

Stud. Ass. trying to buy dormitory

The UMSL Stud. Ass. is attempting to raise enough funds to purchase a temporary dormitory building for the students.

After hearing that C. Petey McGraaaawwwth, UM president, would not consider purchasing Cardinal Newman College for dorms, the Stud. Ass. went into action.

The group sponsored fund-raising projects including car washes, pie throwing contests and escort services for males

and females, and took contracts on teachers' lives.

Red Barns, Stud. Ass. president, told the Stagnant, [Read this part real fast] "We're tired of having to put up with the UMA administration dragging its feet. We have needed dorms for a long time, and we deserve them. The Board of Curators keeps raising our fees, and we aren't getting anything for our money."

"[He paused for breath] No one, not even C. Petey McGraaa-

aawwwwth, can stop us now!" When asked how he felt about his students going over McGraaaaawwwth's head, UMSL Chancellor Arnie B. Grubmeal said he had no comment. He said that the situation is being evaluated, and he should have an opinion on the matter within a few years.

Members of the Board of Curators say that UMSL has done very well without dorms for 20 years. "We can't let UMSL get spoiled by giving them

something."

The Stud. Ass. has raised enough money for a down payment and plans to complete the purchase in the next few days.

The building, which will be made of Tinker Toys, will be constructed on the soccer field but will then be moved to an area near Bugg Lake, so students won't have too far to walk for water. There should be space for up to 250 students with separate bunks for male and female students (if they want separate

bunks).

Barns said the Stud. Ass. is trying to make arrangements with the Physical Plant to leave the bathrooms in Benton and Stadler Hall open until at least 10 p.m. on weekdays and 8 p.m. on weekends. "That may put a strain on some students, but they can always go behind the buildings," Barns said.

The new dorm space should be available for the Summer Semester 1985.

Parody

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Oh My

UMSL Police recovered a stolen garbage can lid at this meeting of the Gay Students and Friends last week.

Next year's homecoming will be held in inner city

This year's Homecoming Dance will be held at the Harry-Stowe-it State School for Displaced Students.

A separate dance will be held for students over age 60.

The event will be a combination Halloween party and video dance, according to Seedy R. Anderson, program board chairman.

Although both events flopped separately this year, Seedy says the board thought that together, they would draw at least 30 students.

"That would be a record turnout," he added.

The board has spent \$4,000 on 500 party masks and 2000 maps showing the way to Harry-Stowe-it.

Last year's Homecoming queen Jane B. Neutered said she will not attend the dance. "I'll be busy planning a sorority tea," she explained. "Maybe one of those black students could attend instead. After all, it's in their neighborhood."

Likewise, last year's king Adolf Reich III, will be a no-show, as well. "The Pi-Throwa-Uppas have chosen to boycott the event," he said. "Besides, that's the day we get our new blow dryers installed in the house. I can't miss that. We've invited all our parents."

Seedy said he had tried to reach Michael Jackson so he could perform at the dance. "He never returned my calls," Seedy said. "I just don't understand it."

Therefore, Seedy said, no band would play at the dance. "Things just didn't fall together," he said. "But we did borrow a record player and some records from the preschool."

The old-timers' dance will take place at 9 a.m. at an old folks home in Warrenton, Mo. Seedy said 10 buses have been rented to take the students to the event.

"We didn't think they could jive with the younger students," Seedy explained.

Admission will be free to non-UMSL students, but UMSL students must pay \$500 each. Seedy said he hoped that a large off-campus crowd would save the event.

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quick access to the University Center.

A permanent location is being sought for a stable. Both Chevalier and Krabbas agreed that it would be necessary to eventually have a fully equipped stable for the horses. Several locations have been studied as possible sites. These include the Blue Metal Building, the two lecture halls in Lucas Hall, the Education Library, and portions of the "soon-to-be-built" Science Building.

The Student Patrol's new mounted unit will be officially known as the Student Mounties. They will have special uniforms modeled after British riding habits. The Student Mounties' uniforms will be bright lime green. Each mountie will also wear purple riding boots and an orange armband with the letters "S and M" printed in black letters.

Krabbas said that although each mountie will have a whip and a riding crop, they are not to use them for law enforcement purposes. "They will only take action if directly provoked," he said.

Chevalier said that if the ROTC program is successful, it could be expanded so as to involve animals which could be more useful in other parts of the world. These would probably include camels, llamas, and yaks, he added.

UMSL Chancellor Arnie B. Grubmeal said he was excited about the new program. "I believe that any time a program emerges from the cooperation of two areas of the university, only good things can be expected," he said. He added that the details of another cooperative program with the ROTC were currently in the works. It would involve a Coast Guard ROTC program and expanded usage of Bugg Lake.

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No Kidding?

She looks mild-mannered, but really this faculty member leads a secret life as an agent for the KGB.

No Shit?

Boat people found on Bugg Lake told reporters they were searching for last year's Homecoming Dance.



No Men!

The White Carnations Little Sisters Group says its members are looking for a few good men.



The Great Omar to head parapsychology department

UMSL is getting a new department this summer: the parapsychology department. This department will deal with the pseudosciences of astrology, astra-projection, witchcraft, mind reading and forms of divining, (i.e. telling the future) such as tarot card reading, palm reading, and gazing at crystal balls.

I spoke with the chairman of the new department, a man known only as "The Great Omar," and we discussed the possibilities of the new courses.

"My son," Omar said, "I feel these courses will help the students in practical ways as well as in their social and academic lives. We have some of the greatest minds in the business teaching these courses."

Omar was referring to the new UMSL faculty members, which include such greats as Nostradamus, Edgar Cayce, Kreskin and the Wicked Witch of the West.

The Great Omar quickly pointed out that many guest speakers were also planned. For example, during the first full moon of autumn, Lon Chaney Jr. will be guest-lecturing somewhere near Bugg Lake. It's suggested that strangers stay off the campus on that particular night.

The Great Omar then went on

to describe the practical aspects of the new course offerings.

"My son," he said, "the students can apply our teachings to their everyday lives. For example, students taking a course on astral projection [out of body experiences] would save time. Instead of running all the way across campus to get to class, they could allow their spirits to glide quickly and effortlessly across campus while their bodies lie in suspended animation." (Omar didn't say how attendance would be taken.)

"Another way the students could apply this knowledge is by studying mind reading. While taking a test in another class, they could read the professors' minds and figure out the answers to the questions they don't know the answers to."

I then asked Omar to discuss fortune telling.

"I knew you would ask that of me, my son. There are many different ways to tell the future, but these courses will touch on only a few. For example, the lines in the hand may be read and interpreted to give a picture of the future, although this practice has been bastardized by charlatans over the centuries, so it's not

as popular as it once was.

"If you're truly interested in divining, classes will be taking a field trip to Greece to visit the Oracle at Delphi. It will be an enjoyable trip, but I predict that two students will become pregnant while in Delphi unless they start using birth control."

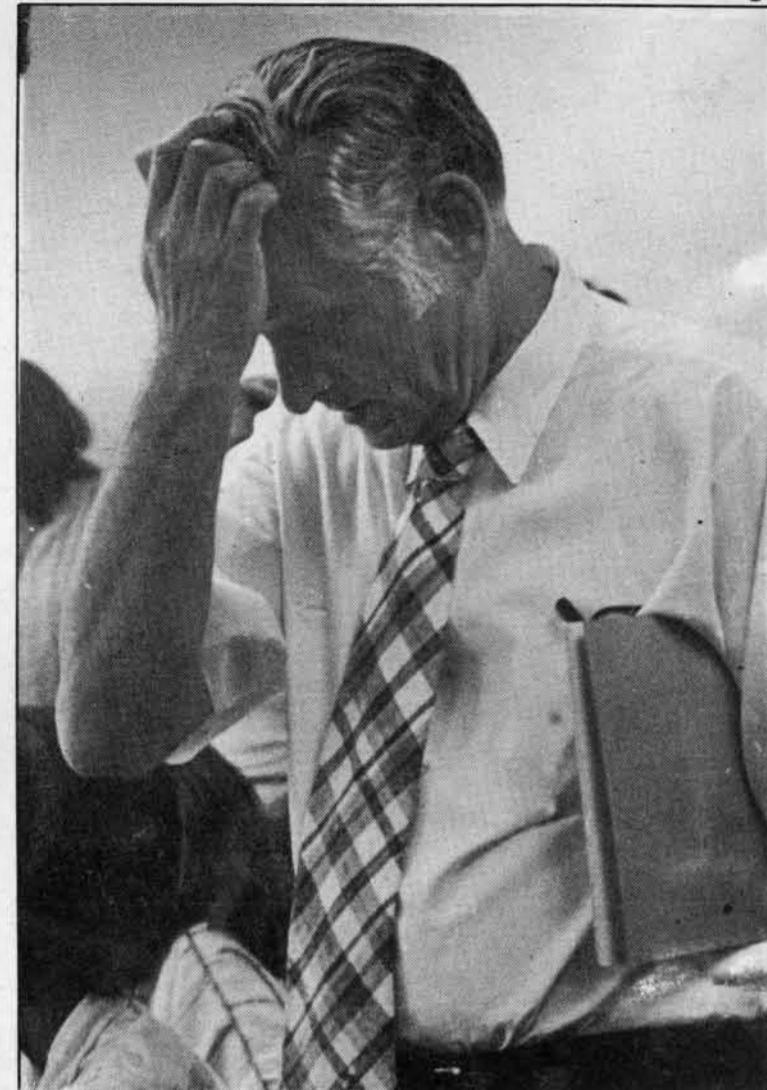
"What other activities are planned?" I asked.

"My son, a seance will be held on the second Wednesday of every month at 11 p.m. Those wishing to attend must sign up early, as there is limited seating in the faculty lounge."

I thanked the Great Omar as I prepared to leave. He had one final comment. "My son, don't worry about that incident with the blonde maiden, everything will turn out just fine. And by the way, don't forget to bring flowers when you visit Barb this evening — she'll be much more forgiving."

I started to leave once again when he said, "My son, stay away from the secretary in Woods Hall, she'll bring you bad luck."

As I departed (I mean walked out), I decided to sign up for the course with the field trip to Delphi. Now if only I can figure out which girls won't get pregnant . . .



I Just Can't Take It

UMSL chancellor Arnie B. Grubmeal is mortified at the realization that he wore the wrong tie to the recent Board of Curators meeting here.

Aunt Tootsie talks about sex, checkers



Dear Aunt Tootsie

Dear Aunt Tootsie,
I don't know what to do. There's this guy that keeps following me around. He's big, and kind of chubby, and looks like a UM Curator's Scholar. I've never seen a UM Curator's Scholar, but I think this is what one would look like.

This guy wears a high school letter jacket, and would you believe — the letter is in CHECKERS! I didn't think checkers was a sport. Did you?

Anyway, I think he wants to ask me for a date but he's too shy. Or something. He looks at me funny every time I light up.

Can you help me?
Sign M.E. Gay

funny green color, but I think it's cheese. What do you think?

Signed,
Confused

Dear Confused,

Sorry, but you'll grow out of it. Only freshmen eat in the Cave.

Dear Aunt Tootsie,

My friends and I have a bet going — are you male or female?

Signed,
In Between

Dear In Between,

Sorry, if you have to ask, you don't need to know. P.S.: Are you a member of the Checkers Club?

ing. What can I do to make him STOP smoking so I can ask him out?

Signed,
Checkers

Dear Checkers,

Do you have a letter jacket in checkers? If so, we can tie your problem up in the Commons.

Okay, so we didn't know what to do with this space.
SO WHAT???
BFD!!!!

UMSL to merge with South Africa

The Uncoordinated Board for Higher Education (UCBHE) has announced a new proposal that, among other things, calls for the merging of UMSL with the University of South Africa. This would not separate UMSL from the rest of the University of Missouri system.

The Board of Curators of the University of Missouri has given its tentative approval to the plan. C. Petey Magraaaawwwth, UM President, said, "Since we already have university funds allocated for South African uses, I see no reason for us not to take immediate advantage of any possible arrangement with them which could ultimately be of some benefit to our many thousands of students."

Sailing Airhead of the UCBHE said that the merger would expand the number of educational programs available for students. "UMSL was chosen for the merger because students there are already used to commuting and could easily adjust to taking classes on the different

campuses," she said.

Red Barns, president of the Stud. Ass., said (read this part real fast), "I am appalled at such an action. I cannot believe that they are trying with the integrity of this campus again, you would have thought that they had learned their lesson with Harry-Stowe-it."

"[He paused for breath] But just you wait because the UMSL Stud. Ass. will lead the united student body to oppose this grievous act of terrorism. The added insult that they are merging UMSL with the University of South Africa which is located in the land of oppression which the students there have so actively opposed is incredible."

No action on the plan will occur until the entire proposal is reviewed by the state legislature. Other parts of the proposal include the suspension of engineering programs at UMR, and replacing the UMSL School of Business Administration with a program in secretarial studies.

The Stud. Ass. would like to thank all the members who showed up for the last meeting:

Next meeting April 1, 2 p.m.

Topic: "How the Fight for Divestiture will Help Our Political Careers"

wherever

• As part of his Midwestern states tour, President Reagan will speak at a Republican fund-raiser for the Chess Club at 8 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. In addition to his UMSL speech "I was a Teenaged Democrat" Reagan will finish his story about driving down the Pacific Coast that he began during the last presidential debate. Immediately following Reagan's speech will be a discussion on the "Highlights of the Carter Presidency," from 9 to 9:01 p.m.

• The University Program Board presents "Gone with the Wind" at 7:30 and 10 p.m. in Stadler Hall. This week's movie is the tragic story of a girl with anorexia who steps out onto her veranda on a windy day. Admission is free to anyone weighing under 100 pounds. Also this week will be a special intermission feature. A never before seen episode of "Leave it to Beaver" will be shown. In this episode, Ward is caught lounging around the house in his undershirt and the Cleavers are banned from a PTA pancake supper because of it.

Get stuck in the STAGNANT

The UMSL Chess Club hosts a week long seminar on budget management for student organizations. "How Not to Get Taken, or What Does a Chess Club Need Money for Anyway?" will be held at the police station, cell block nine, beginning April 1.

• A special personality seminar will be held today by the UMSL psychology department at noon in the SSB Tower Restaurant. This week take a look at the lives of Anita Bryant and Liberace in "Confessions of an Orange Juice Squeezer and a Candelabra Kleptomaniac." Enjoy this week's Tower Restaurant special, Madrian Orange Quiche.

• A campus "Doo Dah" rally will be held today at noon in the Founders Circle. This week the militant "UMSL Ladies against Women" will take off their shoes and chant "Back to the Kitchens." Accompanying them will be the highly acclaimed "Screaming Conservative Chorus." Call the nearest UMSL powder room for details.



Appalling

Checkers Club presidential candidate Jesse Jackson is appalled when he notices a white student in the audience.

New letter policy for Stagnant

The Stagnant has implemented a new Letter to the Editor policy.

Any and all letters will be published, no matter what the content, said the paper's chief executive officers, Sharon Kabootie and Jeff Ewe. The Stagnant will no longer publish any news, feature or sports copy. Only letters.

"We just got tired of writing so

much," Kabootie said wearily. "Nobody was reading the stories anyway. Only letters."

Ewe said letters must be more than two pages in length. "Really, the longer the better," he explained at length. "There's no sense in us even getting started typing it if we're going to be finished within a half hour. But remember, don't submit any news copy or press releases.

Only letters."

The Stagnant cannot be responsible for content of the letters. "Are you kidding?" Kabootie asked incredulously. "We've never been responsible in our lives. Why should we start now? They're only letters."

Kabootie added that no letters from members of the Chess or Checkers Clubs would be printed.

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"Butterfly"	2 a.m.
"The Blue Lagoon"	3 a.m.
"Butterfly"	4 a.m.
"The Blue Lagoon"	5 a.m.
"Butterfly"	6 a.m.
"The Blue Lagoon"	7 a.m.

**Admission: \$30 UMSL students
\$50 UMSL faculty/staff**

**Administrators not admitted
without parent or guardian**

letters from readers

Bitches about woman's role in today's society

Dear Editor:

Greetings, my fellow Americans. I'm Papa Gander, and I'm back from a nationwide tour of our beautiful U.S. of A. As much as I enjoyed my trip, I found out some very disturbing things about this country's women. Let me elaborate, and then you will be as shocked as me.

Do you realize that women are holding higher positions of authority than ever before? No wonder this country's falling apart! All these executive women should be at home taking care of their families. They should be cooking and cleaning and making their husbands' lives happier.

Back in the good old days (whenever that was), women acted properly — they stayed home, they obeyed their husbands (like all wives should), they raised children with a good sense of morality, knowledge and dignity (hell, look at me!), and most important, they didn't work. My mother never worked a day in her life, she just stayed home and took care of the house instead.

Now don't get me wrong, I'm not against all women working. After all, some women are raising families without the benefit of a husband, and so they naturally have to find jobs. But there are specific jobs for them. For example, this country needs waitresses for its restaurants, maids for its elite social classes, nurses for its hospitals, and secretaries for its companies. You know the types of jobs I mean: something where women don't have to make many decisions (besides which dress to wear, what to serve with beef burgundy and what type of nail polish looks best on them).

Let's face it, women just weren't meant to make important decisions. Look at Eve — she decided to eat forbidden fruit and then forced poor Adam to do the same. (She probably told him that she'd withhold her sexual duties from him if he didn't eat.)

But here comes the clincher: Walter "Wimp" Mondale chose a woman, Geraldine Ferraro, to be his running mate for the 1984 election. Ha ha, don't make us laugh, Walter, you should have chosen a real man to run (for that matter, the Democratic party should've done the same thing!).

Can you imagine the pathos of this country if those two had won? Burns and Allen could've run the country better. Imagine what would have happened if the Soviets invaded New York. Walter would've told

the public that he's "baffled as to why the Russians would do such a thing" and then pass out from shock. Then Geraldine would probably start crying (tears are a woman's best weapon, next to high heels and claws).

Now I realize many women reading this will accuse me of being a sexist, and they're entitled to their opinion, even if it is wrong. I'm not a sexist, I just feel that women should be put in their proper place, namely the kitchen. If certain women want

to be like me, there's an operation that they can have done on them in Sweden.

Well, it's getting late, and I'd better close. My fellow Americans (excluding liberals, pinkos, scum, and all you other degenerates), I love you all!

Love,
Papa Gander

Bitches about commie professor

Dear Editor:

Flash! It has come to my attention that a pinko professor from the Soviet Union has infiltrated this great university which we so lovingly and apathetically call home!

My secret source has pointed out in a concealed letter (which had been left in a mayonnaise jar on Funk and Wagnall's porch) that comrade Joyce Muchraving (alias Mata Moshabenov) has been poisoning the minds of our beloved UMSL students for years.

According to my sources, Muchraving has been spreading propaganda to the masses in an ingenious way: brainwashing systems disguised as political science courses, such as Comparative Politics of Western Europe. There is no comparison: the East should be blown off the map, and that's all there is to it!

Muchraving has been known to be in mourning over the deaths of Soviet leaders Chernenko, Andropov, Brezhnev, Kruschev, Stalin, Lenin, Czar Nicholas II, Csar Nicholas I and Ivan the Terrible! What's the matter with her?

When Andropov died, I jumped for joy and sang "Ding Dong, the Witch is Dead."

Now, don't get me wrong. I feel people have the right to say or believe in anything they want to, unless of course they're wrong — like the Jews, the Muslims, and the Catholics. That's what this country was founded upon, wasn't it?

But when I see commie pigs forcing their beliefs on poor, innocent, apathetic students, I get riled. In fact, when I see pinko professors giving out A's to the leftist students and D's and F's to the right-wing students, I want to arm myself

against that despicable sea of troubles, and by opposing, shoot them. (Note: if Muchraving wants to march past Lenin's grave, she's welcome to do so. In fact, I'd be happy to let her stay in Lenin's grave for quite some time.)

I can't stand this nonsense any further. I'm mad as hell and I'm not gonna take it anymore!

Muchraving, I will do all in my power to get you fired and/or deported!

Go teach at the University of Moscow where you'll be appreciated, and take your red followers with you!

Oh, it's great to live in a free country! My fellow Americans (excluding pinko, liberals, commies, scum, and all you other degenerates), I love you all!

Love,
Papa Gander

Bitches about English professor

Dear Editor:

I'm a business student here at UMSL. That's the reason I'm having my mother write this letter for me.

I want to complain about my English professor. He's not like my business professors — he knows all about culture and yogurt and all that other useless stuff that doesn't make any money.

Anyway, this professor of which I talk is really an idiot. I mean, he's living in the Dark Ages! Can you believe he won't let us use a calculator for our exams?

I explained to him after my last exam that since I'm a business major I'm not interested in things like literature or a personality. He said I should develop an interest in these things because they can

be used to my advantage when playing Trivial Pursuit. (He's got a point there.)

My mom says not to worry. She says we can get all the culture we need watching the Channel Nine pledge drives. I tend to agree with her although I think Leo Buscaglia sweats too much. Seriously though, I think the McNeil-Lehrer Report is much better than the opera — at least they speak English instead of Latin. And who's that fat Italian singer? Luciano Pepperoni. Is he a pizza salesman or what? Is that what all them foreign operas are about — a bunch of fat men and women singing about pizza?

My mom says there's only two kinds of people in this world: successful

businessmen and victims. I aim to be in the first category and I ain't gonna do it by reading some plays by the Neil Simon of Italy. That Shakespeare might have been big stuff in his day but he ain't nothin' now. This is Reaganland, baby. Home of Red Beef.

My mom says we have to stop typing this letter now because it's five o'clock and we're going to miss The People's Court. It's a case where this guy flooded his neighbor's bathroom when he flushed his cat down the toilet. It's called "Much Ado About Plumbing." I suppose it wouldn't be artsy enough for Mr. English Professor.

Signed,
Alexander Watts IV



Shocking

A brawl between members of the Checkers Club leveled the University Center last week. Damages amounted to about \$313.65.

Next week in the Stagnant

- An UMSL student is taken hostage by the Checkers Club.
- Members of the University Senate plan a takeover of all the major student and faculty offices.
- The Stagnant is being sued by an irate student who claims we slandered him. Come on, all we did was run those nude photos from the fraternity party — can't you take a joke?



There's
no
sports

Cause Nobody Reads it
Anyway