Uglies come to scratch for campus crown

The Ugliest Man on Campus contest for 1971 got underway Tuesday night with a special UMOC meeting in the Alpha Phi Omega Office. With only nine of the seven determined contestants present, the meeting quickly degenerated until all UMOC chairman Chuck Rosenblatt could manage was to pass instructions to the paging uglies.

Campaigning, Rosenblatt decreed, will begin at 9 am on Monday, November 1, and close at 5 pm Friday.

This year's official candidates are:

Cruel the Spud (Mr. Unnatural, as the Explorer Club refers to this potato stock). In his statement of qualifications, the Spud claims that he is "really worth less than hemorrhoids of equal weight." His face, the petition states, "had been built to turn marble statues into lakewarm muck. His features were considered to have been recommended as "natural for the job" by Matt 'The Beast' Beasley, who reportedly declined to enter the race after smelling the Spud. Cruel the Spud lists as his domicile the Tower (Opposite Towers), the Tech's lowest-cost student housing.

Paul A. Wagoner, sponsored by Mr. Natural, who kept him tightly bound in thick heavy cord at almost all times, and who could occasionally be seen whispering into his nose.

Herman Quincy Witherspoon, sponsored by Burton. According to Nicholas Nussbaum, Witherspoon's campaign manager, "Herman is so transcendentally ugly that the semi-normal human mind refuses to measure him." Witherspoon's nose is reportedly non-functioning and his waist is immeasureable, while his height is undefined, reputedly, his ugliness, as noted above, makes it impossible for human minds to measure him. Witherspoon, who was to have graduated last June, according to his petition, earned a cumulative grade point average so low that instead he was re-admitted to MIT this fall as a freshman (this reporter heard no comment from the CAF).

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