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New abortion referral agency seeks to protect women in need from being victimized

By JUDY KLAMON
Current Staff Writer

"A woman should be able to decide what happens to her body," according to Patricia Palmer, director of Choice Inc.

Choice, a new abortion counseling service located at 628 Lindbergh, is ironically situated in the middle of the "Catholic stronghold" of St. Louis, but this fact does not seem to bother Miss Palmer.

On the contrary, she seemed delighted with the idea.

A self-willed middle-aged "rebel of the establishment" who wishes to be known simply as Pat, Miss Palmer believes in women's liberation and insists that women should have the right to make something of themselves.

She attacked the "socially-accepted myth" that women should be seen and not heard, which she felt should be destroyed along with the idea that abortion is "dirty."

"If a woman wants an abortion," Miss Palmer maintained, "it's her body, not anyone else's and it's her responsibility."

This idea of independence prompts her opinion that women, blacks and children are in the same category.

Only if society can face a problem, she said, can it deal constructively with that problem. For this reason, Choice Inc. was formed.

Wilfred Gault, a Methodist minister, is president of Choice Inc., located in Chicago, with which Miss Palmer's service is affiliated.

The objective of Choice is the destruction of organizations that victimize desperate women. Prior to the legalization of abortion in New York, anywhere from \$400 to \$500 was charged merely for the phone number of a person who would perform an abortion, not to mention the cost of an abortion.

Choice offers free pregnancy tests for the simple reason that early detection is advisable to prevent physical complications as well as psychological damage.

"The longer you are pregnant," Miss Palmer asserted, "the more attached you become, and the harder it is to adjust to an abortion."

The main function of Choice, however, is that of an educational facility staffed by qualified counselors, trained by the Chicago staff, as well as licensed registered nurses.

In many cases, the counselors are student nurses or professional volunteers.

Through this organization, information about abortion, as well as group or individual counseling, is available.

Counseling before abortion is important to help women face their problem and free themselves of

the shame attending abortion.

Among the questions asked in counseling sessions are:

How do you feel about an abortion?

How do you think you should feel?

Why do you want an abortion? If, after intensive counseling, the individual decides on an abortion, she will then be referred to medically qualified agencies in New York.

If she decides against abortion, the individual will then be referred to other counseling agencies.

"The most difficult problem in counseling sessions," Miss Palmer contended, "are parents of young kids."

"Parents just don't understand that their children are individuals. Parents primarily worry about what their children have done to them."

"They cannot understand that kids are sexually active. Even if you lock them up, it is not going to help reduce their sexual activity."

For this reason, Miss Palmer would like to initiate a counseling program for all parents.

She is aware that the organization's activities are technically illegal in the state of Missouri, but other legitimate organizations - such as the Clergy Consultation Service - with which Choice works closely, have suffered no legal repercussions.

Choice also assumes full legal responsibility for its activities.

Privately financed by funds from Chicago as well as by voluntary contributions, Choice is an independent non-profit organization.

Among the future goals of Choice Inc. are to enlarge throughout the Midwest as well as to finance individuals to act as lobbyists to see that more adequate abortion laws are introduced to the legislature.

However, the Choice outlet in St. Louis is just getting on its

feet and is still in need of funds.

Miss Palmer's only regret is that she cannot finance people who cannot afford transportation to New York.

This, then, is one of her immediate goals, as well as providing contraceptive information and mental hygiene aid following the abortion.

"Things cannot be considered bad or dirty if they are considered human," Miss Palmer maintained.

Mellman named advisor for pre-law students

UMSL is expanding its program of advising students interested in going to Law School.

Such students should, without delay, contact Dr. Harry C. Mellman, Department of Political Science, recently named Advisor in Pre-Law studies.

His office hours, in GSB Broom, are 10 a.m. to noon, MWTF.

Evening Students and any others for whom these hours are inconvenient, should forward their names, graduating class, addresses, and phone numbers to Dr. Mellman (Phone: 5211), who will set up appointments with himself or other qualified and interested faculty members.

"Law Board" examinations, required by almost all Law Schools,

for admission to Law School in 1972, will be given next on December 13, 1971 and the deadline for registration for that examination is November 26.

Basic details on this examination are in Dr. Mellman's office. That office will soon maintain a collection of catalogs and other information (including financial aids) for each of the over 150 Law Schools in the United States, as well as a basic library of books and other materials useful to pre-law students.

In the program, plans are being made for informal sessions for students with prominent members of the bar as well as representatives of various Law Schools.

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COMMENTARY: Editorials and Opinions

Who's helping whom?

Departing from our usual pattern of yellow journalism (so succinctly defined by Mr. Shower's letter), we will now attempt a discussion of campus problems--especially one, that of the organizations versus the bureaucracy.

Now that we have filled our quota of sensationalism for the week, let's get serious. Campus organizations that sponsor events, in particular the Friday night mixers, have encountered a major stumbling block in the 20-cent per head charge imposed by the University Center. In our discussions with Center director Bill Edwards, we were informed that this charge was merely a nominal one, originating in Columbia and aimed specifically at a) outside groups sponsoring events on campus and b) campus organizations trying to make a profit on their efforts. The organizations naturally resent such a crimp on their profits. Furthermore, Edwards added that the provision for guards to check I.D.'s excluded the high school kids whose presence (and money) would contribute to the success of the affair.

It seems apparent that organizations are in a tough spot. They can only evade the "nominal charge" by not charging admission--however, considering the prices charged by

even the least significant musical groups, this course of action would be fiscally unsound. But neither is it unreasonable for the university to try to slice a share of the profits for itself.

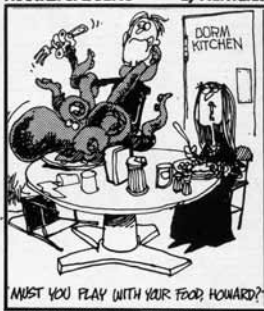
But the costs cited in Miss Notorangelo's letter (see below) attest to the plight of organizations who wish to use the university facilities for their functions. Her letter also points out certain changes at UMSEL. The bake sales that were such a part of campus life and irritated Canteen to no end have now fallen victim to a new food service monopoly--but in this case, the university is unlikely to tolerate competition.

In short, the organizations have encountered a new era here, and they were not quite prepared for it. None of us were. However, the catering prices cited by Miss Notorangelo suggest that the food monopoly may be trying to get too much too soon out of their perhaps - involuntary clients.

We wish we had a brilliant solution to the problem which would instantly eradicate it. As it is, we can only point out what seems to be a problem and leave the rest to the people who can manufacture a solution to every dilemma.

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Today's STRUGGLE

by BRENDA L. JONES

Angela: a black and white dilemma

There is an urgent need for the people of this land to understand exactly what is represented by the frame-up of Angela Davis. As a Black woman and a communist, she poses a threat which this capitalistic system cannot easily abide. Through its savage and irrational attack upon her, the government exposes itself and its reactionary policy of racism and anti-communism.

In many ways, this attempted repression of Angela is no different from the repeated attacks upon the Black Panther Party--particularly this most recent and outrageous one; i.e., the murder of George Jackson.

What this government does not seem to understand is that such tactics cannot be employed again and again without arousing the horror and finally, the rage of the people. It has just about run out of excuses for its near-fascist actions--certainly it has run out of excuses which the people can accept. So, when Angela Davis is denied bail on the ground that she may run away, even though the probation officer has highly recommended that she be allowed it, the government is seriously underrating the people's sense of humanity and fair-play.

The response to this has been the springing up of Angela Davis Defense Committees all over the country as well as similar responses from around the world. It is not surprising that many of these committees are operated by whites and in white communities. This is because people are able to see in Angela's plight more than another racist attack upon the black community. It is an attack upon freedom itself; for how can white Americans continue to live in the "belly of the most reactionary government" in existence without eventually being crushed under the heel of the same boot which attempts to destroy black people? They cannot unless they come to recognize racism and repression as weapons used by the system to keep the people divided and helpless in the face of monopoly-capital.

Letters

For cooperation

Dear Editor,

The controversy over the policy for dances held in the new student union this year has resulted in some misunderstanding. After two half-hearted attempts which actually lost money, many people began to believe there was no way to have a successful dance on campus.

The third dance scheduled was cancelled and the fourth week there was a well-publicized mixer held off campus. The same night September 24, Newman House sponsored a mixer in the student union. Mr. Bill Edwards, who has been the object of much criticism concerning the new policy, and Ron Sears went over backward to help

make our dance a success. Despite great competition from a good movie on campus, a football weekend at Columbia, and the mixer in direct competition to ours, Newman was able to make a fine profit from its dance.

Dances on campus are no longer the gold mine they used to be. We are as unhappy with some aspects of the new policy as anyone. It now requires a great deal of advertising and acceptance of some risk to even attempt one. But I believe that Newman proved that it can be done.

If the student organizations on this campus could learn to cooperate with each other rather than sponsor events in direct competition, all of us would surely benefit.

Fat Cadell
President of Newman House

Feeling pinch

Dear Editor,

At the present time the administration here at UMSEL is trying to eliminate organizations from the campus, or so feel many members of campus organizations. With the opening of the student union and food service center many groups are feeling the new restrictions. In the worst way, through their pocketbooks.

For organizations to exist there must be some means of raising the necessary funds for the groups' survival. Previous to this fall the major means was through Friday night mixers that were held in the Brown Building. Organizations sponsored dances that were a vital

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part of the sparse social life here at UMSL, entertaining over 1000 students on good nights and giving the campus a vibrant money source for the livelihood of their organization. This source of revenue for our organizations is all but gone, which is the new student center. To book a dance an organization must be willing to pay 20¢ per person, which is the new student center. To book a dance an organization must be willing to pay 20¢ per person, which is the new student center. To book a dance an organization must be willing to pay 20¢ per person, which is the new student center.

In which case there seems to be lacking either what is referred to as "human beings" as a sense of humor, or may be a sense of humor, or may be a sense of humor, or may be a sense of humor.

J. Shear

Fish-wrapper

Dear Editor,

I cannot permit myself to continue to ignore the stupidity and unproductive negativism which you persist in submitting to through your weekly fish-wrappers. As you are well aware (if you can think, beyond the convulsions of your current seizure), I have never been exactly a member of the Central Council Pan Club but I agreed last spring to accept the Chairmanship of the Council because I felt that, by chance, the student government has stumbled into the right combination of angry bastards, discontent with the way things were, who could be counted on to kick it long enough and hard enough to rip it out of its lethargic love for the Joe College-entrance-with-silliness-and-morose-appeals-of-the-powers-that-be syndrome.

I believe my judgement was correct. In the past few months, the Central Council has taken enough significant action—regarding University investments, U-Center space-use policies, organization change, the divestiture of Senate committees, tutorial program, the Student Affairs Office, grievance investigation, and most importantly, the integration of student governance—that I felt sufficiently confident to commit myself to a career meeting with the bastards, we may actually have the beginnings of a real student government here, after all.

I can assure you that this has not been a Central Council "afraid to rock the boat." Every one of these incidents has involved direct, and often angry, confrontation with intransigent, irresponsible, and hostile elements of the administration and faculty.

However, I can understand how you might not be aware of these factors; none of them has ever been reported on in the Current. I guess you have been too busy sneaking pictures of kitchen cabinets and making fraudulent phone calls to bother to send a reporter to any but one of the Council meetings since last spring.

It is indeed a sorry commentary that a university which produced the first school of journalism in the country, could also produce the last word in yellow journalism.

Michael Showers

(Editor's note: Obviously you have no more sense of the factual than you claim we possess. If you had attempted an intelligent, informed inquiry into our activities, you might have learned that a certain rumor which seems to be making the rounds in some circles is just that—a rumor, without any foundation. But since you choose to unleash this obscene barrage, we can provide you with a reply in two words.)

For referendum

Dear Editor,

There are currently five student groups sitting for the student body. Each of these groups was created in response to specific needs and challenges to campus life. Except in cases of membership overlap, each one acts relatively independently; this is leading among the members of the university community.

Such diffusion of authority can

only lead, and has lead, to a lack of effective student governance by any one group. In order to alleviate this condition and to give us an effective student government, I made the following motion at the first fall meeting of the Central Council.

Recognizing that an incorporation of the University Senate and the development of a new facilities and administrative structure and duplication among the agencies and bodies of government, the student body directs the establishment of a Commission on Student Governance; whose purpose shall be to review the requirements and responsibilities upon student government, and, if deemed necessary, submitting for referendum of the Student Body not later than the first of February, 1972, a proposal for the organization and integration of the agencies and bodies of student government.

"The Commission shall consist of the President and Vice-President of the student body and one representative from each of the following: The Central Council, the Student Council, the Evening College Council, the University Program Board, a consensus of the student members of the University Senate. Moved, that the above proposition shall be submitted for referendum of the student body at the time of the New Student Elections."

The Commission on Student Governance will not solve our problems but it is the first step in relieving the strain on the relationships between student organizations. The Commission will find new methods of increasing cooperation and mutual action among campus organizations, giving students one voice instead of five when presenting programs to the students, faculty, and members of the administration.

I urge all your readers to vote for the referendum on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

Pam Schoenfeld
Student body vice-president

Captive audience

Dear Editor,

Anyone would have to be out of his mind to do any browsing in the University Book Store other than what is forced upon him as part of the captive audience of the University. Who needs an armed guard watching his every move and ordering him in an office time to put down all books and packages before he goes through the turnstile?

One can browse at Doubleday, Dalton, Famous-Barr, etc. without out this experience. And who needs it? Even the guards at supermarkets don't order customers to deposit all packages before going through the turnstile to shop. No wonder students revolt when they are suspected and assumed guilty until proven innocent.

Kleaser Reeling

Sorry 'bout that

Dear Editor,

We are writing in response to an article which appeared in the September 18 edition of the Current which dealt with the National Teachers Examination.

The wording was such that many Education majors assumed that it was a requirement for all Senior Education majors. This is not the case. It is only recommended to those students who plan to teach in the St. Louis Public School District and to those students who plan to teach in a state in which

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Good to hear

Dear Editor,

It is good to hear a strong voice speak out in protest on this campus. For what Mr. Lamberger (our elected representative) fails to realize, is that the personal gripes of any student on this campus are "campus problems." Besides I believe there are more students dissatisfied than our President gives credit to. Also we have heard before the old story that problems will work themselves out. I personally like the new facility, but it has flaws, flaws that should be made known.

More fundamental than the Food Center issue, is the fact that members of the student government were told to tell the Current what it should not editorialize about. The Current should discuss campus problems at and where it sees them. Student government (noted for saying little about it, but) should disagree with it, but should not try to tell it what the "campus problems" are.

Dan Hillen

Something lacking

Dear Editor,

If one fails to distinguish between the recognition of a problem viewed through humor and a personal gripe, it can be overlooked, unless it happens to be the president of the Student Body,

Still more letters (concluded)

it is required. (It is not required in Missouri).

The article which you printed certainly was lacking in details. Where is the test being given? Who offers the test? Does it cost money to take this test? It would certainly help our office if you could cite your source of information. We have called numerous offices on campus (yours being one of them) and none could supply us the necessary information to help students.

In the future, it would be a service to students and to our office if you would thoroughly investigate your stories and supply all pertinent information to your readers.

Margaret Ann Merriam
Joyce Hayes
Academic advisors,
School of Education

(Editor's note: The information regarding the National Teachers' Examination was provided by a press release sent to our office. We regret any misapprehensions, but we receive dozens of releases each week, not only from the university's Office of Public Information, which incidentally, was not the source of the controversial releases, but from independent agencies as well.)

Do you believe...

Dear Editor,

On Editor, I missed the last issue of the *Current*, it breaks my heart. I really miss you. Being without you is like going cold turkey and having it last months instead of days.

To explain, I was walking in front of Boston Hall yesterday as the heat welled up to the high 90's. As I stooped to tie a shoelace, the sidewalks opened and yielded up their living, and the trees bent to press their leaves against the ground. The sky went from a flameless blue to smolder brown in seconds, a wind came up and whipped at my robes, and the ground began to shake.

It all happened by the Bugged Lake yesterday, really.

Before my eyes, Life Sciences was felled as a young giant of a volcano spewingly grew out of the sky, sending almond clusters into the sky and covering the earth in streaming streams of milk creamy milk chocolate.

It all made me hungry.

The wind rising to a howling hail, blasted me with shredded coconut, and I had to call time out to clear it from my goggles. When play resumed, I was struggling at the fifty-yard line of the football field, trying to roll a peanut up the steps with my nose. The sticky milk chocolate made it difficult. When I got to the top I was met by the Great White Duck, who stopped the gale at the drop of her hairnet and said, "Don't follow me."

I swear it all happened by the Administration building.

Dying for a drink, I got my chin over the edge of the pond and, convinced of my age by my long gray hairs, they gave me a can of dehydrated H₂O. Just add a gallon and water and stir till dissolved. Good stuff but frighteningly expensive. I wasn't thirsty anymore, but I needed a smoke pretty bad. So I stumbled to the cafeteria, lit up some roofies, and got really high. I was getting heavy vibes all up and down my dorsal fins.

Since I knew the Department of Redundancy Dept., Co., Inc., Ltd., was looking for me, I hid out in the lobby, hoping to chance on some likely victim. When none appeared, I was crestfallen and slunk to my bunk.

So like all good criminals, I returned to the scene of the crime, the lawn outside the Undergraduate Library (UGLY) and pondered my fate. It hung about my neck like an overgrown horseshoe. With the horse still attached.

I hopped a hearse and went for the high headlines.

The natives were very friendly but they didn't like the way I was dressed, so I left on the morning train, cracking sunflower seeds and cleaning my typewriter. The spies in the other corner of the compartment kept watch on me as we sped across Bunkatia, but I ignored them until we were nearing the border. As we crossed the bridge over the frozen river, I leashed myself like a rocket past the guard, through the bay windows, and down, down, down to ward the waiting arms of the dimension keepers.

I made my getaway to the warehouse. It was empty when I finally arrived, but there was a poster game under a single bare light bulb in the far corner. As I walked over, Buggy rose to greet me. I thought this was the end, concrete shoes and a swift trip to the bottom of the river, but he said, "Game of five-card Trac-o, penacles wild!"

Oh, Editor, the ace were 'trac-o' up and down my sleeves. I saw through their one-eyed glaze. I dug traps with my spades. I excluded them from my clubs. It was a fast game, but it took a long time to play. And finally, the moment of ultimate triumph was near. I dealt the last lid, and Buggy handed out a hermetically sealed envelope, insured by Lloyd's of Birmingham.

I pushed all my chips into the center and Buggy, chastised by having to call me, said the envelope across the grainy green baize to the center. He leveled his evil stare at me, and I sensed his warped mind lurking behind his eyes, piercing my own brain to this very core.

Shakily, I clutched the envelope as they all watched me. Then they came for me. For a second they disappeared. For a second I disappeared. And then there was

none out me, standing in front of the great chocolate volcano, picking fudge brownies here and there and making smart remarks to my professors.

The sky was still a raw sienna, but a rift appeared in the gloom and from the volcano, now an ancient shrine, issued a white-gowned figure holding a sparkling torch. And around her head appeared a wreath of stars, and over it all was written, Columbia Pictures Presents. Soon all was dilapidated but the torch and the volcano. And her sweet voice came in me like a delicate choir and said, Yes, she is. She is, I repeated. She is well, I repeated. And I love her dearly.

And all was calm and sunny, and the volcano beaded, and I was standing at the front gate of the Great Midwestern University, and I went bitter tears of happiness, for I do love you, and I missed your last issue, but I still love you.

Alice's Caterpillar
(Name withheld by request)

Sales tax blues

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snack bar food sales, alcoholic tickets, concessions, programs, store sales, publications, certain agricultural sales, concert tickets, tickets for student activities events, books sold by the University Press and such services as printing, copying, duplicating of tapes and others.

While the university wants to be a good corporate citizen and recognize the great need of the cities which have enacted city sales tax ordinances, the university does not believe that such city ordinances can legally impose a tax on the gross receipts of sales made by the state university. Therefore, the university does not believe it can legally collect such city sales tax from buyers for remittance to the state and it will not do so.

In addition, the university has announced it has determined that room and board for students living in university housing are not subject to the state sales tax.



Connie Elliott, one of the hopeful prospects at the Cheerleading try-outs last Friday, displays her form for the judges.

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Forum speakers link Attica, government economics

By RON TIENHAUS
Current Staff Writer

The recent revolt at Attica State Prison in New York was linked to current government economic policies, offered as examples of "repressive government tactics," by three speakers at a Committee to End the War forum last Friday.

Jeffrey Scott, condemning the use of "brutal force" to quell the Attica rebellion—which left ten hostages and thirty prisoners dead—contended that "prisons are microcosms of American society, and the attempts by prison authorities to suppress prisoners' demands are similar to the attempts of the allies of society to dominate all oppressed peoples."

He compared the constant friction between guards and inmates to "constant friction between the oppressor and the oppressed."

Stressing the political nature of the uprising, Scott cited "overcrowding, guard brutality, poor medical care, censorship of mail" as evidence that "fundamental democratic rights" were missing at Attica prison.

"The indiscriminate killing," he declared, "was staged to prevent the prisoners from gaining any sort of victory from the rebellion."

Scott maintained that, had the "needed demands" of the prisoners been met, the success would have sparked similar revolts for "equality and justice" through the U.S. penal system.

"The acceptance of the demands would also have confirmed that the prison authorities were fully aware of the repressive conditions that existed at the prison," he added.

Unemployment, the wage-price

freeze, and welfare cutbacks were designated as examples of "the repressive economic conditions" of the poor (particularly non-whites) and the middle class today, according to the next speaker, Marilyn Casey.

"Economists think the figures gotten by government on unemployment (8.1 per cent in August) should be doubled because the number of unemployed is only taken from the number of unemployed actively seeking jobs at that time," she maintained.

Citing a report sent from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Miss Casey explained, "In the civilian labor force, eight per cent of non-whites are unemployed as compared to 2.5 per cent of whites unemployed in the North Central States, in which Missouri is included."

She went on to criticize welfare cutbacks.

"Despite a booming demand for welfare," she maintained, "fully nineteen states and Puerto Rico managed to decrease their (welfare) loads last spring."

Miss Casey observed that St. Louis welfare recipients will discover their October checks whittled by 5 to 10 per cent.

She added her opinion of employment for welfare recipients.

Aids office taking requests

The Office of Student Financial Aid is now accepting applications from students seeking assistance for the Winter '72 semester.

Because of the limited funds available, their applications received before Dec. 1, 1971 will be given priority.

Applications for financial aid may be obtained in the Administration Building-Admissions Office, Room 108.

saying, "People around the country are of the opinion that giving welfare people jobs is a good way to get cheap labor."

Regarding the wage-price freeze, Miss Casey asserted, "Many authorities view the freeze not as a means to curb prices or inflation, but as a means to curb wages."

She contended that the freeze could have some benefits, but that it seemed there were too many loopholes to raise prices and none to raise wages.

Philosophy teacher Paul Gombert attributed "politically racist causes" to all of the problems criticized by Scott and Miss Casey.

He likened the Attica rebellion to the workers' struggles under

the present "oppressive economic conditions."

Calling workers the losers in the wage-price freeze, Gombert contended that, while there were few ways in which workers could fight inadequate housing and wages and high prices, rich industrialists could deal with "upstart" workers by calling in the police and by using the courts against wildcat strikes and other demonstrations against low wages and poor working conditions.

"Racism can be defeated by smashing racist practices," he concluded.

The sponsors of the forum plan to hold similar forums periodically throughout the year "to stimulate discussions on current topics of student interest."

Sales tax blues hit university

In accordance with a new state law, the University of Missouri has started paying the 3 per cent state sales tax on retail sales made by it.

The amendment of the state sales tax law in 1965 changed the sales tax from the tax on the buyer to a gross receipt tax on the seller, which in this case is the university.

The law, however, provides that the tax may be collected from buyer for remittance to the state.



A panoramic view of the West parking garage when business is slow. Current Photo by Carl Doty

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Council hears more gripes

By ALLEN RODAKOWSKI
Current Staff Writer

Shortage of space was a topic of discussion at Sunday afternoon's Central Council meeting.

"The biggest bear of all complaints initiated today," according to student president Bob Lambert, is allocation of space.

Space allocation in the multi-purpose building has come under fire, partly because of the relative inaccessibility of the basketball courts.

A related issue was the problem of the Rifle Club and the reluctance of the athletic department to allow an on-campus range to be constructed in a room of the new fieldhouse.

"We've tried to convince the Athletic Committee of the club's value," according to club spokesman Dale Schmidt, "but we're having little response."

"We feel the Rifle Club is an activity that can be offered with complete safety."

The philosophy of the club is to teach safety, the fundamentals of firearms, and just have a good time.

Thus far, nearly 700 signatures have been received in favor of the Rifle Club.

The number one priority among the council, Lambert maintained, would be library expansion.

"It is imperative that we receive the 4.7 million dollars requested," he said.

Complaints presented by the Grievance Committee included high prices in the bookstore, the need for a change machine in the library and "how come the copy

machines never work?"

When the floor was thrown open for grievances to be aired, many complaints centered around food. One member suggested that the cafeteria proper be open for evening students.

The price of food on campus was also cited.

The catering prices, according to Bill Ring, are too high. An alternate viewpoint suggested that a comparison of prices with other catering services be explored.

The distribution of cafeteria funds was also discussed. Forty per cent of the revenue goes for food costs, forty for labor, and twenty for maintenance and miscellaneous.

Dr. Dennis Fallon has been selected to develop a professional physical education, curriculum here.

As coordinator of physical education, health and recreation, Fallon is scheduling meetings with chairmen of the physical education departments of the junior colleges in the metropolitan area to solicit their suggestions and acquaint himself with their programs.

A later meeting is planned with elementary and secondary teachers, as well as local area school officials, in hopes of determining professional preparatory needs of physical educators in this area. Fallon would like students to consider the following questions:

Do they want the facility?
Should credit be given for it?
Should grades be assigned?
Would it count on a grade-point average?

A timetable for development of a professional curriculum is being

established.

Students interested in a career in physical education (major or minor) may contact Fallon in room 246, multi-purpose building, or phone 432-3641.

Last year, the course evaluation gave results in statistical form. This year, according to the Curriculum Committee, an advisory response will be used.

Instead of saying 60 per cent of the students liked a course, the evaluation will read "they're generally in favor of the course."



The scenic view of the new Faculty Towers.
Current photo by Carl Doty

Grievance committee reports

By DONNA NETHERTON

The Grievance Committee has investigated the problems of student parking on campus. This issue has taken priority over nearly all other grievances by the student body as it affects nearly everyone. The complaints center around lack of parking spaces and distance between lots and the buildings. Ken Slaves, chairman of the Grievance Committee, received a letter from John Perry, business officer explaining the situation.

Perry wrote in his letter, "Before students become too critical of the distance they must walk after they park, they should investigate parking on other campuses. They might find that they would have to walk this far between classes."

He explained the lack of parking spaces in terms of parking garages. The total cost of the two existing garages is now at \$1,500,000, \$1,600,000 of which was financed by state funds and \$500,000 financed by the parking fees. According to Perry, the parking fees are used for the building of the garage structures and the repair and maintenance of our present parking facilities.

At the present time there is \$725,000 in the parking fund. This does not include the funds collected this fall, Fall 1971. There is another garage in the planning which is anticipated to be in use in the fall of 1972.

The Central Council has made

arrangements as students may use campus typewriters for a limited period of time. The procedure to obtain use is simply coming to the student activities area, University Center 2250. The student must sign the typewriter out with Mrs. Ginni Bowie, the secretary. The typewriters must be used in the activities area and they will not be available between noon and 1 p.m. The only obligation the student is held to is the if he damages the typewriter while he has it signed out, he must pay for the repairs.

China forum at Wash. U

An open forum on United Nations membership for Red China will be held October 2 from 3 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the East Asian Language and Area Center of Washington University's Steinberg Hall.

Dr. William Wycoff of UMSL's

history department will be on a panel of China scholars including Dr. Stanley Spector, Dr. Mark Seiden, Dr. Richard Young, and Ernest Tsal, all of Washington University.

There will be an open discussion after lunch.

Student environment projects sought by foundation

Student-originated projects dealing with problems related to the physical, biological or social environment are being sought by the National Science Foundation.

Grants will be awarded to groups of students under the leadership of a student project director with consultation to be provided by a faculty project advisor.

Proposals should involve an interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary approach to one or more problems.

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CINEMA

by Carl Doty
and Judy Klamon

The most recent entry to the current trend of films in search of a plot is **Two-Lane Blacktop** now showing in the St. Louis area.

The vague theme of the film concerns the on-the-open-road encounters between two nomadic racers known as the Driver and Mechanic, a girl hitchhiker and a middle-aged plain clothes gypsy named G.T.O. This menace a trois plus one seem to be either suffering from acute amnesia or some other form of detachment from reality.

The lack of plot, beginning and conclusion notwithstanding, the film provides a vehicle for folk composer Taylor and former Beach Boy drummer Dennis Wilson to exhibit their blatant lack of acting ability. Warren Oates (G.T.O.) is the only principal who emerges as a capable actor in the entire film. Taylor's role as the stoic Driver is an obvious bit of typecasting, to say the least.

With the exception of a brief interlude with the hitchhiker (Laurie Bird) the Mechanic's sole interest seems to be his fetish with the carburetor of the 1955 Chevy he and Taylor race at various impromptu occasions.

On a lighter note, you may or may not be delighted with the colorful dialogue in the film, reminiscent of boot camp in the U. S. Marine Corps. As for sex, **Two-Lane Blacktop** is about as sexy as the average Walt Disney film. Producer Michael S. Loughlin has been generous in not adding several extraneous sex scenes in his film. It would be adding insult.

If you have an opportunity, avoid **Two-Lane Blacktop**.

C.D.

Coming Attractions

Michaelangelo Antonioni's first American film, **Zabriskie Point**, will be shown this Friday at 7:30 and 9:45 at the J. C. Penney Auditorium and on Saturday at 8:00 (same location).

The film is a disconnected little bore involving the juxtapositioning of a would-be student radical and a jaded hippie chick who just happens to be on the run for various personal reasons.

The film isn't a bargain at 50¢ but the price of admission should be well worth the opportunity to see if the University Program Board will initiate their alleged plan to patrol the auditorium with squirt guns. No one likes an unappreciative audience, but squirt guns? Really? Why not use baseball bats??

Our congratulations to whomever was responsible for the change to the Penney Auditorium from LS 101. It's a 200% improvement.

City Players to present "Three Sisters"

The City Players of St. Louis will present Anton Chekhov's "The Three Sisters," beginning this weekend, at 8:30 p.m. Saturdays and 2:00 p.m. Sundays.

Dates are October 2, 3, 9, 10, 17.

The theatre is located at 3207 Washington.

Tickets are \$2.00 and may be purchased at the door or reserved in advance by calling 531-5222. Student and group rates are available.

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act. 31 deadline for Rhodes applications

The deadline for applications for the Rhodes Scholarship for study at Oxford University is October 31, 1971. It was announced today by Dr. Jerome Himmelfoch, Institutional Representative for the Rhodes Scholarships here.

Dr. Himmelfoch, a former Rhodes Scholar, commented, "I strongly urge all qualified single male students, seniors, or graduate students, to apply. An outstanding student would be wise to apply simultaneously for a Rhodes Scholarship and for other fellowships, such as the Dunfries, Fulbright, National Science, or Woodrow Wilson."

"As a member of the Missouri Selection Committee for the past two years, I have been disappointed to encounter candidates from other University of Missouri campuses, but none from UMSL. Despite the Language of the official announcement, a man need not be a superman to qualify."

"The Selection Committee looks for high scholarship (gradually at least a 3.5 GPA in the preceding year), outstanding performance in some type of independent work, some extra-curricular interests, and a humanitarian concern for others. The candidate need not be an athlete, although he should

be physically fit and enjoy exercise."

A candidate must be between the ages of 18 and 24 on October 1, 1971, although the age restriction may be relaxed for a candidate who has completed national service obligations. While he must be unmarried until the end of his first year at Oxford, he may be married in his second year without forfeiting his scholarship.

Elections will be held in all states in December, 1971. Scholar-elect will enter Oxford University in October, 1972. If he is called into military service before entering Oxford, the Scholar will ordinarily be permitted to postpone his Scholarship.

The Scholarship pays about 1500 pounds (approximately \$3,200 in October, 1971) per year. Appointment is made for two years with a third year probable if the Scholar's record merits it.

The Scholar may either study for an Honours B.A. or for a graduate degree in virtually any field or profession.

Interested students should consult Dr. Himmelfoch in Administration Building 2-C no later than October 19, so that he can make his recommendation to the Chan-

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The third annual conference for kindergarten, preschool and primary teachers, administrators and parents will be held Friday and Saturday, October 1 and 2, at Cross Keys Junior High School, 14205 Cougar Drive, Florissant.

The conference, sponsored by the School of Education and the Extension Division, in cooperation with the Ferguson-Florissant School District, opens Friday with a dinner and keynote address, "The Impact of Personality Factors on Learning," by Dr. Boyd

R. McCandless, director of educational psychology at Emory University (Atlanta, Georgia), editor of the American Psychological Journal (Developmental Psychology), and author of the textbook, "Children: Behavior and Development."

Small group sessions, teaching demonstrations and workshops on current topics of early childhood learning, including "From Language and Literature into Reading" by Peggy Brogan.

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Kickers count on rugged defense

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"others as they had done unto the bears, held them scoreless.

Rivermen coach Don Dallas has said that if he can keep his backfield, consisting of Greg Kramer, an Hodson, Tom Niehoff, John Jarland and Steve Buckley, healthy he will have a defensive unit that should give the opposition lightmares.

Dallas had his usual word of praise for Buckley, "tough," after an EIU contest. Buckley did such job on forward Ed Markvin that he further forward twice wanted a fight.

"Though Buckley and the rest are impressive, Dallas was not altogether happy.

"No, we're not pleased with the tie," he said. "We want to win them 11."

By contrast, Dallas said that Eastern was probably happy they of away with a tie.

"They were happy with a tie because of our showing against the Billingtons. It also keeps them undefeated (1-0-1)," he said.

Eastern can also take pride in beating out the top UMSL scorers, freshman Frank Fleesh and senior Tim Fitzsimmons.

Both had gathered points by sale or assists, in each of the previous three games.

Fleesh was held to one shot at the end, while Fitz attempted one.

Such frustration was definitely of the case against Washington. That game Fleesh bombed the team with two goals while Fitz added a goal and an assist. Cliff Apple, one of several new kickers, added the fourth Red and Gold ally.

Tappel opened the scoring against the Bears, taking a cross run Fitzsimmons and running it in with only 1:49 gone in the first period.

Fitz topped the Rivermen lead to 2-0 later that period, scoring on a Rich Evans pass.

UMSL carried their 2-0 lead into the third period, when Fleesh scored his second penalty shot of the year.

The Rivermen were awarded the free kick when Bear goalie Mark Burdick waylaid Fleesh after he had stopped a Missouri shot. Burdick gave Fleesh an elbow to the ribs, the ref saw it, and Fleesh was given a free kick.

There seemed to be a little dissent on the Bear bench about the call. Always aiming to please, Greg Kramer sought to enlighten them.

"It was a cheap shot," Greg explained to his listeners.

Obviously ungrateful for this bit of education, the Bears replied, "Get ripped."

With the amenities out of the way, Fleesh lined up his shot and proceeded to hit the upper-hand corner of the net, past the outstretched arms of Burdick.

That one wasn't a cheap shot. Burdick found himself victimized by Fleesh again in the third period when the Rivermen forward gave the Red and Gold their 4-1 tip lead, on an unassisted goal.

Fleesh and Fitzsimmons will attempt to carry the Rivermen past Quincy in an 8 p.m. game Saturday.

Last year the Hawks edged the Rivermen, 2-1, and the Brown and White are always extra tough on their home field. Quincy is a perennial power in the NAIA District 16, of which the Rivermen them-

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Cross country rebuilds with frosh

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the UMSL scoring but served to block the Milliken runners out.

Ed Heidehrier, questioned about his record time, replied, "All I thought about during the race was 'get out of this damn rain.'"

The team record stands now at 2-8. That mark is already 100% better than last season when the squad limped to a 1-19 slide.

Reasons? "Undoubtedly, the freshmen have helped," said Neal. "But we also have a great team spirit which was lacking last year."

"It's important to think and work as a team."

"We're rebuilding a winning attitude in cross country," said coach Dan Wall. "We have a lot of talent and they'll all be back next year."

"We'll also have Rob Lentwiler, a transfer from Drake, who's intelligent this year."

Freshman Tom Knaup added, "We're all trying to set individual and team goals for the season. This year we want to place high in the invitation (University of Chicago) and we hope to get to the national finals in the next year or so."

two."

The team ran against Washington University Wednesday, but the Current went to press before the result was available.

Tuesday the UMSL harriers host the strong SU-Edwardville runners in a 4 p.m. match. The Cougars humiliated the Rivermen last year in a match at Edwardsville.

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The Rivermen golf team added to its list of Fall accomplishments Friday when it took second place in the annual Missouri Southern College Invitational Tournament. The runner-up performance, which came hard on the heels of a fine ninth place finish in the Mid-American Intercollegiate Golf Classic, was the second consecutive second place finish for the golfers in the Missouri Southern event.

The University of Tulsa finished on top with a 300 team score while the Rivermen carded 306.

Ron Brewer led the squad in the eleven team event with a 75 which tied him for third place in the in-

dividual medalist competition. Mike Frydergast was next for the Rivermen with 76, George Niederman finished with 77.

Gene Dobson, considered the finest freshman golfer in UMSL's history, entered his second year of competition with a 78 and Gray shot 81.

"We play a fairly good fall schedule," said coach Larry Berres.

The coach feels that every bit of competition helps a midwestern team. "We all play such limited schedules, it puts teams from this area at a distinct disadvantage in national competition."

The Rivermen, for instance, tied

for the NCAA District 3 championship in 1971 to gain a spot in the national tournament. They ultimately finished near the bottom.

"None of the midwestern teams did well at the nationals," Berres pointed out. "I wouldn't be surprised at Warrensburg, Missouri, Oct. 2."

The Rivermen won't hang up their clubs until after Oct. 4, however, when the team ventures to Jacksonville, Illinois for the Mac-Murray Invitational.

UMSL finished ninth in the Mac-Murray event last year, prided if the NCAA limited the number of teams from this area in future years.

In a continuing effort to sharpen the golfers, Berres has scheduled the Rivermen for two more meets before the winter closes in. Next for the Red and Gold is the Central Missouri State Invitational.



Harried quarterback gets set to pass during Tuesday's intramural football game. Current photo by Oliver Wischmeyer

Intramural handball tourney

The Intramural Department is sponsoring a singles handball tournament, beginning Wednesday, Oct. 6.

Those interested must sign up by today in the men's equipment room.

Competition will be held at 3:45 and 4:15 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

For further information, contact men's intramural director Larry Berres, 433-5641.

Still Out of Bounds

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loss to SLU gave them instant stature.

It is a fact that any college intent on building a successful soccer program beats the bushes here in St. Louis.

St. Louis is a soccer town. We claim it, out of towners admit it -- and the media ignores it.

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But how can this happen in the heartland of American soccer? As Bob Burnes explained when

asked why KMOX-AM had an on-line for every sport but soccer, "There's not enough interest."

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Rivermen kickers rip WU, tie EIU



A shot on goal is deflected before it can reach UMSEL goalie Tim O'Toole. The Rivermen blanked the Bears of Wash. U., 4-0.

Current photo by Carl Doty

Harriers 2-0, SIUE in for Breeder

By Ann Teltner

Neither cold, nor mud, nor water knee deep can keep our harriers from winning a meet.

It may sound sorry but those were the prevalent conditions at last Saturday's meet against Milliken University.

Prior to the race Milliken coach Carl Johansson had said, "I doubt if anyone will break 30 minutes." Ed "The Breeder" Hellerider claims he didn't hear the coach's remarks and proved it when he hurred the five mile course in a record shattering time of 28:01.

The performance eclipsed the mark of 28:30 which had stood for three years.

Hunching up much as they did in their season opening win against Westminster College, the Rivermen rounded up enough points, that is, rounded up few enough points, for a 25-38 win.

Team captain Frank Neal topped fourth place with Tom Knaap finishing right behind him in fifth. Greg Roy finished seventh and Tom Dierker followed in the eighth slot.

Ted McQuery and Marvin Goodwin blotted out any chance of a Milliken win when they tied for ninth.

For those uninformed on the in-

tricacies of cross country scoring, the first five places in which each team scores are added up and the team with the lowest score

wins.

Marvin Goodwin and Ted McQuery, therefore, didn't figure in continued on page 10

Out of Bounds

With Mike Olds, Current Sports Editor

St. Louis is a soccer town. This claim has gone unchallenged for decades and the facts seem to back it up.

The Gateway city has become home to the finest collection of amateur teams and leagues in the country, probing, some years back, a squad of all-stars that held an English touring team to an astounding tie.

The St. Louis Stars are the last of the original professional teams still in operation, survivors amidst a flood of bankruptcy claims and empty stadiums.

The St. Louis University Billikens have, to date, run up a 23 game winning streak on route to three consecutive national titles. In addition, the haled Cougars of SIUE have risen to a position of national prominence and have

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The question remains: which is better, a team with a lot of individual talent or one with a lot of unity?

The answer: who knows?

The reason for this rather obscure answer is a rather general question is that the team with a lot of individual talent -- Eastern Illinois University -- and the team with unity -- UMSEL's Rivermen -- played to a scoreless tie last Saturday.

The game lasted the maximum amount of time allowed under NCAA rules, four quarters and two five minute overtimes.

Statistically speaking, the Rivermen came out on top, out-shooting Eastern 15-9 while suffering the fewest penalties, 19 to EIU's 25.

Eastern provided the kind of tough, hard-to-beat competition that the Rivermen will be facing

the rest of the year.

Upcoming on their schedule are 1970 NCAA finalists, the SIUE Cougars, the always nasty Quincy Hawks, Western Illinois and the University of Illinois-Chicago Circle, all of whom beat the Rivermen last year.

In fact, the Rivermen have to play only one team they beat last year, the Rockhurst Hawks.

Not so with the Bears from Washington University, the Rivermen trounced them last Wednesday by a 4-0 score.

Due to UMSEL's stepped-up schedule, WU is the only team on the Rivermen 1971 schedule, excepting, of course, those Rockhurst characters, that they beat last year.

This year's victory over the Bears and tie with Eastern gives the Rivermen a 2-1-1 record. The only loss came at the hands of St. Louis University's Billikens.

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