Berman Resigns

Michael Berman, editor of the Statesman since the spring of 1959, resigned the position, effective Feb. 5. The UMD Publications Board, publishers of the student newspaper, accepted the resignation in a meeting held Jan. 27.

Until a new editor is appointed by the Publications Board, the Statesman is being directed by Barbara Coughlin, managing editor, and Judy Cavaliero, business manager.

Berman, in the letter of resignation dated Jan. 22, listed three reasons for his resignation: his inability to maintain typographic "perfection" in the newspaper; the ineffectiveness of his editorials; the existence of a "basic conflict" as to the purpose of a college newspaper.

The Publications Board has announced that it is now accepting applications for the position of editor. Application blanks may be obtained at the information desk, Kirby Student Center.

The position of editor of the Statesman carries a quarterly salary of $150.

Spaghetti Dinner

Candelit atmosphere, checkerboard tablecloths, and a fabulous spaghetti are the fare being presented Sunday evening by the Newman Club from 4:30-7:00 p.m. in the Holy Rosary Clubrooms.

An annual fund raising project, the dinner is actually cooked by Mr. H. St. George, but Newmanites decorate, serve, clean up, and stage the whole production.

Committee heads are: Co-chairs, Nadine Pichetti and Kathy Place; publicity, Leo Fox and Illien Frilliti; waiters, Tony Piskett, waitresses, Prillilla Car- an and Barbara Cughlin; kitchen, Greg Hoyden and Joyce Fuster.

Tickets may be purchased from any Newman Club member or at the door; adults $1.20 and children 25 cents.

VALENTINE DANCE
Saturday, Feb. 13
9-12 p.m.
Kirby Ballroom

The UMD staff is planning an unusual and deviating weekend. They will run a "radiothon" for the purpose of raising funds for the proposed UMD Stadium. The radiothon will start at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, and will end at 10:00 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14. Music of any type will be played upon request. The phone number of the station is RA 4-7713. Programs are planned for daytime listening and music for night. They have set their goal as $400 in pledges.

RELIGION IN LIFE WEEK
To Highlight Bro

Harmom H. Bro., S.T.B., Ph.D., will be the featured speaker during Religion-in-Life Week. He will be here Feb. 17 and 18.

Dr. Bro, who received his graduate education at Harvard and the University of Chicago, held the W. Karl Leiden Chair of Religious Education at Byarус University and directed the Institute of Religious Education. He has also taught at Harvard University and George Williams College. Dr. Bro has recently joined the faculty at Northland College where he now teaches philosophy and religion and is also engaged in research and writing.

Dr. Bro will speak on "The Age of Inner Space," the impact of freedom and related ideas on our contemporary religious thought; "Around the World in the Inner World," the impact of growing knowledge of religions of the rest of the world on our contemporary religious outlook; "The Image of God on TV," God's stake in our creative life of recreation; "Prayer and Meditation," "Beat and Biblical."

When asked to attend UMD's Religion-in-Life Week, Dr. Bro stated, "Although I am accepting very few speaking engagements for the rest of this academic year, in order to complete some research and writing, this occasion of yours is one which I definitely want to make a place for. Count on me to be there. I always learn as much as the students in such an inter-faith encounter!" Dr. Bro had this to say about UMD, "Recently I spent a day in the library on your new campus, and noisily poked around a bit elsewhere. A fine set-up! I really look forward to getting acquainted with you and the others in the groups which make up your Religious Council; we'll work together to keep the campus religious re- flection as sparkling and sturdy as the buildings where it takes place!"

The purpose of Religion-in-Life Week is to develop a new awareness of the position of God in our lives and a deeper conception of the purpose of our lives in the world today and to foster more interest and better understanding among students and faculty of the importance of their religious values in higher education.

Sponsor of Religion-in-Life Week is the UMD Religious Council. The council is made up of the Canterbury Club, Lutheran Student Association, Newman Club, UMD Christian Fellowship, UMD-TV, United Campus Christian Fellowship, Wesley Foundation, and Illini Foundation.
The UMD Stateman

By BARBARA COUGHLIN

Greek Initiation

Recently this editorial column reprinted the Greek organizations on campus for their "shilling and ridicule" initiation practices. Sororities were condemned for encouraging "blind obedience," which couldn't possibly serve as anything but a source of embarrassment for everyone concerned.

It seems necessary, at this time, to analyze the purposes and effectiveness of this form of initiation ritual.

Obeying the every command of a superior may foster embarrassment, but it's aimed at developing the spirit of humility. Getting up at 5:00 a.m. on a school morning, to cook breakfast for a group of girls, running errands, raising money, etc., may seem like manifestations of blind obedience, but these activities are designed to instill the idea that there is much work to be done in an organization in order that it might be successful while dressing up in crazy costumes, performing ridiculous stunts, planning songs and skits with other pledges, serves to unify the members of this group.

Are these purposes being fulfilled by the organizations which stage such rituals? We have only to look to the 1980 Sino-Week celebration, the 1986 Homecoming, or '58 or '37, to see how successful it is at involving approximately 75 campus organizations (of which only 7 are social). Out of approximately 75 campus organizations, one were won by the Greeks. Why? Because they are the only groups interested in taking part in something outside their own little domain. They are the only groups with enough spirit, unity, and willfulness, to work for the school. The membership in such organizations is prized; it is worth working for; it was achieved through work, under difficult times, and is therefore appreciated.

Many people are eager to criticize and condemn the Greek organizations, but as they exist at present, they should be saluted and thanked. Without them we would have no Homecoming, Sino-Week, Christmas charity drives, Rock Hill, or Student Association, to name but a few.

To The Editor

Greek Initiation

By BARBARA COUGHLIN

Separate Tables

By LINDA WILLIAMS

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Separate Tables, by Terrence Rattigan, currently playing at the Duluth Playhouse, is a sensitive, mature drama brought to life through the talents of a remarkably mature and sensitive cast. No role in the play can be considered small, and each superb characterization adds to the credibility of the production.

Not only the actors' abilities are responsible for the success of the play. A talented director was needed to select the right people for the roles, approve the set arrangements, and blend the two together smoothly. This person is Maj-Lisa Keskela. Mrs. Keskela has been active in many other Playhouse performances. Her husband, Aimo, designed the effective split-level set which overcomes many of the disadvantages of the small Playhouse stage.

Separate Tables consists of two plays, both of which take place in an English countryside hotel. The only change of character in the two acts exists in the two lead roles. In the first play, "Table by the Window," Leo Wessel portrays a has-been politician whose career has been ruined by drink and a broken marriage. As a permanent guest at the hotel for eighty years, he is trying to escape reality; he hopes the hotel manager, played by Dorothy Waido, has lost her for his wife has not died yet. Certain statements, in the second play, "Table Number Seven," Mr. Wessel plays a poor old major who is trying to escape living. He tries to be a "ladyliker," although he is actually afraid of women. His make-believe world falls apart when his attempts prove unsuccessful. Hazel Lauterbach plays a pathetic spinner who is pushed around by a dominant maniac. In the end, the major and girl decide that they have enough in common to join forces against life.

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Dear Editor,

I found Mr. Jacott's letter in last week's Stateman to be a combination of humor, ignorance and ambiguity. I feel compelled to reply to this "Masterpiece of Nonsensical Nonsense!"

I found certain aspects of the letter humorous. An example is his statement, "If critics didn't arrive from someone, they were from all. A careful consideration of this magnanimously profound statement necessitates an agreement.

On the more serious side, I find his letter to be rather ignorant ones, particularly his criticism of my choice of words during the awarding of the participation trophy. If Mr. Jacott is able to read, before the presentation of either of the All-Participation awards, I remarked aloud the two organizations in close competition for the two trophies were Beta and Gamma. I then announced the 2nd place winner to be Beta. Mr. Jacott can correct me if I am wrong, but I believe that this "natural" logicality makes Gamma the undisputed winner of the other trophy.

Through a publicity error, the points for the quiz contest were not included in the point system published in the Stateman. I announced the quiz point system.

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To the Editor...

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tem to all who asked me, before and after the Preliminary Queen Tea and the crowning of the queen.

I find Mr. Jacott's logic concerning the per capita system to be somewhat ambiguous. Perhaps he is too esoteric for me. At any rate, member for member, Beta was decisively beat 2 to 1 in both tickets and button sales by Gamma. For this I feel Gamma deserves praise, not criticism. Because of this and other reasons, I am very happy and proud to reiterate and affirm his statement concerning my membership in Gamma Theta Phi.

Mr. Jacott should likewise be proud of his membership in Beta, for his frat did a good job in Snio-Week competition even though it was not as good as Gamma's pointwise. He should be proud of the many sentiments in this frat whom I personally attest to having graciously accepted their defeat by Gamma, including his fine president, Frank Hemphill. I regret that he is unable to follow their example.

I am unable to discern the implication of the closing paragraph of his letter. However, if Mr. Jacott feels that he or his organization has been treated unfairly there are more salutary facilities that the Blaismans for redressing wrongs.

Perhaps Mr. Jacott's article is an example of the "back stabbing" he speaks of. I personally consider it to be nothing more than the bitter tears of a poor loser.

Sincerely,

Frank Thomas
(1960 Snio-Week Chairman)

Sororities Initiate

Janet Johnson and Judy Barrett pay homage to Joy Nelson during Sorority Hall Week.

Something Coming...

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At Embers FRIDAY

high Schools Participate In Play Day

About 300 girls from 13 area high schools participated in the UMD high school girls' annual play day last Saturday, Feb. 6.

Represented were high schools in Cloquet, Two Harbors, Wrenshall, Silver Bay, Carlton, Grand Marais, Clover Valley, Hermantown, Proctor, Aitkin, Cromwell, and Brockton.

Following registration at 9:30 a.m. a general meeting was held in the Phy. Ed. building. After this the participants were divided into groups to take part in volleyball, basketball, swimming, track and field, and other activities in the gymnasium and the outdoor fields.

Demonstrations were given by the women's group of the Modern Dance club, and men's and women's groups of the Gymnastics club.

Sponsor of the event was the Women's Recreation Association with Sue Nelson, vice-president, in charge of arrangements.

Serving on the planning committee were Lolita Jegers, Kathy Purdon, Charlene Hanselman, Pat O'Shaughnessy, and Marguerite Foss.
Baker, Stone Lead Cagers

By Mike Pedro

In expressing a stomach feeling that "we have not spent enough on the football program," UMD co-captain, Dave Baker, stands almost alone in his prediction of a Hamline decline.

Co-captain Tom Stone, echoed Baker's sentiments, but added, "We may have missed our opportunity," referring to the Hamline defeat.

The junior co-captains are all most complete reverses in regard to physical appearance and personality. Baker is a lanky, 6'2" while Stone stretches his husky frame to 6'9". Baker is talkative, outspoken, brash, and bold. Stone has a milder disposition, but both share a common love of basketball.

Through nearly three seasons of play, Baker has remained one of the best, if not most colorful athletes in the league. His twisting under-the-basket maneuvering has earned him respect and applause wherever he performs.

In attempting to explain his ability to score from seemingly impossible off-balance positions, Baker said, "I try to anticipate the moves of the defensive man. Usually he will try to block my shot from the right so while in the air I lean my body to the right and try to twist the ball back outside." Stone prepped at Becker, Minnesota, where he sparked the cagers and starred on the baseball diamond. He is still active in baseball, spending summer months playing for Elk River.

Co-captains Baker and Stone, will lead UMD into two contests: tomorrow night at UMD against the Macalester Scots, and Monday night at Gustavus Adolphus. UMD should be favored in both, based on the outcome of early season wins over both these clubs.

SPORTS

By Tony Fiskett

ATTENTION, UMD STUDENTS AND FACULTY: You may have an opportunity within the next few weeks to donate to UMD on its way toward becoming a great university, not just "Duluth Branch."

UMD is now the focal point of attention for the community and upper Minnesota area as we make our effort to obtain a new football stadium. We've all read and heard of the stadium fund drive which is being carried on at present to raise the necessary $180,000 for the erection of a much-needed football arena on the campus. Until now, generosity supreme has been the characteristic of friends of the University in the past. Witness: Just stop and take a look at what has been donated and appropriated to this campus during the preceding seasons. UMD is in a massive transition period, moving toward the goal of establishing itself as a highly-esteemed place of education. NOW IT'S THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE UMD FACULTY AND STUDENT BODY to show their gratitude for what has been done, plus their determination to continue this building spirit.

A drive is being carried on, and will continue to be carried on among the student body and faculty to raise the initial portion of this sum. Up until now, we've had almost everything handed to us, as it were, on a silver platter. Now it's up to us to show that we want UMD to become something: to prove our interest to friends outside the University, who are waiting for some proof of willingness and zeal.

Some people have raised the question, and justifiably so: Why don't we have an extension show, a theatre, or more laboratories first? Well, rest assured that other drives of a non-athletic nature will take place in the foreseeable future. At that time, we will again depend on students, friends, and alumni for support. The State legislature has been very considerate in its recent appropriation. Is it not possible that others will follow its lead? Let's not do what we have done in the past. Here we cannot, we can't depend on the appropriations of the legislature alone.

The question this situation poses is this: Is UMD to sink back into the abyss of being known as a small school, out of the way? Or is it to be an efficient and highly reputable university? The decision lies with the students and faculty during the coming years.

THE STUDENTS AND FACULTY HAVE A DUTY, yes, a duty, to get behind this drive 100 per cent if they have any hopes of making this a University of any significance. Each individual has the responsibility of decision as to just what he or she wants to do about this. In short, just how badly do you want good education? Students, remember—good many of you will have children attending this institution some day. What kind of opportunities do you want them to have? Your attitude as students will, in all probability, reflect your attitude toward administration, alumni.

SO, BACK THE STADIUM DRIVE!! LET'S THROW OFF THE TAG OF DULUTH STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE ONCE AND FOR ALL.