

## Hartley steps down from Chancellor post

Regina Ahrens

As streakers blatantly raced across an unseasonably warm campus last week, Joseph R. Hartley quietly closed the door of 242 Benton and announced his resignation as chancellor.

Although the campus and the St. Louis community received an official report of the resignation Thursday, a reliable source said that University President C. Brice Ratchford had informed campus administrators Monday, March 4, that Hartley would take a leave of absence. The source also said that Hartley had been absent from the monthly Board of Curators' meeting in Columbia, March 1. Another source said that Hartley had moved out of the chancellor's house in Bellerive Acres two weeks earlier.

After six months in the office of chancellor, Hartley submitted his resignation to Ratchford saying that for "inexplicable reasons" it had been difficult to commit his full heart and energies to the position of chief administrator.

"The campus deserves and must have complete commitment from its chancellor," Hartley's letter said. "Therefore in fairness to the university and to myself I believe I must resign

from the position of chancellor."

Hartley was reportedly out of town Friday and could not be reached for further comment about his resignation, however his wife said, "let's just say it was personal."

Hartley will remain on campus as a professor in the business school, a position he held in the graduate school of business in

Indiana University in Bloomington when he was appointed chancellor at UMSL Sept. 1, 1973.

Frank Parrish, administrative assistant in the business school at Indiana, said that Hartley was "an excellent teacher."

"He was a tremendous guy and I thought he was very ambitious with a lot of motiva-

tion and drive," Parrish said.

Hartley had returned to teaching duties after holding administrative positions at Indiana, including vice president and dean for academic affairs from 1969 to 1972.

"It was by his own choice that he returned to teaching," said William Franzen, dean of the UMSL school of education. Franzen is a member of the search committee which submitted an unranked list of recommendations to Ratchford in May 1973 for the position of chancellor. The committee had interviewed and screened applicants from across the country since the position was vacated by Glen R. Driscoll in August 1972.

Four of the five committee members presently on campus met with Ratchford in Columbia last Friday and decided to resubmit the list of names drawn up in May. Franzen said that if Ratchford does not find a suitable candidate on the list he will select a new search committee.

"He wanted to fill the position as expeditiously and efficiently as possible," Franzen said.

Until a new chancellor is selected, Emery C. Turner, dean of the school of business administration, will serve as interim chancellor.



Joseph R. Hartley

"I regretfully submit my resignation...for inexplicable reasons it has been difficult to commit my full heart..." OPI photo

### UMSL Chancellors in retrospect: five short-terms in one decade

**James L. Bugg, Jr.** was chief administrative officer and dean of faculties at UMSL until his appointment as chancellor in 1965. He announced his resignation Oct. 18, 1968, and left campus June 30, 1969, to become president of Old Dominion College in Norfolk, Va.

**Glen R. Driscoll** was dean of the school of arts and sciences in 1965 and dean of faculties in 1968. He was appointed acting chancellor May 15, 1969 and received a permanent appointment Nov. 7, 1969. Driscoll announced his resignation Aug. 3, 1972 to become president of the University of Toledo, effective Oct. 1, 1972.

**Everett Walters**, dean of faculties since 1971, was appointed interim chancellor Aug. 16, 1972. He is currently dean of faculties and acting dean of the graduate school.

**Joseph R. Hartley** came to UMSL as chancellor and professor of business administration Sept. 1, 1973. He resigned from the position of chancellor March 7, 1974 and is currently a professor of business administration.

**Emery C. Turner** was appointed chairman of the division of business administration in 1965. When the school of business was founded in 1967, he was appointed dean. He was appointed interim chancellor March 7, 1974.

(Information supplied by Archives and Manuscripts, in the Thomas Jefferson Library.)



Seconds before the streak:

Some scurried to special vantage points such as the library roof (left), but most huddled in the quadrangle (right) to catch a glimpse of anticipated streaks. And the viewers got their shows last week on a number of occasions: special streaking reports on page 4. photos by Jim Birkenmeier

## Proposed cutback may handicap KWMU

Maggie Arbini

The University budget for 1975, which has passed the Missouri House of Representatives and is presently before the Senate, will decide the fate of KWMU's staff.

The \$70 million figure is an increase of \$5 million over 1974 but includes a \$200,000 reduction from the original appropriation. Governor Bond has recommended that the \$200,000 be deducted from allotments for the four University operated FM radio stations. However, the final decision rests with the Board of Curators for the University.

"For all the control that Jefferson City has, the Board of Curators could conceivably cut money for trash collections," said Richard Wallace of the State Office of Budget and Management. "The administration looked at the budget and arrived at a figure that was \$200,000 less than the requested," said Wallace via telephone from his Jefferson City office Friday. "Governor Bond has seen the situation and said this (the FM radio stations) is where we could come up with more money, but the Board of Curators will have the final say." The Board of Curators will not receive the budget until some time in late April.

If the budget cuts come from the FM stations, UMSL alone would lose \$54,000. General Manager Robert Thomas feels the station could only absorb this loss by reducing the salaries of its professional employees and by cutting the number of air time hours. "We pay the same amount of money for our equipment if we are on 24 hours or 8 hours," Thomas said. "The cuts could only come from salaries, which would mean losing members of the staff. Our professional employees already work for less than most announcers while doing twice the work."

It has been proposed that a student staff could run the station if budget cuts made it

necessary. One of the problems with a student staff is time. "A student's primary obligation is staying in school," said Student Staff Advisor James Flynn. "And at this particular University, most students have jobs to compete for their time."

Jackie Fisher Eastman, editor of KWMU's monthly magazine, admits her job is very time consuming. "It takes a great deal of education, a lot of experience, time and energy to run something that requires this much attention to detail in this quantity every day," Eastman and her assistant, Barbara White, write the programs for the radio a month in advance. "When planning the day's program, we try to keep in mind what people are doing at that time of the day. At lunch, for example, you are not going to be playing something Avant Garde. We try to keep a balance of all these elements Instrumental, Vocal, etc."

Eastman previously worked for KFYO and has adapted their system to catalogue the over 2000 records in KWMU's Library.

Mr. Robert Eastman, Manager of Programming and News, feels the major function of the station is "to provide a high caliber service for the St. Louis area with a format designed to fill a need. The classical music

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## Fate of language requirement unknown

An open hearing on the language requirement will be held Monday, Mar. 25, from 11:45 to 1:30 pm in Room 126 J.C. Penney Building.

UMSL students and faculty are invited to attend the hearing and voice their opinions about the requirement and any proposed changes.

"A game. It's a little political game that's being played," said Sue Rice, describing the recent series of actions taken regarding UMSL's foreign language requirement.

"And it's a game that has high cost--to the students," added Mike Dace.

Rice, Dace, and Marla Mondshein are the three students who serve on the nine member curriculum committee of the College of Arts and Sciences. A few weeks ago, the committee voted

in favor of eliminating the language requirement and passed a resolution which stated such.

Under the present requirement, students seeking a Bachelor of Arts degree must take 13 semester hours of a modern foreign language.

The proposal, which now stands in a slightly amended form from the original, reads as follows:

"The thirteen hours of foreign language shall be abolished as a requirement for all Bachelor of Arts degrees for students enrolled for the first time in Fall Semester 1974 and subsequently.

"Should this motion be passed, individual departments at their prerogative will be able to institute a language requirement with the approval of the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee for their majors."

This proposal will now go to the College of Arts and Sciences. At a meeting March 26, the College--including all faculty members and instructors--will vote on the proposal.

"It was difficult getting this far," said Rice. "There are many obstacles--including misinterpretation."

Rice pointed out a comment made by Stephen Rowan, chairman of the curriculum committee that he feels the only aim of the students on the committee was to abolish the requirement. "This is not our only aim," she asserted. "We're working toward better general education, just that."

And she also argues sentiment that none of the students proposed any alternatives to the requirement. "A three-page alternative was proposed to the

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**Emery C. Turner**  
**Former business dean**  
**now Interim Chancellor**

Dr. Turner, formerly dean of the business school, was named interim chancellor March 7.

Brice C. Ratchford, University of Missouri President, named Turner interim chancellor, effective immediately, after UMSL chancellor Joe Hartley made his sudden resignation last week.

Turner, a professor of accounting, originally joined the faculty in 1962, and was appointed chairman of what was then the division of business administration in 1965.

Under his leadership, a press release states, the Business School's undergraduate program was the youngest ever to receive accreditation from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business, and last year the master of business administration degree became one of the youngest ever accredited.

Turner earned a master of business administration degree in 1960 and a doctorate in business in 1966, both from Washington University. He received his bachelor's degree in 1955 from Central Missouri State University.

Turner will serve until a new chancellor is appointed. The Search and Screening Committee to recommend candidates for chancellor met formally in Columbia on March 8.

We met informally in St. Louis earlier this week after we were informed of Dr. Hartley's intent to resign, an official

statement from the committee said.

It continued: "The committee submitted to the president of the university in May of 1973 an unranked list of candidates, all of whom we felt were outstanding. We have resubmitted that list to the president. It is, of course, confidential."

Meanwhile, the post vacated by Turner has also been filled.

Dr. Donald H. Driemeier, associate dean of the School of Business Administration at UMSL, has been appointed acting dean of the school, it has been announced by Interim Chancellor Emery C. Turner.

Driemeier, who has been associate dean of the business school since 1971, joined the UMSL faculty in 1965 as an instructor in finance. He currently holds the rank of associate professor.

A native St. Louisan, Driemeier earlier served as associate executive secretary of the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business, a professional accrediting body in collegiate business education.

He earned his doctor of business administration degree in 1969 from Washington University, where he also received his master of business administration degree.

Dr. Driemeier has served on numerous campus and university committees, including the Graduate Council, the University Senate, and the university-wide Intercampus Faculty Council.

# NEWS

## 'Rent-a-book' system possible

Tom Pagano

Did you ever think of "renting" the books you might need for a semester of study, and buying the textbooks you wished to keep for further reference instead of going through the hassle of purchasing new books every term?

Recently looking into this question, it seemed feasible that there was a chance that such an operation could take place, and in turn benefit every student attending UMSL. In a Current interview with the assistant manager of the UMSL Bookstore, Mr. Vernon Bryan stated, "The Rental System would be the best system and most popular for the student's benefit if it would work properly."

Presently, UMSL students average a purchase of \$70.00 per semester for books at the beginning of each term. When the school term ends, if another student does not buy the book, the Bookstore will buy it back from the student at 40 per cent of its original cost, which results in a loss to the student.

You might ask, "Does the Bookstore resell the book at a profit of maybe 60 per cent?" Well, the answer is, "No!" In truth, the bookstore only makes about 1 per cent profit from every item they sell.

The UMSL Bookstore buys texts from the publishing companies at a 20 per cent discount which is passed on to you, the students. The profits come not from the books bought, but from incidentals that are sold, such as rings, camera equipment, cards, and T-shirts with optional designs and slogans. The University of Missouri does not allocate a budget for the UMSL Bookstore, and the profits contribute

to the paying-off of the building space which it occupies.

Going by Bryan's statement, several universities that cooperate with the "Rental System" were contacted and asked if the program works efficiently. The most dominant in the state system, Central Missouri State University, rents books to students at a rate of \$10.00 per semester which is used as a security deposit, rather than a rental rate. If you get the books (used) needed for the semester in "good" condition, and return the books at the end of the semester in "good" condition, your \$10.00 may either be returned to you, or continually used as a deposit for the next semester's set of text books. If a book is lost, stolen, or damaged in any way, however, your ten dollars will not be refunded, and you have to pay for the book. But, how many books do you gener-

### Requirement

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faculty," she said, "but they told us they couldn't even consider it until they learned that the existing requirement had been abolished." Titled "Currently Approved Courses Relevant to a Non-U.S. Culture Requirement," the three pages outline possibilities for studying foreign cultures beyond just language study.

According to her, there was great difficulty in "getting the matter to the surface in the first place" within the curriculum committee, and "hassles" with trying to deal with it. "There were these little games being played; for example, when the chairman called for new business, I didn't realize the requirement was new business and that created a problem."

ally lose within the four years that you might attend? None, generally, and if you should want to buy a book to save it for reference purposes, you may buy it from the Campus Bookstore. CMSU not only services their students, but also 15 Extension Centers, as well as Whitman Air Force Base and the Police Academy in Jefferson City. A total of about 15,000 students throughout the state. This system would save UMSL students an average of about \$200.00 per annual year, (this includes Summer school students with a lesser amount of semester hours than the regular semester.) Several other universities that maintain this system are Southeast Mo. State U., Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, and various colleges with a Continuing Education Program.

One of the major reasons that the Rental system is not operating at most major universities is because the instructors change textbooks so often, which causes a delay in ordering the proper book, as well as a sufficient number of books, which are the "key" factors in making a system like this work efficiently. "The only way it would work, is when the Administration has control of its professors," Bryan said. He should know; he sold books to two of the nation's largest universities under the Rental system for better than five years.

"If a professor would change his texts once every 3 years, with stability in regards to the choice of his texts, the system would work," Bryan reiterated. "If the Rental System could work at UMSL, it would be the best system."

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approach is something that has been needed for a long time."

Eastman and his associates recently received the Freedom Foundations award for a public service program on aspects of freedom of the press.

He also assists in instructing and training Graduate students in journalism. While Eastman feels it is feasible for students to run a low power station, he does not believe this is suitable for a 100,000 Watt station like KWMU.

Student Staff Advisor Flynn agrees. "The usual route for a student in broadcasting journalism is to learn at a low power station and then be placed in an internship at a high power station, if the university is lucky enough to have one."

Although facilities are limited at UMSL, Flynn feels General Manager Robert Thomas has expressed willingness to train students. Thomas is at present conducting a class in radio production.

Student Staff Manager Mike Owens also admits time is a problem. "The staff is more

than willing to teach. The problem is getting together. But," he added, "I think we are doing a good job."

Flynn commended the student staff also. "The students on the student staff of KWMU have an opportunity that very few students in the country have. It is very unusual to be on 100,000 Watt station in a major market."

Regarding the possible budget cut, Flynn felt that the professional staff would have less time to help train students. "If the budget is cut," he said, "students would not gain anything, they would only lose."

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## Council presidential candidates to face press panel

"Meet the Press," an open panel discussion of the candidates and issues involved in next month's student government elections, will be held Friday, Mar. 29, from 12:30 to 2:30 pm on the J.C. Penney patio.

A team of Current staff members will question the candidates running for the presidency and the vice-presidency of UMSL's

student government on their policies and platforms. Students will then be allowed to voice their own comments or criticisms, and further question the candidates.

The program, first of its kind on the UMSL campus, represents an attempt on the part of the Current to familiarize a

greater number of students with the workings of student government, and to determine the basic differences between the opposing candidates. All UMSL students are encouraged to attend.

In case of rain, the program will be held in the University Center lounge.

## On the ballot: new constitution and Senate spots

The election of the 25 student members of the University Senate is being held this week, March 13, 14 and 15. All UMSL students are eligible to vote for 25 of the 43 candidates on the ballot.

The student members elected this week will serve a term of one year on the Senate. Twenty-five students, 75 faculty mem-

bers and a small number of campus administrators made up the Senate, which is the governing body of UMSL, and advises the Chancellor on the university's academic and administrative policies.

Also on the University Senate ballot this week is a proposal that would replace UMSL's present student government, the

Central Council, with a new organization, the University Students Congress. The new organization would include a revised system of student representation and a new committee structure. A related editorial appears on page 6.

A voter's guide to the Senate candidates was printed in last week's Current.

# CURRENT EVENTS

## Political participation possible

Applications for candidates planning to run for student government offices are available at the Dean of Student Affairs' office, 206 Administration Building. All UMSL students are eligible to run for office as President or Vice-President of the Student Body or as a student representative on the Central Council or a new organization, the University Students Congress, which has been proposed to replace the Council.

All candidacy applications must be turned in at the University Center information desk no later than Thursday, March 28.

Student government elections are scheduled for April 4, 5, and 8. Candidates elected at that time will serve one-year terms.

## Peers probe problems

The UMSL Peer Counseling Service is open for use by students. Located in room 213C of the Administration Building, the service is staffed entirely by students who are equipped to handle a complete range of personal, emotional, or academic problems in an informal and confidential atmosphere.

The service is open on Monday and Friday, 11:40-1:30; Monday, 4-6; and Tuesday and Thursday, 10:40-1:30 and 3-6.

## Will pick replacement

A six-member committee has been elected to conduct the search for a new dean of the UMSL Graduate School. The group will select a replacement for Dr. Robert S. Sullivan, who resigned last August to accept a vice president's post at the University of Toledo.

The committee was elected by the graduate faculty of the academic divisions of the campus, with each group electing only its own representative. Nominations were made by the Graduate Council at the direction of the chancellor.

Faculty serving on the search committee are Dr. B. Bernard Cohen, professor of English (humanities); Dr. Deborah Tep-

per Haimo, professor and chairman of the Department of Mathematics (physical and life sciences); Dr. Hugh O. Nourse, professor and chairman of the Department of Economics (social sciences); Dr. Arthur Smith, associate dean of the School of Education (education); and Dr. James Tushaus, associate professor of marketing (business). Students will be represented by James Malen, president of the Graduate Student Association.

The group will elect a chairman at its first meeting.

## Promote new Superintendent

A group of UMSL students interested in promoting the campaign of Marvin Madeson has established the student organization of "Madeson for Supervisor" on the UMSL campus.

Those interested in working in the Madeson campaign at UMSL should contact Clark Hickman at 647-2562.

## Professor into politics

Dr. Alan Berndt, Professor of Chemistry, is running for the Ladue school board. BERNDT has been teaching at UMSL for nine years, and is presently teaching Chemistry 12.

A resident of the Ladue school district for eight years, Berndt has two children enrolled in the Ladue public schools.

"I'd like to see more citizen participation in the community," said Berndt. "This can be achieved through a school board member who is a recipient of their views."

Elections will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 1974.

## A plea: 'Apply'

Every UMSL student is requested to file a Degree Application Form in the office of the dean of the school or college from which he or she intends to graduate.

Ethel Zucker, Academic Advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences, noted that "this should be done at least two full semesters before the expected graduation date."

## Clarifies transfer of associate degrees

Confusion still seems to exist concerning the transfer of associate degrees from junior colleges. The advisors in the College of Arts and Sciences have clarified the following points.

Students transferring to UMSL with an associate degree are accepted into the university as juniors. They are eligible to take junior-level courses, and to enter directly into the schools of Education and Business.

However, acceptance of the associate degree does not mean automatic application of the entire 64 hours to the student's four-year degree. The student's respective school (Arts and Sciences, Business, Education or Evening) evaluates the credits to

determine which will apply within the 120 hours required for the degree sought at UMSL. For instance, physical education courses, "D" grades, and career and developmental courses (those courses numbered below .100 by the St. Louis junior colleges) are generally not acceptable.

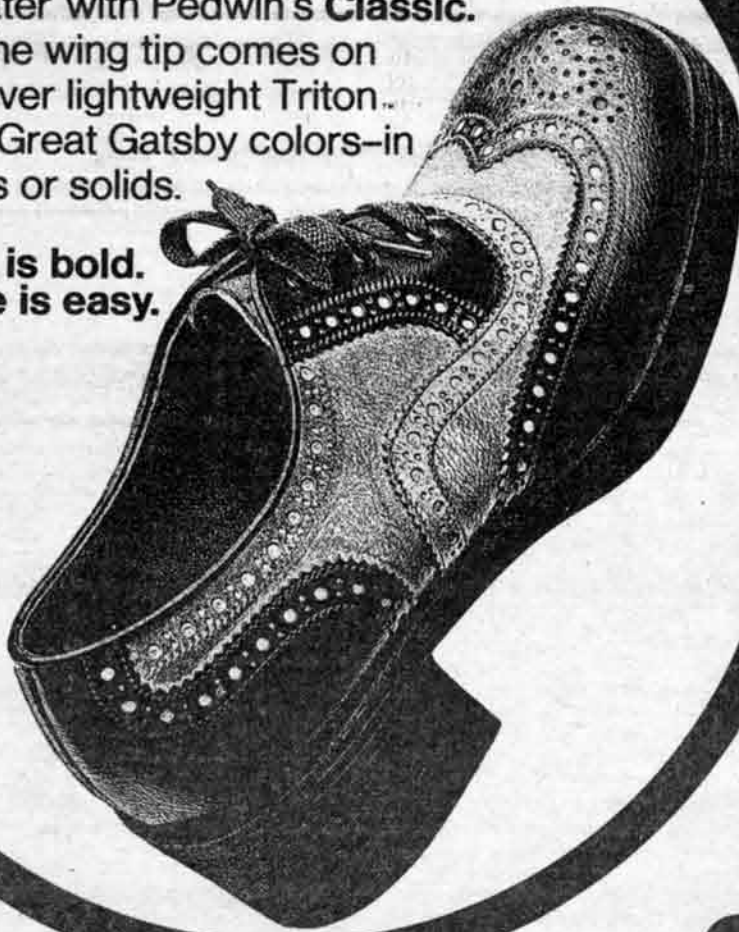
Once a student has completed 64 hours of acceptable college credit, hours from the junior college can no longer be applied to his degree.

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**HENRY VIII**

**Streaking hits campus**

# Biggest rage since goldfish-swallowing

Mike Lowe

Beginning with the first day of March, reports started filtering out of Florida and California of "streaking". Streaking, of course, is running for a short distance in some public area completely in the nude.

Mostly a college phenomenon, streaking spread through southern California and other western states wherever the weather permitted. It wasn't until the past two weeks' unseasonable heat-wave that streaking struck just about all major U.S. campuses.

UMSL has been no exception. Wednesday, March 6, 1974 will always be remembered as the first day when four brave young men ran bare across the quadrangle in front of the SSBE building. By unofficial count there had been around 20 streakings as the Current went to press.

Last Friday UMSL had a slight variation on its "traditional" pattern. A single male streaker undressed in the stair well in front of Clark Hall and made two circuits of the quadrangle—to the delight of several hundred onlookers. When he returned

dressed he received a standing ovation from the crowd.

But this is tame compared to some of the mass-streaks which have hit other campuses. In Florida there were reports of 50 persons (streaking has gone go-ed there) streak teams.

Closer to home, St. Louis U called an all day streak-a-thon—a Streak for Peace—last Friday. Alas, it failed to meet its sponsor's expectations.

Rumors came down from Columbia that over 700 persons streaked that campus on Tuesday of last week, but this is an exaggerated number. The University of Mississippi claims to have set the world streaking record. At Ole Miss streakers of all size, shape, and speed hit that campus last week. Taking advantage of the full moon hundreds ran through campus. They even had a motorcycle escort—just like the President—only naked.

But due to the nature of the sport an accurate body-count is difficult. The Ole Miss claim is currently being dis-claimed by competing colleges.

Other variations include streaking bars, flourists, and even police stations. Streakers have ridden in convertibles,

elevators, and on horses (bare-back of course).

But perhaps the most outlandish streakings have been the parachute streakers. At schools in Florida and Illinois nude parachutists jumped from altitudes as high as 4000 feet into the wild black yonder (it was at night) with flares to guide them.

But is streaking really as recent an occurrence as television and newspapers would have us believe?

The fact is, in light of recent developments, most scholars agree that Adam and Eve were the first streakers. And of course no one could forget Lady Godiva. Nudist colonies have been around for years and nude beaches cropped up in the mid-60's. In Las Vegas topless reviews are common place. And who could forget the furor over the all-nude stage production "Oh! Calcutta"?

Streaking would seem to be a natural outgrowth of all of these.

From the legal side, there seems to be somewhat of a double standard. Public officials and law enforcement people take a dim view of public exhibitionism. But they also seem to take a more light-hearted view of streaking. With several hundred

persons running naked across a college campus police could make many arrests—but they don't.

James Nelson, UMSL's chief of police, warns campus streakers that "...they are breaking county ordinances and state statutes. They can be arrested and prosecuted."

To date no UMSL police officer has attempted to stop a streaker. Considering the size of the UMSL police force, it seems unlikely that any will.

What of the future of streaking? Perhaps it seems far-fetched but maybe we will be seeing streaking at the next Olympic competitions. (Pole-vaulting seems impracticable, but swimming is a natural.) Streaking could replace basketball and hockey play-offs and exhibition baseball at catching nationwide pre-summer interest.

Psychiatrists have diagnosed streaking as an outgrowth of our permissive society. They say that streaking is here to stay.

But maybe streaking won't replace the robin as the first sign of spring. Maybe it will go the way of past college fads. As Nelson put it, "It will probably just fade away like goldfish swallowing."



Students streak SIU Edwardsville campus (Thanks to the daily Alestle, photo by Joni Perrin)

**Streaker 'promotes school spirit'**

Ray Gude

At approximately 1 pm on Friday, March 8, John Guppy removed his clothes behind the large concrete wall in front of the south end of Clark Hall and streaked out into the middle of the Quadrangel. Weaving through the people, slapping and shaking hands as he went, he made his way down the steps at the north end of the square and disappeared into Lucas Hall where he met a friend who was waiting with his clothes.

In any other year Guppy's behavior would have been considered that of a madman. But in 1974 this type of behavior has become almost a daily routine at colleges and high schools throughout the country.

In an exclusive interview with Guppy several minutes after his uninhibited dash, I asked him about his philosophy on streaking and, in particular, what motivated him to streak.

"Well this particular streak was completely impromptu" said Guppy. "The crowd was obviously waiting for a streaker and it looked like they were going to be disappointed. I didn't want that to happen." Guppy said that this was not his first streak. "Some friends and I went streaking last night at Maryville College. The girls there said they were uninhibited enough to streak anytime but none of them did. We wanted to show them that we at least had the balls to do it."

"Basically the UMSL streak was to raise school spirit," said

Guppy. "People have the idea that UMSL is a backward campus with nothing going on. I wanted to show them that UMSL is up with the rest of the colleges. What I did was in no way novel or innovative, but it was nevertheless a step toward relieving inhibitions."

Guppy said that he feels that there are several reasons why most streakers are males. "Well, women, I guess, have more to show and more to lose. Also, they would be bothered by flopping breasts, which I understand can be quite painful. At the risk of being called a chauvinist, I also think they're more inhibited."

"If streaking is supposed to represent the breakdown of inhibitions why do people streak across campus?" I asked. "Why don't they stroll?"

"Part of it, I guess, is out of fear of being caught and arrested," said Guppy. "It just goes to show that people may stand up for something they believe in once in awhile, but very seldom do they have the courage to really stick it out."

"Thank you, John, and here are your clothes."

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## Running bare-bottomed takes brains

"Take off your clothes and start running. Don't stop until you're securely inside a car and heading off campus. That's all streaking involves, isn't it?"

Not quite. At least according to one of the three male UMSL students seen streaking through the center of the quadrangle last Friday morning at precisely 10:37. It was not a spur-of-the-moment thing that they ran past hundreds of anxious spectators only two minutes behind schedule.

After UMSL's first streaking Wednesday, our streaker friend, Mr. S, began planning each step as carefully as if he were planning a bank robbery. It wasn't difficult for him to find two others willing to run along. The next problem, however, was finding a driver to start them on their streak, and be on hand to carry them to safety afterwards. A streaker from Wednesday, sympathetic to the cause, volunteered to drive. All that remained was planning the time and

route. Planning, you say?

"Of course," Mr. S assured me. "The first guys on Wednesday had it easy because they caught everyone by surprise. But as more people began streaking, and taking a similar path, we knew we'd have to be more careful so we wouldn't get caught."

"Since most of the streakers before us had run through the quadrangle along SSBE, we decided to run through the center of the quadrangle, from the library to the Tower. I measured the maximum distance to be 447 yards from getting out of the car, running, and getting back in the car. I knew we'd have no trouble running it in a maximum of 90 seconds. That allowed time for dodging people, also. A pick-up place was established, with alternate places in case we got separated or hassled," he said.

"The escape route was also carefully planned. Most of our predecessors had been seen heading in cars toward Natural

Bridge, so to throw people off, we planned to head toward Florissant Road. We even thought to station a guy at the proposed campus re-entry point who advise us to use another entrance if necessary. If all else failed, we had a nearby bar picked out to kill time before returning to campus."

Even the most careful plans can develop snags at the last minute, though. Mr. S told me, "Our driver didn't show up on time to take us, so another guy volunteered. We had a precise schedule to follow and we couldn't wait. I even figured how much time we needed to undress!" The rest of the schedule came off flawlessly. Mr. S and his friends had planned to be seen running through the quadrangle at 10:35. They missed by only 2 minutes.

"You know," he said, "I thought about it so much that it's hard to believe I really did it."

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# Education majors may face disappointment

Tina Stobie

The overabundance of teachers is a problem that is rapidly increasing in the St. Louis area. KMOX Radio aired a three part series on Feb. 18, 19, and 20 to update the seriousness of the problem. UMSL was used as a major illustration of this recent plight of future teachers.

Steve Trenkmann, anchorman for KMOX Radio, researched and moderated the series. In part one, he presented statistics from the University of Missouri and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville that did not look too promising for aspiring educators. The figures were taken at the time the graduates were ready to enter their field.

For example, at UMSL, last year more than 700 students graduated with teaching degrees and only 344 found jobs in their education field. Almost 200 more unable to locate jobs, and as a result, more than 60 resorted to employment in other fields. This year, based on incomplete figures, only 38 out of 341 teachers have been placed by UMSL. SIU-E followed much the same pattern.

In the second part of the series, Trenkmann explored the reasoning behind the decline in job openings for teachers. Explanations offered by various

school officials were the decline in student enrollment and the drop in teacher attrition rates. These in turn lead to the selectivity of the employers. In the city of St. Louis there were 25 per cent fewer resignations and an enrollment decline of four thousand students. As a result, the market has changed from a teacher's market to an employer's market.

The final show was devoted to the graduates who couldn't be placed in their teaching field. As stated before, some graduates resorted to jobs in other fields. Some teachers are now pumping gas and driving cabs!

Trenkmann interviewed Susan Lamb, an UMSL graduate who was unable to locate job in the teaching profession. At present she is working as a bi-lingual secretary for Seven-Up in St. Louis. She felt that the major problems in the teaching field were lack of money and discipline. Susan said that she wouldn't consider teaching until these problems were solved.

The show ended with two solutions that some educators had offered for the problem of "too many teachers." One was to make it harder in the colleges and universities for education majors. The other was to encourage teachers to be prepared to seek employment in other fields.

In an interview after the series aired, Steve Trenkmann discussed a major point that he had often come across while researching the shows. "There are education departments at colleges and universities that are still

turning out large numbers of teachers to a market that is declining year by year. Yet, they are making no effort to discourage students from entering the teaching field."

The immediate future does not

look too bright for teachers. Predictions for an upswing in job openings for teachers do not even begin until around 1980. Be prepared education majors, some of you might have to wait 6 years.

# FEATURES

## Plants take lie detector tests

Dee Gerding

Former CIA polygraph (detector) expert, Cleve Backster is always careful about hooking up his apparatus to African violets—he does not want them to faint.

At the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium hosted by UMSL last Saturday, Backster talked about his "observations" to about two hundred high school students and teachers.

On a coffee break in the late evening hours of February 2, 1966, Backster decided to measure the rate at which water rose, from the root to the leaf, in one of his office plants. The polygraph recorded a reaction similar to a human receiving emotional stimulation.

Backster varied the process by deciding to threaten the plant with fire. At the moment of his decision, the polygraph showed an excitation of fear. The reaction subsided once the threat of a match was removed.

He makes the distinction between observations and experiments.

"A thousand observations don't make one experiment," Backster said.

Since his initial observations with the office plants, he has set the polygraph up with the whole plant, leaves, cells clusters, on-fertile chick eggs, and human spermatozoa.

"If cells can communicate outside the body over fifty or sixty feet, they can do so within the body," he said.

Most of the equipment he uses, Backster has built himself. The three-pen polygraph measures breathing, abdominal and cardiac activity, and the galvanic skin response. The galvanic skin response, GSR, is an electrical impulse given off from the plant or person onto a recording device.

Because he is dealing with (as yet) imprecise subject matter, Backster realizes the unacceptability of most of his opinions to the scientific community. His observations and experiments are designed with them in mind.

However, Backster also raised some unscientific issues. That of "experimenter bias" which is the personal opinion of the experimenter for an experiment to turn out a particular way. Results usually indicate that person's pre-conceived notions. Backster has minimized the amount of "experimenter bias" by automating his experiments.

"It's important to remove



Cleve Backster

Studies plant emotions (photo by Jim Van Horn)

your consciousness from the environment," he said.

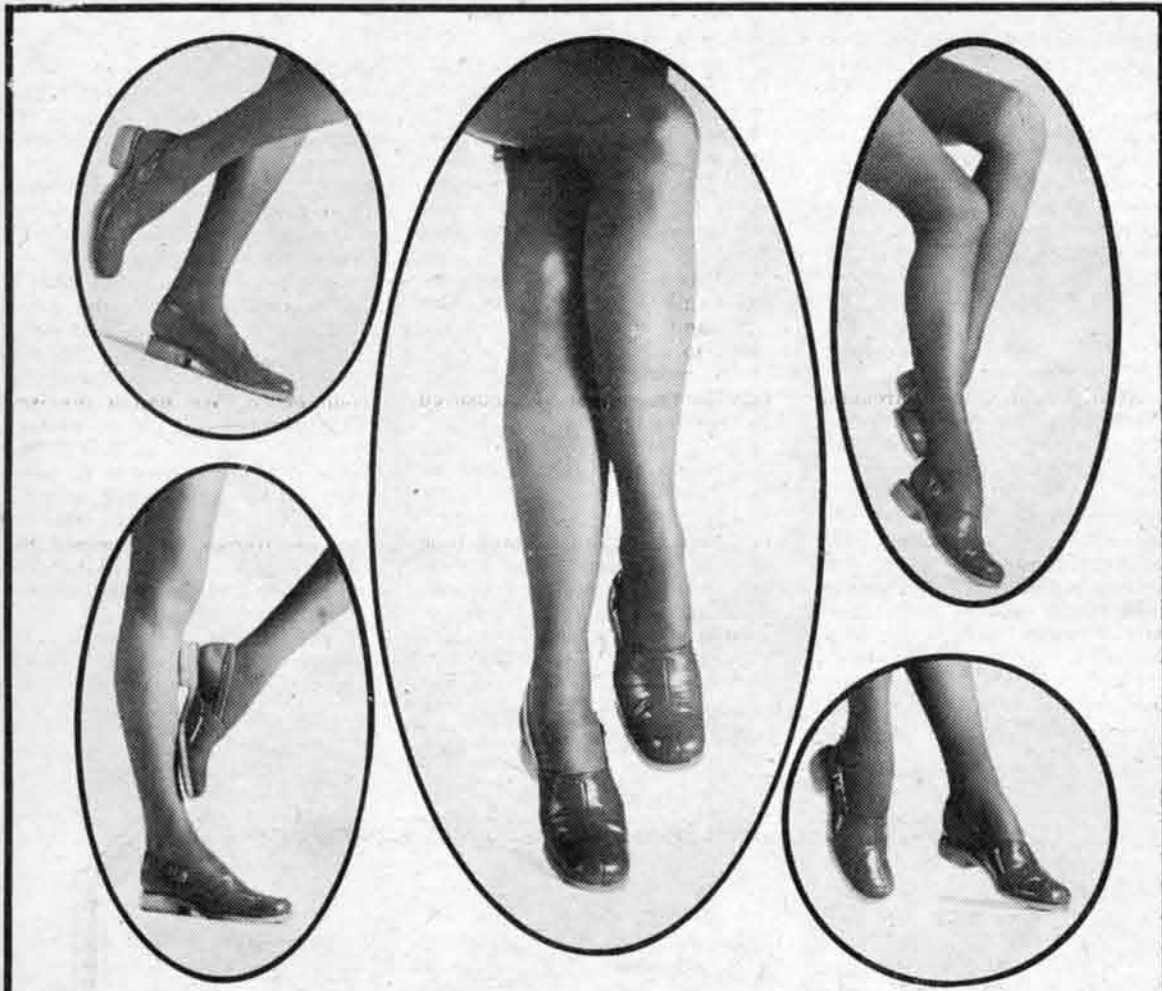
The idea of plants having sensations or feelings is not new. Much of Eastern philosophy and Eastern religions are full of communication with inanimate objects. Backster sees the material as being "uncovered" rather than "discovered." He does not distinguish between the two terms.

One of the questions asked was, "Have you ever suspected that an organism was lying to you?"

Backster replied that the GSR would indicate so on the polygraph.

Operating out of Manhattan in New York, Backster has published "Evidence of a Primary Perception in Plant Life," an article about his findings. He is presently serving a two-year term on the Board of Directors of the American Polygraph Association.

Finishing up his lecture, Backster told of one plant saying to another, as a woman with a watering pail was leaving, "I thought she'd never shut up."



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# EDITORIALS

## Resignation shows need for long-term chancellor

Chancellor Hartley's resignation was quite unexpected. It was for "inexplicable reasons" that he chose to relinquish a post he had assumed in September, 1973.

Many questions remain unanswered concerning the abrupt nature of the resignation. Out of respect for personal reasons, they shall probably remain unanswered.

However, there is a broader and perhaps deeper question which surrounds the resignation. UMSL has been in existence for only ten years, expanding at an unusually fast rate. But, within that same span of time, five different men will have occupied the Chancellor's office.

Since Chancellor Hartley resigned, there has been more media coverage of streakers than of UMSL. Why has this resignation been met with such nonchalance? What is the impetus for such a high turnover rate? Some have implied, although without substantiation, that the problem lies within the university system.

The search committee, which dissolved itself upon the appointment of Hartley, has been called together again. The original list of candidates is

being resubmitted to President C. Brice Ratchford for review and selection.

A reexamination of the selection process is perhaps in order. Certainly the committee has enough time to review the qualifications of the candidates, but do the candidates get an opportunity to review the university? Are candidates adequately introduced to the assets as well as handicaps, especially financial, of the university before making a decision about accepting the position? And, does the administrative staff have any input for the choice of chancellor—not necessarily a vote, but a recommendation or an impression?

UMSL needs a long-term chancellor. Hartley's resignation has been accepted with respect for his honesty and concern for the university. He was chosen with strong recommendations from a search committee which spent the good part of a year reviewing candidates. Ratchford reinforced its choice. However, Ratchford should now proceed with a careful and thorough review of candidates so that a sense of continuity and growth can prevail on this campus.

## Letters to the Editor

### Wrong number

Dear Editor:

UMSL is covered in wall-to-wall cars and high-rise garages; and somebody must have panicked at the thought of another million dollars being shot on parking. I suspect this because I got a letter with the names and phone numbers of 12 people in my area whom I was encouraged to call about car-pooling. If I were interested in that, I would have filled in one of those computer forms.

Now there are probably 12 people out there with my \$1 a month unlisted phone number, all asked by the university to call me. Fortunately, none have. This leads me to believe that they were as disgusted as I was by the recital of the ecstasy of carpooling, the fun of Bi-State, and the joys of walking. Obviously, someone is pretty desperate to keep cars off campus.

If the university ever gives out my number without authorization again, I will refuse to give it anymore.

Lola L. Lucas

### A secret survey

Dear Editor:

Recently much attention has been drawn to the need for a campus day care center. Specifically, I refer to Regina Ahrens' article printed in the February 21 issue of the Current. In that article Ms. Ahrens failed to mention a survey taken in the summer of 1973, by Barbara Baker for UMSL's Extension Division in connection with the Chancellor's Office. According to Lucy Layne of UMSL's Women's Center, Baker and volunteers from Women's Center randomly surveyed students by telephone about the feasibility of a campus day care center. Also in the summer of 1973, a written questionnaire was submitted to UMSL's faculty regarding a day care center. Ms. Layne also stated that the questions asked on the survey as well as the survey results were being held by Dr. Margaret Fagin, of UMSL's Extension Division.

On November 20, 1973, I made an appointment with Dr.

Fagin and requested a copy of the survey and survey results. Very politely, Dr. Fagin told me that such information was not hers to give: it was property of the Chancellor's Office.

So what's the big secret? It would seem that such a survey and its results should be available to any member of the academic community. It seems ironic that UMSL, supposedly a higher institution of learning, would withhold such information. This University is in business to give information, not withhold it.

The need for a campus day care center is apparent. The interest of the UMSL community in the establishment of a center is alive and kicking. It is therefore mandatory that all members of the UMSL community be informed of all and new developments concerning this matter.

Beth Johnson

### Racist admissions test

Dear Editor:

On Tuesday Feb. 26 the Admissions committee of the University Senate voted to recommend a change in the present admissions policy for the University of Missouri. The proposal (made by Dr. Mueller) the committee approved would make the top 50% of each high school graduating class automatically eligible for admission, regardless of their scores of admissions tests. For those in the bottom half the present admissions policy would apply.

This proposal was preferred by a majority of committee members to one which would make the top 2/3 eligible for admission and forbid the use of admissions tests. While the change that was approved would reduce the discriminatory effect of racially and class biased tests, it would not eliminate it. Those who preferred Dr. Mueller's proposal did not argue for a change in the present admissions policy on the grounds that it discriminated against black and white working class students.

When pressed on the question

of why he was proposing a change, Dr. Mueller said that he felt it was desirable to bring the U. of Mo. admissions policy into line with those used at other midwestern public universities. He would not say that he felt that the bias of the admissions tests was reason to change the policy. Nor, as I remember did other committee members who preferred Dr. Mueller's proposal to the one which would eliminate the use of the tests. The reason Dr. Mueller offered is feeble. It is a good reason only if the policies of those other schools are good ones. While the protest against the admissions policy and the hearings on the admissions policy focused on the question of racial bias in the tests, many who voted for this change avoided discussion of this issue. This seems to me unprincipled. If these people oppose the use of racial tests, they should say so and should call for elimination of the tests or say why they don't favor elimination of these tests.

If these people do not oppose the use of these tests, then they should come up with some half-way plausible reason why they favor a change in the admissions policy. The debate in the University Senate on a change in the admissions policy should focus on the serious political issue that students in SDS and others have raised: that admissions tests are racist.

Paul Gomberg

### Absurd requirement

Dear Editor:

Recently many people on campus have expressed their ideas concerning the foreign language requirement. Most students dislike the 13 hour requirement but are "blindly led to slaughter" anyway.

I think the foreign language requirement or even an alternative is ABSURD!!! It should be abolished because there is no reason for it. The requirement is just another institutionalized waste of the students' time and money while he's trying to prepare himself for later life. Just like the bookstore—an educational rip-off.

Cynthia L. Mohrlock

## Vote FOR new constitution

Students would be wise to vote for the new student government constitution which is on the University Senate ballot this week. The new constitution would replace the present Central Council with a new organization, the University Students Congress.

The new organization would differ from the old one in two major areas, the selection of student representatives and the structure of student government committees.

Under a compromise plan hammered out in the Council in January, the new constitution would allow full participation in student government by representatives of interested student organizations, but would eliminate the large number of non-participating organizational representatives which have been of little value to the Council.

The committee structure of the new Congress is another improvement, with only one standing executive committee, and a series of special committees established for specific purposes. This would eliminate a major problem of the present student government, in which a number of do-nothing standing committees have blocked effective action by the Council.

Presumably, an ineffective special committee of the new organization could be disbanded and replaced by a more competent group.

Some members of the Council have opposed the new constitution, stating that it is unnecessary and does not solve the real problems of student government here at UMSL.

They may be right on the second point, but they are expecting a little too much and ignoring some obvious advantages of the proposal.

No constitution can be expected to guarantee competence and dedication on the part of student representatives, and no constitution can really inspire the student body to take an active interest in their student government.

The new document is not perfect. In particular, it lacks a provision for election reforms which are badly needed to improve student representation. However, these reforms could be written into the by-laws of the new organization.

There are valid criticisms of the new constitution, and there were valid criticisms of another radical new constitution which was drawn up back in 1977. That one was adopted anyway, and it worked out pretty well.

The new constitution for UMSL represents a change, and a change is badly needed. Under the new constitution, student government just might become an effective organization at UMSL. With the present structure, this seems unlikely.

Overall, the proposal is a good one, and it deserves the students' approval.

-Bob Hucker

### Response requested

Dear Editor:

The suggestion of using the present administration building as a performing arts center is quite rational. There are many obvious reasons: cultural, financial, and developmental to UMSL's future.

Since it appears that UMSL desires and needs money for building, it follows that any resources of financial aid to the school would be considered. An art faculty and student body could help suffice financial needs for UMSL. If people

learned that UMSL were to have art facilities, the enrollment would grow, as well as the status of the school in the U.S.A. There are many potential artists who want and need mastery of their artistic abilities and/or talents but haven't the money to attend an art school per se. Tuition at Webster College for example is \$2600 per year.

I appeal to the concerned officials of the University to consider the suggestion. Also, if possible perhaps the students could read a response from the officials. We need to know you hear us.

Monica O'Connor

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# Proposed constitution for University Students Congress

*Constitutional referendum on University Senate ballot — election this Thursday and Friday.*

*Passage would create new student government*

**UNIVERSITY STUDENTS CONGRESS**  
We, the students of the University of Missouri-St. Louis, recognizing the need for effective student participation and representation in the administration of the university community; realizing the need for student input in university decision making; and cognizant of the need for a focal point of student interest; establish the University Students Congress.

**ARTICLE I: CONGRESS MEMBERSHIP**  
Section 1: Elected Representatives  
Twelve members of the congress shall be elected at large by the student body. They shall be elected at the same time as the President and Vice-President of the Student Body.

Section 2: Senate Representatives  
Following the election of the student members of the University Senate, they shall select three of their number to serve as members of the Congress.

Section 3: New Student Representatives  
Following the beginning of the fall semester of each academic year, four new student representatives will be elected to serve in the congress.

Section 4: Organizational Representatives

At the first meeting following the General Election, each recognized student organization in attendance shall be entitled to a representative in the Congress. If any three consecutive meetings are missed by the representative, he shall be summarily removed from the roll. Any organization not in attendance at the first meeting, or removed from the roll may petition for membership in the Congress and be admitted by majority vote.

Section 5: Co-opted Representatives  
The Congress may, at its discretion, appoint up to five additional members, selected by majority vote of the Congress.

Section 6: Replacement of Representatives

The Congress shall provide for the replacement of representatives or officers upon their resignation or removal from office.

**ARTICLE II: OFFICERS**

Section 1: Student Body President  
The Student Body President shall be elected at large, and shall be considered a member of the Congress. Duties shall include:

1- Serving as the Chairperson of the Committee for Planning and Fiscal Responsibility.

2- Representing the student body in the Inter-campus Council, the University Senate, in consultations or advisory sessions with the President of the University, the Chancellor, or other administrative members, and in such other areas as may require a true representative of the student body.

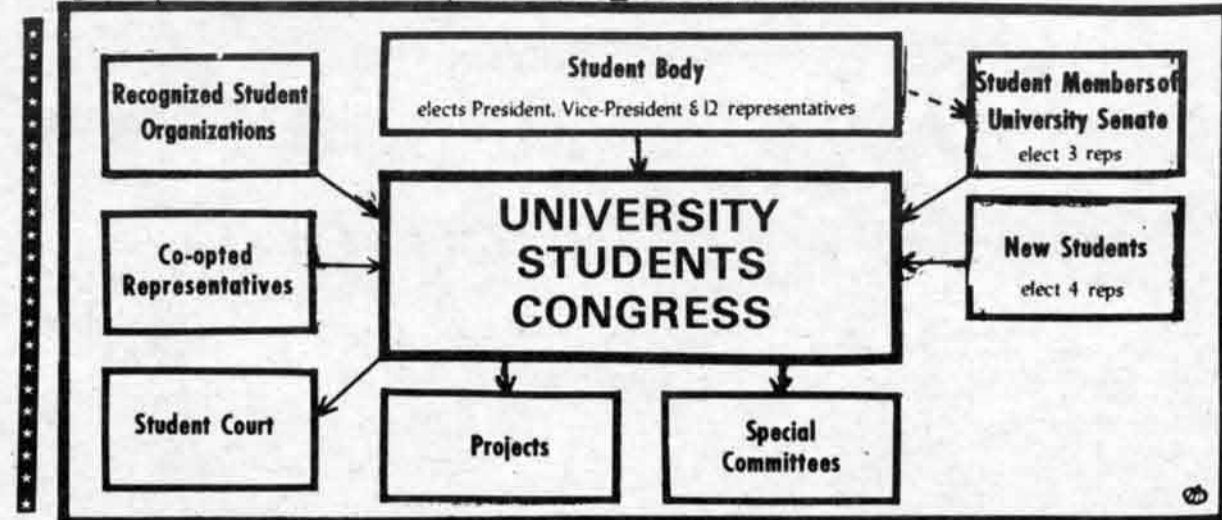
3- Shall report to the congress the activities of the committee for planning and fiscal responsibility and actions regarding his other duties.

4- Shall appoint, with the advice and consent of the congress, a secretary-treasurer who shall be selected from among the congress membership.

Section 2: Vice-President  
The Vice-President shall be elected at large and shall be considered a member of the Congress. His duties shall include:

1- Fulfilling the duties of the president in case of his absence or disability.

2- Fulfilling any other duties assigned



to him by the congress or the President.  
3- He shall be the liaison between the Committee for Planning and Fiscal Responsibility and all other committees.

4- He shall serve as the chief officer in charge of grievances.

Section 3: Secretary-Treasurer  
The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible for the drafting of the minutes of all meetings of the Congress, as well as all official correspondence of the congress; shall administer the funds of the Congress in accordance with the instructions of the Committee for Planning and Fiscal Responsibility and the Congress; and shall also perform all other duties assigned by the Congress or the president.

Section 4: Chairperson  
The Congress as its first order of business in its first meeting after the General Elections shall be the selection of a Chairperson. The sole responsibility of the Chairperson shall be to preside over the meetings of the Congress. He shall be chosen from the membership of the Congress, but may not hold any other office. The Chairperson shall have a vote in the congress.

Section 5: Impeachment  
Upon demand of a majority of the Congress members, or the petition of 10% of the Student Body; any officer or member of the Congress may be impeached. This person shall then be required to appear before the Student Court which may, after due consideration, remove the person for a violation of the Constitution or By-Laws of the Congress.

**ARTICLE III: COMMITTEES**

Section 1: Committee for Planning and Fiscal Responsibility

1- This Committee shall consist of the President and Vice-President of the Student Body, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Congress, and three other members of Congress selected by the Congress from the Congress.

2- This Committee shall be responsible for formulating a legislative program for presentation to the congress.

3- The Committee shall function as an overall planning and execution committee where other committees are not provided for this purpose.

4- This Committee shall be the committee on committees and shall function in this respect according to procedures provided for by the congress; and shall administer all elections of the Congress.

5- This shall be the only standing committee.

Section 2: Other Committees  
1- The Congress may, when deemed appropriate to the discharge of its functions, create a special committee.

2- The Chairperson of any special committee must be a member of the Congress, but any student may be a member of the committee unless otherwise specified by the Congress.

3- The Congress shall have the power to review and disband special committees as it deems necessary.

4- All Committee Chairpersons shall forward to the committee for Planning and Fiscal Responsibility minutes for each committee meeting.

**ARTICLE IV: PROJECTS**

The Congress may initiate projects for the betterment of the Student Body. These projects shall be administered by a director, who will be responsible to the Congress for their functioning. He will submit at least two reports per semester on the financial and operational aspects of the project to the congress.

**ARTICLE V: FINANCE**

**Article VI: STUDENT COURT**

Section 1: There shall be a Student Court selected by the Congress in accordance with procedures outlined in the by-laws or specified by vote of the congress.

Section 2: The duties of the Court shall include:

1- Adjudication of traffic violations and matters of grievance between individual students or groups of students.

2- The court shall also conduct impeachment proceedings in accordance with the provisions of Article II.

Section 3: The court shall conduct itself in accordance with the Board of Curator's "rules or procedure in student disciplinary matters."

**ARTICLE VII: ELECTIONS**

Section 1: General Elections  
During the month of April elections for the President and Vice-President of the Student Body, and the popularly elected representatives of the Congress shall be held.

Section 2: New Student Elections  
No sooner than four weeks and no later than six weeks after the start of the fall semester, students enrolled for the first time (newly-enrolled graduate students inclusive) shall be allowed to elect four students to serve as their representatives in the Congress. This election shall in no way displace the general election.

Section 4: Installation  
All officers and representatives shall take office within one week after election.

They shall serve in a temporary capacity if there is a challenge of the election. Their term of office shall be one calendar year, or until one week after the next similar election.

**ARTICLE VIII: EXTERNAL RELATIONS**

Section 1: Opinions of the Congress  
The congress shall express its collective opinion with instructions to either the Chairperson or the Secretary-Treasurer. This shall in no way effect the responsibility of the Student Body President to discharge duties under Article II Section 1 sub-section 2 of this constitution.

Section 2: Appointments to University Bodies

Unless otherwise provided for in the Constitution or By-Laws, the Congress shall appoint all necessary student representatives to university or campus committees or boards.

Section 3: Relation to the State and the University

This Constitution shall in no way abridge or transcend the status of the State of Missouri, the rules and regulations of the university, or the powers conferred upon campus Chancellor or Dean of Students.

Section 4: Interpretations  
Any question concerning an interpretation of this Constitution shall be decided by the Student Court, with appellate jurisdiction by the Dean of Students.

Section 5: Parliamentary Authority  
All meetings of the congress or its committees shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, 75th Anniversary Edition.

**ARTICLE IX: BY-LAWS**

The Congress may, by 2/3 vote, set up such by-laws as it may deem necessary for its own operation provided that:

- 1- no by-law may be adopted in the same meeting at which it is proposed, and
- 2- that no by-law may be adopted during a special meeting, and
- 3- that no by-law may be adopted which is contrary to the constitution

**ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS AND RATIFICATION**

Section 1: Amendments  
1- An amendment may be proposed either through a petition bearing the signature of 10% of the student body, or by 2/3 vote of the entire congress provided that it is not proposed during a special meeting of the congress nor at the same meeting at which the original motion to propose the amendment was made.

2- The amendment must then be approved by majority vote of those students participating in the next election.

Section 2: The amendment must then be approved by majority vote of those students participating in the next election.

Section 2: Ratification  
This constitution shall be considered ratified after having been approved by majority vote of the Student Body in referendum.

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# FINE ARTS

## Thurber Carnival-timeless, not timely

Elaine Clavin

A traveling company, Alpha-Omega Players of Dallas, Texas, offered a festive display of the timeless humor of James Thurber. Thurber's humor is timeless in that its concerns rise above any "relevant" topic. It is enduring. In that sense, it is classical humor, enriched with literary allusions all of which are appreciated totally by a keen and enterprising mind. Appropriately enough, the J.C. Penney Auditorium audience seemed to respond with the most enthusiasm to those one line literary allusions.

In one skit, "If Grant Had Been Drinking at Appomatox," the general, struck by acute amnesia, frantically announced his name to be "Telemachus." His attending soldier informed him that it was Ulysses, and Grant retorted, "Well, I was close." Poets in the vein of Percy Dovebreath, discontent with the sadness or unhappy endings of some well-known poetry, decided to sparkle it with "faith, hope, love, and sex" in "Take Her Up Tenderly." Surely, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow turned over in his grave when he heard his famous line transformed into "Under the spreading chastity, the village smoothy stands." In another skit, a well-read murder mystery buff became critic of "Macbeth," proving that Shake-

spere could not have possibly written a script for "Hawaii-Five-O."

This convivial attraction, interspersed with well-executed musical interludes from guitar, autoharp, moroccos and tambourines, presented itself to a low-keyed audience. Because there was a little more than a hand full of people, the delight of the "damn everything but the circus" humor seemed at times to float its way over the anything but merry-go-round atmosphere. Yet there were times when laughter lingered for several minutes while some of the audience held their stomachs.

One of these times was during a skit "The Pet Department," a mock television program, the host being a sort of Dear Abby of the zoo world. During this program the bored assistant showed drawings of animals and read the letters to the doctor. One letter concerned a problem with a seagull. After examining the drawing, the doctor revealed the gull's problem--he looked like a rabbit walking backward. And indeed, it did.

Two other highlights of "A Thurber Carnival" came near the end of each of the two-act presentation. "The Last Flower" was a narrated interpretative dance of the cartoon-essay of the same name. Gracefully performed the anti-war dance added a contemplative moment to the otherwise jovial aura. Some new,

light was shed on the sad situation of a man confronted with problems who failed to solve them and escaped into fantasy. "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" portrayed the fantasies of a hen-pecked man with brilliant absurdity.

Unlike the humor of "Second City" presented last month, "A Thurber Carnival's" humor concerned itself more with universal truths, a kind that will always be fresh. Skits on The Exorcist or sex education in the schools may grow old. But this pot-pourri of humor concerned with twisted historical events, pets and stereotyped sex roles of men and women seems to outlive "relevant" topic humor.

It may be argued that James Thurber is a sexist. Certainly all the women portrayed in his comedy are one-dimensional; either domineering, scheming shrews or mindless, spineless nymphs. However, concentrating on these exaggerations is at the center of Thurber's merry-go-round. To deny them would be to deny the full existence, the round, in motion, risking world of the circus.

The company was brought to UMSL by the Performing Arts and Cultural Events Committee.



Alpha Omega Players present Thurber Carnival.

photo by Jim Van Horn

## UMSL Jazz Band gives free concert

Music from the bands of Buddy Rich, Woody Herman, Stan Kenton, Maynard Ferguson and others will be presented by the UMSL Jazz Ensemble Sunday, March 17.

Called "Big Band Jazz," the concert will be at 8 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Auditorium on the campus. Admission is free and open to the public.

Under the direction of Stanley DeRusha, the Jazz Ensemble will perform selections from "Reflections," "Salina Come Home," "Eli's Comin'," "Malaguena," "Arch Your Back," and more, including music written especially for the ensemble.

DeRusha is assistant professor of music at UMSL. A saxophonist, he made his debut with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra last summer.

## Poetry contest announced

College Student's Poetry Anthology, The National Poetry Press, announces its Spring Competition.

Any student attending either junior or senior college is eligible to submit his verse. There is no limitation as to form or theme. Shorter works are preferred by the Board of Judges, because of space limitations.

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MANUSCRIPTS should be sent to the OFFICE OF THE PRESS, NATIONAL POETRY PRESS, 3210 Selby Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif. 90034.

The closing date for the submission of manuscripts by College Students is April 10.

## Spanish guitarists visit UMSL

Tickets are on sale now for The Romeros, four Spanish guitar artists, who will appear in concert at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 30, in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Also known as the Royal Family of Guitar, the group consists of Celedonia Romero and his three sons, Celin, Pepe and Angel.

The Romeros have performed with practically every major symphony orchestra in this country, and gave concerts at Philharmonic Hall and Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center, in New York this season.

In 12 seasons of touring, the group has averaged more than 100 concerts per season. They have recorded eight albums with Mercury Records.

Tickets for the concert are \$2 for UMSL students, \$3 for faculty and staff, and \$4 for the public. They may be purchased at the University Center Information desk or at the door.

The concert is being sponsored by the University Program Board.

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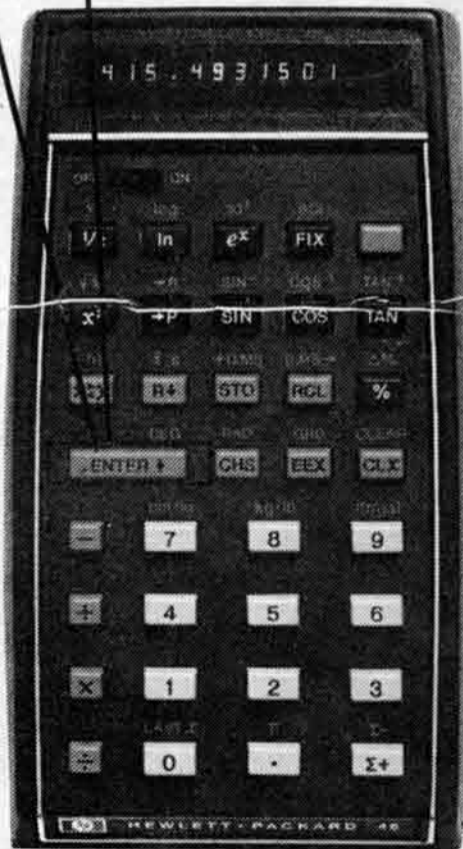
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"Grand Hotel" at 3 & 8 pm on March 26 in J.C. Penney Auditorium

"Dead Birds" at 7:30 & 10:40 am & 2:40 & 7:30 pm on March 26 in 105 Benton Hall

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Music from the bands of Buddy Rich, Wood Herman, Stan Kenton, and others will be presented by the UMSL Jazz Ensemble on Sunday March 17, 8 pm.

### Art

Gallery 210 presents George Caleb Bingham's Graphics Works (begins April 1)

### Meeting

A meeting of UMSL's Women's Group on March 19 at 12 noon in 107 Benton Hall with guest speaker Luther Bellingier

A meeting of the Pentecostal Students Fellowship International on March 21 at 12:30 in Room 155 University Center

A meeting of the Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee with an open hearing and discussion on language requirements on March 25 at 11:45 in Room 126 J.C. Penney Building

Seminar- Social Science Research- Dr. Lewis Sherman

"Policewomen on General Patrol" on March 25 at 3:30 in Room 331 BE

A meeting of the Administration of Justice Students Association on March 26 at 6:15 in 118 Lucas Hall. Topic: Should Campus Police Have Guns?

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## Henry VIII hosts unusual evening at 'Royal Dump'

Ellen Cohen

The "Royal Dump" is not a garbage heap for the monarchy. Well, in many respects, that is what it is. It's the place for three lively hours with a rather dumpy Henry VIII and lots of food, fun, and song.

Once you step through the doorway which straddles the corner of 6th and Chestnut, you find yourself uncontrollably swept back into the time of friendly wenches and roving troubadours singing "Green-sleeve." Of course, you can refuse to bang your head on the wooden tables (clapping hands was the sign of an unmentionable social disease) or sit close lipped during the chorus of a lusty folk ballad, but what the hell?

There is an atmosphere of community as strangers sit, elbow to elbow, sharing pots of cheddar cheese, and practicing the king's favorite toast. Songs and skits, performed by the serving wenches, are interspersed among the drinking and eating. And the dining hall does look like a dump, with laundry strung about and bawdy signs tacked to the walls, until the word comes that Henry VIII is paying a visit. The royal banners are quickly strung up, and the signs substituted with the king's arms.

The drinking was fine, especially after you lost count of the toasts, but the eating was a bit of a disappointment. A buffet meal, with roast beef and mostacholli, of all things, seemed to break the mood. Although

probably convenient, due to the number of people crowded into the room, a buffet seemed inappropriate, as well as the food being less than great. The dessert, however, was an unusually interesting concoction of ice cream, cake, and pudding mixed together.

Throughout the evening, the guests were often initiated into this society of bygone days. One man was crowned "Keeper of the Salt," while another was placed in the stocks for rowdiness and pelted with dried bread.

It would spoil the fun to tell anymore. However, there is one drawback to the "Royal Dump," and that is it drains the treasury. Drinks averaged \$1.25 and a little more for especially interesting mixes, but because of the fine quality liquor, it was worth it. The evening with drinks excluded, was \$7.95, (\$8.95 on late Saturday show) and included the meal and the atmosphere surrounding it. For college students, such an evening is a rare treat.

The "Royal Dump" is an unusual and unique way to spend an evening. Doors open at 6:30 and 9:30 on Sat. evening, 7:30 on Wed. and Thurs., and 8:30 on Fri. for the dinner and show. Once you step out into the fresh air again and stare around at the stadium and parking garages, you know you've left ole Henry and his merry friends behind. Unless, of course, Henry takes a liking to you and adds you to his list of wives.

## Sembow named music director of Symphony

Internationally-renowned Polish conductor Georg Semkow was named Music Director and Principal Conductor of the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra under a three-year contract beginning with the 1975-76 concert season.

The Board also elevated Leonard Slatkin to the position of Associate Principal Conductor beginning next season, 1974-75. Slatkin joined the Saint Louis Symphony as Assistant Conductor in 1968 and became Associate Conductor in 1971.

Walter Susskind, who in January announced his plans to resign at the conclusion of his current contract, will continue as Music Director and Conductor of the Saint Louis Symphony until August, 1975.

Semkow, born in Radomsko, Poland in 1928, will conduct at least 12 weeks of concerts in 1975-76, at least 15 in 1976-77, and at least 15 in 1977-78. He will spend additional weeks in St. Louis for administrative duties.

Semkow made his Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra debut in 1969, only one year after his American debut with the Boston Symphony. The 1973-74 season, during which he conducts five subscription programs, marks his third consecutive year on the Saint Louis Symphony's subscription series.

## Vox, Symphony sign contract

The Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra and Vox Productions signed a 3-year recording contract last month, it was announced by Ben H. Wells, president of the Symphony Society. Under the contract up to eight recordings will be produced in each season beginning with 1973-74.

Recording sessions will begin this May and recordings of the works of Richard Strauss, Dvorak, Wagner and Gershwin are expected to be issued by the end of the year. With the signing of the contract, the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra becomes one of only a half-dozen American Symphony Orchestras with phonograph recording contracts.

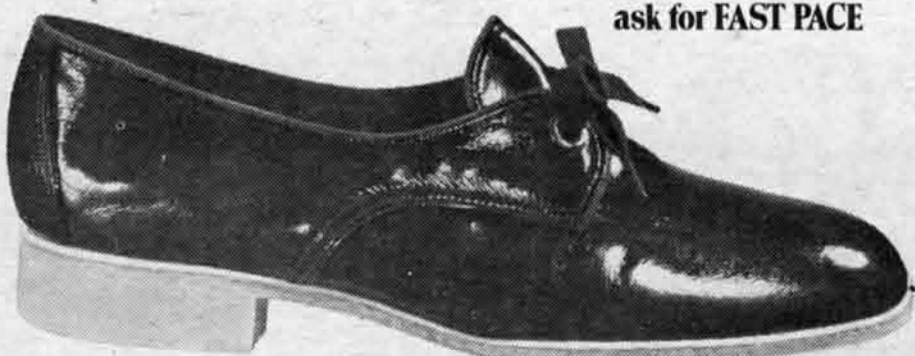
During the last 15 years, most symphonic recording has been done in Great Britain and Europe. Only three American Orchestras, the New York Philharmonic, the Philadelphia Orchestra, and the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra, are under contract to American Recording Companies—Columbia Records, RCA and Vox, respectively. Others record for European companies.



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# SPORTS

## Baseball Rivermen open in Texas

Jim Shanahan

The Rivermen baseball team opens its season next week, March 21, against Texas Westland in the West Texas Invitational Tournament. The team will play six games in three days. They will open their home season March 26 against Southwest Missouri. Texas Westland, already 5-3, will have played 18 games by the time they meet the Rivermen.

Earlier in the week coach Fred Nelson hadn't decided on a final starting line-up. The competition for a starting position was narrowed to 10 or 12 players, with at least three spots still up for grabs. Only four of the eight starting fielders have returned from last year. Gone are two ALL-Americans, first baseman Frank Tusinski and third baseman Jim Munden. Gone also are the pitchers who accounted for 19 of the 24 victories last year.

Nelson expects to use a lot of new players. In the outfield he is looking for help from Chuck Diering and Tommy Tegmeyer, both from Florissant Valley, and transfer Bill Graves, from Scottsdale Community College, Scottsdale, Arizona. Competition for the first base position vacated by Tusinski has centered around Mike Weiss, from Flo Valley, and Jerry Frick, a returning player from last year's College World Series team.

Offensively Nelson expects the team to be exciting. "I wouldn't worry about the offense." However, the team defense and the pitching still have some problems, and pitching is the important part of the game.

Overall, the pitching staff looks stronger than last year. Last year the team suffered from a lack of depth. This year "depthwise we have eight or nine guys as strong as last year, but we still need the one sure winner." At the moment Nelson has only one definite starter, Bob Frisby, who will open the season on the mound. Hopefully, he will be the ace pitcher Nelson is looking for.

In the SLACAA conference UMSL will be competing against Washington U., St. Louis U., and SIU-Edwardsville for the Division I baseball title. The Rivermen will play two conference games against each of the three teams.

Nelson expects SIU to be the strongest contender for the conference title. "They are one of the toughest, if not the toughest team on the schedule." Overall the schedule is much improved over last year, by far the



The Rivermen Baseball team prepare for season opener against Texas Westland. Photo by Jim Birkenmeier

toughest so far. Included on the schedule are two games against Missouri-Columbia, the first ever between the two schools, Illinois, from the Big Ten, Eastern Illinois, a perennial power and a post season regional regular, and Southwest Missouri.

Nelson expects the schedule to be even tougher, because

"everyone wants to beat us." Other teams will be able to adjust their pitching rotation in order to send their ace against the Rivermen. Everyone wants to beat a winner. "In order to have the same type of record as last year we really have to play well. It's tough to get to the top, and tougher to stay on top."

## Dribblers take title

Brian Flinchbaugh

The UMSL womens basketball team overpowered a rugged St. Louis University squad, 55-40, on March 7 at St. Louis U., to win their first Gateway Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (GAIAW) crown. Freshmen Carmine Forest lead the way with 19 points ending a most successful season for the dribblers in only their second year of intercollegiate competition.

The play of the two-year-old women cagers can be said to be anything but sophomoric. A gang that definitely can shoot straight, the distaff quarter have shown consistency all season. If anything the girls have improved as their schedule has progressed.

From a series of close contests at the beginning of the season including a loss to Principia, 38-36, the cagers hit their stride at mid-season. The Riverwomen scored wins over SIU-Edwardsville, 68-16, Seven Holy Founders and Lindenwood College, 85-15. In many ways the most astounding triumph of the season, this first of two wins over Lindenwood, was highlighted by Rita Hoff's 18 points and a 39-8

halftime lead.

Special credit for the teams success was given by the girls to Greg Daust, the former UMSL center court standout, for his part in coaching the girls. "Give him a lot of credit," said captain and co-coach Rita Hoff.

Though they have achieved reasonable success so far, women are definitely viewed as girls in funding, recruitment and recognition in male-oriented, self-supporting college and university athletic programs. Despite these difficulties, the formation of a loose area conference, the GAIAW, to point out the path which womens athletics will follow in the future, can provide help in a sector of sport so often neglected or laughed at in past years. Two years in the GAIAW for UMSL and other local schools have not only served as an outlet for long stifled energies but a measure of respectability for sports as well.

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## Gymnastics at UMSL becoming a reality

Tom Wolf

Joe Lowder wound his way through the corridors of the Multi-Purpose building on a warm Friday afternoon in March. Bobbing his head in and out of doors checking up on some of his students, Lowder finally came to rest on one of the mats in the wrestling room ready to talk about his new gymnastics program. Lowder, an instructor in the Physical Education Department, plans to field a gymnastics demonstration team for next fall.

"The program presently is in the forming stage," said the soft spoken Lowder. "We're just looking around for persons interested in working out in gymnastics."

Lowder hopes that the team will be ready to put on demonstrations in area schools and other public places in the fall. The group will be performing in four different aspects of gymnastics. Besides participating in floor exercises, vaulting and on the balance beam and uneven parallel bars, the team will be doing specialty numbers with music and costumes to enhance the entertainment factor.

Interest in the program came about when a number of girls expressed a desire to use the equipment at the gym. Lowder, who took up the job of coaching the girls, states that there are three objectives the program is trying to realize. "First of all," explained Lowder, "We're trying to familiarize the student with gymnastics and give the individual student personal experience. Hopefully, out of this will stem an interest for gymnastics at UMSL." The third of Lowder's goals is to obtain publicity for the university by performing throughout the area.

Lowder sees the program as stemming from an exploding world-wide interest in gymnastics. At present the program is made up of girls only, but Lowder stresses that the program is open to everyone. Lowder, who came to UMSL from Parks College in Cahokia, stated that he's seeking to enlarge the team by four times from its present core of ten girls.

Rapidly changing from the male dominated sports world, Lowder views gymnastics as a

chance for girls to be actively involved. "It's a chance for them to be somebody" says Lowder. "And it doesn't distract her femininity."

The team works out regularly on Tuesday nights in the north balcony of the Multi-Purpose Bldg. A training period to get in shape is required, but Lowder emphasizes that no previous experience is needed to participate in the program. The trim looking Lowder expressed the desire to enter into competition in the future but states that the physical education aspect is by far greater. Anyone interested in the program can contact the Physical Education Department for further information.

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## Blue Monday's for 10-15 Rivermen

Monday mornings are bad enough. But when you're a head coach and your basketball team has just completed a 10-15 season the previous Saturday, a Monday morning can be very bad.

"Frustrating," said UMSL head coach Chuck Smith. "I thought we would be alright this year, but some bad things seemed to snowball and all of the sudden we're struggling and looking forward to the end of the season," Smith added.

The Rivermen head coach is openly disappointed. "We're proud of our basketball program at UMSL. But the past two seasons have really hurt. We've gone from a status as a national contender to being an also-ran," he said. Smith traced back-to-back losing seasons, the only two in the university's eight-year basketball history to poor recruiting. "We really got burned

after the 1971-72 season. We had won the NCAA regional, gone to the national finals, but we also lost seven seniors from that team. We had to recruit a starting five and made some mistakes and it has cost us for two years," he explained.

"The seniors had to provide the bulk of our power and leadership this season and they did not. We had to rely on freshman for over 50 per cent of our offense and you can't do that at this level and be a big winner," Smith added.

Leading the Riverman offense was freshman Bob Bone, who produced one of the most spectacular seasons ever recorded by an UMSL player. "Bone was just super. He's a great competitor and he hated to lose more than anybody. He gave us more than we could have ever hoped he would," complimented Smith. Bone scored 533 points,

averaging 21.3 per game. The 533 points is the second best single season total in UMSL history and puts the 6-foot guard ninth on the Riverman all-time scoring list. His average is the fourth best season average for an UMSL player, as is his .810 percentage from the free throw line. The former Collinsville High School standout set a single-game record with 16 free throws made against Missouri Baptist College and his 141 free throws made this year is also a new Riverman mark.

Another Collinsville High product, Kevin Brennan, is the only senior who produced as Smith hoped. Brennan led the UMSL rebounders with 201 boards, averaging 8.1 per game. He was second to Bone in scoring with 448 points, averaging 17.9 per game. The 6-5 forward, a transfer from Loyola-New Orleans two years ago, finished his



Riverman Kev Brennan is one of the four seniors being lost to Coach Chuck Smith. Brennan, who is seen taking a jump shot, led the Rivermen in rebounds.  
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career as the sixth leading scorer in Riverman history with 736 points and the fifth best rebounder with 354 boards.

Smith will lose three other seniors from his 1973-74 Rivermen, a team which won nine of 14 games at home and lost ten of 11 on the road. Gone will be guards Kevin Barthule and Jim "Woody" Steitz. Barthule, a starter as a junior when he scored 12 points per game and was named the team's top defensive player, scored 4.8 points per game this year, while Steitz scored 5.2 points each outing. Also graduating is center Rick Schmidt, who scored seven points per game and was UMSL's second best rebounder with a 6.6 board average.

As a team, the Rivermen averaged 82.2 points, while allowing 87.1 points per game. Team rebounding, a deficiency for the Rivermen throughout 73-74, shows a 50.0 to 41.8 rebound advantage for the opponents. A bright spot for Smith's cagers was the team's .704 percentage from the charity stripe.

For Smith and his staff the immediate chore is recruiting. "We have already worked hard at recruiting and we're hoping to secure some excellent players. We need help at every position, especially a powerful pivot man," Smith said. "We were a very poor defensive and rebounding team and we are looking for players with good defensive skills and leaping abil-

ity," he added.

Smith stated no preference for junior college or prep talent. "We'll try to get the best. We have no quota of so many jocos to high school players. We want at least three players who would be able to start immediately and we want St. Louis area talent if possible," the head coach said.



Last Saturday, March 9, the UMSL Table Tennis Club sponsored an intercollegiate team tournament at the Gateway Table Tennis Center. Universities from as far as Indiana State were represented, and everyone enjoyed a day of sportsmanship and competition.

Six trophies were awarded in two categories. The UMSL Table Tennis team consisting of John Messerly, Daryl Heim, Eric Li and Dan Dunay, placed first overall defeating such strong schools as the University of Illinois, Indiana State, and Eastern Illinois. The trophy will be on display in the Multi-Purpose Building display case.

The University of Missouri at Rolla Table Tennis Club will sponsor a Singles-Doubles Intercollegiate Tournament on Sunday, March 24. For further information contact Daryl Heim, at 355-2177.

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