag was placed on the shelves right inside the store. I wouldn't have put it there but a sign at the entrance says place your books, purses, umbrellas, etc., in the lockers or on the shelves.

At the time I had no change to put in the coin operated lockers so I used the shelves;

15 minutes later my canvas tote bag was gone. The following day I approached the assistant manager of the bookstore and asked if they could make a refund.

He said something to the effect that the bookstore isn't responsible for the students' property and students should put their belongings in the lockers.

I feel since it is the bookstore's policy not to have items carried into the store,

that they should be held responsible for thefts. I would like to know what your readers think about this.

I would like to thank the thief for leaving my bag where a janitor in I.F. was able to find it and turn it over to Campus Security. Another thanks goes to the thief for leaving most of the things inside the tote. A big thanks to the girls in my house who have been keeping an eye on my room.

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Rules and official entry forms are available by writing

to World of Poetry, 801 Portola Drive, Suite 211, San Francisco, Cal. 94127. The contest closes June 30, 1975.

## Classified ads

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Wanted to buy for summer session: Books for \$0.311, The Community. Call 226-6684 after 3 p.m.  
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### LOST:

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### PERSONALS:

Happy Birthday Chip!—Katie.

Thanks to all the sigma sigma Sigma pledges for the great work you've done this year. Congratulations to pledges Polly Bender, Joyce Burkund, Sherri Jenzen and Linda Maddock for going active Sunday, April 20.—Tri Sigma Actives.


### 'Voices' cancelled

Voices, the Black Musical Theatre of New York, has been cancelled. The program was scheduled April 24, 1975. Due to cancellation of tour, Voices is unable to appear on NMU's campus at this time.

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## NMU talent premieres

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Hidden talent will be revealed in a variety of ways including...singing, dancing, baton twirling (by the one and only Alvin Jackson!), guitar

entertainment, and...the true identity of the "Anna Perenna Pretties."

Prizes will be \$50 first, \$25 second, \$15 third, and \$10 fourth.

Admission to the show is free to all NMU I.D. card holders.

## northern notes

Friday, April 25: Community Concert, Graveraet Auditorium, 8:15 p.m. Dept. of Music.

—WNMR broadcasts the Berlin Radio Symphony Orchestra and Choir at 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 26: NMU Gamers meeting in the U.C. Iroquois Room from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Open to the public.

—U.P. Special Olympics will be held at the C.B. Hedgcock fieldhouse.

Sunday, April 27: Opera Scenes—Vocal Concert, I.F. 102, 3 p.m., Dept. of Music.

Tuesday, April 29: Student Recital No. 7, Dept. of Music, Forest Roberts Theatre, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30-Friday, May 2: Nancy Hauser Dance Company.

Thursday, May 1: Senior Recital, I.F. 103, 8:15 p.m., Dept. of Music.

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# Modern dancers offer talent



The Nancy Hauser Dance Company will be in residence at Northern April 29 through May 1. The company will perform in concert on Thursday and in a free demonstration at the Hedgecock Fieldhouse April 29.

The Nancy Hauser Dance Company, a professional modern dance company from Minneapolis, will be in residence at Northern Michigan University from April 29 through May 1.

The seven year old company includes nine dancers and two musicians under the direction of Nancy Hauser, former member of the renowned Hanya Holm Company of New York. The company will teach daily classes and workshops in area schools, and will offer community classes that will include all ages and levels of dance experience.

Highlighting the week will be a concert at 8:15 p.m. Thursday (May 1) in the Forest Roberts Theatre. Admission for the concert is \$1 for university students and \$2.50 for others. Tickets may be obtained at the Dean of Student's Office or at the door.

A free dance demonstration for the general public will also be given at 8 p.m. Tuesday (April 29) in the C.B. Hedgecock gymnasium.

The event is sponsored by Something Different Unlimited (the AANMU Cultural Board) with funding provided by the Office of the Coordination for Special Events.

Additional information is available from Roberts Verley, instructor of health, physical education and recreation at NMU, 227-3520.

## 'Romeo and Juliet' premieres tonight

Ms. Adele Rapport of Marquette and Terance Duddy of Coldwater will play the title roles in the Northern Michigan University production of "Romeo and Juliet" which will run April 24-27 in the Forest Roberts Theater at NMU.

The play, one of the most famous penned by William Shakespeare, tells of the love between two young members of the feuding Montague and Capulet families.

Rapport while virtually a newcomer to the NMU stage, is well known to local theatre

goers. Her previous roles include Chava in the Marquette Community Theater's production of "Fiddler on the Roof;" Helen in the Marquette Senior High School adaptation of "The Miracle Worker;" and the title role in "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Duddy's NMU credits include Jerry in "Zoo Story" and the deck officer in "Dylan."

Other members of the cast from the Marquette area include: Laura Karcheski, Tim Vanderberg, Ron Risdon, Lewis Amendola, Peggy Whitman and Susan Jahnke,

all of Marquette; Gerry Aho of Eben; and Paul Sarvello and Joe Tassone of Ishpeming.

Members of the cast also include: Bob Courchaine and Ron Peterson, Escanaba; John Brokenshire, Ramsay; William McKee, Ann Arbor; Chris Zellari Reed City; Randy Higgins and Kathy Wisniewski, Harper Woods; Bill Streib and Charles Valley, Bay City; Steve Ensign, White Pine; Greg Fodor, Hubbard Lake; Dave Weber, Newberry; Jim Greer, Grosse Pointe Woods; Steve Duff, Iron Mountain; David Sommers, Flint; Bruce Peek, Mason; D. Mantos, Franklin,

N.H.; Jackie Schmitt, Rose City; Kathy Anschuetz, Alpena; Franni Turean, Grand Rapids; Gayle Wise, Harsens Island; Angelina Fiordellissi, Warren; Paul Connolly, Troy; and Sue Carbury, Kawkawlin.

Under the direction of Dr. James Rapport, head of the department of speech and theatre at NMU, "Romeo and Juliet" will be performed at 8:15 p.m. April 24-26 and 2 p.m. April 27. Reservations may be made by calling the box office, 227-3533. Tickets are \$.50 for students and \$1.50 for non-students. Group rates are available.

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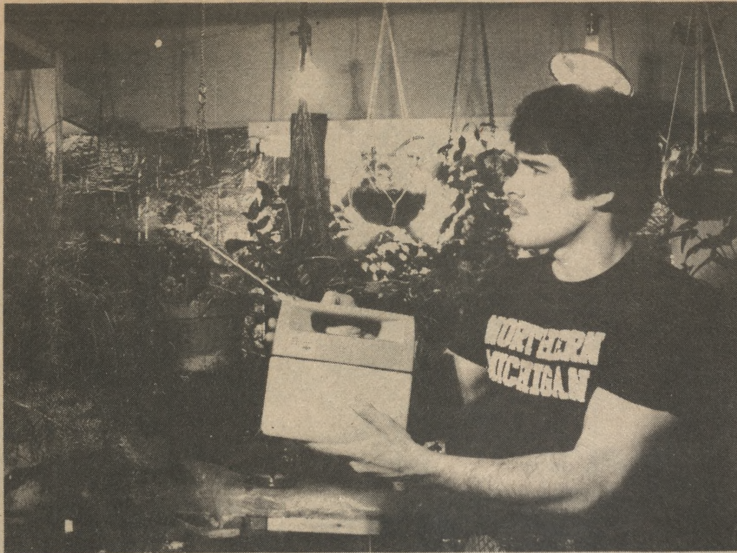


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**WRESTLER WITH A GREEN THUMB**—Northern Michigan University student John Hittler, a senior from Lambertville in Monroe County, uses a powered sprayer to water the dozens of plants he grows as a hobby in his residence hall room. Recently voted "most valuable member" of his wrestling team, Hittler will graduate next month, and plans on teaching physical education and coaching wrestling.

## Wrestler has green thumb

What does a half-Nelson have in common with a Venus Fly Trap? Absolutely nothing, unless you're talking to John Hittler who is a student at Northern Michigan University.

Hittler is one of Northern's top wrestlers—in fact, he was chosen as "most valuable" member of the NMU team last week. And when he isn't wrestling—for studying, chances are he is caring for the dozens of plants which occupy most of his room in Halverson Residence Hall. Hittler is a horticulturist at heart.

A senior from Lambertville in Monroe County, Hittler started with a few plants two years ago, and the hobby just "sorta grew" on him.

And grow it did.

Plants are on windowsills, they hang from the ceiling, produce lush growth in terrariums; they're on shelves on the floor and on tables. They're everywhere.

"My friends are amazed when they come in the room for the first time," Hittler noted. "Oh, wow!" seems to be the typical reaction.

### Hittler most valuable wrestler

Senior veteran John Hittler has been voted Most Valuable Player for 1974-75 season by his wrestling teammates.

Hittler, a senior, capped the season with a fourth place finish at 167 lbs. in the NCAA Division II championships and set an NMU record by scoring 128.5 points during the year.

During his career, Hittler had a 70-23-1 won-lost record, tenth best in Northern history on a percentage basis. His 70 victories rank him third in career wins and he ranks second in career points with 280.5.

The two-time captain's record during the season, was 30-6-0, making him the second wrestler to win 30 bouts in one year. He had nine falls during the season, raising his career total to 19, fourth best among Northern grapplers.

Students who pass by in the hallway sometimes do a double-take when a glance into his room reveals a veritable jungle of plant growth—some of the more ambitious species reaching nearly to the ceiling.

So lustily has the menagerie of plants propagated that Hittler has had to invest in a powered watering device which sprays the thousands of leaves with their daily dose of water. They drink gallons of it, Hittler says.

There are over 60 varieties—plants of all sizes and shapes.

Probably one of the most intriguing is the Venus Fly Trap, a rather small and innocent-looking plant that snaps its clam-like trap shut on flies or other insects who happen by. It's the only "carnivorous" plant in his collection.

Some of the plants come from tropical areas, others—like his favorite cacti—are natives of the deserts and semi-arid areas of the Southwest.

Ferns, Hittler says, are the hardest to grow, but are among the most popular with his customers. And then there's the Purple Passion Plant in a class by itself.

Students and university employees are Hittler's main customers. They keep him busy tending his plants—when he's not wrestling other students or his books. In fact, Hittler's greenery provides him with enough "green stuff" to supply most of his needs for spending money during the school year.

How did he learn so much about the care of so many plants? Hittler said part of it "just comes naturally" with help from the dozen or so reference books which line the shelf above the desk he shares with roommate Glenn Zipperer, a freshman from Manitowoc, Wis.

Hittler plans on becoming a physical education teacher and wrestling coach after graduating—which isn't far off.

What will happen to his plants?

"Well, I've sold a lot of them in the past few weeks—guess I'll have to hold a clearance sale," Hittler observed, not too concerned.

"There's a fellow down the hall who seems to be interested in taking over the 'business' so he will take some of these for starters."

## Athletics are important

People have always asked the question, "Why is athletics important?" But recently the question seems to be asked more frequently. With budget cuts, teacher layoffs and the rising cost of education, people who aren't involved in sports want to know why so much money is being put into Northern's sports program.

To be truthful, I really don't consider \$350,400,000 very much to spend on athletics for a school this size. Not considering the whole school budget of \$18 million. That figure includes travel, scholarships, salaries—the whole shot. Besides, the two main sports on campus—football and basketball—practically pay for themselves.

The more money that is put into an athletic program, the better it becomes. When a program improves, not only will more students attend the school, but so will the paying customers. That's true not only in amateur sports but also on the professional level.

For the past fifteen years Northern's athletic teams have represented the university in national tournaments. This has brought recognition to Northern as having an outstanding and progressive athletic program in addition to being an educational institution.

At present, over 70 per cent of Northern's student body is participating in some form of athletic competition. There are many different types of sports offered here, whether it be varsity, intramural or just a pickup game. Varsity tryouts are open to anyone interested.

Sports can provide competition and leisure for after-school hours. There's nothing like going to the gym for a couple of hours to relax and unwind after a day of classes.

Historically, sports have been a part, and to many a way of life. Ancient Greeks stressed athletics along with developing the mind and spiritual body. The same holds true today. The U.S. Commissioner of Education, John W. Studebaker said "I believe that anyone who has participated extensively in athletics will agree that no lessons of college life were more valuable in the development of those qualities of sanity and poise so essential in meeting the exaction of life in this complicated civilization of ours."

Even if 30 per cent of the student body, for their own reasons, do not get involved in athletics, I'm sure the remainder of the students would like to see the athletic program continued like it is.

## Shorkey wins all-American honors

Senior Ken Shorkey has been elected the Most Valuable swimmer by his teammates. He is the only Northern athlete ever to earn All-American honors four consecutive seasons.

It was the third straight MVP honor for the co-captain and marked the third time in Northern athletic history that one man has been most valuable in one sport three times. The others were basketball stars Ted Rose and

George Barber.

Shorkey was coach Don Trost's leading performer this past season, accounting for 171.25 points and taking 13 first places. He placed in three events and scored 14.5 points in the NCAA Division II championships.

During the national finals, he set varsity marks in the 400 yard individual medley, the valuable in one sport three times. The others were basketball stars Ted Rose and 800 yard free style relay.

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New offensive line coach Buck Nysrstrom puts Northern players through their paces during spring training sessions in the gym.

