Admissions controversy persists

BY ANN TELTHORST

Current Staff Writer

In a calm, logical conversation, Jon Cohen, a leading member of CEW, was asked why CEW was opposed to the new admissions policy. However, conversation quickly turned from the admission policy question, to the future of higher education.

"First, I'd like to make it clear that I'm only speaking for myself," he began.

"Just that the admission policy is not too stiff." He then proceeded to theorize why the policy would not be beneficial to minority and working class students in the future.

"According to Father Reinert, president of St. Louis University, anyone from a family of earnings less than $15,000 could afford to send their child to private school. Other private schools have tremendously high tuition rates which puts more pressure on the public schools. More and more people can't afford the private schools and so they end up going to state schools," he explained.

"State schools are in trouble because property owners refuse to carry their disproportionate share of the tax burden anymore, whereas corporations default on their income, has access to, as a culturally equalizing factor. I believe that educated people, as taxpayers, are more willing to allocate their resources for various programs, such as higher education." Cohen felt that while the university was keeping up its academic standards, minority and working class students were a valuable asset to the school.

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Lead poisoning menaces inner city dwellers

By DAN ULETT
Current Staff Writer

April 1970, Eric Martin, a young boy living in the slums of inner city St. Louis, died of blood poisoning as a result of eating chips of lead-based paint. The buildings in this area were not inspected for lead paint until a poisoning had occurred.

The ravages of lead poisoning are readily apparent in this inner city dwelling.

Today the same policy is in effect — poisoning preceded by inspection. What’s worse is that a poisoning is not immediately detected until a poisoning had led paint until a poisoning had been discovered. What’s worse is that a poisoning is not immediately detected until a poisoning had been discovered.

Efforts are being made to test the 30,000 children, ages 1-6, in the inner city for lead poisoning by the Yeatman Medical Center and four other "model city" centers: Montgomery Hyde Park, Murphy-Blair, Carr-Central and Pruitt-Igoe. Model cities are defined as being those areas where a social and economic instability exists. These are also the areas where the highest level of lead poisoning occurs.

The process of testing these children is complex. The first step involves recruiting volunteers to knock on the doors of the area residents to explain to the children’s parents about lead poisoning. They must try to convince parents to have their children tested. If 100 milligrams of the child’s blood contains 0.40 ppm of lead, this is considered abnormal according to the Yeatman Medical Center.

In 1971, 4,230 children were tested throughout St. Louis clinics and hospitals; 50% of which were tested by the volunteer help without any federal aid. One third of the children tested showed abnormal amounts of lead in their blood. Two months after the "screening," (a process which involves testing and retesting), only seventeen children were hospitalized.

One hindering factor has been the extensive record keeping required and lack of medical resources. If more children do not have the lead removed from their system, it will lead to mental retardation and serious kidney defects. In some cases lead has been seen in the child’s bones through x-rays.

The Lead Coalition, (an organization made up of St. Louis citizens concerned about lead poisoning) asked Mayor Cervantes to declare the inner city a disaster area in order to receive government aid, but the appeal was denied. On another occasion Mayor Cervantes was asked to use his political influence in order to place a 10% tax on corporate property so that the money appropriated could go toward deleading houses.

Another appeal was denied for the enactment of a lead ordinance which would help delead the area. Both of these appeals were also denied.

The magnitude of the problem of lead poisoning was not made widely known until there was a series of demonstrations by interested people which included marches and sit-ins on real estate offices that managed the properties where lead poisoning existed.

"It has gotten to the point that only dreamers can talk of a solution that involves federal money," said Bob Knuckmeyer of the Yeatman Medical Center.

He added, "Relief can come only by organizing people to withhold rent or in order to use the capital to delead their homes. There must also be an economic boycott of the traditional market economy and establish a social and economic arrangement."

Suburban communities have started fund raising drives and are educating the people about the seriousness of the lead poisoning problem. People who are concerned about their community and high taxes should want to see the betterment of their model cities and be willing to help the inner city effort.

It has been estimated by the five model city centers that there are 79,000 abandoned city dwellings in St. Louis which will require approximately $21,000,000 to be deleded. This would run about $300 per building. It is a small price to pay compared to the amount required for the child who becomes mentally retarded from eating the chips which taste like harmless lemon drops to the hungry child. This cost would be about $2,000. In cases where the child dies, no price tag would help.

MONEY SOURCES
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The lead poisoning dilemma appears to be caught up in a vicious circle. In regard to the 1,200 children who proved to have been poisoned by lead paint, 29 landlords were summoned to appear in court. Ten landlords paid fines which averaged out to be $76.50 per case of about $225.00 short of the amount needed to delead a building. The parents and taxpayers are left $850.00 in the hole because of medical expenses for the child. It doesn’t pay for the landlord to obey the law because with the money he would spend deleading a house, he can buy more substandard housing and often receive money from the government for urban renewal.

Through urban renewal, housing projects are erected which are intended for people who are in the $5,600 to $7,000 income bracket. This in turn causes a higher demand for substandard housing for those people who are in welfare that cannot afford to live in the urban renewal housing projects. Anyone concerned about the rising epidemic of lead poisoning may contact Ed Bushmeyer at 869-1200 for further information.

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Admission policy debate fizzles:
guests of honor decline invitation

RON THEHNHAUS
Current Staff Writer

An attempt by the Coalition -
against Admission Exams at UMSL
brings university administrators, who are in favor of implementing
a new admissions exam policy, to a forum in order to discuss the
issue, was thwarted Thursday when univeristy administrators did not
appear at the meeting.

The Coalition is a loose-knit
organization which includes the
Committee to End the War, The Association of Black Collegetians,
the Angela Davis Defense Committee
and the Students for a
Democratic Society. Neither the
Coalition nor the Students for a
Democratic Society is a recognized
student organization on the UMSL
campus.

Library catalog files subdivided

Recently a split was reported in the UMSL library; the public card catalogue was split into four separate divisions— the Title Cat-
alog, the Author Catalog, the Sub-
ject Catalog and the Serials Cat-
alog.

All four catalogs are located on the
ground floor of the Library each is identifiable by means of a
sign.

87% favor abolition

There is a correction on the
results of the referendum sub-
mitted to the students to determine
how many were in favor of abolishing
the Arts and Science language
requirement.

The total number of "yes" votes were 2073 or 87.52% of the total
number of the votes. The total
number of no votes were 321 or
12.48% of the total number of the votes.

Explaining the passing of the
proposition on community support
for the Arts and Science language
requirement is the faculty's
opposition to mandatory commen-
tum courses that would force
students to take foreign language
and composition courses in order
to get a degree in the field.

A letter received by the Asso-
ciation of Black Collegetians from
the Dean of Students, David Ganz,
a few days prior to the forum in J.C. Peney Auditorium explained
that representatives from the ad-
ministration would not attend due to
the fact that the Coalition is not a
university recognized organization.

The letter also explained that
the administration found offensive
parts of previous communications
from the Coalition.

The forum was then turned into
a meeting in which opponents of
the admission exams aired their
views.

Jeffrey Scott of CEW summed up
what was seemingly the common
consensus among the opponents of
the exams at the meeting when he
said: "The exams are cultural-
ly and racially biased against
working class students, both black
and white."

Paul Gomberg, philosophy in-
spector here, cited the exams as
anti-working class and maintained
that students from suburban high
schools will be at a distinct ad-
vantage at being accepted at the
university.

Gomberg asserted that the ad-
ministration recognized the policy
as being discriminatory in nature.

Dr. Richard Resh, assistant pro-
fessor of history, pointed out that
the decision to implement the new
admissions exam policy was hast-
ily decided upon and that few on the campus knew when the policy
was being considered.

An individual from the audience
mentioned that more students from
suburban high schools would be re-
questing and purportedly admitted
under the new admission policy
because private colleges and uni-
versities, like Washington Uni-
versity, have raised their tuition
beyond their means.

It is suggested that the greater influx of suburban youths would greatly lim-
it the number of youths admitted
from inner city schools which
could not give students the same
educational opportunities as the
suburban schools.

There were approximately 100
students and faculty at the meet-
ing.
Practice what you preach

The demands from CEW and ABC up to this date have been for the Current to become an asset to this campus rather than a racist sexist publication. Yet, the fact that handling constructive come out of CEW that would suggest improvement concerning the administration or the Current, the fact that I have not seen one letter distributed by CEW that wasn’t filled with hate and accusations, tends to destroy the validity of the accusations in my eyes.

CEW is not the object of my wrath. I only wish that if they insist on condemning the Current that they at least state the real facts. The letter that was distributed by CEW entitled Extra Extra Read All About the Current, there were so many false accusations that they defeated their own purpose. I don’t know if it was an intended irony but the false accusations only made CEW look worse than the Current.

But because I don’t want to become an example of the bureaucratic administration who can only answer “no comment to accusations” I will try to clarify the Current’s editorial policy.

1) Letters are not guaranteed of being printed. It is stated in the staff box that it is up to the Editor whether or not a letter will be printed on the basis of student relevancy, good journalistic taste and the availability of space.

2) The fact that some of the Current’s news is taken from the UMSL News is no crime. Not many of the things that happen on this campus read it and the articles that it contains are sometimes worth a students attention.

3) It is completely false that we cut articles that are written by our own staff in order to present a certain view. Cutting is done, again, on the basis of space, quality of material and its organization. Major cutting is not done without the knowledge of the writer.

4) The decision whether or not to give a person a by-line for the story that he wrote is partly based on the originality of what is written and whether or not that person has contributed any other articles to that page. It might be well to note that within this city newspapers, names are not always signed to written articles.

5) As far as rejecting certain ads, the decision to do so is made on the basis of advertising responsibility first, and not pressure from the outside. The editor considered term paper ads as not being beneficial to the student. In comparison with the Olympic Drive-In ads, the drive-in does not threaten a student with suspension if he takes advantage of its services. Term paper companies in essence do.

Along the same lines, the attempt to publish a paper purportedly geared more toward student interest (P.F. FLYER) is commendable and perhaps the Current would follow suit in the idea. But if in addition to the flyer the party insists on condemning the Current, I suggest that it change its name. Because certainly, Peace and Freedom does not imply condemnation. I suggest that instead of tearing the flyer the party insists on condemning the Current the Current would follow suit in the idea. If you can’t do that, you aren’t worth a plugged nickel.

Judy Klamon Editor

Dear Editor,

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Where does it stop?

Dear Editor,

In the editorial Where Does It Stop? the editor claims that "Women will stop being treated like second-class citizens when they stop acting like second-class citizens." This statement is clearly absurd and is an example of the kind of thinking that perpetuates sexism. Women are not second-class citizens and should not be treated as such.

Sincerely,

Lynda Seyfried
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4 pieces of meat when they stop acting, dressing and talking like pieces of meat and I have not accepted my subservient role well. I accept the role that is suitable to me, and I am the one that makes that decision." The view expressed by these and like statements is quite common in our society for we have all too often swallowed the myth that we are individually responsible for our lot in life--the treatment we receive from others and our economic mobility. Thus, we blame the poor for being black for being disrated and for being treated like cattle.

But women are not responsible for the consistently lower wages they receive, nor their inability to move outside the house due to the lack of decent day care facilities. Nor do women have any meaningful control over the media, advertising, educational institutions etc. In short women have no control over the very areas where sexist ideology is formulated and perpetuated.

Of course many women accept the notion that their humanity depends upon their looks and their ability to "catch" a man, just as many blacks have accepted the notion that they are inferior to whites. When the black liberation movement began there was a great deal of opposition and fear from black people. Similarly, there have been initial fears from women that the women's liberation movement would lead to the loss of their homes and families. But many women have become familiar with the movement and have become vocal, I assure you that they will join the ruling minority and become vocal, I assure you that they will join the ruling minority and remain active in as many organizations and interests as possible. Another interesting item is that we also (as a group) manage to consistently maintain the highest men's grade point on campus. When you consider your list as compared to mine you are definitely APATHETIC.

Consider also one final point. You laid a very good case for the existence of a "Silent Majority" on this campus. But I remind you of this, our governmental system, nationally, locally, and campus wide is controlled by the vocal minority because until the majority ceases to be "silent" they shall be governed by those who speak. If on some long awaited day in the future the masses arise and become vocal, I assure you that they will join the ruling minority in involving themselves totally and

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The ABCs of Women's Lib

It is interesting to note that often women are not as well educated as men in these truths and most theories, until Kinsey, and were never sub-
ject to an empirical test.

"Analysis cannoten-
courage in women new
energies for success and
achievement, but only
teach them the lesson ofrational res-
ignation."

Sigmund Freud

The biological basis in child
rearing is no longer necessary or
even desirable since the inven-
tion of effective birth control.
Maternity is no longer a be-all,
and end-all situation as life-expec-
tancy increases well beyond the
time children leave home. The
expanding population makes it ri-
diculous to urge everyone to re-
produce.

Some people, however, still see
so reason to change sex rolls in any
way. The obvious "male chau-
divist" types aren't much of a
problem, because they imply that they combine things really just the way
that it ought to be. Their attitude
is that boys will be boys, girls
will be girls and to disagree is dif-
ferent! Actually, the separate but
equal approach to civil rights went
out of style years ago.

Why women have been oppres-
sed and by whom is not mutu-
ally important. The goal is now to rem-
ed the situation that we find
ourselves with. One of the worst
problems that confront women who
wish to change themselves and
their lot is the assumption that they have only themselves to
blame for their plight. (The logic of blaming the victim applies
in law only when it comes to
rape.) Organization is discour-
aged, and women are told to solve
problems by individual action. If
a person founiders in the futility
of fighting alone, she is forced
to think that there is something
wrong with her, not the system.

For some reason, one is expected
to be able to shed a lifetime of
socialization and emerge as a
liberated woman all at once. There
is also the idea that if each woman
converts one man, liberation will be
accomplished...but that is ri-
diculous since greater pressure
are exerted from the outside to
maintain the status quo. Poor peo-
ple are met with the same kind of
concept; that they are inferior and
because they don't have money. The
people at the bottom have the
least access to a means of change
or betterment.

What do those women want?
In the words of one early feminist:
"I ask no favors for my sex...all
that I ask of our brethren is that
they take their feet from off our
necks."

Sara Moore Grimke

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FRIDAY

The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee is meeting at 2:45 in room 266 University Center.

The Student Staff of KWNU will have their meeting at 1:00 in 222 UC Penney.

Don't forget to register for the Blood Donor Drive sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in room 303 of the University Center.

CSA meeting

Representatives from CSA organizations at universities across the state met March 4, 5, and 6 to discuss the formation of the Missouri Public Interest Research Group (Mo. PIRG).

The organization calls for a student board of directors which is selected by students at campuses throughout the state. The staff director and the professional staff are selected to provide the needed year-round expertise. State headquarters will be located at Columbia with regional offices at St. Louis and Kansas City.

Local schools that are already organized are St. Louis University, Washington University and Fontbonne College.

SUNDAY

Central Council meets from 1:00 until 3:00 in room 75 JC Penney.

SATURDAY

Community is offering an Art Course from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 in 132 Business Education Bldg.

Diary of a Mad Housewife will be shown again at 8:00 in the Penney Auditorium.

TUESDAY

The Arts and Science policy committee will have their meeting at 10:00 until 12:00 in 215 Clark.

Auto Mechanics for Girls will be held at 10:00 in 303 Benton.

The Veterans Club will meet at 10:00 at 121 JC Penney.

The Heating and Air Conditioning course will hold their course at 2:00 in 126 JC Penney.

Auto Mechanics for Girls will meet at 7:00 p.m. in 403 Benton.

The English Department will have its film previews in 100 Clark Hall at 9:00 p.m.

Hatha Yoga Class will meet in the Wrestling room of the Multipurpose Bldg. at 8:00 p.m.

The Horse's Mouth will be shown in the Penney Aud. at 3:00 and 8:00.

¿Qué Pasa?

SDS is having a chili dinner to raise money for the SDS convention at the end of March. They'll be serving from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. at 755 Heman Ave., apt. 2n. For directions, call Paul at 721-0772.

MONDAY

The Community self defense class will be at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the recreation room of the Multi-Purpose Bldg.

The Italian for Travel Course sponsored by Community will be shown at 7:30 in 103 Benton.

Rosemary's Baby will be shown at 2:40 and at 8:00 in Penney Aud.

Voter registration on campus March 20-23

The student body will have the opportunity to register to vote for the upcoming, local, state, and national elections through a voter registration drive to be conducted March 20-23, 1972 on this campus. Tentative times for registration during the drive are from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Registration officials from the City of St. Louis and from St. Louis County will register students from mobile units located on the patio of the University Center.

The Student Vote, a non-partisan nationwide group which especially encourages the registration of those between the ages of 18 and 24, is sponsoring the voter registration drive in conjunction with the Common Concern of UMSL.

Other campus organizations co-sponsoring the drive are the Student Government, College Young Democrats, College Young Republicans, the Peace and Freedom Party, and the Orangatang Health Club.

Anyone interested in helping with the drive should contact Pam Schnebelen in room 252 of the University Center or at 453-5336.

APO blood drive Wednesday

Alpha Phi Omega is assisting the Red Cross in an annual Blood Drive. Blood may be given March 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in 121 J.C. Penney Building.

The Red Cross requires that all donors be at least 18 years old and weigh 110 pounds.

Anyone with any questions should contact Dennis Graham or Howard Deitmar (332-5279 or 426-3779).

SPORTS INSTRUCTION

SPRING SCHEDULE APRIL 7-MAY 5

Intermediate Swimming 9:15-10:30 TTH MP Pool Bliss

Water Safety Instructor 5:00-8:00 SS MP Pool Craven

1. Certified Skin & Scuba Course 2:30-4:00 F MP Pool Diver

2. Archery 1:45-3:00 TTH RM 219 MP Glackon

Beginning Golf 10:45-11:45 TTH RM 164 MP Berres

Intermediate Golf 11:45-12:45 TTH RM 164 MP Berres

Beginning Tennis 12:15-1:30 TTH MP Courts Williams

Intermediate Tennis 1:45-3:00 TTH MP Courts Williams

Conditioning & Jogging 12:00-1:00 MWF RM 161 MP Fallon

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Registration begins Monday, March 20. Forms may be obtained in the Athletic Office, Room 255 M-P Bldg. Classes are limited so sign up early - first come, first serve.

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Vanguard brings Moliere to UMSL

By CHARLES BALDWIN
Current Fine Arts Editor

While St. Louisans in general are used to being treated to fine theatre, UMSL students will get a special treat in late March when the Missouri Vanguard Theatre visits this campus with a special performance of Molière's Tartuffe.

Sponsored by the Missouri State Council on the Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts, the Division for Continuing Education and Extension, UMKC, and the UMKC Department of Speech and Theatre, Vanguard will give one performance on March 27 at 8:30 p.m. in the J. C. Penney Auditorium.

Originated in 1968, the idea behind the Vanguard Theatre was to bring professional theatre to the smaller cities and communities in Missouri. The Vanguard Theatre is professional theatre and is based in Kansas City. All actors and technicians are taken from the Missouri Repertory Theatre, the resident company at UMKC and from large auditions.

Molière's Tartuffe, since its opening in 1664, has been the subject of both controversy and enjoyment for countless audiences. First banned by the French clergy, it reopened in 1669 when the ban was lifted by King Louis XIV. Since then, Tartuffe has survived countless revivals and translations. Just last year, the Vanguard production was preceded by a Broadway production of Richard Wilbur's translation of the play.

The play will be directed by William Glover, a 25-year veteran of the theatre. Glover's credits include work on television shows such as Get Smart, Garrison's Guerillas, and Run for Your Life; and extensive theatre work including the nationally known Alley Theatre of Houston, the American Shakespeare Festival, and recently the Broadway production of Private Lives.

Sierra Club to meet

Blanchard Springs Caverns will be the subject of a general meeting of the Ozark Chapter of the Sierra Club on March 28 at the St. Louis County Library.

Mr. Roger Pryor will give a talk and slide presentation on the development of Blanchard Springs Caverns on the Ozark National Forest in Arkansas. Mr. Pryor assisted the U.S. Forest Service in mapping and photographing the caverns which are being prepared for commercial tours.

Mr. Pryor is a graduate of St. Louis University and is employed by the St. Louis Health Department, Division of Environmental Health Services.

The Sierra Club, a group dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of our natural surroundings, holds their regular meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the St. Louis County Library. This meeting will be held at the library at Clayton Rd. and Lindbergh Blvd., at 7:30 p.m.

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Rabinovitsj to solo in St. Louis Symphony concert

Max Rabinovitsj, Concertmaster for the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, will perform as soloist with the orchestra, under the direction of Walter Susskind. The concerts are scheduled for Thursday and Saturday evenings, March 23 and 25 at 8:30. The performances will be at Powell Symphony Hall. These will be the first performances by a Russian-born soloist of the St. Louis Spring Quartet and adjunct associate professor of music at Washington University. The Bruch Scottish Fantasy, which he is to play, has not been performed here since November, 1951, when it was performed by Seigene Guidi, who was then the orchestra's Concertmaster.

Tickets are still available for both Thursday and Saturday nights, in limited numbers.

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Anne Henning: experiences of a champion

BY ANN TELTHORST

Last Friday night, while the UMSL basketball team was on its way to becoming a "winner", I had a chance to talk with an already established winner, the Olympic gold medalist, Anne Henning.

The Olympic gold medal winner in the 500-meter speed-skating competition, and bronze medal winner in the 1000-meter, Anne Henning was at Stix-Baer & Fuller (River Roads) with sportscaster Jay Randolph, trying to drum up support and contributions for the U.S. Olympic Fund.

Attired in a form-fitting skating outfit, the 17-year-old champion sat on a platform with Jay Randolph, and fielded questions posed by the audience that gathered around her.

Like many great skaters, Anne started skating early—age four.

"When I was four, my family moved from North Carolina to Chicago. Since skating was a new sport for my family, we decided to try it," she explained.

"I originally started out in figure-skating, but that only lasted a week. I told my mom I wanted to go fast, and she just couldn't understand why a little girl wanted to skate fast."

Skating, like any other sport requires year-round training and conditioning. "We train four hours a day during the summer and winter. In the winter, it's naturally almost all skating, but we also do a lot of isometric exercises and exercises in the skating position."

Anne may be in great shape for skating but she did have a splint on her right thumb. "I jammed it playing softball," she replied rather sheepishly.

"Travelling around the country and to Europe for various meets takes her away from school quite often, so naturally she was asked how she did in school.

"She does very well in school—when she's there," interrupted Jay Randolph.

"Besides interfering with school, skating would seem to also put a crimp in her social life. She was asked if she missed it.

"I don't think I've missed a thing socially," Anne replied. "There are a lot of boys skating, too. The skating group I'm in has a great bunch of guys."

"As far as experiences and travelling," she continued, "I think we've had it better than the average teenager."

"I like going to the other countries but I don't like the travelling part of it."

With eyes glowing she selected her favorites. "Switzerland is the most spectacular place," she said. Anne regarded her future with uncertainty.

"I haven't decided yet if I want to go to the '76 Olympics," she remarked. "Maybe I'll go to college."

Unlike a figure skater, the speed skater does not have much of a chance to use her talents after she is finished with competition.

"There's not much of a professional career for a speed skater," Anne maintained. "About the only thing I could do is endorse things."

She was surprised to learn that she still holds the indoor speed records for the Midget Class.

After Anne had answered all the relevant questions, about skating, she was subjected to the same questions as she began signing autographs.

A man approached her and inquired, "Do I look like someone you know?"

Puzzled, Anne replied, "No."

After the man had given her several clues, she learned that he was the father of one of the teachers at her school.

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Another couple approached to inform her they were old neighbors from years back who had lived down the street and around the corner.

A 17-year-old boy said he was going to try out for the Olympics as a wrestler. Of course, wrestlers must be older, he maintained.

Like the champion that she is, Anne Henning, very naturally and courteously, responded to all questions and engaged in small talk with all comers.

And so went the interview, signing autographs, and posing for pictures with aspiring speed skaters.

Swimmers' prospects for next year hinge on new coach, schedule

BY ANN TELTHORST

Looking forward to next year, the Swim Team concluded its first season of competition with a 1-6 record.

February 11 was the highlight of the season when the team won their only meet and averted an earlier loss to St. Louis University.

Coach Ted Struckmann complimented his squad.

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Rivermen knock off South Dakota, Lincoln

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26-71 opening victory. In the process, UMSL outgunned the Coyotes .383 to .404 from the field, and 71% from the foul line, although South Dakota managed almost 87% accuracy from the charity stripe.

In discussing his record-breaking performance against the Coyotes, Bernsen disclosed that he had been unaware that he was closing in on a record.

"We keep working the ball around, trying to fine someone that's open, and if somebody gets hot, we'll feed him," he explained. "I was just trying to do everything I would just fall in."

"Three fouls and was playing average," Lamont Pruitt, whose 19 contributed to a 19-11 victory in the regional final. He and Hamp-"Olaf defense, was held to 8 points on the contest was 25-4. Assumption (21-6) vanquished Bentley, 109-103, for the New Eng-land title and the privilege of meeting fourth-ranked Eastern Michigan (23-5). Eastern Michigan defeated defending national champion Evansville University in the Great Lakes Regional.

Southern Illinois, Tennessee State (24-1)—ranked first in the nation—defeated Delta State to meet Eastern champion Southampton (22-4), an 86-72 victor over Bentley.

Mid-east winner Akron (24-4), coming off an 87-71 rout of Youngstown, drew the winner of the Western Michigan-Southern Colorado (19-8) edged Seattle Pacific, 86-77 in the title.

The season will end Wednesday for the losers in the quarter-finals. The four survivors will be berthed after the next two nights. The losers of the semi-finals will play a consolation game Friday, prior to the championship contest, to decide third place. Due to the printing schedule, the reader has the writer at a disadvantage in this situation. Whatever the outcome, it is still a surprise for us. We hope to be pleasantly surprised.

Western Illinois snapped UMSL's 13-game winning streak in the regular season finale, but the Cagers took two in a row to begin a new streak. Five in a row will win it all.

Maybe if the Rivermen could win it all, they might receive an honorable mention from the pollsters.

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Bernsen's scoring binge spearheads
UMSL sweep of Midwest Regional

BY MATT MATTLINGLY

The Rivermen still have yet to lose on their new home court. Consequently, despite coin-tosses lost on their new home court, their regional tournament they became one of eight teams eligible to compete in the NCAA College Division National Championship Tournament in Evansville, Indiana, March 15-17.

Despite their perfect 14-0 home slate (21-5 overall), the winners of the Midwest Regional Tournament in Evansville, Indiana, late (21-5 overall), the winners of the tournament with a 21-6 mark (they earned the right to encounter the winner of the second game Friday night. UMSL's 114-72 massacre of the Coyotes of the University of South Dakota had made it obvious that neither team would run away with the title, but no one could have predicted just how fierce the contest would be.

"Of all the teams I've ever coached, I don't think I've ever had a team that had to play a more physical game than the one we played against Lincoln," Coach Chuck Smith maintained.

Lincoln made the Rivermen earn their title. Surprisingly, UMSL out-rebounded the team which had devastated St. Olaf on the boards, 60-43. Led by Greg Daust's 17 rebounds, the Rivermen pulled down 46 to 42 for the Tigers, whose height and leaping advantage had seemed insuperable.

Daust, however, had not been overawed.

"There was nothing to be overawed about," he contended. "I know I can get position on good leapers, because after their initial jump, it takes them awhile to get their timing back. In that time, I could have two or three chances for the rebound.

"They didn't screen off at all; they just went right to the ball. I had no trouble getting in front of them. "They gave us a tough time when we were going for offensive rebounds, because they always had their hands up, made it tough for us to tip it in,"

By refusing to let the Tigers dominate the boards (in addition to Daust's 17, Ron Carkhum had 9 and Jim Buford 6) and capitalizing on St. Olaf turn-overs, the Rivermen nullified their opponents' individual heroics and denied them the lead with which they could pressure UMSL into the costly mistakes which the harried St. Olaf players had committed the previous evening.

A crowd of approximately 5500, largest in the young history of the fieldhouse, watched the lead fluctuate throughout the contest. UMSL led, 39-34, at intermission, and had widened the gap to 51-43, when the game's high-scorer with 37 points Lincoln's Ben Young, ignited a rally which he capped with 11:31 to go by tying the score at 55-55. A jump shot by Clarence Gant gave the Tigers their final lead at 57-56, although Young brought his team back to within a single point, 67-66, with

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