Dr. Murray awarded grant
To study pollution effects
by Judy Singler

Dr. Robert Murray has been awarded a two-year grant from the National Science Foundation and a three year grant from the Environmental Protection Agency to direct ozone research at UMSL. Ozone pollution is a primary concern to both of these. As a consultant to the National Academy of Sciences, Murray has done extensive research in the area of ozone pollution and the chemical processes that produce it. Ozone exists at a low concentration in the air we breathe. Some natural sources of ozone are the ultra-violet rays of the sun and lighting. Ozone can also be built from high voltage equipment, aut­ tos, electricity, or any combustion process. Government employees have recorded 8 ppm (parts per hundred million) in the air we breathe as a 100% amount of ozone can be harmful to particularly sensitive people. A national goal among scientists is to have the level of ozone in the air considerable under 8 ppm and under control by 1975.

As the concentration of ozone increases, the effects of ozone on life become progressively worse. When ozone exists at the level of 15-17 ppm, shortness of breath and blurred vision will be experienced; at 30 ppm, blindness, nausea, and headache will occur. Unconsciousness is the result of 40-50 ppm. When the ppm nears 200 a person may die.

Dr. Murray regards the pollution situation here in St. Louis as "very serious." However, he observed that St. Louis was one of the first cities in the U.S. to establish pollution and control ordinances. Murray attributes part of the pollution in St. Louis to the city's location. Baby. Because the pollution laws of Illinois differ from those in operation here, the weather can transfer pollution from that area to this one.

News briefs

student election

On Oct. 9, 10, 11 and 12, elections will be held for new students to become Central Council representatives. All new students are eligible. One Central Council representative for Central Council will be elected for the year 1977. Seven new representatives will be elected.

women's rights

The St. Louis Organization for Women's Rights is holding an open planning meeting on October 4 at 8 p.m. in the St. Louis University City Public Library.

This new civil rights organization of men and women is interested in action tasks to work on projects not already undertaken by other local groups. Its present projects include: 1) the "Advocates Corps," a referral service for people with sex discrimination complaints; 2) an investigation of sex discrimination in St. Louis public schools; 3) attempts to improve credit reporting practices as it relates to women; and 4) an educational campaign against female hygiene deodorant sprays.

The St. Louis Organization for Women's Rights invites action-oriented men and women to attend the October 4th meeting.

Harmful defoliant used by state

Not meaning to alarm any pregnant women, along with many other states, officially sanctioned the use of the controversial herbicide 2,4-D, defoliant experiments, 2,4-D has been proven to be harmful to foetuses. To date, the U.S. Department of Defense banned the use of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T in Vietnam. However, it was that 2,4-D was thought to cause birth defects.

Since 1967, less extensive experiments have been done with the chemical. In the September 25th issue of the "Science News Letter," results of experiments where pregnant mice were exposed to 2,4-D were reported. The results were that 70% of the offspring were born with abnormalities and the experimenter suggested that the danger was caused not by 2,4-D, but by a contaminating substance which was present.

Although the strength of 2,4-D used in the States is less than that used in Vietnam, environmentalists argue that even the tiniest amount constitutes a danger.

Now, it seems, the use of the controversial defoliant is widespread throughout all the states. Restrictions on its use are very few. It is even recommended by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture as a method of improving grazing land for cattle.

According to the St. Louis division of the state Conservation Commission, most of the use of 2,4-D in Missouri is done on private land and is used on corn and soy beans with 2,4-D, a weaker defoliant.

When asked if it seemed rather strange that a state department of agriculture would sanction the use of a chemical that has been proven dangerous, Mr. Jim Rocca of the Conservation Commission replied, "Not really." Mr. Rocca pointed out that 2,4-D is an inexpensive brush control and was called 'too useful' to ban. "Unfortunately for the safety in the sanctity," Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin is currently leading the fight to have 2,4-D banned. In a recent interview with the director of the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, Nelson de­ clared that 2,4-D is "an un­ desirable substance that cannot be permitted in our forests."
University of Missouri: President C. Bruce Ratchford announced July 22, the names of an eight-member advisory committee to assist in the search and screening process for a chancellor for the University’s St. Louis campus.

The committee will submit to President Ratchford: "no less than four nor no more than ten" candidates considered qualified for the top administrative position on the St. Louis campus. Dr. Ratchford emphasized that all of the four to ten candidates must be qualified for the chancellorship.

The committee includes:
- Gregory Burns, a senior business administration major from St. Louis;
- Beverly Williams, a senior business administration major from St. Louis;
- Charles W. Armbruster, associate professor and chair of the Department of Chemistry;
- Fred J. Thumin, professor of management and psychology, School of Business Administration;
- Edwin H. Fedder, professor of political science and director of the Center for International Studies;
- Robert S. Sullivan, dean of the Graduate School;
- William Lee Franzen, dean of the School of Education; and
- A. G. Unklesbay, University vice president for administration.

A committee chairman will be selected by the members later on.

While President Ratchford emphasized the need for a decision on the chancellorship at the earliest possible date, he indicated the assignment, more importantly, required the committee to take whatever time is necessary to assure the University obtains the highest qualified candidates.

Dr. Ratchford indicated that he will be meeting with the committee next week to discuss specific procedures on the selection process and to answer any questions committee members may have.

Dr. Ratchford also noted that the committee will do its best to solicit from any faculty, students, administrators, alumni, and any other sources suggested names of candidates."

The chancellorship was vacated by Dr. Glen R. Driscoll who resigned in August to become president of the University of Toledo, Ohio. Dr. Ratchford at that time appointed Dr. Everett Walters, dean of faculties, UMSL, to serve as interim chancellor until a successor could be named for Driscoll.

Brown hosts 'Black Journal' in Chicago, a black ex-dim cruiser, president of a nation and re-store their heritage. 'Black Journal' is the weekly black pride program produced by National Educational Television, will begin a new season on educational television station KETC-TV, Channel 9, Tuesday, October 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Tony Brown is the host and executive producer of the program that affirms black dignity through black journalism.
Dowd announces assets

In a move more than vaguely reminiscent, Edward L. Dowd, Democratic candidate for governor, has announced his present financial net worth and all sources of income for the last ten years and has called on his opponent, Christopher S. "Kit" Bond to do the same. Dowd said, "I challenge my Republican opponent to do the same thing with regard to his present financial net worth and with regard to his income from all sources for the ten year residency period necessary to be Governor of Missouri."

Dowd listed he and his wife's holdings as follows: checking and savings accounts, $9,200; 179 shares of stock of the James B. Eads Corporation of a value of $17,900, residence on Faupur Drive, St. Louis, and household goods, $40,000; farm in Franklin County, 110 acres, house, barn, livestock, tractor, and miscellaneous farm equipment, $28,000; law office furniture and library, $3,000; cash surrender value of life insurance policies, $27,000; 1971 Pontiac automobile, $2,500; 1965 Mercury automobile, $500.

Dowd had no income from trust funds and real estate investments. He challenged his Republican opponent to reveal his income and its sources for the past ten years.

Dowd also owes $20,000 to a St. Louis bank arising out of the primary campaign. Mr. and Mrs. Dowd's total financial net worth amounts to $108,000.


"Mr. Bond's revelations up to this point," Dowd said, "have been vaguely. Under the auspices of the Counseling Service, there will be a series of women's awareness groups this semester. There will be two different groups, one for those women currently involved in a long-term relationship with a man, and another group for those women who have just broken up and have not yet been involved in such a relationship. Each group will hold about ten sessions. The structure of the groups will be loose, but in general they will work from the women's sightings. They will attempt to answer such questions as how to go about finding their own identity. They will attempt to answer such questions as what to do with their energy, aggressiveness and sexuality. Any one interested in participating in the groups can contact Karen Walker of the Counseling Service at 453-5711 in 229 of Stoddard Hall.

The UMSL library will be open seven days per week with the following schedule of hours:
- Monday through Thursday: 7:30 a.m. to midnight
- Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Sunday: 2:00 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The reference department of the library is extending the hours it will be staffed according to the following schedule:
- Monday through Thursday: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Friday: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Sunday: 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The government documents department, located on the fifth floor, houses Federal Government depository materials. This department is staffed:
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- Wednesday through Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

USML's University Center and Multi-Purpose Building has scheduled its operating hours for the fall semester: University Center Building and Vending Hours:
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  - Saturday: 12 noon to 12 midnight
  - Sunday: 12 noon to 10 p.m.
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  - Monday and Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
  - Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
  - Saturday and Sunday: 1 to 5 p.m.
- Indoor Swimming Pool:
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Women's group to begin

Jack O. Edwards, Assistant Dean of the Law School, UM-Columbia, will be available to talk to UMSL students Tuesday, October 3, in the J. C. Penney Building, Room 225. The hours will be from 1:30 to 4:30 and from 6:30 to 8 p.m. All pre-law students are invited to meet with Dean Edwards. Junior and Senior pre-law students are urged to meet with the Dean.

As in the past, Dean Edwards will answer all questions in such areas as financial aid, entrance requirements, and the career prospects for Law School graduates. In the fall of 1971, Dean Edwards indicated that every student law firm was able to begin his legal career at $12,000 plus a Christmas bonus.
Fun Palace breeds pinball addicts

by Carl Hess

There are addicts on campus. They may not inject, pop pills, or inhale hallucinogenic fumes into their lungs, but they are just as inexorably hooked. They are hypnotized by rhythmic chimes, bells, flashing lights, and the firm "check!" of a free game being registered on their instrument of seduction.

They are pinball addicts. For those who may be unaware, there are ten pinball machines at UMSL. They're located in the Fun Palace adjacent to the Administration Building, along with billiard and ping-pong tables. While ping-pong does have its followers, nobody could be as dedicated to it as those prehooked on pinballs. At least fifty students, including myself, spend most of their between-class time poised in front of their instruments of pleasure.

Beating pinballs with any degree of regularity involves practice, concentration, skill with the flippers, (the "bats" with which a player shoots the ball at targets), and moderately large sums of money. The average "hard-core" player spends at least a dollar a day, usually spread over various machines and crammed between classes. Open periods on the machines are rare; usually, each machine has at least one player and a host of onlookers.

The jargon of pinball is concise and descriptive. The object of the game is to get as many "replays" as possible. A replay is scored when, by gaining enough points, hitting a "special" (also known as 'the red eye') or by "matching," a free game is awarded.

Matching is a matter of pure chance. At the end of a game, a number is lit on the back of the machine. If the number corresponds to the last one or two digits of the player's score, a game is awarded. These matching numbers are set up while the game is in progress. When the ball hits certain bumpers, it activates a counter in the cabinet which advances the match number.

The machines are owned and operated by the Wonder Novelty Company, which collects money and repairs or replaces the machines when needed. Each machine costs approximately one thousand dollars, and they are replaced every six months or so. Wonder likes to keep a ratio of 50 or less free games to every 100 played. If a machine gives more, it is "adjusted."

The University receives a percentage of the money collected, which goes towards additional recreational facilities for the students. For example, the phones and tapes in the Student Center Lounge are maintained partly by revenue collected in the rec hall. Although no figures were given as to the amount the machines take in per day, one look in the coin boxes would tell you they can't be losing money.

Of course, certain of the machines are preferred by the experts. They caipole, fondle, curse, caress, sweet-talk and pound the machines to make them perform. Last year, one very popular game was located parallel to the wall. On several occasions, people put their fists through the plasterboard when they felt cheated.

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Pinball addicts... (continued from page 4)
Among the more dedicated players, a sort of camaraderie exists. They congregate around each other and their favorite machines, swapping games, praising each other's great plays, cursing in unison when it "cheats" someone, and generally talking shop. One of the greatest feelings of exhilaration comes when you "turn the machine over." - that is, score enough points to bring the score back to zero - in full view of several experts.
What makes a guy spend so much time and money for a pastime which is at best, can only leave one with an empty pocket and no more than a feeling of boredom? "Boredom" says one addict.

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Exotic free school reopens
by Ellen Cohen
Za-Zen Meditation, Auto Mechanics for Beginners, or French Cooking will not be found among the course listings at this university. But, Community University, the UMSL Student Organization's free school, is offering these and other creative and exotic courses in its fall session.
What was once a wishful idea to provide more studio art courses on campus, Community University has grown into a full program of diverse subjects and crafts. Anne Schaffner, with the help of Cindy Fels and Pam Schnebel, has established Community University as a recognized student organization in order to help students with the operation of a student mailbox to a permanent office for coordinating the course activities.
This is the third session of Community University courses. Being a free school, there are no prerequisites, fees unless specified by the instructor. Members of the local community as well as the university community, are invited to participate as students or instructors in courses that will be held in conjunction with local newspapers and radio stations and application forms in faculty mailboxes have been the chief means of recruiting.
The curriculum offered each session is as flexible as the instructor who offers his or her talents. Courses have been held in university classrooms and lounges, art museums, neighborhood gymnasiums, and home kitchens.
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Genocide: a myth or reality?

Genocide is hardly a humane practice, and as such carries with it a stench of absurdity. For many, the last evidence of genocide (mass murder of people for religious or racial reasons) was as far back as 1940 when Hitler was on the rampage.

Nuremberg Trials revealed the following: By August 1941, German technicians had materialized Eichmann's gassing-ideas in the form of gas lorries in which the Jews were crammed shut and gassed by carbon monoxide fumes.

The crematoria was extended into an operation that crammed 500 Jews at a time into huts where several engine exhausts were run. The bodies were then thrown into mass graves.

Eichmann yet perfected the procedure by throwing crystals of Cyclone B gas, originally used to exterminate vermin into an underground cell which held several hundred victims. The Crematoria were finally completed with a capacity of killing 2000 a day, at least. By the end of the war, 6 million were dead not to mention the scores that were killed with a capacity of throwing 10 million graves.

In spite of all clarifications, the ratification was postponed by the effects of the McCarthy movement. Many groups feared that they were giving the United Nations the legal instruments that would undermine the authority of the United States. By Eisenhowzer's regime, all questions concerning human rights conventions were exclusively tabbed. Secretary of State John Dulles, told the Senate judiciary committee in 1953 that genocide could be "reconsidered at a later date." We further argued that the USSR had not signed as of that date.

In 1954 when the USSR did sign, the United States was still postponing and investigating the legality of the treaty. Dulles supplemented his 1953 statement with the comment that the administration favored "methods of persuasion, for example, education rather than formal undertakings."

By 1959, by the date of Lemkin's death, 30 governments had ratified the treaty. Among them was not the United States in spite of our key role in its drafting. Examples:

1) The precise wording of the treaty drew upon common law crimes that were accepted in American jurisprudence.
2) The United States insisted that a specific intent to commit genocide must be proven.
3) The American delegation fought for its adoption.
4) The American delegation was among the first to sign.
5) With the signature of the USSR in 1954, the United States was condemned hypocritically. With every introduction of human rights legislation proposed by the United States to the United Nations, the states are condemned and ridiculed for the nerve to propose such legislation when they haven't ratified the genocide convention to this date.

The large citadel of opposition to the treaty was engineered in part by the American Bar Association which claimed that the executive branch of government should not be used for human rights purposes, that genocide was basically a domestic concern.

The mockery is evidenced by treaties already in affect concerning migratory birds and narcotics traffic. Mass murder does not rank high enough to warrant an international treaty. Among the charges that were leveled against the treaty at the 1970 American Bar Association convention were that the Black Panthers would accuse federal officials and political candidates. It was further feared that Communist countries would use the treaty as an excuse to bring military and civilian personnel before the courts.

In 1971, the Senate Foreign Relations committee answered the A.B.A., declaring their arguments unsubstantial. With that decision, Senator William Proxmire and Jacob Javits pressed Mike Mansfield, Senate majority leader, to put the treaty on the calendar for Senate consideration. Mansfield answered them saying time had not arisen. He first wanted evidence in the form of 50 signatures (a constitutional majority) that indicated sufficient undertakings. Upon the request, Javits, Proxmire, and Hugh Scott proceeded the signatures.

At present, 53 senators have indicated their support on the petition and the matter still has not been scheduled on the calendar.

Judy
Enter review
Enter Seals and Crofts
by Steve Diesel
Year of Sunday/Seals and Crofts/ Warner Brothers

For those who follow contemporary folk music with any amount of serious devotion there usually emerges a special artist, one who sings the personal anthem that can reaffirm our own beliefs and feelings. It is the writer who we can relate to as a friend, a comrade in suffering.

Not all of the songs are a success, however. The title cut, "Year of Sunday," tells the story of man's relationship to God through old Testament. The music misses the point, however. It is clumsy, never melodic, and makes the whole effort come out like a last minute attempt to throw some chords in and transform a poem into a song.

James Taylor, Neil Young, and Bob Dylan have had immense success in this area. How often have you heard their songs re-sound in the dark, moody atmosphere of a coffee house, bringing everyone together, as the amateur-gone-imitator pounds out the lyrics as if they were his own?

What these modern folksters have done is bridge the gap between prayers, stream-of-consciousness and music. In their most effective statements these artists remain in the first and third person, never resorting to fictitious story telling. The songs move us because they deal with "you and me" or "us".

But the old masters of this art have left it. James Taylor has disappeared, and his old material won't fill the void. Young sings about himself as child gone rock star, and we can no longer relate. And Bob? He's regressed into the poetry of the "Beat Generation," and no one can remember the dialect.

But the new will rise from where the old have gone. And so come Jim Seals and Dash Crofts, perhaps the most effective people poets to date.

In my favorite cut, "Paper Airplanes," an old man prays aloud for a son, a savior, to give meaning to his own empty life. It is moments like this that Seals and Crofts become more than writers, more than musicians, more than performers. They become artists.

So long, Grandpa Neil.

Recording courtesy of Cover to Cover Books and Records/ Creve Couer.

Child exhibit at KFUO

Presenting another photographic exhibition, the KFUO Gallery will show the photographs of Quinta Scott. The exhibit is entitled "Child of our Time," and consists of views of children. Most of the pictures were taken while Ms. Scott was with the Wilson School in Clayton and the New City School. The children are captured at play, making faces, or however they were.

This new exhibit will open the gallery's second year and takes its name from the popular interview program with children that is presented by KFUO.

The KFUO Gallery is open weekdays from 9:00 - 4:30.

Letters:
vox populi, vox dei

Dear Editor:

In your paper of Sept. 14 there was an article entitled "Painters work toward degree." This article was about a company called College Students Painting Company which employs students to paint houses.

I feel that as an ex-employee of this company, I should warn any students who would consider working for this company. My warning is that due to the policies of the company the employees are very vulnerable to being screwed out of pay when the pay check comes.

Name Withheld

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Doc Savage on Film

by Dan Brooks

One can almost see the bronze-tinted figure of Doc Savage staring down from a James Bama poster. You will hear the sighs of awe and relief when the film is finally projected onto the screen.

"But he'll ruin it!" many will say. Look at all the other characters ruined by the film and television industry.

For all the skeptics in the crowd it is the opinion of this author that if anyone can handle Doc Savage it is George Pal. Pal has behind him many, many great, even classic science fiction and fantasy films. During his career he has produced and made cartoons and received many Academy awards for achievements in special effects.

Pal takes great care in the selection of people who will aid him in the production of a film. The foremost painter of outer space scenery, Chesley Bonestall, has been production artist and background painter for the majority of Pal's films. The late Charles Beaumont, a great fantasy writer who has done many screenplays and has also written for television shows such as the "Twilight Zone," has written for Pal. Jim Danforth, probably the second best model animator has done considerable work for Pal. George Pal even employed the aid of Herman Obrer, renowned rocket expert, to help him in DESTINATION MOON.

Let me analyze Pal's ability to transfer Doc from one medium to another. In his adventures, Doc employs many gadgets. I refer to the space ships in DESTINATION MOON and WHEN WORLDS COLLIDE, or the space station and ships in CONQUEST OF SPACE, the Martian war machines of WAR OF THE WORLDS, and the many daring, pulsating ships of ROBINSON CRUSOE ON MARS. It is truly intriguing what Pal can do with Doc's skyscraper headquarters, his fortress of solitude, or the Hindalco Trading Company and all the gadgets therein.

Looking at the fantasy element, Pal is probably the best in the business next to Disney. Pal has done THE GREAT RUPERT, a lively animated squirrel, THE SEVEN FACES OF DR. LAG and his enchanting circus complete with Merlin the magician, the Loch Ness monster and to add to this list, the Academy Award winning WONDERFUL WORLD OF THE BROTHERS GRIMM.

How about the lost cities and civilizations Doc visits in his travels? I'll point to ATLANTIS, THE LOST CONTINENT with its death ray and animal men, and THE TIME MACHINE, complete with skeletons and throbbing machinery.

On the concept of adventure, you might remember Charlton Heston struggling to keep his plantation safe from an army of ants in THE NAKED JUNGLE or Rod Taylor fighting off dozens of Morlocks armed only with a torch in THE TIME MACHINE. Is that adventure enough for you?

Finally we must consider the aspect of horror and the supernatural. Recalling the super evil brain that has the power to kill with telepathy and cause doors to melt into walls in THE POWER will suffice.

According to reports, Pal intends to film DOC SAVAGE: THE ARCH ENEMY OF EVIL with a setting in the thirties, the way the stories were written, rather than modernizing them. Don't get me wrong, Pal has done some excellent periodic settings as well as "modernizing" too. H. G. Wells' War of the Worlds, for example, was changed by Pal from turn of the century England to the fifties, complete with A-bombs and the whole plethora of modern warfare. Keeping Doc in his original time period is a nice idea and will add to the novelty of the film. The recent release of Doc Savage, THE Man of Bronze in Marvel comics, are modernizing him yet retaining a 30's feel.

The first film of the series will use various ideas from a number of books rather than just one. Pal had this to say about the project; "The Doc Savage films will be pure escapism, a little camp, and a bit nostalgic. We want to appeal to children and adults who love action, adventure, and good entertainment with no social comment."

Pal also said that gadgets and special effects will replace any successive violence since he is backing for a G rating. This author defends Pal's concept here for Doc Savage is a peacenaker, is he not? He uses sleep pellets, nerve numbing holds via Mr. Spock, and his machine pistols produce unconsciousness. Certain passages from The Land of Terror read like Conan or some bloody epic. Violent escapism belongs to characters such as James Bond. If Doc Savage remains peacenaker it will make him unique and not compared to Bond. It will be interesting to see if Savage overshadows Bond, though. After all, Doc Savage was around long before 007.

The big problem now is: Will Pal film Phillip Whyte's THE DISAPPEARANCE or DOC SAVAGE: THE ARCH ENEMY OF EVIL. Finding a suitable Doc will probably decide which is filmed first.

Many Doc Savage fans, science fiction and movie buffs have been awaiting information on further developments of production. Publications, fan or otherwise, have been buzzing about it for months. Whatever the outcome, Pal's version of Doc Savage will certainly have a ready and waiting audience.

Special thanks go to Paul Daly and Walt Jaschek for their help in this article.
Dowd: Better life for elderly

Missouri Democratic gubernatorial candidate Ed Dowd moved forward in his bid for the governor's office recently when he declared his full support for programs to help the elderly.

In an address to the Missouri Nursing Home Association Convention in St. Louis, Dowd expounded, "Most of us know men and women who have been shunted aside after 40 or 50 productive years in the work force, and left alone to spend their last years in poverty, fear of crime, and ill health. I have spoken many times over the last two years on the need to remedy this situation in Missouri, and as Governor I will continue to make concrete proposals for a better life for older Missourians."

Dowd noted that the Association had already made significant gains in their quest for better treatment of the elderly. All homes that care for the elderly must now be licensed and there is a standing bill that will require state mental patients to be placed by the state only in licensed and inspected homes. "These are major contributions to the health, safety and welfare of our senior citizens," Dowd stated, "and I pledge to enforce these laws to assure that no older Missourian will ever be exposed to conditions which are unsafe or that are not wholesome."

Dowd also declared his support of recently authorized funding, "there are no acceptable alternatives. No responsible citizen would or could close their minds and hearts to the needs of our senior citizens for a safe, sanitary and comfortable place to live." Dowd also endorsed the policy of adequate reimbursement for Medicare patients in professional level nursing homes.

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PERSONAL

Beware of eavesdroppers, far and near--keep whispering three word phrases, dear.
**Polls - How much do they really mean?**

by Kevin Staten

One has to look no farther than the AP or UPI polls to find out where his favorite team is ranked by the so-called experts. His first statement invariably is "How can they put us behind them?"

Why do national polls mean so much to so many? First of all, they have taken on added significance that coaches, that being NO. 1 is where it's at. And when a President gets in the act the entire sports world gets caught up in the hoopla.

So who really deserves the NO. 1 rating? Well, the name of the game has always been to win. Fair, square, by the rules—but to win. There was and still is no place for losers. However, winning is no longer the only criteria for the top honor. 'How much did they win by' is the question on the mind of UPI, AP, and the President.

This new trend manifests itself most obviously in the realm of college football. One would need an adding machine to keep up with the astronomical scoring of big powers Nebraska, Oklahoma, and USC last weekend's squawkers. Between them, they averaged 67 points each, Nebraska taking top honors with a 77-7 thumping of Army.

No longer does that old football adage of 'have mercy today for it may happen to you tomorrow' hold true. With all of the pressure that being No. 1 brings with it, some coaches actually deny that it is their pre-season goal. Penn State's Joe Paterno is one of those.

"When you're No. 1," says Joe, "no one is happy until you are No. 1 again. I tell my players to just have fun and who needs to be No. 1?"

Paterno, perhaps showing his true colors, adamantly protested the President's selection of Texas as No. 1 in 1960 over Joe's unbeaten Nittany Lions.

It used to be that a 14-point underdog was considered a patsy but now it is believed you have a sporting chance unless you are underdogs of 30 or 40 points.

The general theory is that whoever was No. 1 at the end of last season will have the same distinction this year until they are knocked off. Nebraska was unbeatable until UCLA did the beating and, in college soccer, Howard University has that luxury.

The world of college athletics revolves around the wire-service polls of UPI, AP, and sometimes, the President. While their degree of impact on the college scene may never be accurately measured, their effect on the sports scene is easily ascertained.

Tennis, anyone? Perspective tennis players are urged to attend a meeting scheduled for October 5th at 4 o'clock. More information can be obtained by calling the Athletic Department Offices at the Multi-purpose building.

Swimming workouts are already underway at the multi-purpose building. The practices begin at 3 o'clock and end at 6:00 every day. Those interested in participating in swimming for the coming year are invited to contact Fred Nelson at 453-5641 for more details.

Those wrestlers on campus are asked to report to the wrestling room on the 29th of September at 4 o'clock. Should this present a problem, call the Athletic Office at 453-5641 and at least let them know that you're interested.
Soccer Rivermen rank seventh

The soccer Bills of St. Louis University had not lost a regular season game in two years; they were narrowly beaten by Howard University for the national championship. The Bills planned to begin another unbeaten string at UMSL in the Rivermen's season opener. Well, everybody knows about the best-laid plans.

What was laid to rest were the Bills' pretensions. The Rivermen completely outplayed their prominent opposition to record a 1-0 upset victory that made the national pollsters sit up and take notice.

The UMSL veterans, reinforced by a sizeable contingent of Flo Valley transfers who take winning in their stride, dazzled the Bills with their fancy footwork (top, right), pressured the St. Louis U. goaltender (below), and were not shy about taking to the air in quest of the ball (bottom, right).

One of the Flo Valley transfers, UMSL goalie Frank Tusinski, emerged as the star of the game in holding the potent Bills scoreless and making Tim Smith's second half goal stand up. As the final gun sounded, Tusinski was mobbed by his gleeful teammates (bottom, left).

Recent national polls rank the Rivermen seventh, the highest any UMSL team (even the Midwest champion basketball and baseball teams) has come. Of course, it came as no surprise that St. Louis U. ranked fifth.

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