

Cunningham selected for top award

Noble E. Cunningham, Jr., a UMC professor of history, has been selected to receive the Thomas Jefferson Award, given annually to a member of the UM community who "best exemplifies the principles and ideals" of Jefferson. He has been a lifelong investigator into the political life of Jefferson.

The formal presentation will be made in mid-April on the Columbia campus near the original obelisk that marked Jefferson's grave, and the award will include a citation and interest accrued from a \$10,000 gift by the Robert Earl Foundation.

Dr. Cunningham's selection was made by a UM system committee from nominees submitted from throughout the four campuses. His selection was announced by President James C. Olson at last week's Board of Curators' meeting at Rolla.

His selection as the Thomas Jefferson award winner comes shortly after publication of Dr. Cunningham's sixth book, *The Process of Government*



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Under Jefferson, which has been nominated for the Pulitzer Prize. Also, Dr. Cunningham's three-volume work, *Circular Letters of Congressmen to Their Constituents, 1789-1829*, was published last year after nearly a decade of meticulous editorial scholarship.

Dr. Cunningham served as chairman of the UMC department of history from 1971 to 1974. He came to UMC in 1964. Dr. Cunningham graduated from the University of Louisville, and received his doctorate with honors from Duke University in 1952.

Olson outlines possible impact of proposed federal budget

The federal budget, as proposed for fiscal year 1980, contains both "good" and "bad" news for the University of Missouri system, President James C. Olson told the Board of Curators meeting in Rolla Friday.

Federal funds for basic research are recommended to be increased approximately nine percent overall, and several agencies are scheduled to exceed significantly this percentage, Dr. Olson said. The precise impact the funding would have upon UM is uncertain at this point, he added, "but one would expect this institution, as a major research university, would benefit from the substantial increase being proposed."

Part of the bad news is that capitation grants for students enrolled in the health-related programs are to be eliminated if the executive budget is adopted by Congress. A further complication, Dr. Olson noted, is President Carter's budget also proposed to rescind almost \$400,000 already approved for UM for fiscal year 1979. This would mean a reduction of \$2.7 million to support student enrollments in medicine, veterinary medicine, nursing, dentistry and pharmacy.

The proposed budget would also eliminate four programs in extension: rural development, farm safety, urban gardening and rural development extension. With the exception of nutrition education (down 2.1 percent) and integrated pest management (up 27.4 percent), other cooperative extension programs are scheduled for fiscal year '79 levels, which would be in effect reductions considering inflation. Total budget reduction for UM cooperative extension would be \$260,000, in addition to losses due to inflation. Forty-seven positions would be lost.

Funding for the agricultural research also would be reduced through

elimination of rural development and cyst nematode studies as well as a reduction in McIntire-Stennis and animal health funds. Other support for cooperative research would be maintained at current levels. The impact upon UM would be \$260,131 less, plus additional losses through inflation, resulting in a loss of 41 positions.

Eight teaching positions in the College of Agriculture also would be affected through a reduction of Bankhead-Jones funds, totaling \$159,738.

The reduced funding in cooperative extension and agricultural research could mean a total reduction of 96 positions unless the support is restored by Congress, President Olson told the curators.

President Olson said he has written each Missouri member of Congress on the need to restore the federal funding cuts and indicated he plans to meet with them April 11 in Washington, D.C.

Federal support for student assistance programs are generally increased except for the work-study funds and student loans for health-related areas. Basic Educational Opportunity Grants are increased \$1.4 million to \$5.9 million, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants \$156,878 to a \$1.0 million total, National Direct Student Loans \$59,764 to \$1.3 million, Guaranteed Student Loans \$1.4 million to \$6.1 million. Health-related loan funds are designated for cuts of \$164,023 to a total of \$215,000 and the work-study program is due to be cut \$26,443 to \$1.9 million.

Also at the meeting, President Olson told the board that the Missouri School of Religion has elected to provide courses for UMC students for the Fall 1979 semester and that the campus will continue to seek a long-range solution for students seeking religious studies.

Firm to provide food service

The Board of Curators on March 23 accepted the low bid by the American Food Management Co., Marshall, Mo., for food service at UMR.

The service includes the furnishing of food and beverages to all units of the Rolla campus. The contract is for June 1, 1979, to May 31, 1981, with three one-year renewal options.

Based on attended food service, the different rates and guarantees proposed by the various bidders, the

net amount to be paid by UMR to the American Food Management Co. is \$617,342.40. The next-lowest bid was by Handy Andy, Inc., of San Antonio, Texas, at \$631,040.35. In all, nine bids were submitted.

UMR officials recommended acceptance of the American Food Management bid after considering all bids.

On-site visits were made to Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Columbia College in Columbia and Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville where American Food Management has food service programs.

Jess Zink, director of UMR's auxiliary services, accompanied by staff and students, visited all three of these campus food services.

Mr. Zink reported that it appears this firm could provide food service for the Rolla campus at less cost than the present on-campus operation. "It is difficult to identify exactly how much of a savings will be realized," Mr. Zink said. "But it would appear that American Food Management can provide Rolla's food service at approximately \$100,000 below what our costs would be for the 1979-80 academic year."

Mr. Zink also reported that every effort is being made to give careful employment consideration to present food service employees at UMR. As part of the contract, American Food Management is required to interview all present campus food service employees. Whenever possible, the firm must also employ permanent UMR food service personnel for at least three months.

Parking violators to pay more

The Board of Curators approved an increase March 23 in parking violation fees on the Rolla campus, effective Aug. 20, 1979.

The increases affect the following sections of the UMR Traffic Regulations: for improperly parked vehicles, no valid permit for the parking lot, and expired meter, the violation fee increases to \$3 from \$1; for parking in an area not designated for parking, parking in an area designated for handicapped, displaying counterfeit or altered parking permits, or parking in an official vehicle space, the violation fee increases from \$5 to \$10; for violation of multiple vehicle permits, the fee increases from \$5 to \$10.

The fees, which apply to all UMR students, faculty and staff, are used (as are all parking permit fees) to maintain parking lots.

The annual income on the Rolla campus from parking permit and violation fees is about \$27,000.

Board OKs computer rental

The Board of Curators approved the lease rental of a new computer for UM's central computer network.

Because of advancing technology, a computer with 15 percent more capacity will be obtained for about \$108,000 a year less than is now being paid for the machine it will replace, according to James R. Buchholz, UM vice president for administrative affairs.

The new machine is an IBM 3031 and will cost \$367,059 in lease rental a year. It will replace an IBM 379-158.

Buchholz said the new unit will serve partly on a backup basis, but eventually will assume the workload now on a machine at the Stewart Road computer facility.

The new machine will be installed by May 1.

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Banking professorship funded by anonymous gift to UMKC

A \$100,000 anonymous gift to the School of Administration at UMKC will be used to establish a full professorship in banking.

The gift will endow a chair to be named for Carl W. Allendoerfer, former chairman of the board of the First National Bank of Kansas City, UMKC Chancellor George A. Russell said.

Though his formal education ended with high school, Mr. Allendoerfer was known in the banking field as a scholar and an innovator. He came to Kansas City in November 1901 to work at the old American National Bank and moved to the First National Bank in January 1907. He died in 1955.

Mr. Allendoerfer was treasurer of the Kansas City Board of Education for

many years. He also served on the board of the Kansas City Association of Trusts and Foundations.

The School of Administration is currently conducting a national search for a qualified person to fill the chair.

Addition of the chair will enable the School of Administration to expand its curriculum to include a full program in banking at the undergraduate and graduate levels, effective next fall.

The school's continuing education program in banking also will be expanded this fall. A bank executive certificate program will be initiated offering selected applicants from the banking community an opportunity to acquire certification by auditing four courses in the graduate banking program.

Board elects new officers

William G. Cocos, Jr., of St. Louis was sworn in as a member of the Board of Curators at the board's March 23 meeting in Rolla. He replaces Barbara Berkmeier of Chesterfield, whose term had expired.

The board elected new officers, since the presidency was vacated by Mrs. Berkmeier leaving the board.

Wallace R. Stacey of Independence was named president and C. R. Johnston of Springfield was named vice president.

Mr. Cocos became a member of the board's physical facilities committee. Marian Oldham of St. Louis succeeded Dr. Stacey as head of the academic affairs committee. Dr. Stacey will remain a member of the committee.

The board passed a resolution



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praising Mrs. Berkmeier for her years of service on the board.

Emeritus titles announced

The UM system Board of Curators approved emeritus titles March 23 for the following persons:

Schell H. Bodenhamer, UMC associate dean emeritus of agriculture and professor emeritus of extension education, retroactive to March 1; Boyd Faulkner, UMC associate professor emeritus of regional and community affairs, effective Sept. 1;

Walter F. Heidlage, UMC associate professor emeritus of extension education, retroactive to Jan. 1; Robert L. Jackson, UMC professor emeritus of child health, retroactive to Jan. 1; Lloyd P. Jorgenson, UMC professor emeritus of education, retroactive to Jan. 1;

John F. Lasley, UMC professor

emeritus of animal husbandry, retroactive to Feb. 8; Merle E. Muhrer, UMC professor emeritus of biochemistry, retroactive to March 1; John C. Murdock, UMC dean emeritus of the graduate school and professor emeritus of economics, retroactive to Sept. 1; Carl N. Scheneman, UMC vice president emeritus and professor emeritus of extension education, effective Sept. 1;

Viola M. Stanway, UMC associate professor emeritus of agronomy, effective Sept. 1; Lloyd B. Thomas, UMC professor emeritus of chemistry, effective Sept. 1; and Charlotte G. Wells, UMC professor emeritus of speech and dramatic art, effective Sept. 1.

Phone system approved

At its March 23 meeting the Board of Curators approved a change in the telephone communication system on the Rolla campus.

The old system (PABX) which was installed in 1969, cannot be expanded. The new electronic system (EPABX) will provide additional lines to the outside, increase the number of available lines and allow access priorities to WATS and tie-lines (for in-state long-distance calls).

The new system with its increased capacity and additional features, will cost UMR an additional \$36,000 per year.

Committee recommends \$152.9 million for UM

The Senate Appropriations Committee voted March 23 to appropriate \$152,919,223 in general operating funds for UM for 1979-80.

Other amounts approved by the committee include: \$12,299,318 for UMC Hospital, \$1,989,964 for the Missouri Institute of Psychiatry, \$2,277,559 for the Missouri Kidney Program and \$387,197 for the State Historical Society of Missouri.

This represents the following increases over the current year's appropriations: general University, 11.5 percent; UMC Hospital, 5.1 percent; MIP, 12.1 percent; kidney program, 6.1 percent; and historical society, 7.1 percent.

The appropriations bill now will

go to the senate floor for consideration.

The Senate committee's recommendations are slightly higher than those approved by the House of Representatives.

The House figures are: general University, \$152,472,565; Hospital, \$12,261,500; MIP, \$1,982,288; kidney program, \$2,276,872; and historical society, \$385,902.

The difference is that the House used a 6.5 percent increase for salaries and wages, while the Senate committee used the revised Coordinating Board for Higher Education figure of 7 percent for salaries and wages.

Board approves design plans

Preliminary design plans for improving the coal-fired heating plant on the Columbia campus were among numerous building plans approved by the Board of Curators March 23.

Improvements would include installing two baghouses and two 325-foot chimneys to bring the plant into compliance with state and federal clean air standards.

Actual construction of the improvements will depend on obtaining funding from the Missouri General Assembly. The University now has a request for \$7,640,000 before the legislature to complete the project.

Plans call for the improvements to be completed and the plant to be in full compliance by June 30, 1981, providing funding is received and no undue construction delays are encountered. The plant presently is being operated under a variance granted by the Missouri Air Conservation Commission.

Other projects approved by the board included:

- Award of a contract for \$119,365 to renovate the auditorium in Ellis Library on the Columbia campus.

Jobs

UMC: Asst. dir., personnel; buyer; computer programmer analyst I; coordinators, affirmative action, athletic weights and filming, directors, alumni activities, office of public info., engineer-Physical Plant (2); mgr. campaigns and special projects; research specialist; scientific programmer analyst I; sr. accountant; sr. systems analyst; student services coord./counselor; systems analyst; lecturer, geology field camp; post-doctoral fellow in chemistry;

UMC Hospital: Asst. directors nursing, personnel; asst. mgr. medical records; assoc. director, nursing; health care evaluation analyst; staff nurse (43).

UMKC: Admin. assoc. I; scientific programmer analyst II;

UMR: Buyer; energy conservation engineer; research design engineer; sr. info. specialist; sr. research aide, materials research (2).

Work will include new lighting, new seats, a new and larger stage, a projection booth and an outside entrance to allow wheelchair access and to comply with fire safety codes. The project will be financed from campus maintenance and safety funds.

- Approval of final plans for redevelopment of the arts and science mall on the Columbia campus. The \$196,000 project is being financed entirely by UMC student capital fee improvement funds.

- Approval of final plans for expanding the emergency generator system at UMC Hospital. The work will allow additional power to be supplied to emergency rooms, intensive care units, operating rooms, laboratories and other areas in the event of loss of electrical power. The \$475,000 project is being financed with state appropriations.

- Approval of final plans for a \$184,000 project to modify and improve the patient communication system at UMC Hospital. The system will be changed to allow voice communication between patient rooms and nurse stations.

- Award of a contract for \$276,000 to rebuild the center cooling tower at the UMC heating plant. The tower is 22 years old and has deteriorated badly. Contractor for the project would be Prost Builders, Inc., of Columbia. Financing would be with heating plant repair funds.

- Award of a contract of \$104,450 for general renovation of 10 restrooms in Defoe Hall on the Columbia campus.

People

Thomas L. Good, professor of education and research scientist at the UMC Center for Research in Social Behavior, has been elected a fellow of the American Psychological Association.

Rex Waid, UMC professor of electrical engineering, will direct a summer research project intended to introduce 30 high-ability high school students to engineering.

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