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## Gripes Mount On Winter Semester Class Schedules

The effect of the shortage of faculty and physical facilities caused by the university budgetary crisis has been further manifested in the volume of student complaints over their class schedules for next semester.

Glenn R. Allen, assistant director of admissions and registrar, said that the complaints were "the largest number we've ever had."

However, he said they were not unanticipated. "In fact, there were

not as many as I expected."

He attributed the situation to a sudden demand for courses that had failed to fill a classroom in previous semesters.

Previously, he said, the various departments had usually been willing to open other sections for over-enrolled courses, but the shortage of faculty and space influenced them to drop enrollees rather than attempt to accommodate them.

He added that the schools of Education and Business were troubled

by far fewer complaints than was the School of Arts and Sciences.

Courses in sociology-anthropology had more enrollees dropped than in any other area. Other areas forced to turn down significant numbers of applicants included English, speech, and history.

Students who enrolled for the interdisciplinary course, *The City*, stood a greater chance of being dropped than in the case of any other single course.

Allen said that a student's classification was the greatest determining factor in assigning courses, with seniors usually taking priority over others.

The main exception to this rule was *The City*, described by the university catalogue as designed for underclassmen.

Allen estimated that half of the time-schedule conflicts had resulted from revisions after the close of advance registration. He attributed the other half to student errors.

The revised schedule of courses, which should be available soon, will not only affect day students.

Evening and graduate students usually know fairly well how their courses will be scheduled, Allen explained, but the numerous changes this semester had required him to send out official schedules to evening and graduate students for the first time.

In the case of multisection courses, day sections were more likely to be cancelled than evening sections, since the university is required by contract to hold a certain number of evening courses.

A day student enrolling in a multisection course might find himself scheduled for an evening section, if only to give him the number of hours he had requested.

Allen said he preferred to give the student the option of changing courses or sections by petitioning to avoid forcing him to pay the fees for additional hours or, in the case of male students, so as not to jeopardize a Selective Service classification through a shortage of hours.

## Course Evaluation Sought

By MIKE JONES  
Current Associate Editor

A limited course evaluation project, dealing with large lecture-type classes, will be conducted at the end of this semester by the Curriculum Committee of the Central Council if enough faculty support and student workers are available.

"I don't know if we can get everything together by then," Paul Wilhelm, chairman of the committee told the *Current*.

Wilhelm will present the committee's plans to the Curriculum Committee of the Faculty Senate Friday "to get their ideas." However, the students plan to conduct the project even if the senate committee discourages them.

"We would still go ahead with it," Wilhelm said. "It doesn't really matter that much. We would like to get their opinions, though."

Faculty cooperation will be needed to conduct the project, according to Wilhelm. "About five minutes" will be needed during the last two class meetings of the semester, the first to pass out the survey and the second to collect it.

The Curriculum Committee of the council presently has only seven members, and Wilhelm admits that more help is needed.

"We'll welcome anyone willing to work," he said.

Even if evaluation forms are passed out this semester, the results will not be available in time to allow students to change their schedules for the coming semester.

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Theodore McNeal, new appointee to the Board of Curators

## McNeal: A Liaison With The Legislature

Retiring State Senator  
Named Curator By Hearnese

Although he is retiring from state government, State Senator Theodore D. McNeal feels that he will continue to be quite active in political affairs.

"My greatest possible contribution would be to help the Board of Curators improve its image with the General Assembly," the 65-year-old legislator said in a telephone interview Tuesday.

McNeal, the first black ever elected to the state senate, has also become the first appointed to the Board of Curators. Governor Warren E. Hearnes last week named McNeal to fill out the remaining two years of the term of Oliver B. Ferguson of Fredericktown, who resigned effective Jan. 1 for reasons of health.

McNeal's appointment is effective Jan. 7.

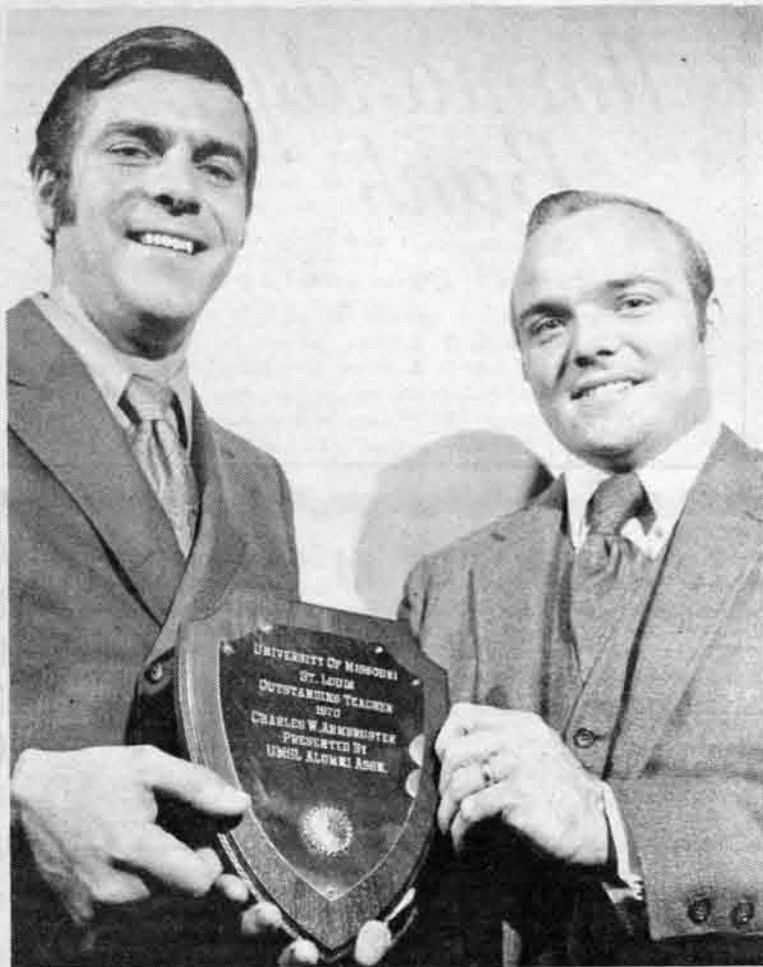
"The legislature's opinion of the university has been lowered in the last few years," McNeal said. Although the misunderstanding is partially due to student activism, the primary source has been the legislature's "inability to fully understand the fiscal operations of the university."

McNeal said that he would use his contacts in the legislature to clear up this misunderstanding.

The 10-year state senator, who has served as chairman of the ways and means and appropriations committees, admitted that he had not always been thoroughly briefed on university budget requests. Consequently, he voted against increases in appropriations to the university in the last two years.

McNeal expressed concern over the damage the funds freeze has done to the academic program. He said that "further dilution" of the

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Dr. Charles Armbruster (left) chairman of the Chemistry department, was selected UMSL's "Outstanding Teacher" for 1970 by the Alumni Association. Presenting the award to Armbruster is Jack F. Sieber, president of the association. The award was made in ceremonies at a basketball game Dec. 19.

As Informal Members

## Students On Screening Group

Four university students, one from each campus, will participate as non-voting members of the search and screening committee for a new university president during its initial meetings.

The four will be the chairmen of committees now being formed on each campus to coordinate student participation in the screening process.

"We are concerned that the students of the university be provided a meaningful role in the search and screening procedures," said Dr. Elmer L. Horseman, professor of law at the Kansas City campus and chairman of the committee, in a statement Tuesday.

"In its charge to the committee,"

Horseman said, "the Board of Curators indicated its concern for the consultation and input by the students' in the process of selection. It charged the committee with 'devising the means for receiving and considering students' inputs, opinions and suggestions.'"

Horseman announced that the search committee will meet with the student committees on each campus this month to discuss the selection of a new president. The search committee will meet with students here on January 15. The time and location have not yet been announced.

The student committees should "collect, coordinate, and represent student opinion," according to

Horseman. The committees will assist the screening committee members from their campus throughout the selection process.

Student president Barry Kaufman was asked to form the student committee here, Dr. Robert L. Allen reported. Allen, chairman of the department of economics, and Dr. Robert S. Sullivan, Dean of the Graduate School, represent UMSL on the search committee.

Kaufman has appointed seven students to serve on the committee in addition to himself. The students are Jean Heithaus, secretary of the Central Council; Michael Shower, president of the Alliance for Peace; and Dan Sullivan, president

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Dean of Student Affairs David Ganz (left) and student Vic Cadice (center) presented Christmas presents including a \$100 savings bond to John Sims, custodian in the cafeteria, on Dec. 18. This was the second year students and staff members contributed money to buy a Christmas gift for Sims.

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## Discussion On Student Unrest

Robert L. Davenport, assistant dean of student affairs, will take part in a forum on student unrest throughout the world, to be held Jan. 14 at 5 p.m. in the Chase-Park Plaza Hotel.

Educators from other area campuses will also participate in the

forum, sponsored by the St. Louis Council on World Affairs, Inc.

Reservations, required for attendance, will cost \$1.50 each for members of the Council on World Affairs, \$2 for guests, and 75 cents for students.

## McNeal Named Curator

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academic program would result in "a second-class educational system."

The governor's recommendation of a \$28 million increase in appropriations to the university is "in the ballpark," he declared.

McNeal, who has visited this campus once, summed up his feelings on financing state education. "I'd like to see a top-grade program at the least expenditure and at the least amount of tax dollars. That's my position in a nutshell."

He said that he hoped qualified personnel would remain with the university until "inadequate" salaries can be increased to competitive levels.

Asked about recent unpopular actions by the Curators against increased faculty and student activism, McNeal replied, "I don't know if the board was right or wrong. The people on the board before me were good people, in my opinion."

He stated that he did not object to some student participation in university administration but added firmly, "People chosen by the board should be trusted to operate the university."

It was learned that McNeal was not on the list of recommendations for appointments to the Board of Curators presented to Governor Hearnes Dec. 10 by university student government representatives.

McNeal is a retired national officer of the Sleeping Car Porters' Union. During the just finished special session of the legislature, he was the floor manager for several tax revenue bills passed--raises in individual and corporate income, beer, wine, and liquor taxes. The increases are intended, among other priorities, to provide more money for state education.

Three other appointments for full six-year terms to the board have yet to be announced by Hearnes.

## NABS - Working For The Community

By CAROLYN PERRY  
For the Current

A sense of accomplishment and a new outlook on the position of the black student on a university campus were the rewards for students attending the regional meeting of the National Association of Black Students (NABS) in Washington, D.C., Dec. 26-30.

The Midwest was well represented at the meeting with delegates from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale and Edwardsville, Wayne State University, and the campuses of the University of Missouri.

NABS was founded to bring together black students who have common ideas and a sincere interest in solving some of the problems that black students face on college campuses. The organization has committed itself to striving not only for the black college student, but for all black people.

Black organizations which have taken part in past NABS conventions include the Black Medical and Science Students Association, the DuBois Club, the Institute of Creative Studies, and the Urban League. NABS welcomes any organization or group of people working in the interest of black students and all black people to participate in its conventions.

NABS is considering holding its next national convention in St. Louis, although plans for the June meeting have not yet been completed.

Although NABS hopes to become self-supporting, like any other organization it needs money and supplies to survive. Small things such as office supplies and equipment are badly needed in its community centers.

The community centers are designed to relate to the needs of the people. For example, the emphasis is on self-help and education in Philadelphia. In New Orleans the objective is to generate high school students' interest in education and provide

some type of guidance. The Falon Institute in Washington, D.C., will be mainly an educational center working closely with other community programs.

The NABS speakers bureau has been set up to provide speakers for organizations and black communities. Poet LeRoi Jones, Dr. Ralph Abernathy, director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Reverend Charles Koen, actor Ossie Davis, and many other prominent black leaders comprise a long list of speakers who have made commitments to NABS.

Another project of NABS is its "Talent Scouts Desk." The program is designed to bring top name artists and entertainers to black college students across the country at discount prices. Among the acts available for booking are The Four Tops, Archie Bell and the Drells, Stevie Wonder, The Impressions, and Aretha Franklin.

NABS is in the process of setting up a research branch. It will be mainly interested in studying how to run an educational institution, how students view administrations and faculties, evaluation of courses, and the grading system. The research branch also encourages black students to write research papers with a black perspective while in college and high school.

Exchange programs are planned between southern and northern students so black students can understand that there is no difference in treatment or psyche among black people. Exchange programs between Africa and the United States will also be explored, but this program is very delicate and has to be handled

carefully in order to avoid problems with the State Department.

Sources of scholarships will be made available as well as information on how to incorporate a Black Student Union within the student government.

Gwendolyn Patton, National Coordinator of NABS, hopes that more black students will concern themselves with the problems they face on campus and work collectively to solve those problems.

"It is time that we begin to make coalitions, whenever possible, with our own people, so that we can analyze the spectrum of ideas that black people have," she said.

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## Course Evaluation Planned

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ter. Wilhelm hopes that the results from forms distributed this semester and next spring will provide accurate information for students registering for the fall semester.

The committee has agreed to use the evaluation questionnaire developed by the Missouri Student Association, which has been in use on the Columbia campus for a number of years.

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# PCBs Another Threat To Environment

(CPS)-Come the Silent Spring, when life on earth is dying and helpless man asks why, the names of those chemicals, pesticides and synthetics he has poured into his environment for the sake of "progress" will come back to haunt him.

Along with DDT, mercury, 2, 4, 5-T, dieldrin, parathion and other deadly substances, the autopsy of earth will reveal another compound whose recently-detected effects are widespread, chronic, and insidious.

This latest chemical infiltrator is polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB), a special class of compounds with a great variety of household and industrial uses. The prevalence of PCB in the environment was not discovered until 1966, when Swedish scientists found it in concentrations as high as DDT.

Like DDT, the PCB compounds contain chlorine, hydrogen and carbon. Also like DDT, they are non-soluble in water, resistant to oxidation, accumulate in fatty tissues, and extremely persistent in the environment.

The major difference between the two is that DDT has been distributed deliberately, as a pesticide; the spread of PCB has been accidental, and no one knows exactly how it happens, where leaks occur nor how much escapes. But in the past four years, scientists have detected PCBs in fish, birds, water, trees, sediment and --inevitably-- in human fat and mothers' milk.

In America, PCBs are manufactured solely by the Monsanto Company and sold under the trade name "Aroclor." They are also made by chemical companies in Europe and Japan and have been used extensively since World War II. PCBs can be purchased in containers ranging from 50-pound

cans to 600-pound drums or are available by the railroad car tank-load.

The unique qualities of PCBs make them useful as flame retardants, insulating fluids, plasticizers and coating compounds. Consequently, they may appear in a bewildering variety of consumer products, such as floor tile, fluorescent lights, printer's ink, brake linings, swimming pools, adhesives, molded plastics, polyester film, paraffin, paints, carbonless copy paper, window envelopes, imitation gold leaf, varnishes, waxes, ceramic pigments, synthetic rubber and water-repellant canvas for camping equipment.

Industrial applications of PCBs include coolant fluids in transformers, capacitors and askarel-type transformers, hydraulic fluids, specialized lubricants, gasket sealers, electrical wiring, heat transfer agents and machine tool cutting oils.

In addition, the Monsanto technical sales bulletin recommends mixing PCBs with chlorinated insecticides to act as a vapor suppressant and sticking agent, so the insecticide may maintain its "kill-life" on hard surfaces for as long as three months. The bulletin also suggests blending insecticides into tacky PCB-coatings "to make insect traps or barriers on tree trunks for foliage or fruit protection."

With all of these uses, it is little wonder that PCBs are released into the environment in persistent forms, which can be distributed widely over the earth in water and air currents. Scientists have cited 5 chief ways in which PCBs get into the environment:

--from the smokestacks of the Monsanto plants (in Sauget, Ill., and Anniston, Ala.) where Aro-

clor is manufactured, from the stacks of plants which manufacture products containing Aroclor, and from European and Japanese PCB plants.

--from other forms of industrial waste, such as leakage of hydraulic fluids from supposedly "closed systems," which are seldom leak-proof.

--gradual wear and weathering of products (such as asphalt) containing Aroclor which may cause PCBs to be slowly released in the form of vapor or particles into the atmosphere.

--from products containing PCB which are thrown out as trash and eventually end up being burned in city dumps or incinerators, releasing PCBs in the form of highly toxic fumes.

Inhalation of PCBs in sufficient quantity produces nausea, vomiting, loss of weight, shortness of breath, lowered red blood cell count, loss of libido, and inhibition of carbohydrate metabolism. Jaundice and other severe liver damage may result in coma, atrophy, and death.

But like so many other environmental hazards, the dangers of acute toxicity of PCBs are probably less than the threat of chronic, long-term, low-level exposure, which cannot be measured or, so far, controlled. There have been no experiments as yet to learn chronic PCB effects on humans, but several studies have produced disturbing evidence of their effects on animals.

Very little data is available about PCBs in people. Both Swedish and British scientists have reported finding them in samples of human fat. They were first documented in human milk by two scientists at Colorado College.

Finally, last April, the dangers of PCB were called to public attention by Rep. William F. Ryan, Democratic Congressman from New York, who asked for action from various departments in the Nixon administration and called upon Monsanto to establish stricter controls on PCB use.

Ryan asked the Department of Agriculture to ban the use of PCB-containing pesticides, called for the Food and Drug Administration to require labeling of PCB products and to study a possible complete ban, and requested that the Department of the Interior take steps to protect fish and wildlife from the hazards of the pesticide.

Ryan's initiatives met with mixed results. The Agriculture Department replied that PCB pesticides would be discontinued and agreed to cancel their registration. However, it soon became apparent the "discontinue" and "cancel," in federal-regulatory jargon, don't automatically result in the drastic and conclusive actions which the words connote.

If Agriculture had chosen to "suspend" the pesticide registrations, the suspension would have taken force immediately and federal law would have stopped shipments of the products in interstate commerce. Department in-

spectors could also seize stocks of the products in retail stores (although they seldom do because there are only 32 inspectors for all the thousands of retail stores in the country).

When the Agriculture Department merely "cancels" a registration, however, the manufacturing companies have 30 days before they must stop shipping the products in interstate commerce. If they appeal the order, even this mild restriction is lifted, and the company can continue to produce, ship, and sell the cancelled products during the lengthy process of appeal.

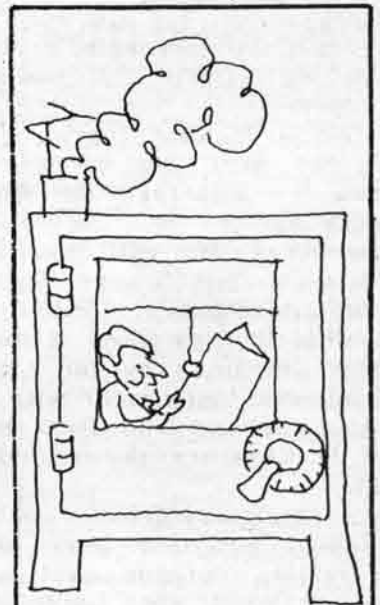
Furthermore, homeowners, gardeners, farmers or others who buy the products are free to use them in any way, even if contamination of large areas is the result.

The Federal Drug Administration in response to Ryan's request for labeling, merely promised to study the amounts and toxicity of PCBs in food. Even if cautionary labels are implemented, the labels on containers have no binding force on the purchaser, and there is no guarantee that the products will not continue to be used in harmful ways.

The Monsanto Company, in response to Ryan's inquiries, first responded with ambiguities and refusals to provide details, such as a list of PCB uses, production and sales figures. The company claimed, for example, that a complete list of PCB-containing pro-

ducts "would serve no useful non-political purpose."

But Ryan persisted, and in June, Monsanto finally agreed to restrict the use of PCBs to "closed-system applications," such as transformers, capacitors and heat transfer fluids. As of Aug. 30, Monsanto would no longer sell PCBs to customers for use in general plasticizer operations where disposal of the end-products cannot be controlled. The company also said that it would no longer sell PCB-containing hydraulic fluid ("Pydrual" is Monsanto's trade name) after Dec. 31, 1970. And finally, Monsanto said it would offer a recovery service for spent fluids used as coolants in transformers and other closed-systems, and begin research to develop modified, biodegradable PCBs.



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## Limited Work-Study Budget To Force Employee Discharge

By MATT MATTINGLY  
Current Staff Writer

The College Work-Study Program here has been forced to curtail its operations.

Emory Jackson, assistant director of admissions and financial aid, said that 141 students had applied under the program effective July 1. Of these, 100 were working by December. Fifteen will probably reach the end of their eligibility in the near future and have received notices to this effect.

This "eligibility" refers to the limit on their earnings, set through a "need analysis" filled out by the applicants when they apply for the program, based on their expenses for going to school.

This includes not only fees but transportation costs.

Jackson said the notification was "routine," but many students had reached their limit earlier than expected due to the scarcity of summer jobs which forced them to work on campus rather than elsewhere.

Another contributing factor involved the failure of the federal government, which provides 80 per cent of the program's funds, to raise the level of its appropriations, although hundreds of new colleges have appeared in recent years to place a further drain on these funds.

A major new competitor has been the junior college system, he said.

In addition, the budget crisis has prevented the university from having the capability to ease the financial strain on the work-study program.

"The program was designed as a supplement" to assist with academic expenses, Jackson said, not as a separate income.

With the surplus from the allowed funds, he added, "you could make one good-sized refrigerator payment, and that's about it."

Acknowledging that many of those notified had been "hazy" about the limits imposed, he admitted there had been a "lack of communication" because those involved in the program had been too numerous for individual counseling.

It was possible, Jackson added, that some of those notified had become eligible for increased earnings due to adverse financial changes since they filled out their need analysis.

If not, those at the end of their eligibility would be able to return to the program when the next fiscal year begins July 1.

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## EDITORIALS

# Reflections On The Campus Mood

Many students here probably are unacquainted with Theodore McNeal, the recently named Curator. We feel, however, that the appointment could be significant.

Since the appointment was announced, various political observers have unanimously commented that it was "a good one." They point out that McNeal's knowledge of state government is a definite political asset at a time when the university needs every friend it can get. As the retiring senator himself observes (see story, page 1), his role will be to explain the university's obligation to the legislature and, we add, to the people.

While McNeal learns his new job in the next few months, we hope that he will take the time to talk to a number of students on all four campuses. He will discover a lack of trust felt toward the university administration.

This lack of trust stems from recent decisions by the Curators and from disillusionment with false promises made. The first is the fault of the Curators; the second only partly so.

Disciplinary actions springing from student activism here and on the Columbia campus last spring have demoralized the university. While there are a number of aspects to the pros and cons of their decisions the Curators made it painfully clear to students that their thoughts regarding education reside in the Nineteenth Century. Decrying a growing politicization of the university, they then allowed their politics to settle the situation in a vengeful manner.

Perhaps it is wrong to dwell on the past in a new school year. Yet the lesson of that period has convinced many students that the Curators will, whenever they please, enforce their will without any regard for established procedures. The attitude of "students should be seen and not heard" has produced disenchantment.

The fiscal crisis has also resulted in a turned-off student body. With a lack of money, the university has stripped its program back to essential services. With many attractive

proposals that could diversify curricula and contribute to academic improvement, students wonder about what direction their education is taking.

For instance, this campus is touted as "an urban university." What good is that claim when any work aimed at justifying the phrase is limited to professional research?

The turn of national events in the last year has pushed students in general into a period of introspection. A lot of people have realized that working in society towards a goal is not all fun and games, especially if it takes up too much personal time. The economic recession has allowed many bargain-counter liberals who spouted concern for social advancement to go back to worrying about obtaining a four-year union card to make the dollar. Sex, drugs, and liquor also top the list of diversions.

The position of students on this campus is not good. We are confused, disorganized, and leaderless. But in recent days there has appeared a new determination to get things done. Perhaps our self-confidence is returning.

## No Jobs

It is sad news to hear that the university must lay off some students on the work-study program due to financial limitations. To our knowledge, this is the first year that the restrictions on earnings have been so strictly enforced.

The jobs provide necessary income for many students who need the money. Sources of revenue in the current economic slowdown are scarce and rapidly drying up. The story is the same for the federal and university funds that pay for the program. Unfortunately, the student is hurt more by the loss of income than the university by the work not done.

We urge that the Placement Office investigate alternate methods of funding the program and seek to provide job opportunities for those discharged from it. We don't believe that those discharged feel that the action is just "routine."



Returning From Hangovers Just In Time For Exams

## Mastering The Draft

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Some young men have been studying the Army's list of disqualifying medical and psychological defects in search of ailments whose only objective signs are symptoms which the examinee alone can relate. Bearing letters from their family physician or psychiatrist, these young men reveal back injuries, migraine headaches, allergies, or psychoses, etc., developed shortly before their pre-induction physicals. With only the family doctor's letter and the registrant's own testimony to go on, the examining doctor will usually reject.

One common ailment is listed by the Army as "character and behavior disorders as evidenced by ...overt homosexuality or other forms of sexual deviant practices such as exhibitionism, transvestism, voyeurism, etc." Notice, the rejection is for overt homosexuality, i.e., a practicing homosexual not a state of mind.

In some cities, groups have organized and trained to become "overt homosexuals" in order to convince skeptical private doctors or Armed Forces Entrance and Examining Station personnel. Other registrants have located helpful doctors through organizations such as the Medical Committee for Human Rights.

Will these young men be rejected? Under the law, AFES examining doctors have no obligation to disqualify a registrant merely because he appears at this physical with a doctor's letter stating he is an overt homosexual. Under army regulations, an examining doctor can choose to ignore letters from a psychologist as distinguished from a full-fledged psychiatrist. The doctor may exercise his own judgement and decide the examinee is acceptable.

On the other hand, the examining doctor may follow an informal directive recently issued to examining doctors: "More credence should be given to diagnosis made under private physicians, especially in the area of psychiatry. If evidence is submitted which is disqualifying, then disqualify."

Dr. Gabriel Kirschenbaum, the chief Medical Advisor for the New York City Selective Service System, noted that homosexuals who claim, for instance, to have engaged in anal intercourse should have developed physical traits which can be diagnosed by the experienced physician. These traits may include an enlarged rectum, anal fissures and fistulae, or "plague" (venereal warts in the anal canal).

An AFES doctor contended that he could spot a "faker" a mile away. He used various "shock" techniques. For example, he would begin his interview with the question: "When was the last time you got laid?" After an hour of this, he claimed, the "fakers" would break down.

Col. Paul Akst, the State Director for New York City Selective Service, reported that the AFES maintain lists of "helpful" doctors. When a letter is received from these doctors, it is disregarded. He indicated that if the AFES received more than six letters from one doctor, he qualifies for the list.

Finally, the Federal Bureau of Investigation sometimes helps out by sitting in on the training sessions for would-be homosexuals. It is worth bearing in mind that faking homosexuality to evade induction is a crime punishable by up to five years in prison or a \$10,000 fine or both.

In general, however, doctors interviewed indicated, there is no real way of knowing if an examinee is faking. As one AFES doctor confessed: "If the kid knows what he's doing, and doesn't overdo it, he'll probably be rejected."

The variety of opinions expressed by the examining doctors probably fortells the varying results examinees will face. A suspicious doctor is likely to spot faking in an actual homosexual. Psychiatry is hardly an exact science. Thus, the very attractiveness of the undiagnosable ailment makes it difficult to question adverse findings.

Let us assume a young man who has brought in documentation is nonetheless found acceptable. Does he have any recourse in the courts? The answer is no. The courts believe the right to reject belongs to the Armed Forces, for whose benefit the right exists.

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## LETTERS

## Thanks For The Effort

Dear Editor,

For the past several years, the students at UMSL have given a silent gift at Christmas to the children of an inner city school--Clinton Branch School. Great efforts have been made to keep it "silent," for the students realize that one gift on one day a year does not relieve poverty.

The gifts have been personal and on a one-to-one basis. The gifts have not been enduring, but the thought and the giving have been. The children who receive them long remember that someone cares.

Some may charge that this campus is not "involved" in the inner city. On behalf of all the students who made, decorated, and gave of their time this year, I invite these other people who have not been involved to join those who have been and are now involved. Do not wait for a day, a season, or an invitation--go on your own and find a way to serve.

Again, to you who silently made "Christmas" for four hundred children, I say "thank you" for being concerned and involved.

John Morris  
Assistant Professor  
of Education

CASTIGATES  
SECURITY

Dear Editor,

Is "security force" really the correct name for the men who drive the campus police cars?

Do they really scan the campus to check for disorder and crime? I think the security force at UMSL is not only inept, but inactive as well.

Just the other day, while the campus police were Lord only knows where, some ill-reared person or persons broke the window of my car and stole the passenger seat, my spare tire, and items from the glove compartment. All this while my car was parked on campus!

What kind of warped administration continually makes students pay the ridiculous parking fee of \$25 per semester if there is no protection of their automobile included in the payment? What is the \$25 really for? Not only do the campus police fail to check campus grounds for crimes being committed, but they are also not available

when you need them to report the crimes.

If night students have to pay their money to park, campus police should be around to serve them. Why hire them if they are not going to be around a full day (and night) when classes are in session? Crime and disorder does not lie dormant when night falls.

I sincerely hope this kind of vandalism by students or outsiders can be dealt with, and better still, eliminated. I certainly hope the campus police will begin earning the money students work so hard for to finance their education.

It's more than pathetic when students can't park their car without fear on the same lot with people who are, presumably striving for a similar goal--to achieve betterment. It is absolute robbery to have to pay \$25 per semester to park with no protection of your car from outsiders who come on campus. The so-called "incidental fees" (not tuition) is enough without having to pay for damages imposed on your car while parked on the campus.

Dorothy Reid

Students on  
Screening  
Committee

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of the Evening College Council. Other members of the committee are Michael Lewis, Association of Black Collegians; Jeff Shank, president of Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity; Bob Lamberg, president of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity; and Michael Jones, associate editor of the *Current*.

The student committee will meet Thursday at 8 p.m. in room 117, Administration building, to establish criteria for selection.

The search and screening committee was established by the Board of Curators Dec. 11. It will provide an unranked list of eight to 15 candidates to another five-man screening committee, which will then reduce the list to from two to five, in order of preference, consideration by the curators.

## UMR Program

A Rolla Night program will be presented on Jan. 14 at 8:15 p.m. at the Engineer's Club of Greater St. Louis, 4359 Lindell. The program is open to all students interested in attending the university's Rolla campus. Parents are also invited.

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## Post-Flight: The Birds And The Airplane

Five years ago, country rock was a term that brought little, if anything, to the minds of American music aficionados. Now, thanks to groups like the Band, the Byrds, Poco and the Flying Burrito Brothers, country rock has firmly established itself in contemporary music.

During the past three years, many devotees of ear-splitting hard rock have discovered that gentle-to-your-head country rock does fill the need.

The Byrds, one of the oldest groups in rock music, famous for their trend-setting sounds (*Mr. Tambourine Man* was the first major folk-rock song) are still one of the important innovators in country rock. Their latest effort, *Untitled* (Columbia) is a fine example of their creative and performing talents, now totaling 12 albums.

The new release, a double album of concert and studio recordings, is characteristic of the style and creative genius that have made the Byrds music leaders.

Their well-written instrumentals are performed with the same precision they lend to their vocals. Their interweaving variations and solo breaks give an innovative song a very distinctive style.

Skip Battin, a new addition to the Byrds (replacing John York on bass) also demonstrates his substantial skills on McGuinn's "Lover of the Bayou" and the 16-minute concert instrumental, "Eight Miles High."

## Record Reviews

By Carl Doty

Current News Editor

On the studio portion, the Byrds get into some really nice things like *Chestnut Mare* and *Just a Season*. Lead guitarist Clarence White also contributes his raucous voice to the lead vocals on *Truck Stop Girl* and a lively little "coke" song, *Take a Whiff*. If anyone has given country rock a consistent boost, it would have to be the Byrds.

The rush of "greatest hits" type albums are upon us again. One of the better offerings is the recently released *Worst of the Jefferson Airplane* (RCA Victor).

The album features some very early recordings by the Airplane, circa 1965. These early tracks include vocals by the Airplane's first vocalist, Signe Tölne, and guitarist-turned-drummer Skip Spence (both replaced after the first album) assisting on some curious numbers.

*Worst* also has an improved version of the Airplane classic, *White Rabbit*, produced by remixing the original vocal and instrumental tracks (tape record-

ings). If you liked the first version, you'll love the songs on the new release as well as the entire album, if you are an Airplane follower.

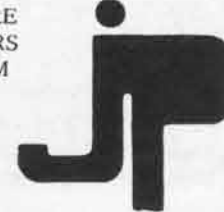
Speaking of the Airplane, I recommend two new "solo" albums by members of the group. The first is *Hot Tuna* (RCA Victor) featuring Jorma Kaukonen on guitar, Jack Casady on bass and various sit-in drummers on a jam-type album that can give you a hit of freshness that is so absent in with some of today's groups doing the same riffs over and over until you're ready to put your foot through the FM set.

The second album *Blows Against the Empire* (RCA Vic-

tor) is Paul Kantner's first solo work, with Grace Slick, David Crosby and Joey Covington (the new Airplane drummer) providing their talents. Kantner's almost limitless creative ability shines as bright as the name of his "group," The Jefferson Starship, on this album.

The music will remind you that the Airplane's *Volunteers* album somewhat because Kanter and Slick wrote several songs. The album also has an existential quality not unlike their fourth album, *Crown of Creation*. In this case the child is definitely the father of the man.

The Jefferson Starship won't put the Airplane into retirement but it's certainly worth listening to, especially the title cut, *Starship*.

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# International Affairs Poll Conducted

A recent survey on campus indicated that 70 per cent of the students questioned were unaware of the current military budget.

The survey was conducted at Southern Illinois University--Edwardsville by the Greater St. Louis Chapter of World Federalists. Their purpose was to determine student interest in the United States, the United Nations, and in a World Government.

"They (students) have always raised criticisms, but now they

have a chance to do something constructive," remarked Eugene P. Schwartz, program coordinator of the Administration of Justice program, extension division. "They now have an opportunity to participate."

The survey showed that only 47 per cent of the students believed that the United States should do everything possible to promote a World Government. There is currently a World Federalist Youth

Organization designed on this international aspect. Only five students showed a willingness to work at promoting such an organization on campus.

There was legal action in Congress recently concerning the formation of a Department of Peace. According to Schwartz, this bill

was not acted upon due to lack of support and interest. Only 25 per cent of the students surveyed felt that a Department of Peace would be a waste of time.

The survey was also used as an educational tool, according to Schwartz. Students were given an answer sheet after filling out the ques-

tionnaire. There were many things that the students were unaware of, although there are many opportunities to learn them, Schwartz said.

"They can't be pushed," he claimed, "they have to find out on their own." 159 students were polled in the survey.

## Re-elections Completed

All eleven candidates for election as day school representatives to the Central Council were officially elected, according to George Wilhelm, chairman of the council's election sub-committee. Only eleven positions needed to be filled.

The results of the election, held Dec. 9 and 10, had been withheld by Wilhelm until they received the approval of the Appointments and Elections Committee of the council Dec. 17.

Reelected to the council were chairman Bob Hausladen, secre-

tary Jean Heithaus, treasurer Margie Kranzberg, and representatives Susan Whitworth and Connie Ellebrecht.

Newly elected representatives are Susan Morice, Linda Bridwell, John Heithaus, Greg Tyc, Mary Stollhans, and Debbie Winship.

The election ends a six-month dispute between the council and the Student Court. The conflict arose over the decision of a council election subcommittee last spring over the decision of a council election subcommittee last spring to invalidate votes cast on a voting machine that contained incorrect voting instructions.

### ECC Meeting

The Evening College Council will meet Jan. 7 at 9:30 p.m. in room 117, Administration Building. All evening students are invited to attend.

## On Campus

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 7th

9 am - 3 pm English Club Literary Magazine on sale, Lobby, Admin. Bldg. and 1st floor, Benton Hall.

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 8th

9 am - 3 pm English Club Literary Magazine on sale, Lobby, Admin. Bldg. and 1st floor, Benton Hall.

7:30 and 9 pm Film Series: "In The Heat of the Night" with Sidney Poitier and Rod Steiger, Room 101, Life-Sciences Bldg. 50¢ with ID. Sponsored by University Program Board.

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 10th

1:00 pm Central Council meeting, Blue Building.

1:30 pm Film: Marat/Sade, Room 101, Life-Sciences Bldg. No charge. Sponsored by University Program Board.

### MONDAY, JANUARY 11th

9 am - 3 pm English Club Literary Magazine on sale Lobby, Admin. Bldg. and 1st floor, Benton Hall.

8 pm Basketball: UMSL Rivermen vs Rockhurst at Viking Hall.

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 12th

9 am - 3 pm English Club Literary Magazine on sale, Lobby, Administration Bldg. and 1st floor, Benton Hall.

9 am - 3 pm Delta Zeta Bake Sale, Cafe, Admin. Bldg.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13th

8 am - 3 pm Sigma Pi Bake Sale, Cafe Admin. Bldg.

9 am - 3 pm English Club Literary Magazine on sale Lobby, Admin. Bldg. and 1st floor, Benton Hall.

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No place like home for the holidays. It was a long three days away from home for the Rivermen, who flew south for games with Arkansas' Razorbacks and Memphis State's Tigers. Passing the time on the flight to Fayetteville in their own ways are (left to right) Shedrick Bell, Ron Carkhum, Darrell Shoults (Current reporter) Ron Crimm (back to camera) Clarence Slaughter and Mike Pratt. Standing at the rear is one of the plane's pilots.

Current Photo by Mike Olds

## Fall Golf Tournament Scheduled

Following two years of planning, the Athletic Department has announced its intentions to host a major intercollegiate golf tournament next fall.

The tourney has not been officially named "but it will probably be something like the Mid-American Intercollegiate Golf Classic," commented golf coach and tournament organizer Larry Berres.

The event will pit twenty intercollegiate golf teams in a one day, 18-hole competition.

A sponsor, not yet announced, has already agreed to foot the bill. "The tournament will not cost us a dime," said Berres, pointing out that the price is right considering the amount of publicity such

an event will bring the school. "There is no comparable event in the midwest," added Berres. He went on to say that such a tournament could be of great value to college golf teams, which need an early look at young golfers.

"Some players are great in practice," he said, but come off very poorly in competition.

Since the competition will take place in October, it will also be a last opportunity for some northern teams to play before winter shuts down their courses.

Invitations have gone out to 32 schools thus far and Berres foresees little difficulty in filling the tournament.

"The competing schools will

have to pay only for their transportation," he said, "adding that another selling point of the contest will be the fact that it will be played on Monday, allowing most of the teams to return to classes with only a minimal loss of school time.

The program will begin on the chosen Sunday (the exact date has not been decided) with a banquet for the contestants and coaches.

The players will have breakfast at 7 a.m. Monday and tee off beginning at 8 a.m.

Lunch will be served to the players at the end of the day's rounds, followed by an awards presentation at which the trophy winners will be announced and complimentary gifts presented to all players and coaches.

The idea of a fall tournament is not revolutionary, Berres said. The Rivermen took part in several small ones this past autumn.

"The trend is to fall golf and baseball," said Berres, explaining that the tournament is more than a novelty. "As a matter of fact, the Big 8 is considering scheduling its baseball competition in the fall."

He cited abbreviated spring schedules, caused by changes in academic calendars, as the underlying reason for the switch.

Northern schools ending classes in May would have only a few weeks in which to complete a full baseball, golf and track program.

Berres told the Current that, at last count, eight schools had accepted bids in the "Mid-American Intercollegiate Golf Classic."

## Club Hockey Gets Started

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vent all the players from playing at one time, according to Mergler. "We try to get as many to play as possible."

Several members of the club have some previous experience. "Seven or eight play on amateur teams in the St. Louis area," said Mergler.

The club spokesman explained that the interest of most of the players was kindled by the birth of the St. Louis Blues.

"When hockey was on TV," Mergler said of the pre-Blues era,

"I'd just turn it off."

"Once the Blues were here, they were the thing to watch. It looked like a lot of fun," he said.

The club hopes to schedule matches during the second semester, with campus fraternities, amateur teams and the Florissant Valley club squad.

The club hopes to evolve into an intercollegiate team. As of now, however, the club's only link with the Athletic Department is the old junior varsity basketball practice jerseys that Athletic Director Chuck Smith gave to Haneski.

# OUT OF BOUNDS

MIKE OLDS, CURRENT SPORTS EDITOR

## Valuable Lesson Or A Waste Of Time

The second annual Christmas break southern basketball trip was anything but a success, record wise.

The Rivermen blew a 13-point lead at the half enroute to a 91-84 loss to the Arkansas Razorbacks before being outclassed at Memphis State, 108-86.

The UMSL athletic program made obvious gains in terms of reputation on the trip. Coach Chuck Smith expressed it this way, "It gave us good national visibility. It's good to get major universities on your schedule because the wire services pick up scores, pick up stories from the big-time teams."

Thus the Red and Gold, who failed to bump off a not-so-powerful "name" in the Razorback game, had to rely on reflected glory for some sign of profit.

As important as this might be, the true value of the trip, of spending the funds necessary for such a tour, must be measured in terms of lessons learned by the players.

And the most important lesson should have come within the confines of the Mid-South Coliseum in Memphis.

The Rivermen were overpowered by the MSU Tigers, out-muscled under the boards by the taller southerners, who led by more than 30 points in the second half.

MSU, it seemed, was strong enough to score at will on their visitors. And they tried.

Memphis did not let up. They tried their utmost to run up a score on UMSL. "They tried to beat us as bad as they could," Smith said later of the club that has beaten teams by more than 40 and run up an impressive 9-2 record.

If the Rivermen learned from any experience on the trip, this should have been it.

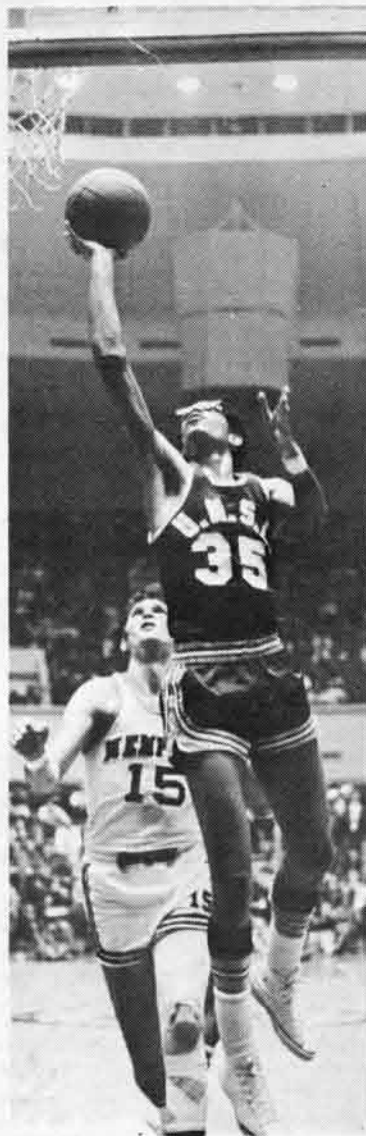
Memphis did not ease up on the Red and Gold, they did not take a ten-point lead and start to pull up for 30-footers, squandering their advantage.

They did not come out in the second half, lethargic and looking forward to their next game. They put it to the Rivermen and rubbed it in, the way any winner does.

Now, back at home, Rivermen crowds get smaller every game.

UMSL fans are traditionally a loud and loyal group, but, also traditionally, lacking in patience for sloppy, half-hearted performances.

The Riverman cheering section will not tolerate teams that waste their talents, that make all-stars out of also-rans.



Ron Carkhum drives for two against the tough Memphis State Tigers. Memphis State won the game 108-86.

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Guard Shedrick Bell puts the move on Houston Baptist's Jim Skaggs (14) and Art Gage (10) before passing off to teammate Ron Carkhum (24) as Riverman Glen Rohn moves in. On the left is Husky E. C. Coleman (44). Houston won 67-63.

## Cagers Trump Cards

By DARRELL SHOULTS  
Associate Sports Editor

Three weeks ago, the Rivermen travelled to Liberty, Mo., to confront the Cardinals of William Jewell. They left the aged arena feeling low and mean, having been thumped by Jewell, 72-67.

The culprit who really hurt the Rivermen was Cardinal guard Gary Holley, who tossed in 27 points. A Rivermen fan predicted that when the Cardinals appeared in Viking Hall, someone would be standing in his shorts.

And sure enough, there was. It is hard to pinpoint one Riverman as the defensive star - the whole team played superb defense - but Holley was held to a mere four points, as the Rivermen soundly beat the Cardinals, 96-52.

The picture was not as bright two days earlier when the Rivermen were beaten by the Houston Baptist Huskies, 67-63.

"We weren't too pleased with the Houston Baptist game," said Rivermen coach Chuch Smith. "Our boys worked hard getting ready for William Jewell. They made up their minds to put two halves of basketball together, and as far as I'm concerned, it was a beautiful basketball game."

"Our defense is what made our offense effective. We had to stop Holley. It disturbs me to have a 5'10" player score 27 points against you."

Rivermen guard Shedrick Bell III was asked how a team can play

so poorly against the weak Huskies, and then blow the strong Cardinals out of the gym.

"I think it was a change of attitude," explained Bell, the Riverman is resident Globetrotter. "We're at the halfway mark in our season and we knew that if we were going to do anything, we'd have to get started right now. This was kind of a do-or-die game for us."

Against Houston Baptist, the Rivermen were ice-cold from the floor, hitting a meager 27 per cent of their shots. Against Jewell, the Red and Gold had a fast-paced offense that enabled four Rivermen to hit in double figures.

One Riverman with whom everyone except the Cardinals were pleasantly surprised was Ron Crimm. The Missouri Baptist transfer came in at forward for 12 minutes and scored 17 points. He also snatched five rebounds.

Crimm's other noteworthy accomplishment came when he and Cardinal Gary Edwards crushed into the Jewell bench. Crimm bounced up and menacingly told Edwards to "Get up," obviously ready to engage in a little fistieuffs. And, though he probably wouldn't need it, help was on the way from the Rivermen bench in the persons of forward Ron Carkhum and guard Clarence Slaughter. Luckily, no blows were thrown.

The Rivermen were paced by Mark Bernsen, the quick 6'1" guard. Bernsen, who has been hot from the field in recent games, kept it up against Jewell with 24 points. Bernsen is fast making the extra-long jump shot his specialty. Backing up Bernsen were Crimm and his 17 points, Bell with 16, and

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## Rivermen Seek End To Hawk Mastery

The always tough Rockhurst Hawks invade Viking Hall for the first time Monday night for an 8 p.m. contest with the Rivermen.

The Hawks boast a good deal of height, led by 6'8" Jim Schaefer, who averaged 17 points a game last season and 6'6" Jim Kopp, who contributed 10.8 points to the Hawk 1969-70 cause.

The Kansas Citians lost three starters from last year's 19-8 squad but boast good speed and have shown that they like to run.

Thus far this season, Rockhurst has built up an 8-4 record.

"Rockhurst has another good ballclub," commented head coach Chuck Smith, "although they're probably not as tough as last year. But they've still got the big center (Schaefer) back and they still have the big forward (Kopp). We know that they're going to give us some trouble."

"We dropped two games to them last year, but, assuming that our squad is healthy," Smith continued, "we feel we can beat them."

If the Rivermen outgun Dolor Rhem's Hawks, it will mark the

first regular season victory over Rockhurst.

The Hawks hold a 3-1 edge in the four-year old series.

Last season the two squads met in a home and home series for the first time. Rockhurst defeated the Red and Gold in a "home" game at the Arena and swept the series with a late season victory in the Hawk fieldhouse.

The two squads first clashed in 1968, UMSL's second season of intercollegiate play, in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics District 16 semifinal game. The contest was held at neutral Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Missouri.

Rockhurst demoralized their opponents with a scoring burst that sent them ahead 18-2 in the opening moments and ran to a rather impressive victory.

In 1969, with a year's experience under their belts, the Rivermen had an opportunity to avenge the previous year's defeat.

That Riverman team, led by all-time leading scorer Jack Stenner and newcomers Greg Daust and Denny Caldwell, beat the Hawks 90-83 in the NAIA District semifinal at the Brewer Field House in Columbia for their lone victory over the Rockhurst squad.

### Future Bus Trips

The Steamers Club Executive Board has voted to submit two additional trips for membership approval at the next organization meeting, Jan. 13, in the Cafeteria Annex Lounge.

The first trip would take place Jan. 28-30. The club plans to send a bus to Macomb, Ill., for the Western Illinois game Jan. 28 and to Chicago for the University of Illinois-Chicago Circle game Jan. 30.

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SPORTS

Mike Olds, Sports Editor



Club goalie Frank Johnson braces for a shot by Roy Middleton (3) as defenders (left to right), John Killenberg, John Haneski and Bob Zimmer move in to clear a possible rebound.

Current Photo by Mike Jones

### 3 Soccer Stars Honored

Three Rivermen soccer players were honored recently by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

The association named forward Tim Fitzsimmons, halfback Greg Kramer and linkman Kevin Missey to the All-Midwest Area soccer team of 1970.

In addition, Missey was given honorable mention on the 1970 All-America squad by the NSCAA.

Missey's selection to the All-America squad was somewhat unusual in that the Riverman link is a first-year player.

Soccer coach Don Dallas pointed out, however, that Missey "is one of the finest freshmen prospects the St. Louis area has produced in recent years."

The Rivermen kickers finished their season with a 5-4 slate, the third year of three that the Red and Gold have finished above the .500 mark.

## Club Hockey Skates Past Obstacles

Armed with enthusiasm and garbed in old basketball jerseys, the UMSL hockey club has embarked on a program of development with a goal of eventual self-sufficiency.

So says senior Mike Mergler who, along with assistant professor John Haneski of the Economics department, has organized the club.

The organization, at present, consists of between 25 and 35 mem-

bers who practice together whenever class schedules and ice time permit.

Members are now under no obligation to come to all or any previous practices in order to play. "We're in no position to place limitations," said Mergler of the fledgling club. "In two or three weeks, maybe we will. We'll need cooperation if we are to make the club work."

Mergler explained that the club

had been practicing during an unwanted time slot at nearby Winterland rink at a discount rate. However, when the time suddenly became wanted, by the St. Louis U. Billikens at full price, the club found itself looking for new quarters.

They found those at Granite City. Most of the team practices twice a week at the Granite City Municipal Ice Rink. Class conflicts pre-

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