

The Board of Curators of the University of Missouri, including new members appointed by Governor Warren E. Hearnes, posed for this photo when they met recently with University President Elmer Ellis at Columbia. Seated, left to right: William C. Myers, Jr., of Webb City; President Ellis; Robert Neill of St. Louis, president of the Board; Oliver B. Ferguson of Fredericktown, vice-president of the Board; and

Orestes Mitchell, Jr., of St. Joseph. Standing, left to right: Ike Skelton, Sr., of Lexington; Doyle Patterson of Kansas City; Pleasant R. Smith of Mexico; William H. Billings of Kennett; and John H. Caruthers of St. Louis. Mr. Myers will fill the unexpired term of the late Edwin J. Stark of Louisiana. Mr. Patterson was reappointed for another six-year term. Mr. Smith and Mr. Billings will also serve six-year terms.

## Gov. Hearnes names three new Curators

Three new members of the University's Board of Curators have been appointed by Governor Warren E. Hearnes, who also reappointed J. Doyle Patterson of Kansas City.

The new members are Pleasant R. Smith of Mexico, William C. Myers, Jr. of Webb City, and William H. Billings of Kennett. Patterson, Smith and Myers are Republicans; Billings is a Democrat.

Smith is a farmer and implement dealer. He received a B.S. B.A. degree in 1949 and was co-captain of the M.U. basketball team. He is married and has two children. Smith succeeds Henry Andrae of Jefferson City, who was not eligible for reappointment because Cole County now is in the Eighth Congressional District.

Billings, LL.B. '52, son of a former circuit judge, James V. Billings, who holds two degrees from the University, is an attorney. As a student he was a member of the Law Review board of editors, the Order of the Coif, Phi Delta Phi, and winner of the John Lawson Prize and the Judge Shephard Barclay Award. He received numerous decorations as a Marine officer in the Pacific. Billings succeeds James A. Finch, Jr., who resigned to become a Missouri Supreme Court Justice. Billings is married and has three children. Myers, LL.B. '49, is an attorney and a former member of the Missouri House of Representatives. As a pilot with the Eighth Air Force in World War II he completed 29 combat missions. Mrs. Myers is the former Juanita Merryman, A.B. '49.

Patterson is vice-president and director of the Vendo Company and a director of the Unitog Company and Research Hospital. He is also a graduate of Harvard Business School and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He is married and has three daughters.

## Dean of floating university

Dr. Thomas L. Gillette, A.B. '52, of San Diego State College, recently completed a tour as administrative dean of the University of the Seven Seas. He was on a semester's leave from his teaching duties at San Diego State and U.C.L.A. He taught sociology on board the M.S. Seven Seas, which visited fourteen countries. There were 216 students aboard, taking courses for college credit. University and class field trips ashore supplemented the shipboard lectures.

Stephanie Price, B.J. '60, served as director of public relations of the University of the Seven Seas on its around the world tour.

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