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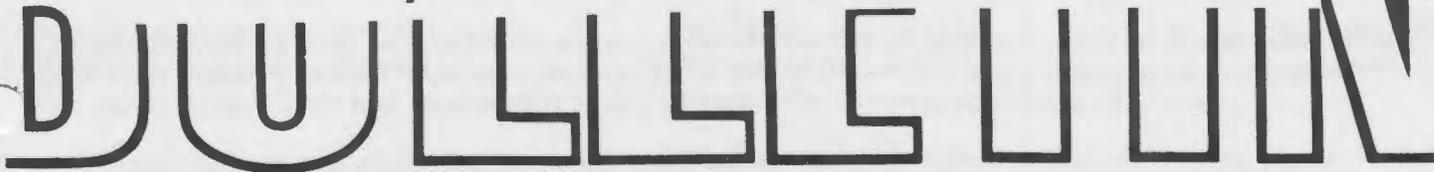
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Requiescat In Pace

The University community is saddened by the sudden death of Millie Mitchell. As a personnel specialist in State service, she rendered uncountable services to each of us at UMass-Boston. What we have taken for granted in personnel matters was achieved through her skills and experience and concern about the minutiae of personnel work. She came to UMass-Boston from the personnel office of the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital, and while she was with us she was, indeed, a friend to all. Our deepest sympathy to her brother and her sisters.

The University community also mourns the death after a long illness of the mother of Dean John Strange of the College of Public and Community Service. All of us sympathize with him in his deep personal loss.

AAUP Annual Salary Survey

In the last Bulletin the observation was made that in the current study of salary scales by the AAUP, Assistant Professors and Instructors at UMass-Boston are in the 80th per centile. It should have been mentioned that Professors and Associate Professors are in the 95th per centile.

Topping Out

The traditional topping out ceremony in the construction trade was carried out for the new library building at the new campus. Lt. Gov. Dwight and Dr. William R. Hamilton, Jr., were among the participants which included, faculty, staff, construction workers, and project managers.

The Lieutenant Governor in his remarks said:

"The topping off of this building, which we are about to witness, is, in itself, a rather minor event in the overall scheme of things. But what it represents is major.

"It represents, to me, both an end and a beginning... the end of a major building program, the beginning of an innovative university campus which will serve 15,000 full-time students in six colleges.

"It is also appropriate that the last building in the first phase of this construction program is a library... for this library is symbolic of many things. A library is a repository of knowledge, knowledge that has been amassed, literally, since man began to record his thoughts. The 600,000 volumes to be housed in this library will serve

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as tools... tools which will be used by the citizens of this Commonwealth as they seek to broaden their horizons, to better themselves and their communities."

Some facts about the ceremony and the building:

Topping Off in the construction business is an old North European tradition. When topmost house beams were set, a tree was cut and placed on the top of the structure, denoting that the wood spirit is friendly to the people inside.

Today's Christmas Tree for the topping is symbolic of Good Will and Peace for all.

The 11-story Library Building will be the central academic library on the new campus. Other small and special libraries will be located in other buildings.

The central library will be the repository for some 600,000 volumes, as well as for periodicals, scholarly journals, video and audio tape collections, and microfilm.

The library was designed by the nationally noted architectural firm of Harry Weese Associates. The general contractor is Blount-Fontaine.

Total gross square feet for the building is 283,872.

The building is designed to accommodate at one time the seating of more than 2000 students, which adheres to library usage by the commuting students of UMass-Boston who heavily use library facilities.

Between each floor of reading and study space will be two floors of library stacks.

A Fine Arts studio is incorporated into the building.

The library building program was developed with the architects and library planners, such as Keyes Metcalf of Harvard, by Dr. Walter Grossmann, Director of UMass-Boston libraries.

Construction began in January, 1970; completion date is the Fall of 1973.

This is the final building in Phase One of the construction at Columbia Point.

The construction program is under the aegis of the Bureau of Building Construction of the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction and the Executive Office of Administration and Finance. Under contract to the Bureau of Building Construction is Magee, Berger and Mansuetto, management consultants.

UMass-Boston and Hebrew College
Collaborate in Cross Registrations

The University of Massachusetts at Boston and Hebrew College of Brookline have signed an agreement of cooperation between the two institutions.

Dr. Eli Grad, President of Hebrew College, and Dr. William R. Hamilton, Jr., Acting Chancellor of UMass-Boston have signed documents which pave the way for cross-registration by students at both institutions.

Trustees of both schools have endorsed the arrangement by which as many as 30 students from each school would register for courses in the other institution without charge.

The cross-registration will be in effect for the Spring semester of 1973.

Students from UMass-Boston would take advantage of fields of concentration in classical studies and other course offerings at Hebrew College. Hebrew College students would register for many of the liberal arts courses at UMass-Boston.

All facilities of Hebrew College, especially its special library collections of Judaica and Hebraica which are regarded as one of the finest in the nation, will be available to UMass-Boston students. All academic resources at UMass-Boston, likewise, will be available to Hebrew College students.

Credits for courses would be given by the home institutions, with each school being responsible for academic performance.

Dr. Grad said, "We are looking forward to a successful marriage between the University of Massachusetts at Boston and Hebrew College."

Dr. Hamilton said the mutual pact between the institutions "reflects our continuous exploration for cooperation between public and private institutions of higher learning.

Attending the ceremony marking the beginning of collaboration between the two schools were: Provost Dorothy Marshall, Richard Ekman-Assistant to the Provost, Dean Walter Rosen, Registrar Eleanore Silverman, and Professors George Siegal and George Koniaris of UMass-Boston, Dr. Herbert Rosenblum, Associate Dean, Dr. Martin Rabinovitz, Registrar, and Professor Arnold Weider, from Hebrew College.

Congratulations

By now you have heard that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has shown its wisdom in the appointment of Dr. Gregory Anrig as Commissioner of Education for the Commonwealth. As Director of the Institute for Learning and Teaching, he and his colleagues have made an indelible impact on education, especially in Greater Boston, through the programs sponsored by the Institute.

Our congratulations to Dr. Anrig and the Commonwealth on the appointment. At the same time, when Dr. Anrig leaves UMass-Boston to assume his new duties we will know there is a void here.

Christmas Spirit

Note must be taken of the thoughtfulness of the Deans and their staffs of UMass-Boston in donations sent to the Columbia Point Development Council. Their Christmas was better because of their considerateness.

Campus Telephone Directory

The new Boston Campus Telephone Directory is now available from College Supply. Departments can order copies through the normal process using card #75124000. Please co-ordinate orders so that no more than one order comes from any single department.

Young People's Concert

John Huggler (Music) was associated recently with the Concert for Young People who performed his composition "Elegy."

Professor Huggler was formerly composer in residence with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. He is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music and has studied at the University of Chicago and Cornell. Before joining the UMass-Boston faculty he taught music at M. I. T. and Brandeis University.

University Medal for Outstanding Service

You have received through campus mail the announcement about the University Medal for Outstanding Service award which is to recognize persons who have rendered valuable service to the University. Faculty and staff, as well as members of the legislature, people in government, and from the public are eligible.

Your nominations are being accepted by the Secretary of the University, Whitmore Administration Building, UMass-Amherst.