

dent groups to make sure they spent no part of the \$82.50-per-student activity fee on "anything from any company that has any holding in South Africa," be it paper or soda pop.

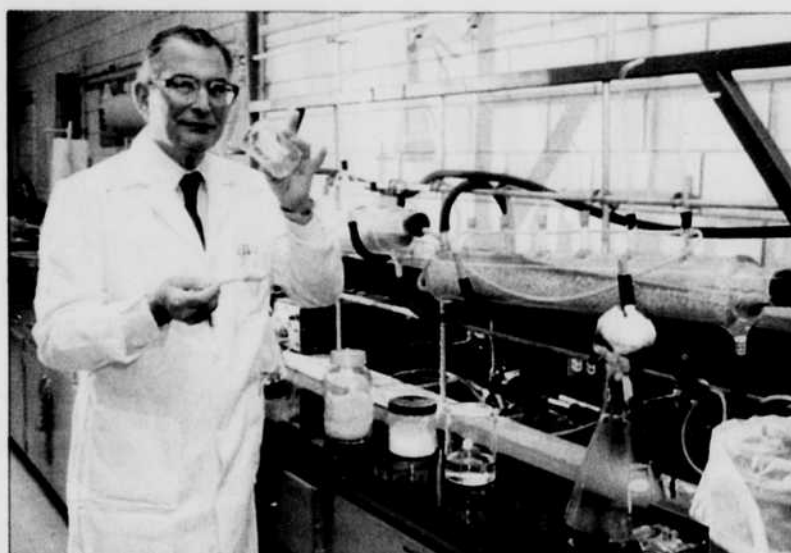
Requests will be reviewed by the SGA comptroller, who oversees a \$1 million budget. "All along, we have been censuring the university for investments in [these] companies, and yet we haven't taken any action," said Laura Suchowolec, SGA vice president of academic affairs and author of the policy. "It was about time that we did."

Some companies, meanwhile, are making their own protests against divestment. Several firms with operations in South Africa, including FMC Corp. and Marathon Oil Corp., have stopped donating money for grants and scholarships to schools that unload their stocks. FMC, which makes machinery, has cut off aid to six schools, including Rutgers, Ohio State, Michigan State and Minnesota.

Good Brews, Beer Nuts

This could become a brew-haha: a food scientist at the University of Georgia claims to have created the world's first instant—well, sort of—beer. Using genetically manipulated yeast, Dr. Mostafa K. Hamdy says he has created flakes that will turn into beer roughly 36 hours after water is added. (Beer, of course, is mostly water, but the standard brewing process takes 40 to 90 days.) According to Hamdy, his powdered portion tastes as good as fine European imports; he says it could save brewers and retailers millions each year in shipping and storage since it needs no refrigeration and takes up less room than wet beer. Passing the savings on to consumers could mean "you might not pay but \$1 per six-pack."

Hamdy says he can easily



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How dry I am: Georgia's Hamdy with powdered suds in lab

vary the suds' strength from nonalcoholic to a knockout 18 percent. The process, says the inventor, could be applied to other beverages as well. "I'll get you the driest martini ever," he jokes. Hamdy's boasts are hard to check since he is not

only secretive about the details of his process but also stingy with his brew, which he says is in short supply so far. He did let a NEWSWEEK ON CAMPUS reporter sample the dry stuff to check the taste; it was beery, but mainly tasted, well, dry.

Blunt Talk About AIDS

As AIDS continues to take a grim toll nationally, fear of the disease on campus has spread. Students worry about the risk to their own health; administration officials are also concerned about protecting the rights of those already infected. Although definitive answers about AIDS are in short supply, public-health groups are offering a wealth of helpful advice.

"The primary response of any institution has to be an educational program," says Dr. Richard P. Keeling, chairman of the American College Health Association's AIDS Task Force. Accordingly, the ACHA has established a set of descriptive guidelines on how universities should deal with AIDS victims. Among the rec-

ommendations: let them attend class and live in dorms "as long as they are physically able." So far, a majority of the ACHA's 1,200 members

have adopted the guidelines.

The ACHA also has distributed 3 million brochures on how to reduce the likelihood of contracting AIDS. One pam-

phlet, called "Safe Sex," describes the riskiest sexual practices in blunt language. While some students are offended by the graphic phraseology, reaction has been mostly positive. "These are the expressions that people use in real life," says Ben Plowden, a Tulane grad student. "Not very many people say, 'Let's go have receptive sexual contact with condoms'."

College officials are not the only ones pushing AIDS prevention on campus. The 3,000 chapters of the American Red Cross recently launched a \$1 million, yearlong public-education campaign, distributing AIDS information through posters, documentary films and lectures. At least some of the message appears to be hitting home. "Every time I go home, my mother tells me to wear a rubber," reports Tulane junior Brian Foster. "She says, 'Wear your retainer, wear your seat belt—and wear your you-know-what'."

