Faculty Senate Approves Policy on Visiting Speakers

The Faculty Senate approved a policy on visiting speakers at its December 11 meeting. The policy is offered as a response to a seminar's policy approved by the Board of Curators September 26.

Dr. Arthur Shaffer (History), a member of the faculty Student Affairs Committee, said that it was the consensus of the committee that the Board of Curators policy was too restrictive; and that the Senate should "go on record of supporting a policy less restrictive."

In a brief exchange before the vote, Dr. Sioma Kagan (Business) asked Dr. Shaffer to point out where the Curators policy was restrictive. Dr. Shaffer cited paragraph four which stipulates that an "appropriate balance of topics be expressed in a sound academic approach to any subject or theory.

The "academic approach" could be narrowly conceived," Shaffer stated. "If the university is to remain a centre of higher learning, it cannot be confined by laws of the community." The "academic approach" could be narrowly defined, he said. Mayor Edridge Cleaver, for example, may not be considered by some to have the proper academic background, and yet, he believes most of us here would consider him to be a valuable guest speaker.

Following the voice-vote approval of the policy, Chancellor Driscoll asked for Mr. R. Driscoll asked the committee to provide a written rationale for the policy.

The policy reads: "The University is and must remain a forum for the free and orderly exchange of scholarly ideas and information, since such inquiry into all areas of human knowledge and beliefs, whether such areas are currently popular or not, in basic to the search for truth. In order to insure freedom of inquiry for its students, this University is dedicated to the free and open exchange of ideas, beliefs and theories in its sponsored programs and activities, limited only by such rules and regulations as deemed necessary to insure orderly expression free of physical violence, and under circumstances and at times and places which will not conflict or interfere with the regularly scheduled functions of the University. Use of University facilities or resources for outside speakers of...

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For the second time this semester, the student council held a forum on the topic of ROTC. ROTC was chosen because of the recent controversy over the issue of ROTC on campus.

Council Lists Student Needs

The Council considered the list of student needs presented by Mr. Robert Pressey at the last meeting. The list included: the need for a student center, the need for a new ROTC building, the need for a new library, and the need for a new gymnasium.

Council Secretary, Mr. Bob Smith, said that the council would consider the list of student needs and present a report to the university administration.

Student Court To inquire into Miss UMSL Election 'Plot'

by Tim Flech, Current News Editor

In accordance with the Central Council constitution, the investigation of a "conspiracy" to prevent the competition of certain candidates in the Miss UMSL contest is being conducted by the Student Court.

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They have also asked that the Black Miss UMSL be given the opportunity to publicly debate the regular Miss UMSL, Linda Siegner.

However, they are flexible in the application of these demands and "open for negotiation." (Continued on Page 3)

Forum Audience Hears First ROTC Debate

Last Friday's noonday forum was the scene of the first in a series of hearings to determine the status of ROTC at UMSL.

Assistant to the Chancellor, Richard Dunlap, has stated that the legal obligations of the University of Missouri to the ROTC are a part of the agreement that was negotiated by Dr. Gerald Stiebel and antagonist Mr. Leonard Tinker.

Dunlap, a West Point graduate, emphasized that the Chancellor and Dr. C. W. Gunter had asked that the University of Missouri to the ROTC be given the opportunity to publicly debate the regular Miss UMSL, Linda Siegner.

The University's obligation dates to the Morrow Act of 1802, whereby Congress agreed to provide grants of land for the establishment of colleges. "The act is quite vague except on one point," Dunlap said.

The momentum for the contest has also been gained through the publication of the results over what black feels was the mis-

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Poll Shows Faculty Favor Language Requirement Change

Sixty-eight per cent of UMSL faculty members are against maintaining the present fourteen hour language requirement, according to a survey recently completed by Central Council Curriculum Committee chairman John Heithaus December 11.

All of the 26 members were sent questionnaires. However, only approximately onethird responded.

Seventy-eight per cent of those answering favored "some change" in the modern language requirement, including fewer required hours.

Half of those favoring change felt that the individual academic departments should decide the number of hours of foreign language required.

Also half of the faculty members said that a course directed solely towards a proficiency in reading would be of more practical value than the present series of oral/reading courses.
Concerts and Lectures to Feature Juilliard String Quartet January 21

The Concerts and Lectures Series, which brought French Baritone Gerard Souzay to UMSL last month will feature the Juilliard String Quartet January 21, at 8:30 p.m. in 105 Benton Hall. The faculty seminar will be conducted during the week of final exams.

The quartet is composed of Robert Mann and Carl Carys on violins, John Kocaen on viola, and Claus Adams on cello.

Dr. Kenneth Miller, chairman of the department of Fine Arts, told the faculty seminar that January 21 was the only available date to bring the quartet to campus and that the group would be available at a reduced rate because the quartet is already scheduled to stay in St. Louis in concerts, the school's policy on banning extra-curricular activities during final exams, and the recent student Faculty Senate vote November 13. "The Senate was asked to make an exception for this special event and it did," Dr. Miller said.

One of the feature speakers on the schedule could be Reverend Jesse Jackson of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Dr. Miller said that the arrangement is subject to the tentative.

The reason for the delay in the scheduling of the series this year was due to late appropriations, Dr. Miller added. "It was not possible for our committee to meet until after the appropriations were made known, and it was impossible to meet until after the start of classes."

On the day of the delay, there has been some difficulty in securing performers. "Usually, scheduling is done a year in advance and this is the only time I have attempted to get something solid," said the chairman. "I enjoy planning and was glad the committee such a practice would be done at UMSL," Dr. Miller stated.

Speaker Policy

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Dr. Miller stated. "This is a fundamental conflict, because the university has charged that ROTC is not local and is an agency of the United States to submit to a unilateral disarmament that will so injure this nation's security by its example that an era of general, urban peace will ensue...you're right in pushing for a reply to the broad indictment; but your belief that you can end the war in Vietnam and that universitiestake to the freedom and integrity of the university."

"This is a fundamental conflict, because ROTC is not local, and the challenges have come to include students and faculty beyond the Radical Left. There is vitality here because the university is examining its purpose...and seeking to remove contradictions."

He cited Dartmouth and Harvard as two campuses where ROTC had been dealt serious setbacks, as well as a general decrease in enrollment and programs over the past couple of years.

"For many," he continued, "ROTC becomes the object of their disaffection with pressures for conformity and uncritical acceptance of government policies."

Tinker stated, "In other words, ROTC is a candidate for students and the general public who want to see the university serve as the only institution of higher learning which is fundamentally free of governmental influence."

Tinker continued because "this program trains men to uphold the military value of discipline, obedience, and conformity."

He described this value as "alien to the university...where a variety of styles flourish in non-conformity, and an atmosphere of casual manners and inarticulate speech is necessary."

But his severest criticism of ROTC was leveled at the entire military profession of which "falling is its chief function." This, in his opinion, was reason enough in itself to exclude ROTC from the university. "The university cannot be violently honest," he stated, "and neither can its reformers."

Tinker declared that his purpose was "to save the university from military domination, Prestige is great importance to the military," he said, "and I'd like to deny it to them."

The next hearing on ROTC is slated for Tuesday, Jan. 16, 10 am to noon, in the Gilbert Hall on the Noonday, it will be in the form of pamphlets between students and faculty.

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One of the four finalists above (left to right: Dorothy Carter, Patricia Boone, Veronica Moore, and Frances Hoskins) will be crowned Black Miss UMSL. Friday evening at a dance. Picked by an “impartial” selection board, the finalists were subjected to a popular vote Wednesday in order to determine the winner.

Black Miss UMSL Contest

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treatment of Miss La Royce Stevens, 1968-69 Miss UMSL, and the finalists were subjected to a popular vote for the title of Miss UMSL. In addition, many at participating in the contest had been invited to explain their views. There were about 200 write-in votes in the election, out of a total of 2,365 votes in the second highest total cast in any student election.

Miss Goldstein, he said, was simply angry at not being chosen a finalist and was “trying to prove a point.”

“I felt that the girls, except for one finalist, have done nothing for the university,” Miss Goldstein said in reviewing her campaign. She observed that the contest has a misleading name because Miss UMSL is literally a “Miss Steamers.”

Bommarito also attacked Miss Goldstein’s stance that he had committed himself to a certain candidate before the finalists’ selection, He remarked that he had given her this answer when she tried to solicit his vote.

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The Rape of Miss UMSL

It is difficult to believe, but it is nonetheless true: the burning issue on the UMSL campus is the Miss UMSL contest. Charges of a Greek organization, some of confidential conversations, and political arm-twisting have generated a controversy which has overshadowed such common campus topics as Viet Nam, language requirements, and the parking fee. It has involved fraternity members, student activists, basketball fans, Black students, and the president of the Central Council. What we want to know is why such a seemingly harmless contest has caused such an uproar.

It all started last year, when we understand, the Steamer's Club, UMSL's official erstwhile basketball boosters, decided to sponsor a contest to publicize our under-publicized university. Miss UMSL's duties, therefore, were to appear at University functions as the official representative of UMSL, to serve in all aspects of these duties, at least as the Steamer's conceived of them, was the publicization of an attendance at UMSL sporting events.

So the contest was approved, five finalists were chosen, and an election was held. As expected, most of the candidates were sponsored by Greek organizations, a condition which is rather commonplace in contests of this sort. The situation was made considerably less commonplace, however, by the selection of a Black student, LaRoyce Steibel, as one of the finalists; it became even more unusual when Miss Stevens, supported by a coalition of Black students and campus leftists, won the election. This, apparently, represented the defeat of the Establishment by the participatory democrats of UMSL.

The symbolic victory only led to more trouble, however. The Steamer's were not pleased with Miss Stevens' performance as Miss UMSL; Black students were not pleased, neither were the Steamer's, treatment of Miss Stevens, or Miss UMSL's. The Amnesty was called for a discardin of Miss UMSL's official erstwhile basketball group, and the newly elected Miss UMSL, Linda Siesenea, did not represent either a majority of UMSL students or any Black students.

This is where the contest stands now: Black students and the activists are accusing the Steamer's of reverse prejudice, and the activists of being sore losers, and Miss UMSL has been lost in the scuffle.

In our opinion, they are all overlooking a problem: why do we need a Miss UMSL at all? Her functions are ill-defined and essentially irrelevant. If she is to boost the sports program, then her duties should be limited to this specific objective, not expanded to the point where she is the official representative of UMSL students. All the Steamer's would need to do then is elect a pretty girl who will attend basketball games, smile, and make friends for the Rivermen. They could call her Miss Steamer.

As the contest stands now, it has served no purpose other than to create ill will, polarize campus groups, and provide some campus Alexander Pope with the material for a mock epic. Why should this farce be perpetuated?

Reverse the ROTC Policy

Last week's debate concerning ROTC brought up only general arguments for or against military training on university campuses, and did not immediately apply to our campus. However, the faculty here will review the status of the ROTC program on campus.

The main question involved in their review will be: Should UMSL honor ROTC credit hours?

Presently UMSL does accept credit hours earned by students participating in ROTC programs at Washington University, under a policy begun when this campus was still a branch of Columbia. We believe, however, that the administration should strive to reverse the trend. The ROTC policy is at variance with this school's overall aim of academic excellence. It makes little sense, we feel, for administrators and faculty members to seek diligently to uphold academic standards (as demonstrated in the language requirement) and at the same time allow credit for courses in programs over which they exercise no control.

The ROTC policy, therefore, is not in the best interests of the student body, and should be reversed.

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Dear Editor:

On at least seven separate occasions Miss Goldstein contested the candidacy for Miss UMSL. Approached me and solicited my support as a judge for her candidacy. She was the only candidate to do so before the selection board met. She warned me of those occasions that I needed her support in the Central Civic. She said there would be trouble if she was selected as one of the five finalists.

On each of these occasions, I told Miss Goldstein, in an obvious facetious manner, that “she knew I was supporting another candidate.” This hint was intended to stop any attempts at political arm-twisting. Instead she chose to use these conversations to bolster her candidacy and Mr. Bommarito to start rumors that the judging board was biased.

As the judging board was biased it would seem that Mr. Hendin and myself (the two judges charged with being biased) would have acted radically with the rest of the board on where to rank Miss Goldstein. Yet an analysis of the data shows that Miss Goldstein ranked 13th in a field of 14 when Mr. Hendin’s score and my own are completed. Mr. Hendin’s score and my own taken together place her in exactly the same position. Even if Mr. Hendin and myself had given Miss Goldstein a perfect score she would have ranked 13th in the final five. These facts can be verified using the “judges’ tabulation sheets in the dean’s office.”

If any bias has existed on the part of the judging committee it was created by Miss Goldstein’s behavior in attempting political arm-twisting. The only bright spot in this rather sordid picture was the Miss Steffen selection board meeting (not last point especially).

Sincerely,
Judy Day

Dear Editor:

Concerning the letter by David S. Dowdager and Roderick McLean on the ROTC in the UMSL: I would like to point out a few logical errors in the letter’s text and also try to dispel some of the “plot” by Greek organizations to affect the content in any way. All the evidence that San Bommarito was “previously committed to a chosen group of candidates” (testimony of Gall Goldstein notwithstanding) is hearsay evidence and will remain so until publicly admitted (like through this newspaper) by Mr. Bommarito himself. This allegation proves nothing until this time.

As for Miss Stevens, again the reasons cited for her absence at the screening board meeting (not being contacted, negating the time before, etc.) are hearsay reasons; who was responsible for contacting her? Why was it not done properly? What does the person responsible have to say about it? Furthermore, why must it follow that Gall Goldstein and myself had given Miss Goldstein a perfect score she would have ranked 13th in the final five.

The bright spot in this rather sordid picture is that Miss Goldstein was alone among the candidates in such illegal actions.

San Bommarito

President of Student Body

Mrs. D. Drorvak

Dear Editor:

In Mr. Drorvak’s haste to tell the UMSL student body of YAF’s presence on this campus, he has made a few critical errors. In particular, Mr. Drorvak forgot to spell “capitalist—‘commie’,” when he spoke of YAF. I can only conclude that such a take might happen—words begin with “K” and their meanings are only directly opposite. Obviously Mr. Orr’s dictionary has been misplaced or the “C” section missing from it, since in speaking of Al Capp, he spells “cartoonist—‘commie’.” It has been a long time since most of us have studied geography, but to mix the Kremlin, which is in Russia, with our national capital, which is in Washington D.C., is sort of hard to imagine. Don’t be ashamed to ask someone if a few common facts or words slip your memory, because it is much better than having a slanderous article appear simply because of a few little errors.

As for making the red ink used by Al Capp as a symbol of a Communist, Mr. Drorvak’s rather innocent little kids going to be disappointed to find out that Santa Claus is a “commie,” because he bears a red suit.

Mary Sansevere

The Current staff wishes to extend to its readers sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful and Happy New Year. See you next year!
Legislators Differ On Tax Increase

by Cynthia Smyrniotis, Current Staff Reporter

Missouri State Representative E. J. (Lucky) Cantrell (R., 33rd District) and Senator Robert Prange (R., 14th District) took opposite positions in a Noonday Forum debate on the income tax increase December 16. Cantrell attacked the Blackwell referendum which would increase the individual income tax increase while Prange defended it. The petition for the referendum must be signed by at least 75,000. Cantrell argued that the tax is needed since the state cannot fund all of the programs which it had obligated itself. State aid has been promised to Junior Colleges, Univ. of Mo. at Kansas City and St. Louis, Public Schools (kindergartens), Mo. Western and Mo. Southern States Colleges, plus $154,400,000. Medicaid spent $7,500,000, waterpollution control $2,500,000, in O.A.A., and other welfare increase $8,000,000 and meat inspection $500,000, the annual cost is $140,000,000. The operational budget for 1969-70 is $698,090,000. Cantrell said that the additional money needed to finance the state's programs was made available by an increase in personal and corporate income taxes.

### Campus News and Notes

UMSL will be visited by the Missouri Commission on Higher Education January 12 and 13. Chairman Glen R. Dricieli told the Faculty Senate December 11. It will be their first time. Dricieli said that the Commission has a body which has visited the campus.

University of Missouri President John C. Weaver will be at UMSL January 15 to preside over an all-faculty meeting. The University's proposed 1970-71 budget and other topics will be discussed at the meeting.

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### Homecoming Queen Elections Planned

Balloting for Homecoming Queen will be conducted Monday, January 5 and Tuesday January 6 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Administration Building, Benton Hall and Clark Hall. No write-in ballots will be counted. The winner will be crowned at 10 game.

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### Debaters Push Season Mark to 43-27

The debate team ran its season record to 43-27 last weekend by participating in two separate tournaments. Mike Kruger and Bob Hausladen learned to post a 3-0 record at Southwest Missouri State, while the teams of Mike Beatty and H. D. Felber and Marlow Davis and Jim Scott ran up records of 3-3 and 4-2, respectively, at a tournament at Northwest Missouri State College.

Three two-man teams captured first, fourth, and fifth places in the Twentieth Annual Greenville College Tournament. Twenty four teams took part in the meet.

Beatty and Felber won the meet with victories over Wethal, Illinois Central and Evangel colleges, and the University of Missouri – Rolla. Beatty and Felber were awarded “superior” ratings for their performances.

Kruger and Hausladen placed fourth, losing only to DePauw University, while Beatty won the Meramec Community College and JUMR. Kruger and Hausladen won excellent debate awards.

Jim Scott and Mrs. Kathleen Ricks won three matches against Greenville, Evangel, and Rock Valley Colleges, and lost to Bradley University.

The topic debated in both matches of the meet as the resolution “That the Federal Government Should Grant Annually a Specific Percentage of Income Tax Revenue to the State Governments.”
First Home Loss Since '68
UML falls to Tall 'Bama Squad

The old adage "home sweet home" did not apply for the Rivermen in Monday's night's game against South Alabama, for UML was defeated on a St. Louis court for the first time following sixteen and never relinquished the game's leading rebounder as they were able to choke the lane with game when against men in Monday night's game against Alabama in last year's playoffs, and then took off again, beating their average with 23 points, Verle Jaggers of the University of South Alabama.

Combination of Factors
Monday's loss was due to a combination of factors. For one thing there was Alabama's distinct height advantage. The Jaguars were able to choke the lane with their big men (6-1, 6-8, 6-7, 6-6, back that almost won the game. 1-3-1 throw percentage (35 of 39 compared to UML's .898 free throw shooting team). Alabama's fantastic .898 free men outscored the Jaguars 13-3 in the next 3 1/2 minutes and went on to win going away at 93-80.

Jags, who according to their coach again and the Rivermen began to disturbed that our veterans haven't their worst in four games this year. That they learned was how to go in and out as they failed to take advantage of numerous breaks they received. To try to stop them before they get into their offense,
Inconsistency Hurts Rivermen

by Marty Hendin, Current Sports Editor

As the Rivermen begin a tough Christmas vacation schedule with a 2-2 record there are many people, including this reporter, who feel that they should be 4-0. The team started the year with a great come from behind win over William Jewell and followed that up with a sparkling win, their first ever, over Millikin. Then they traveled to Cape where they blew their cool along with their sixteen point lead and lost to SEMO. And last Monday night, the Rivermen psyched themselves out of the game before it even started as they stood in the doorway of their locker room and watched in awe as the tall Alabama team warmed up. When the game started UMSL seemed afraid to drive the lane against the big men and instead gunned and missed from outside.

One Rivermen strong point when the season began was depth. Coach Smith stated and rightfully so that while the Rivermen starters might not match their opponents’, UMSL’s bench would be a factor in close games. The bench looked great along with the starters in the two victories. The two losses, however, were a different story. Starters Doody Rolm and Verle Sutton had scored 34 points between them in the first half of SEMO game. Unfortunately that is the total they finished with as neither scored in the second half when the Rivermen were fighting for their lives. Against USA, Rolm’s 14 points per game average suffered as he took six shots from the field and missed all of them to end the game scoreless. Chuck Henson scored 25 against USA but only 20 in the previous three games for a college career high of 25 points while grabbing twelve rebounds. Chuck has been selected “Riverman of the Week” for his fine play in the 101-86 loss to the University of South Alabama (Mobile) Monday December 22. Chuck has always been a 110 percent performer and his play against South Alabama certainly proved this. Against three opposing centers, ranging from four to seven inches taller than he, Chuck has scored a college career high of 25 points while grabbing a game high of twelve rebounds.

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Chuck stated that he likes to play against taller centers such as he played Monday and who he will be facing all season. This is because he finds it easier to maneuver around a bigger man. Center is not a new position for Chuck. After transferring to UMSL last year from Mineral Area Junior College, Chuck played forward but occasionally spelled Greg Danst at center. Last year he averaged 7 points a game while playing defense.

He kept up his fine play Monday to receive the honor of being named “Riverman of the Week.”

Rivermen Face Rugged Holiday Schedule

While the rest of the school takes a break during Christmas Vacation, the basketball team will be playing five big games, including three on the year’s longest road trip.

The Rivermen are now in New Orleans preparing for a game Friday night with the Louisiana State University branch there. The LSU Privatwees are currently their first season of competition against four year schools. Four men who played on their JV team last year return along with four transfers. The December 19 game will be the first meeting between UMSL and LSU, but the Privatwees will be at Viking Hall for a game January 31.

Saturday night the Rivermen will fly to Edinboro, Texas, near the Mexican border for a game with NCAA member Pan American University. The Broncs have a tough team with six players over 6-5, including one at 6-7 and two at 6-6. Their top four scorers and rebounders return from last year’s 8-17 team. This will be UMSL’s first meeting with Pan Am.

After a day off Sunday, UMSL will travel to Martin, Tennessee, Monday December 22 for their first game with the University of Tennessee branch there. Two 6-foot-seniors lead the Volunteers whose record last year was 8-11. Winner: Jones the game will have a quick chance for revenge when the Vols visit Viking Hall Saturday January 3.

Saturday December 27 represents the big date on UMSL’s home schedule. At 6:15 p.m. that date, the Rivermen will engage in their first regular season meeting with Rockhurst College on the court of the refurbished St. Louis Arena at 5700 Oakland. Seven members return from last year’s 17-10 Rockhurst team that lost to UMSL in the District Tournament and independent playoff. These include all district forward Carl Cook plus four men over 6-6. Following the UMSL-Rockhurst action, St. Louis University will take on conference foe Bradley. $2.20 tickets good for both Saturday games are now on sale at the cashier’s office for $2.00. UMSL season ticket holders will receive their free ticket in the mail.

Two days after school begins in January, the Rivermen will travel to Chicago to take on the Chikas of the University of Illinois at Chicago January 2. Six men return from last year’s 11-11 Chika team that lost twice to UMSL. One of the returnees, Greg Olsen, UCC’s single season scoring leader. The Chikas are looking for their first visit to Viking Hall January 28.

Rivernmen of Week Henson Stands Out Despite Illness

Unless otherwise stated, all scores are the final.

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