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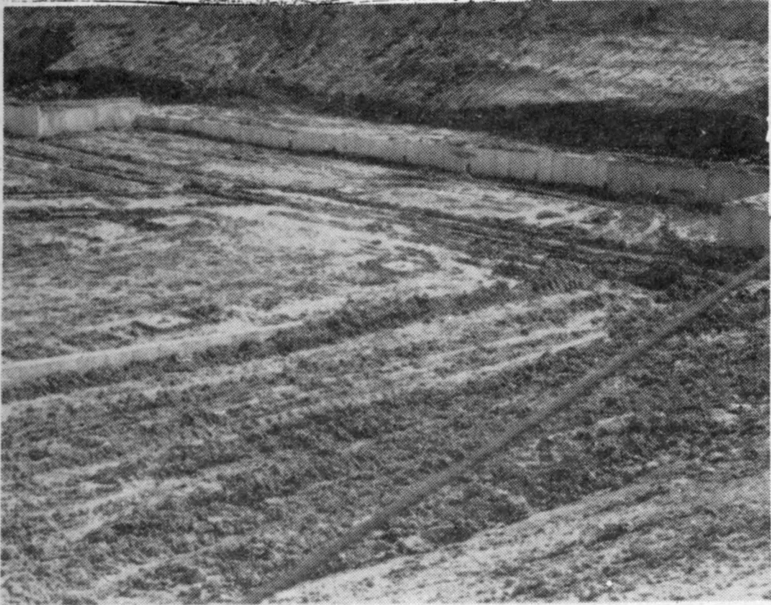
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# UMSL STAGNANT

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## Where is it?

Police search continues for missing building.

Photo by Jim Birkenmeier

## Stadler Hall stolen, campus cops baffled

In one of the most bizarre crimes ever to occur on the UMSL campus, thieves made off with Stadler Hall early on Thursday morning. The rip-off was discovered by Elmer McDougal, a Physical Plant employee, when he attempted to unlock the building at about 6 am. McDougal reported that at first he had trouble finding the door, and then suddenly discovered that the entire building was missing.

The UMSL Police have no information yet on the identity of the crooks or the location of the building, but are digging into every possible lead. Chief James Nelson told the Stagnant

that his officers are now checking with all the U-Haul truck rental places in town.

Three UMSL faculty members have been missing since the building was stolen, and it is believed that they are still inside. Efforts to contact the three men by telephone have failed.

To fill the enormous hole where the building once stood, Physical Plant employees have erected a cardboard replica of Stadler Hall on the same site. However, a Stagnant investigation has revealed that the structure is unsafe, and students are advised to stay away from it.

Always carry an extra dime

## Pay toilets to be installed on campus

Pay toilets will soon be installed in all rest rooms at UMSL, informed sources have disclosed. Students, faculty and staff mem-

bers of the university will have to drop a dime in a slot to unlock the new facilities, which university officials have promised will be kept "at least as clean" as the old ones.

Increased maintenance and janitorial costs were cited as the reasons for the new policy, as well as a number of complaints from faculty members that students have been coming to class late. It was believed that an uncomfortable student learns more than a tardy one.

As a public service, the Central Council is sponsoring a free toilet at the Council office in the Administration Building. Students who present a valid UMSL ID will be allowed to use the toilet free, as long as they bring their own toilet paper.

Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity, which claims to have discovered a secret method of getting into the toilets for only a nickel, is selling instruction books for \$1 in the University Center lobby. A Stagnant mathematician has calculated that students who plan to use the johns 21 times or more during the remainder of the semester would be wise to purchase the pamphlet, if the secret method really works.

In a related matter, it was reported that all wash basins in campus rest rooms will be raised to chin level for undisclosed reasons.

## Central Council

calls student

strike this month

To protest the increasing level of student apathy on campus, the Central Council has called a student strike for next weekend. Originally scheduled for Monday and Tuesday this week, the strike was postponed because one Council member had a test on Monday, and another had to turn in a paper on Tuesday.

Robert Braun, student body vice-president, stated that the strike was rescheduled for Saturday, April 13, and Sunday, April 14, because, "That was when everybody could make it."

Student participation in the strike is also expected to be greater, since most students are so busy during the week. "We expect at least 60 per cent of the student body not to show up for classes on April 13 and 14," Braun said.

## Construction begins this summer

# Ivory tower to replace Administration Building

After two years of planning, a final design for UMSL's new administration building has been adopted. The old Bellerive Country Club building will be torn down and replaced by a new, 40-story office tower built in the shape of a screw.

The entire building will be covered with imported African ivory, which the university purchased at a low price from elephant poachers in Uganda.

When asked about the plan, UMSL Business Officer John Perry said that the ivory tower would provide "a proper environment" for UMSL administrators to make decisions. The new administration building would stand as a "symbol of UMSL," he said. Perry noted that each day, the shadow of the Administration Building would pass over every part of the campus except the Multi-Purpose Building.

The new building will be surrounded by a 10-foot high electrified fence, which is designed to keep out "dogs, student agitators, and other undesirables."

Several new features calculat-

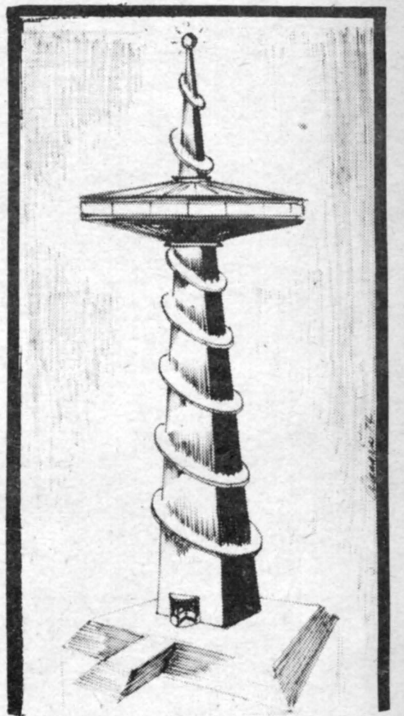
ed to meet the needs of a growing campus will be incorporated into the tower. A revolving restaurant at the top of the building, subsidized in part by student activity fees, will enable campus administrators to eat lunch here at UMSL and avoid traffic tie-ups in the parking garages.

A special sauna and steam room for staff members will enable administrators to look slim and trim for state legislators, so that the lawmakers will wonder if UMSL officials are getting enough to eat. This could lead to salary increases for underpaid administrators.

Finally, a revolving door will be installed in the chancellor's office for "inexplicable reason."

Construction of the new building will begin in August, after the present structure is razed. The tower is scheduled for completion by September, 1975, at a cost of \$40 million.

In other news, it was announced that incidental fees for UMSL students will be raised to \$1000 a year, beginning next September.



The Screw

Artist's conception of new Administration Building.

## Committee study released

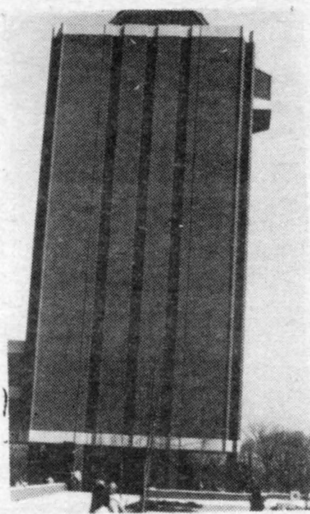
# SSBE Tower leaning, may fall within 2 years

In a recent report released by the university-wide Committee on Buildings and Parking Facilities, it was disclosed that UMSL's SSBE Tower is leaning dangerously to one side, and that the entire structure is likely to topple within the next two years.

It seems that the builders forgot to lay a foundation on one side of the building. When spring rains softened the soil underneath, the tower began to lean, and the process is continuing at an ever-increasing rate.

A suggestion that 10,000 Chinese coolies be hired to tie a rope to the top of the building and pull it back up was rejected as impractical. University officials have decided to just let the tower fall, and build a new one at that time.

Faculty members with offices in the tower need not worry, administration sources have said. The university is fully insured, and will pay all medical costs for those who may be injured when the building falls.



## Another Pisa?

Tower "leaning dangerously," study shows.

Photo by Jim Birkenmeier

## Five major programs planned

# Campus entertainment announced

In an effort to bring good, clean, family entertainment to the UMSL campus, which is what all the "cultured" students want, the University Program Board has announced the following "events" to be held this month.

Harvey Knickerbocker, one of the original mouseketeers, will speak on, "Why I Drink Milk," at 11:45 am, Monday, April 8, in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Admission is free.

Les Fluterios, France's first family of flutists, will perform at 8 pm, Saturday, April 13, in the Multi-Purpose Building. Admission is \$3 for faculty, \$4 for the public. If any students plan to

show up, please contact the Office of Programming so they can have some \$2 tickets printed.

Lolly Linkletter, who once did a tap dance at a PTA meeting in Fargo, North Dakota, will read selections of her own poetry at 3:30 pm, Tuesday, April 16, in Room 72 J.C. Penney Building. They pay you to go.

Peter Knucklesheimer, a representative of the Arkansas University Plumber's Club, will deliver a lecture on, "How to Avoid Clogging Your Sink Drain," at 12:45 pm on Friday, April 19, in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Mr. Knucklesheimer will also hold a seminar in

218 BE at 3 pm, at which he will demonstrate the proper operation of a monkey wrench. Admission to both programs is free, with a discount for student organizations.

Eva Ingult, the internationally-famous Swedish opera star, will begin and end her tour of American college campuses right here at UMSL at 8 pm, Sunday, April 28, in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Ms. Ingult will sing, dance, and, during intermission, she may even give the audience her secret recipe, "How to Make Schmaltz." Tickets are now available for \$2 at the information desk, but may be cheaper at the door.



# POTENTIAL, APATHY, ALOOFNESS, MARK SPORTS AT UMSL

Tom Wolf

As the sports year settles into the home stretch and that bouncing cowhide plays havoc with dreams of baseball titles, it is time, perhaps, to reflect upon seasons gone by. The sports program at UMSL while being something less than spectacular has shown a good over-all potential. But for the most part sports at UMSL during the past six years have been mildly be-groaned at fee payment time, individually applauded for in-dividual efforts, and last and most significantly have been generally ignored by a student body who have not beaten a path to or around the Multi-purpose Building during their leisure hours.

Perhaps as Ebenezer Scrooge once commented on Christmas, the athletic fee, too, is a poor excuse for picking a students pocket every August and January. But there's no denying that Chuck Smith and the boys have put UMSL on the collegiate map. Championships in basket-ball and most recently in soccer have decreased the number of people asking, "What's an UMSL?" Of course the effects of publicity are hard to determine, but alumni certainly don't mind seeing their team making national headlines. UMSL's alumni association is a far cry from that of Notre Dame's, but smiling alumni means the happy tinkle of coins in the university coffers. This does not mean that

students shouldn't be concerned about where the \$7 athletic portion of their activity fee goes or how it is spent. Student suspicion arising from an over-all air of aloofness demonstrated by Athletic Director Smith has been one of the problems plaguing the image of UMSL's sports program. Many students as well as others in the university community have tagged Smith as a czar and a virtual dictator of his Florissant Road domain.

Picturing Smith as a czar is not quite an accurate picture, however. Although he's outlasted five UMSL chancellors, Smith does not enjoy anything resembling a free reign. The athletic budget must be approved by everyone from the chancellor to the state legislators and every major expense must be counter-signed, usually by the chancellor. No doubt Coach Smith has a vast influence over how money is divided among the various sports, but directors who make errors in spending judgements seldom find themselves calling the shots for long.

As the controversy over student activity fees paid to support athletics is being volleyed back and forth, it seems evident that the athletic program provides a service to the entire UMSL community as well as to those students who directly enjoy its benefits. All that is needed is for a good spring breeze to come along and reopen a few closed doors.



More hockey action taking place as intramural teams prepare for post season playoffs.

Photo by Jim Birkenmeier

## Better things to come for duffers

Brian Flinchbaugh

Coming off a somewhat disappointing campaign in 1973 in light of the fact that last year's squad failed to gain a berth in a post-season championship tourney for the first in three years, the 1974 edition of the UMSL golf team is hopeful of better things.

Finishing 7-5-1 in '73, coach Larry Berres will have seven golfers that will lead the assault in quest of yet another invitation to the NCAA College Division Championships in sunny Tampa, Florida. Youthful yet possessing that intangible mixture of ability and experience, the roster is composed of three lettermen, two freshmen and homegrown talent in its entirety.

Individually both lettermen and newcomers show promise as well as improvement following

the results of several fall matches. Freshman Gary Hess lauded by Berres for his potential, lived up to his clippings by posting a sizzling 75.7 strokes-per-round average amid the falling leaves of autumn. Junior letterman Steve Lestmann and his two other lettered cohorts Andy Smith and Chick Pfeil improved from last spring's season averages each breaking the seventy mark for the fall rounds they played. Smith, a sophomore, leads the returnees with an 80.1 stroke-per-round mark from a year ago.

The schedule for this campaign presents several new features. The linkmen open their season at Galveston, Texas, in the Galveston Island Intercollegiate on Monday, March 25th through Thursday, March 28th. The tour will hopefully culminate in the NCAA Division II Cham-

pionships at Tampa beginning June 11th running through the 14th. A new wrinkle is the fact that the squad for the first time in their history, will not compete in dual meets. Instead the duffers will participate in nine tournaments in an economy measure with the recent gas shortage sighted as a major reason for the sudden change.

Also in the offing is a St. Louis Area College Athletic Association (SLACAA) golf championship set for April 29. This first will be broken into two divisions with UMSL, SIU-Edwardsville, and St. Louis University competing for the Division I title at Terre Du Lac, Mo.

The linkmen will play for the large school crown hoping to become the masters of the hazards and greens of their neighbors as well as their cross-country relatives.

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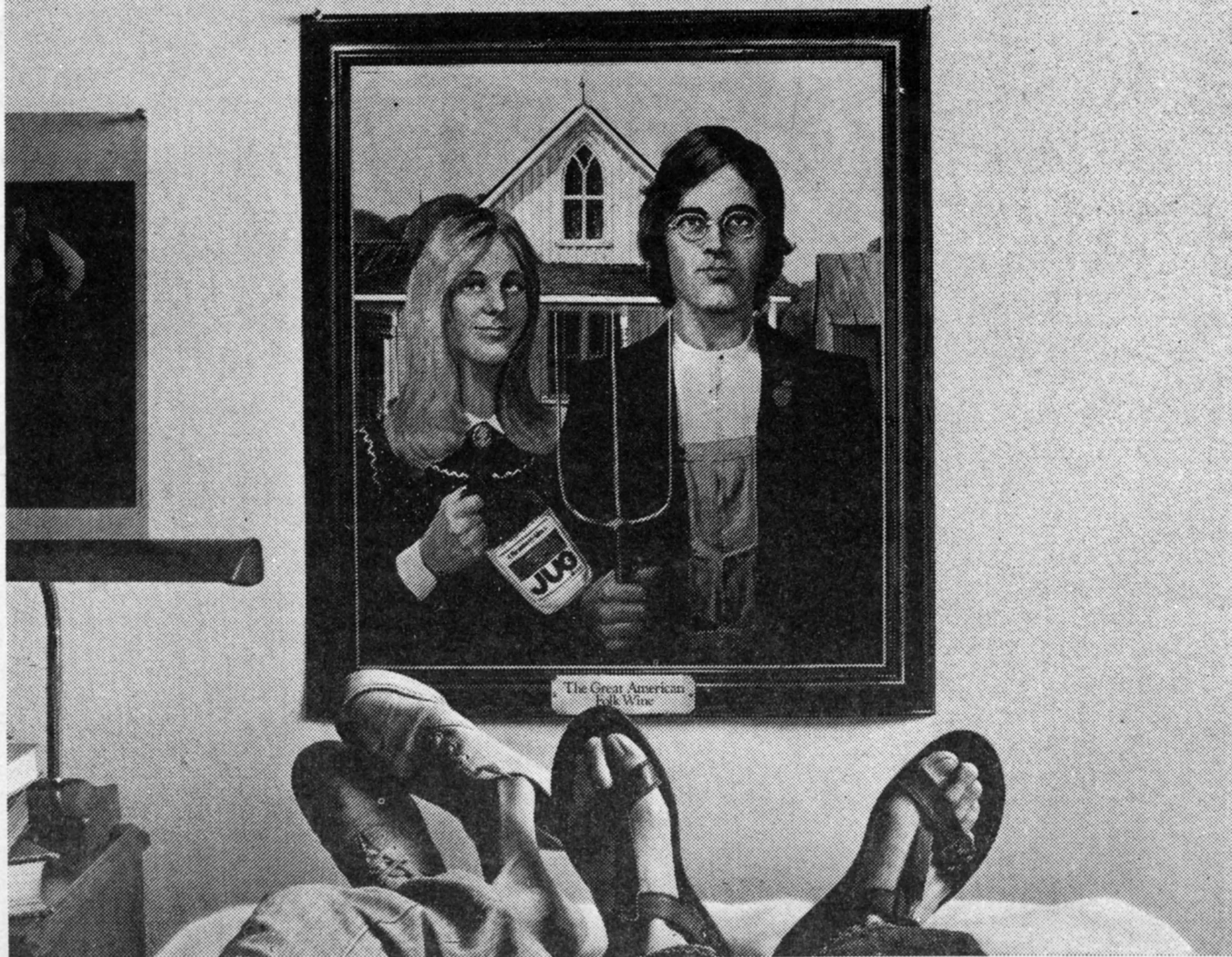
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