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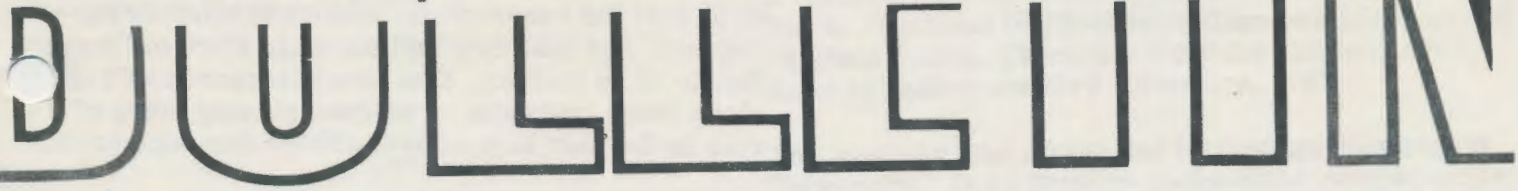
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Practical Politics

"I was wondering why I haven't seen him in class lately," said one of his professors, Edward Lashman.

When his mother answered the phone to see if he was available, she said, "He's in Washington today for the swearing in ceremonies."

So that's what has been keeping Thomas Valley's attention these days. He was the campaign coordinator for the successful Congressional campaign of Richard VanderVeen in Michigan. This was a Democratic victory for a seat held by Gerald Ford and a long line of Republicans back to 1910.

Valley, a 24-year-old ex-Marine, has worked with political organizer John Martella in several campaigns. At UMass-Boston he is majoring in politics with one of his instructors this semester being Prof. Maurice Donahue, a political scientist with a bent for the philosophical as well as the practical.

The UPI reported that Vice President Ford was told by President Nixon that he was disappointed in the Michigan results.

Philosopher in Residence

Prof. Clyde Evans, Philosophy I, was featured in a recent New York Times story about his role as a Philosopher in Residence at the Hillside School, Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y. He confronts kindergarten through fourth grade students with moral and ethical dilemmas, which provokes debates, stretches their minds, and provides the children with an exposure to the reasoning process. The experimental program in philosophy and logic has the rationale that children will tend to get away from rote learning and the acceptance of words and ideas without understanding them.

Science and Technology

"Science and Technology in the Industrial Revolution" by Prof. Eric Robinson, History I, and Prof. Musson of Manchester University, is regarded in a Science Studies article as a "pioneering effort purporting to prove that science did indeed play a notable role in the Industrial Revolution." A.P. Molella and Nathan Reingold of the Smithsonian Institution, declare that Musson and Robinson's "work clearly demonstrates

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to us that the conventional historical wisdom is suspect" and that they believe their work is "merely the tip of an iceberg, that future research will disclose other instances of science playing more of a role in the past in practical affairs than suspected."

Chile and Cuba

Economic Advisor to Allende, who escaped after the coup in Chile, author of The Economic Transformation of Cuba, and Confidant of Fidel Castro and Che Guevara will speak at UMass-Boston on Thursday, February 28. He will discuss "Chile and Cuba" at 12:30 p.m., Science Building Auditorium. A discussion period will be held from 2:00 - 3:00. The lecture is sponsored by Economics I and II, History I, Politics I, and Sociology II.

Beard Wins Award

Edmund Beard of the College II Politics Department has received the 1973 Bancroft Dissertation Award, given by Columbia University to the year's outstanding dissertation in the fields of American Government, American History, or International Affairs. The Award carries with it publication of the thesis, Bureaucratic Politics and Weapons Innovation, by Columbia University Press.

Applied Anthropology

The Departments of Anthropology of Colleges I and II and of Boston University are hosts to the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, March 14-16. The local arrangements were made by Golamreza Fazel, College II, and Alan Harwood, College I. UMass-Boston faculty appearing on the program include David Landy ("Barefoot Doctors and Health Delivery in the Peoples Republic of China"), Golamreza Fazel ("Applied Anthropology in Developing Areas"), and Siamak Movahedi, Sociology I. ("Issues in Mental Health").

Colloquium on Willa Cather

The Women's Studies Program is sponsoring this Colloquium. It will take place on March 5th and 6th in the free period, Room 47, Sixth Floor of College I Building. Two outside consultants will be speaking: Blanch Galfant, who is a Prof. at Dartmouth and Ms. Sharon O'Brian will also speak. She is completing her dissertation on Willa Cather at Harvard. Martha Collins will moderate the Colloquium, English, College II. Bring lunch, coffee will be provided. The Colloquium will be of interest to both American Studies and Women's Studies and faculty.

Competency Based Learning

Dean John Strange, College of Public and Community Service, is one of three panelists who spoke last week in Washington, D.C. on "An Alternate Path to

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a College Degree." Copanelists are Sister Joel Read, President of Alverno College and Ms. Virginia Smith, Director, Fund for the Improvement of Post-secondary Education, HEW.

The seminar was sponsored by George Washington University. Dean Strange spoke about competencies that students are expected to acquire in problem solving, interpersonal communications and intercultural relationships.

Fee Waivers

Faculty are asked to advise students who are presently receiving financial aid to apply for a waiver of the Graduate Record Exam fees. Further information may be obtained from James Felton in the Financial Aid Office, Administration Bldg.

Information concerning graduate school application fee waivers may be obtained from Paula Moreau in the Central Advising Office, Administration Bldg.

Computer Services

What is UMass, SPSS, APL? Need help using them? UMass services available? Are you a user? Do you want to become a user? How can we help you use UMass in your research?

The computing center (Rm. 48, 3rd floor, Science Building) currently offers the following services:

UMass Time Sharing Terminals - BASIC/APL/
FORTRAN

Rm. 49, third floor, Science Bldg.	10 terminals
Science Library, third floor	2 terminals

Additional time sharing facilities will be announced in the near future.

Special Time Sharing Services - these services are available via special request.

TEKTRONIX Graphic Terminal

HEWLETT-PACKARD Plotter

IBM 1130 Computer

Batch Processing CDC 3600 (FORTRAN/SPSS/STATISTICS) in Amherst via UMass courier system.

The computing center is available to answer the above. The computer personnel users in forming a User's Group, to trouble shoot mutual "computer" problems. The Terminal Room is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.; on Friday from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m., and on Saturday from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

