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New Freshmen

High School Students

Assessment on Kissinger

An interesting program on Saturday, April 6, will take place on campus at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. It will be visitation day for several hundred high school seniors who have been accepted for study at Colleges I and II of UMass-Boston. They and their parents will have opportunities to tour the buildings and hear about our academic programs, academic advising activities, student services, basic skills, and tutorial programs. Faculty and staff members will be on hand to answer questions by these students. Chancellor Golino will express the greetings of the University.

Last Friday some 250 high school sophomores and juniors visited the campus under the auspices of COP (College Orientation Project), a program devised by students Norman Scott and Reginald Cagle with the great assistance from Sherry Thomas, Director of Extra-curricular Activities in College II.

The program, one of three, had students from Dorchester High, Girls' High, and Jamaica Plain High, attending workshops designed to give them insights to a better understanding of the many possible alternatives available through higher educational institutions.

Some 40 faculty, students and staff volunteered their time and talents for this excellent demonstration of concern, especially by two of our students, for Boston public high school students.

When Solomon and Mary Beichman selected Arnold as a name of their son, they should have given him a middle name of Ubiquitous.

Now he appears in print assessing for Boston Globe readers the role Henry Kissinger is playing by stealing the foreign policy spotlight on "one single appointed Federal official."

In the March 23 Globe, Beichman added:

"We are at an unusual moment in American politics. There have been in our history Secretaries of State of far greater stature than their patrons -

Assessment on Kissinger (Cont.)

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Daniel Webster and Millard Fillmore, William Seward and Andrew Johnson, Hamilton Fish and Ulysses S. Grant, Charles Evans Hughes and Warren G. Harding. Yet none of these Presidents was as dependent upon their appointees as is President Nixon upon Secretary Kissinger.

"One need only imagine an Executive Branch without Dr. Kissinger as "The principal officer" in the State Department. Should the President suddenly dismiss Dr. Kissinger, it would raise the gravest doubts about the Chief Executive's stability, let alone credibility. Were Dr. Kissinger suddenly to resign, with or without stating his reasons, it would be equally calamitous for President Nixon."

The European Studies Seminar of History Departments College I and II invites all members of the University community to attend a talk, on April 10th at 12:30, in the College II faculty dining room. Stephen A. Schuker, Assistant Professor of History at Harvard, will examine and contrast the rol of business and banking interests in shaping foreign policy in Germany, France, Great Britain and the United States. His talk is intitled 'Business Influence on the Formation of Foreign Policy after the First World War: A Comparative View."

Bring your own lunch.

If you have material to be sent by campus courier to the President's Office, please have it in the hands of the Mail Room before 3:00 p.m. when the run begins.

The Department of Chemistry is sponsoring a seminar on "The Effect of Ligand Stereospecificity on The Properties of Metal Complexes" by Prof. Leverett J. Zompa, Chairman, Department of Chemistry, on April 3 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 6, First Level.

Malcolm Caldwell is coming to UMass-Bostoto speak on "Recent Developments in the Wain Cambodia," on April 3, 12:30, Second Level, Room 200 in College I.

Conference on Women and Work

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A conference on women and work is the first collaborative program planned by the Women's Studies Concentration of Colleges I and II and women from College III (College of Public and Community Service). All women in the university -- staff, students and faculty -- are invited to hear the presentations and participate in the workshops on Thursday, April 4 from 4:30 until 10 p.m. in the 12th Floor Conference Room at 100 Arlington Street.

Some goals of the conference are, according to the planners, to help us understand the history of women in the work force; to learn strategies by which women are changing their working conditions; to begin to share resources on careers and the feel of the "workworld." Conference planners are Ann Froines, Women's Studies, and Barbara Buchanan, Nancy Hoffman, and Midge Silvio from College III.

The Theatre Arts Department will present three programs between now and April 8th. They are:

Folk Play Series Advanced Acting Class Thurs., April 4 12:30 - 2:00

Double Bill: "It Has No Choice" by Ed Bullins, directed by Al Berry; "Port Lairge" written & directed by Stephen Sweeney. Mon. & Fri., April 1 & 5, 12:30 - 2:00

"It Has No Choice" by Ed Bullins, directed by Al Berry; "Port Lairge" written & directed by Stephen Sweeney; "The Future Dance" created & directed by Al Berry. Mon., April 8, 7:30 p.m.

Because of equipment acquisition problems, the Computing Services has been required to announce several changes in the phone numbers for time sharing access. The Center personnel thank you for your cooperation during this transition and apologize for any inconveniences. Each change has been a step toward improved service.

Effective now, time-sharing access can be obtained as follows:

Time-sharing Access (Cont.)

Competency-based Education

Pre-medical Examinations

Park Square phones - dial 7-5,

Harbor Campus phones - dial 5,

Night time off-campus access - dial 287-8088,

Day time off-campus access can be arranged by making an appropriate request, 24 hrs. in advance, at the Computing Services.

Dr. Harold R. Bronk, Jr., Director of Certificate Curriculum, at the College of Public and Community Service, is quoted in a recent issue of The Chronicle for Higher Education on competency based education. He was speaking at the annual conference of the American Association for Higher Education in Chicago.

Bronk said, "competency-based education assumes there is no hidden agenda. You have to not only tell a student what competency is but give him an example of how it will be evaluated."

He cited a unit at CPCS on "culture" which requires student competence to be demonstrated by identifying two significant American myths, comparing and contrasting them, and illusrating their effect on American society and delivery of human services.

Faculty are asked to advise pre-medical, -dental, and -veterinary students who plan to take the medical, dental, or veterinary entrance examinations either this spring or in the fall and who are applying for September 1975 admissions that they are invited to participate in a series of review workshops to help prepare for the examinations. The sessions will be run by UMass-Boston faculty; the dates, times, and place are as follows:

- 1) Thursday, April 4 -- 12:30 2:00 p.m. College I Music Room -- 1st floor, 1/404. Topic: Physics
- 2) Tuesday, April 9 -- 12:30 2:00 p.m. -- College I Music Room -- 1st floor, 1/404. Topic: Biology
- 3) Thursday, April 18 -- 12:30 2:00 p.m. -- College I Music Room -- 1st floor, 1/404. Topic: Chemistry
- 4) Tuesday, April 23 -- 12:30 2:00 p.m. -- College I Music Room -- 1st floor, 1/404. Topic: Mathematics