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No Report on Miss UMSL Plot Until Late January

The Student Court probably will not submit a written report until late January on its findings and recommendations in the inquiry into charges of a conspiracy to prevent the competition of certain candidates in the Miss UMSL contest held in late November, according to Chief Justice Steve Heist.

Conflicting schedules of witnesses and the snowy weather have hampered hearings so far, Heist said. Only a few persons have testified before the Court.

Heist declined to comment further on what has happened at the hearings up to now for fear of prejudicing future witnesses.

After some students charged that there was prejudice, particularly against black candidates, in the Miss UMSL finalist election, Dean of Students Affairs David Ganz directed the Court to look into the matter.

In the meantime, a Black Miss UMSL contest was organized in reaction to the belief of a conspiracy, with junior Patricia Boone being crowned the winner by a popular poll.

The organizers of the contest, David Douglass and Roderick McLean, have demanded a one year suspension for any campus group that formally encouraged bias against black students. However, they have indicated that they are open to compromise.

After the report is given to the UMSL Student Court, the Student Court probably will submit a written report to the university disciplinary by-laws.

Associate Justice Margie Kransberg has been disqualified from these hearings because of her participation in the selection board of the Miss UMSL contest. She has been replaced by alternate Herb Bittner.

Other members of the court are Peter Heithaus, Gregory (Gig) Gwin and Gary Horenkamp.

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No Change in Draft' Attorney Says

Mr. Francis Ruppert, a St. Louis attorney, denied there had been any basic changes in the draft system in a recent speech. Speaking at the Noonday Forum Jan. 5, Mr. Ruppert said that there were no changes in the draft law, "but only changes in the method of selection in order to give registrants an idea of when they will be required to go and to limit the

length of time they are exposed to the draft."

"However," he continued, "it does not work that way. A person's chances of being drafted depend on the size of the draft call, the number of registrants at the specific draft board, and the eligibility of those registered."

Mr. Ruppert added that it would be possible for one draft board to go completely through its list of registrants while another board might go through only one-third of their list.

In the question and answer period that followed his lecture, Mr. Ruppert explained the complicated legal system of appealing draft classifications and induction.

A registrant has ten days to notify his board that he wants to appeal. Then it takes thirty days to obtain a hearing. If he isn't satisfied with the result of the hearing, he may contact the head of Missouri draft boards in Jefferson City. That process entails approximately three weeks. If the registrant still isn't satisfied, the case is referred to the prosecuting attorney in St. Louis for the state.

Concerning draft deferments, Mr. Ruppert said, "The deferments are the same now as they were before, but I expect them to change drastically when they come up for renewal in August."

"The old system was confusing, and the new one is no better," he concluded.

"There are many questions about the revisions that cannot be answered by one person, but those depend on how the local draft board interprets the law."
A Step In the Right Direction

The proposed “opinion referendum” to be conducted by a faculty committee to find out how the students and faculty here feel about ROTC in relation to the campus climate is a good idea. The ROTC issue nationwide has been a highly emotional one, with advocates on either side unbending in their beliefs, and the divisive effects of the question can even be evidenced here. Although this campus does not presently have a full ROTC program, (some departments, however, grant credit toward graduation for ROTC courses) the two debates here have demonstrated that the issue is relevant, if divisive.

On the one side, there are those who say that the basic values of the military and the university are incompatible, that the ROTC is designed to foster militarism in our society, and that college credit for ROTC courses should not be granted because no control over the content of military courses is possible.

The other side argues that ROTC in the universities is designed to enable them to continue their “temper” or balance military training, thus assuring that the military cannot develop a hard-core military elite or caste. The military would thus be given some civilian oversight.

The Current sides with those who oppose ROTC in any degree, shape or form at UMSL, but there is no doubt that a survey would be beneficial, because it could bring out the opinions of those who have thus far not taken a side on the issue. Instead of knowing just how the activists on either side feel about the question, a much broader knowledge could be obtained from the survey. (However, we hasten to add that unlike some political experts, we cannot safely predict the way the “great silent majority” at UMSL will go on the issue. After all, silence can mean consent, but may also signify resignation.

But there is an even greater and perhaps more serious factor for benefit that the survey could render. Beyond the question of just UMSL and ROTC, is the whole question of priorities. To our knowledge, it would be the first time that students and faculty together were asked to give their opinions on a specific area of the University’s priorities. (Dr. Richard Gillman’s ill-fated survey of a year ago was aimed at getting a general overview of student and faculty attitudes about priorities, but did not pertained to specific choices).

The question of UMSL and ROTC today could, if this precedent were successful, lead to surveys in the future concerning UMSL and the disadvantaged students, UMSL and the Black community, UMSL and St. Louis, and so on. In other words, the survey seems to be a step in the right direction in getting students andfaculty together in trying to define the role of UMSL.

Even if the survey does not prove to be a first step towards establishing a dialogue concerning the school’s priorities, it will at least serve to awaken the members in the right direction in getting students and faculty together in trying to define the role of UMSL.

When it comes time to fill out the student course selection card, the 30 percent of our campus that may not have to work can easily pick and choose their courses and their time to meet their obligations, but, for the remaining 70 percent of us who work, we must play the opposite game called “what courses are offered when I am not working.”

The game doesn’t have to be difficult when you have an administration that views you as another student who MUST work, but here the view still is Mary and Joe College with everybody paying our bills. Therefore we can devote our whole time to the campus. Your work schedule might be on a fixed schedule or you might be able to come and go as you please. Surely if your case is the latter, you’re a lucky minority.

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Getting to Know UMSL

The Current wishes to welcome the Missouri Commission on Higher Education to the UMSL campus. That group, we understand, will be making its visit here ever on January 12 and 13.

We hope the Commission’s visit is most enjoyable, and we have no doubt that the members will seek to get close to the problems here. For example, what better way is there for the Commission to learn about the parking situation than to make the members park in the back lots and then have them walk in this fine weather to the buildings?

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We could go on, but our point should be clear by now. If the Commission wants to make its visit memorable, it should try to get close to the problems, instead of hearing about them in meetings. After all, any group which can tell the Governor that the University’s budget request for 1970-71 is $18 million too high ought to get its money’s worth.
Letters: Fall of the River Festival

Dear Editor,

Up against the wall, SIU! In the interest of all SIU students and faculty, let me bring to your attention the story behind the "River and Fall of the Mississippi River Festival: Dec. 13, 1969".

On December 16, 1969, the Globe Democrat reported some facts behind SIU's Board of Trustees meeting regarding the financing of the Festival for 1970. On that date, opponents within the 7-member Board of Trustees knocked down 3 proposals concerning the Festival for 1970.

The Board of Trustees had no idea what was going on. The story behind the Festival: Dec. 13, 1969.

John S. Beedleman, SIU Chancellor, said the Symphony already had a deficit of $750,000 to handle and that he was sure no more financial responsibility would be taken on by them. Another trustee, Eugene Brown, agreed with Dr. Brown, replied, "That's tough."

When Festival advocates proposed a further study for a different contract with the Symphony, the Board, Dr. Brown objected. "I want to vote on this now, not later." Well, the votes were cast with remarkably predictable results—the Festival sank. Dr. Brown is consistent, though. The $975,000 University House for SIU faculty and guests was strongly backed by University programs that have been up for budget consideration in the past and urged by administrators, to have to do with East St. Louis urban areas. These programs were subject to his learned criticisms: "Are these some more programs for those dummies in East St. Louis?"

There are groups of citizens and administrators still working for the Festival, but apparently, the Festival is lost, at least for the time being.

Yours truly,

Roe Seymout

Calendar of Activities

Curriculum News and Notes

The UMSL Ticket Agency is offering student rates for two upcoming events. Students interested in forming a group for the February 2, 3, or 4 performances of Arthur Miller's 'The Price' at the American Theatre should call 453-581 or go to room 206 of the Administration Building. Orchestra seats will be $3.00 for $6.00 seats for groups of 30 or more.

Student rates will be available next week in room 206 for the Smokey Robinson and the Miracles concert in Kiel Auditorium February 14. A $5.00 allowance will be made on tickets in any price range.

The UMSL Chess Club finished second in the St. Louis Intercollegiate Chess Championship at Washington University December 28, Washington U, won the six-team meet. The team was composed of English Instructor Jim Stauti, and students Greg Eastman, Rich Difani and Frank Glasano. Stephen Burns won the chess club's first championship by posting a perfect score in a four-round tournament January 4. Nine team members competed in the event.

Tom Henke was recently elected by acclamation Vice-President of Newman House. About one hundred Newmanites were present for the nominating meeting. Henke will serve the unexpired term of Kevin Daugherty who recently resigned. Henke is a senior, majoring in sociology.
Consultant Studies Library Problems

The ad hoc library committee brought a special consultant to campus January 5 and 6 to study problems in the Thomas Jefferson Library and to make recommendations for possible changes. Mr. Mark Gormley, Director of Libraries at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, told the Current that he would submit a detailed report to the committee next week. He said that the problems he found here were mainly due to "growing pains" in the school.

"With the rapid increase in enrollment, curriculum and graduate programs," Gormley said, "it is hard for the library to keep up. This situation is typical in universities which have experienced rapid growth."

Gormley indicated that the noise problem could be alleviated by a rearrangement of the stacks, especially on the mezzanine floor. He felt that the present large study groupings could then be broken into smaller units.

Also, he recommended more carpeting for the library. "We've found that carpeting is a great acoustical factor in cutting down noise. People see the carpet and automatically think 'quiet,'" he said.

Gormley said that he would recommend some changes in the technical procedures of the library, but declined to be more specific until he could review his notes.

Gormley will send his report to the ad hoc library committee which will then make recommendations to the Chancellor. "Our committee won't decide on what actions will be taken," Dr. Lyle Dorsett, chairman of the committee said, "we'll just be making recommendations. Any changes in procedures will be decided by the Chancellor in consultation with the library staff."

Dorsett said that the committee's work so far has been to gather recommendations and complaints from students and faculty members. The committee asked department chairmen to poll their staffs "concerning ways the library could better serve them as individuals or as members of the department."

CAMPUS TO BE POLLED ON ROTC

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responsibility was "the proper utilization of his talents," adding that ROTC achieved this purpose. Also, ROTC has more educational feedback than other courses.

However, he admitted that "just as the study of labor relations is not for everybody, so ROTC is not for everybody."

Mahoney defended "the merit of ROTC courses," which he considered to contain "material of academic value." In fact, he described the caliber of ROTC courses and students as "generally higher than ordinary."

"ROTTC doesn't consist of course of indoctrination in militarism," he asserted. "There is no party line... Critical though is stress ed. After all, a military man can't afford to always go by the book gram. He also attacked the academic nature of ROTC courses."

Remarking on the quality of ROTC courses, Primm said, "The better it is, the worse off we are." He denied that UMSL was burdened by any legal obligation to ROTC, stating that the obligation was discharged by the ROTC contingent in Columbia.

"The humanitarian ethic of the university environment is in conflict with the military ethic," he said, also criticizing "courses on military history and tradition... designed to cause the student to identify with that particular branch."

Sargent admitted that ROTC was "not a regular curriculum matter" rather, he considered it "a matter of opportunity" supplied by the military.

Sargent indicated methods by which he would attempt to restrict ROTC if he failed to have it completely banned from the campus. The University should provide "no facilities for drill... and no academic credit for ROTC courses unless it can be proven that it is deserved, on the basis of qualified instructors and academically acceptable subject matter."

Costello echoed the argument that UMSL was bound by no legal responsibility to the ROTC program. He also attacked the academic nature of ROTC courses by describing them as "not comparable to history, political science, or other courses more a part of the university."

Singer based his opposition to ROTC on three points. First, "whatever liberalizing effect exercised by ROTC is not very great!" Second, he considered military training "diametrically opposed" to the university atmosphere. Third, "ROTTC is basically an extra-curricular type of activity."

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Rivermen Foul Their Way To 4-5 Record

by Marty Hendin

Perhaps the most important contribution to UMSL’s 4-5 record so far this season has been fouls. In UMSL’s five losses, referees’ whistles have given opponents 197 free throw opportunities as opposed to 119 for the Rivermen. Opponents have hit 141 charity tosses compared to 79 for the Rivermen. This amounts to a difference of 12.4 points per loss at the free throw line by an average of only one point per game. This situation has been reversed in the four victories with the Rivermen outscoring their opponents at the line by an average of more than five points per game.

Despite their record the Rivermen have shown well balanced scoring with six men averaging in double figures. Denny Caldwell leads UMSL scorers with 18.9 points per game. He is followed by Doody Rohn with 13.1, Chuck Henson with 12.6, Verle Sutton with 12.2, Greg McDonald with 10.9 and Mark Berensen with 10.6.

UMSL’s 4-5 record will be improved by victory over Dody Rohn and Denny Caldwell combined to score 49 points January 3 as the Rivermen started the new year right by defeating the University of Tennessee at Martin 96-85.

Rohn scored his UMSL high of 25 points and Caldwell his 24 as the Rivermen overcame UTM’s 47-44 halftime lead. The victory assured the 4-4 league record and gave the Rivermen the sweep of their two game series with the Volunteers.

UMSL led throughout the first half of the game until the Volunteers hit six points in the last 28 seconds of the period to trail by one, 44-43, at halftime advantage. Mark Berensen hit a free throw and Chuck Henson scored a three-point-play to enable UMSL to take the lead in the opening minutes of the second half. After Tennessee tied the score, Berensen drove through the Volunteer defense for a lay-up that put the Rivermen ahead to stay with 10 seconds left.

Besides Rohn and Caldwell, Chuck Henson was the only other Riverman to hit double figures as he scored 15, but Berensen and Greg Scott scored nine points each and Denny Whelan eight. Guard Don McDonald led UMSL scorers with 20 points. Darrell Wilson scored 16 and David Mason 14.

Tennessee outshot UMSL from the field and free throw line, but the Rivermen outrebounded the Volunteers 43-26. Henson and Rohn grabbed ten rebounds each for UMSL.

The Hawks’ 6-7 center John Brownrigg (#4) blocks the lane. The action took photo by Bill Leslie

Denny Caldwell tries to drive between two Rockhurst players as the Hawks’ 6-7 center John Brownrigg (#4) blocks the lane. The action took place at the Arena December 27.

The Rivermen ended their four game losing streak and won their first game on the road this season December 22 when they defeated the University of Tennessee at Martin 96-77.

Center: Chuck Henson scored 13 points in the first 6 1/2 minutes of the game, 17 in the first half and 25 in the game to lead the Rivermen as he tied his career point high set earlier this season against South Alabama.

UMSL took the lead with 10:24 left in the first half and never relinquished it after that. UMSL built up a 20-10 advantage before UTM came back to trail only 21-22.

The Rivermen scored 17 straight in the last 4:54 of the period. Darrell Wilson started the drive with a basket from the line and Greg McDonald hit seven more baskets by Chuck Henson and Joe Whelan as the clock wound down.

The game was close through the first eight minutes and then Rockhurst jumped into a lead they never relinquished. The Hawks allowed UMSL to get within two points twice in the first half, but the Rivermen could get no closer.

The game was completely dominated by the Hawks and UMSL never led in the second half and outscored them 48-38. Henson and Caldwell scored 16 points each and freshman Melvin Henderson had 13. Guard Lowry led the Volunteers with 16 points.

Pan American

From the time they arrived in 84 degree weather at Edinburg, Texas Dec. 20, the Rivermen enjoyed true southern hospitality. That fine treatment ended when UMSL took the court that evening against Pan American College.

Paced by their starting line-up of men 6-8, 6-7, 6-5, 6-4, and 6-2, the Ravens raced to a 46-27 halftime lead and a 92-69 win over the weary Rivermen. Led by 30 points and 21 rebounds from their 6-8 center Frank Lorthridge, the Ravens completely dominated the game, outshooting UMSL, 455-397 from the field and 579-550 from the free throw line, and outrebounding the small northerners 70-43.

Pan Am’s heralded “Hurricane” combination of Larry Rohn, 6-7, Calvin Oliver, and 6-5 Fred Taylor scored 60 points between them, almost matching UMSL’s entire offensive effort.

Chuck Henson led Rivermen scorers with 13 points, Denny Caldwell had 12, and Verle Sutton 11.

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The combination of a band that played after the game, a cheerleaders leading yells of “go to hell, St. Louis, go to hell,” and coaches that Smith called “incompetent and partial to the crowd” proved too much for the Rivermen as they lost to LSU 101-79 December 19 in the opening game of their southern trip.

The Volunteers gained the bonus free throw situation with five minutes gone in the game and used that advantage to take up 44-36 at halftime.

LSU took the lead early in the second half and never relinquished it. The score was 78-38 with 6:33 left in the game. The Rivermen never led in the second half. The Volunteers seemed to make their baskets at will and the best they could do was tie the game. They did that seven times before they finally took the lead.

With the game tied at 92, LSU scored nine straight points in the next minute and inserted an uncomfortable lead of 11. UMSL has played in some time.

The Rivermen were called for six fouls in a technical to Coach Smith, missed three shots, and gave up LSU’s 100th point on a basket at the buzzer following the long shot in bounds.

Butcher Webster scored 28 points to take game scoring honors for LSU. Greg Scott hit a technical for 10 points in the last minute and Doody Rohn hit a free throw.

UMSL hit their highest field goal percentage of the year with 54% compared to LSU’s .507. The Privateers outshot UMSL from the line .446 to .355 and outrebounded the Rivermen 55-43.

The most telling statistic concerned fouls. UMSL was called for 19 fouls and 18 charity tosses. The 21 point difference scored at the line (31 of 48 for LSU compared to 10 of 19) obviously cost the Rivermen the game.

The loss put UMSL’s record at 2-5, making this year’s squad the only Rivermen team to have a losing season since 1955-56.

The Rivermen and their 16 loyal fans made that trip already by winning 86-75 over the Volunteers January 3 and were already pointing to Saturday January 31 when LSU pays a visit to Viking Hall. On that date, the Privateers will be without their hand, fans and referees, and the UMSL team and fans are already preparing for what could be another war between north and south.

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Panthers Here For Homecoming Battle

USML's tradition of exciting basketball games at homecoming should continue this year when the Rivermen take on a tough team of Panthers from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, at 8:00 Saturday at Viking Hall.

Following a four-point overtime win over UM-Joliet in 1967, a one point win over Concordia in '68, and a surprisingly easy 92-65 victory over Pershing College last year, the Rivermen will face the team against whom they set a school record of 127 points last year. USML and UWM split two games last year, UWM winning 100-98 in overtime at Milwaukee and USML prevailing 137-106 at Flo Valley.

The Panthers 8-3 on the year, are led by 6-3 forward Tom Reikowski who scored 52 points in the two games last year. This will be Reikowski's last game against USML, as his eligibility will be over when the Rivermen visit Milwaukee February 7.

Gary Hemken, photo by Ken Ealy

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Sophomore forward Glen Rohn (30) has been selected “Riverman of the Week” by the coaching staff for his performance against the University of Tennessee - Martin last Saturday night. Rohn paced the Rivermen to a 96-85 victory as he had game-high totals of 25 points and 10 rebounds. His performance raised his average to 13.1 points per game, second to senior forward Dennis Caldwell who upped his average to 16.9 points per game by scoring 24 points in the UTM victory. This is “Doody’s” second selection as “Riverman of the Week,” and he is the first player to be so honored.

Hendin’s Headlines

January 13-17

January is the make or break month in this season’s Rivermen basketball schedule. Following Saturday’s win over UTM and last night’s game with UICC in Chicago (for which results are not available), the Rivermen will spend the rest of the month at Viking Hall, taking on five teams that they should be able to defeat.

UWM is tough and their 8-3 record proves it. However, the spirited crowd and the fact that it is homecoming should be enough to get the Rivermen up for the game. January 14, McKendree will be here looking to avenge last year’s winning-streak-killing defeat by the Rivermen. The Bearcats have been playing since the middle of November and have at least 15 games against weak competition under their belts, but the Rivermen should win.

Perhaps the toughest challenge of the five games will come January 19 when Southwestern College of Memphis visits Viking Hall. The Lynx are fresh from a 22-3 season last year and have most of their starters back. Still, the Rivermen should win. January 28 will be a rematch with a UICC team that USML should have beaten yesterday and should beat then. Next comes LSUOG for a January 31 encounter, and if the Rivermen are not out for blood in that game, they never will be.

The Rivermen should win all these games. Whether they will or not is another question. They could come out and take the game to their opponents as they did against William Jewell, Millikin and twice against UTM, or they could stand around and not get in their offense and gun and miss from outside. Then reporters such as John Archibald can write in the Post-Dispatch such as he did after the Rockhurst game, “The Hawks seemed to grab three out of every four offensive rebounds and thoroughly dominated the under-the-basket action.”

If the Rivermen can win all five remaining January games they will be ready to make a serious challenge in February to retain their district championship. This challenge will involve road games with nationally ranked DePaul, and Rockhurst and UWM, both of which are difficult to beat on their home courts. The rest of February should be easy with games against SIU-Edwardsville, Concordia and an Eastern Illinois team that is currently 1-7. February will present a challenge only if the Rivermen can play in January like the champions they are and can be again.

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