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UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI/SAINT LOUIS

## UMSL to leave UM system

Effective in the Fall semester of this year, UMSL will withdraw from the UM system, according to a surprise announcement from the Chancellor's office.

"We have taken a lot of shit, but the optometry school was the last straw," commented UMSL Chancellor Arnold B. Grubman.

Grubman said the formal announcement will be made Friday to the UM Board of Curators meeting in Kansas City.

"From the time we started, UMSL has been stepped on and treated unfairly by the system. We've had enough," Grubman

said.

Starting the fall of 1980 the University of Missouri-St. Louis will cease to exist and the new Missouri University of St. Louis (MUSL) will open its doors.

"I think the new acronym, MUSL, will show that we're strong and we won't take being pushed around any longer," Grubman said.

Student Body President Mark Noman heartily agreed. "I think anytime we change the name of something it is automatically improved."

The president of the UM system was not available for comment, but his assistant Clark

Kent said the president was shocked at Grubman's tactic of taking the announcement to the Board at the last minute without there being adequate time to study the situation.

Curator C.B. Brownston said he wasn't aware that the UM system had expanded to St. Louis, but was disappointed to see UMSL go.

Grubman was asked if faculty members had been consulted on the change. "No, why, I wouldn't take their advice anyway."

The chancellor said the MUSL will be funded through state funds and incidental fees just

like it is presently but there won't be the Board of Curators to go through.

"Last year we only received 11.3 percent of the UM funds, but UMSL has 22 percent of the UM students," Grubman said.

Kent replied, "So they got less funds than anyone else. They are the newest."

Grubman pointed to the University of New Orleans as a school that once was part of a statewide system. "They're doing very well," Grubman said. "We were thinking of changing our name to the University of New Orleans, but decided it sounded too southern."

Grubman noted that MUSL might be in for some tight budgets for the next few years while the school struggles to make a name for itself. "To start off, we're going to have to cut back on the hours of the cafeteria. Starting next semester the cafeteria will be open Mondays, Thursdays, and alternate Fridays between 11 am and 11:15."

Other budget cuts were announced in faculty salaries, money for physical plant improvements and in each of the departments in Arts and Sciences.

## Dumpster named

Former UM Curator Robert Dumpster has been named to head the UM affirmative action program.

Dumpster who was criticized for some remarks made while he was Curator said that the misunderstandings had been cleared up.

"People realize that I was only joking," Dumpster said.

As his first action Dumpster announced that he would look into the unfair treatment of white, male students at the University of Missouri.

"Where are all of the white study programs?" Dumpster questioned. "Also why is it that

no one is making sure that male sports get an equal shake. I think it's about time we get equality at this school."

Dumpster announced the formation of the Earl Butz scholarship fund. The fund would give a full scholarship to any white male who qualified for application.

To apply, Dumpster said, the student must be white and male.

Dumpster also announced that literacy tests will be required for voting in all student elections.

"That should get those niggers," Dumpster said. "Oh. Just kidding."

## Restrooms closed

Chancellor Arnold Grubman announced today that a new policy will be instituted at UMSL next week in observance of National Fatigue Week.

There will be one, and only one, restroom open for use in any one building. Two convenient locations for both men and women will be made available as follows: Stadler Hall and Lucas will house the women's facilities and Benton Hall and the Blue Metal Building will house the

men's facilities. There will be NO facilities open to students in any other building. What facilities are vacated in this way will, of course, be open on occasion to the faculty and guests.

UMSL hopes to save approximately \$250 per year by this small action.

"I have already made a small wager that UMSL students will be the healthiest and leanest in the nation," Grubman added.



DEBATE: Mark Noman debates with himself over the campaign procedures for the 27 upcoming Council elections. Noman is the only member left after Council purged itself earlier this week.

## Council left with one member

Central Council expelled all but one member, Mark Noman, student body president, at their April 1 meeting.

"It should be easier now to get a quorum," Noman commented. Quorum has been set at just over one half.

Council members Pat Condescension, Terry F. Royally, Sharon Corner, Po Tator, Jim Loony, Martha Spacey, Gary Assassin, Kevin Chryer and Hates Slanders were among the 17 members expelled.

"I can't believe that invisible pike (Noman) did this to me," Slanders said. Slanders is student body vice-president.

In other action, Council passed a motion to split the Council elections into one day for each representative.

Noman entered into a long debate before deciding to split the elections. "I had to convince myself that it was the right thing to do," Noman said.

"Because of the motion, Council will hold 27 elections, one each day, for the rest of the semester," Noman accounced.

Noman will be at the U. Center from 10 am until noon,

then at the Social Science Building from 1 pm to 3 pm.

Noman said that a motion was made to discuss appeals for reinstatement of members, but it died for lack of a second.

## Hundreth student killed

Another UMSL student was shot to death Monday by police officers.

"The student was wearing glasses," Police chief Ozzie Nellson explained. "We were looking for an UMSL student suspected of selling drugs on campus and the description stated that the suspect was wearing glasses."

The shooting is notable in that it marks the 100th UMSL student shot and killed this semester.

"The work is indicative of the get tough policy that has been

put into effect. Before this year, most of the suspects got away. Now we shoot first, just to make sure."

The 100th death was Mary Beth Chaste. The police report states that although they were looking for a male, they now believe that Chaste had actually disguised herself.

Chaste was president of Numan House. Her father, the Reverend Jonas Chaste, said that he had no idea his daughter was into drugs until informed by the UMSL police.

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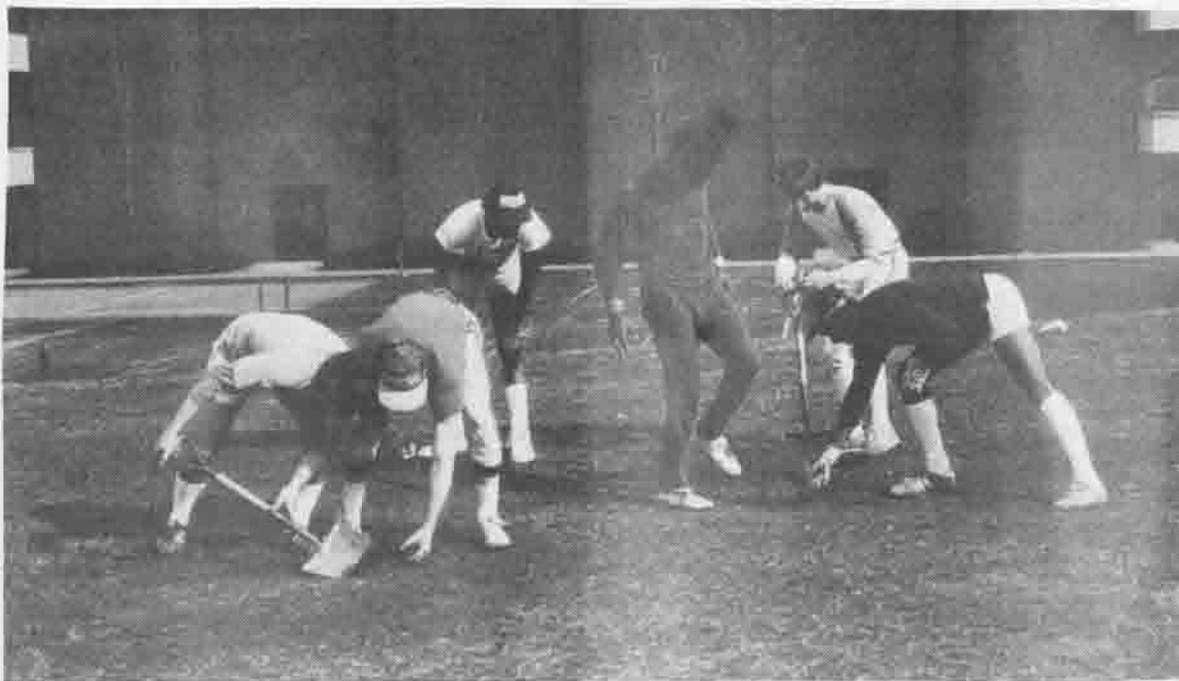
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# Sports Spoofs



NO BALLS HERE: UMMSL baseball team searches for lost baseballs [photo by White Rice.]

## UMMSL baseball season comes to a tragic halt

Jeff Klutzo

In a tragic development, the remainder of the 1980 UMMSL baseball season has been cancelled due to the loss of the Rivermen's only bat and their three baseballs.

The tragedy occurred last week when third baseman Steve Kareless forgot to bring the bat and balls inside after practice. Unfortunately, it rained that night and the next day, the bat and balls were gone.

"I told the guys to be extra careful with the bat and balls, because they are the only ones we have," said UMMSL baseball coach, Jim Dilemma. "Our budget permits us only to buy one bat and four balls for each season. We lost one ball the first week of practice when one of our pitchers was throwing against a

tree. You see, we are allowed only one catcher, because of the cost of equipment."

The baseball coaching staff asked UMMSL athletic director, Charles Snoozer, for additional baseballs and a bat, but Snoozer turned them down.

"Certainly not," said Snoozer. "We can't go out and buy new equipment everytime a team loses something. We would be broke."

"It figures," said Dilemma in response to Snoozer's decision. "He wouldn't even give us spare bicycle tires at the beginning of the season."

Because of the cost of gasoline, UMMSL has been riding bikes to its away games the last two years.

Until the baseballs and bat can be found, though, this season is over.

## Soccer coach honored

Jeff Klutzo

Don Houston, UMMSL soccer coach for the past eight seasons, has been named the recipient of the 1979 "national college soccer coach of the year" award.

The announcement came at a press conference held last Monday in New York. Those present at the gathering included members of the coaches board, the media and the association of comedians.

Houston led the Rivermen to a 7-2-5 record this past season before losing in the finals of the NCAA Midwest-Mideast regional to Eastern Illinois, 3-0. UMMSL has gone to the NCAA Division II playoffs every year Houston has been coach of the Rivermen, winning the national championship in 1973 and finishing second in 1976.

"This is a great accomplishment for UMMSL athletics, I

think," said UMMSL athletic director, Charles Snoozer. "I would like to tell Don how proud I am of him, but since he doesn't have an office here, I haven't been able to reach him."

The players were pleased to hear the announcement, but with some reservations.

"It's good recognition for UMMSL, but I hope it (being named coach of the year) doesn't go to his head," said one player. "I mean, he might do something crazy next year, like make us run."

Another player was mildly surprised at the announcement. "He didn't teach us how to shoot, he didn't teach us how to dribble, he didn't even teach us any new plays. But, he sure taught us some neat four-letter words. I guess if a coach can give x-rated speeches at half-time, he's a pretty good coach."

Since Houston does not have an office at the athletic department, he was unavailable for comment. However, sources close to the family revealed that Houston was happy, but disappointed, because, "now that I'm coach of the year, I'll have to start going to practices."

## UMMSL needs a new nickname

The most often asked question about UMMSL athletics usually pertains to the lack of fan and student support shown in the teams. Why doesn't anybody go to the games? I'll tell you why. It's UMMSL's nickname. It stinks.

First of all, what is a Riverman? A man on the River? So what! What is so special about a man on the River anyway? Does he really have a 58-inch chest? If so, I hope I never meet him.

One of the biggest problems with "Rivermen" is that it is sexist. At the *Current*, we've done our best to restrain from calling a female UMMSL team the Riverwomen. After all, there is no such thing as a Riverwoman. I know I've never seen one.

Another problem with UMMSL's nickname is that it is too long. This makes it extremely difficult for the talented UMMSL cheerleaders to concoct any rhythmic cheers. For example, by the time UMMSL's cheering section yells, "Let's go Ri-ver-men," the play is already over.

UMMSL needs a nickname that is shorter and snappier. It needs something the crowds can identify with, and I just happen to have a few suggestions.

In order to alleviate the sexism problem, UMMSL could change its nickname to, my favorite, the "boatpeople." This nickname could be used for both men and women, and it would retain a close similarity to "Rivermen," which is important because no one wants the old fogies to get too upset over radical changes.

## KLUTZO'S KORNER



If that's not good enough, UMMSL should find something else that has a connection with "Rivermen." How about the name of a fish? The "catfish." No, wait. How about something tougher like the UMMSL "channel cats." Or maybe the best fish-related nickname would be "crappie." This would make it easier to describe UMMSL's athletic program.

Other possible sources for nicknames include something on campus. How about the "Ducks"? It's short. It's sweet, and there would be no problem getting one for a mascot. Just go down to Bugg lake. There are plenty of them down there.

Also, just imagine the demoralizing affect "losing to the Ducks" would have on the opposition. "Hey, how did you guys do on your trip?" "We did okay, but we lost to the Ducks." Oh, how awful.

The possibilities for new nicknames goes on and on. One thing is for sure, though. It's time for a change.

## Wrestling to be discontinued

Jeff Klutzo

The UMMSL wrestling program has been discontinued due to an overwhelming increase in interest, UMMSL athletic director, Charles Snoozer announced last Tuesday.

Ironically, UMMSL wrestling has had a history of not being able to generate enough interest in its program. However, Thomas Lightning and Terril Thunder took over this past season as coaches and sparked a resurgence in the program with maybe a bit too much spark.

"I thought we were doing a good job," said Lightning. "We increased the participating in wrestling from eight a year ago to over 150 this year. And, we have about 300 high school seniors who say they are coming here next year, just so they can wrestle. I don't understand it."

In response to Lightning's statement, Snoozer said, "with the increased interest, we would have been forced to give more money to the wrestling program. We knew we could either please everybody or nobody. So, we decided to please nobody."

Snoozer announced that UMMSL will replace wrestling with either

varsity football or white water kayaking.

Surprisingly, word of this spread to the Missouri-Columbia campus where athletic director Dave Spleen said Mizzou would be threatened if UMMSL started football. Spleen explained that Mizzou wants to maintain its monopoly on big-time college football in the state, and that he would send Steve Stipanovich and Rickey Frazier to the UMMSL basketball team if UMMSL dropped its plan to start football.

However, Snoozer turned down the deal. "We will not be bribed," he said. "We have our pride."

