For Rossie

Many may view at the thought of going to the polls today to vote in yet another student body election, one where results seem assured. Indeed, the very idea of the recall election has become unpopular, even among those who opposed the anti-Rossie petitions. However, for all apathy and inattention to the campaign, we feel it essential that Richard Rossie receive a strong vote of confidence in today's election.

Today's voting is the result of an unwarranted and unwise petition campaign. The recall petition was circulated, debated, and defeated by the Student Senate, and before many students became aware of Rossie's role in formulating the new judicial code or the Student Life Council itself.

Predictably, no viable alternative to the Student Body President has come forth in the campaign, and even moderate and conservative leaders have lined up behind Richard Rossie.

Although we criticize the circumstances responsible for today's ballot in the task of supporting the Student Body President must not be ignored. Richard Rossie is guilty of having displayed a loose tongue at all parts of the year. He is also guilty of being an open, conscientious, and successful Student Body President. Rather than "alienating" factors, the administration as the recall petition charged, it would seem that the SLJC, the judicial code, and a revised manual of student rights mark Rossie as a successful negotiator.

We also look to the future, and in this context today's vote is of great consequence. Rossie's success with the administration in the past has come about, at least partially, as a result of the support of the student body as demonstrated in last February's election. If the returns tonight indicate a lack of faith in Rossie, his position in bargaining with the administration may be made untenable.

In spite of our criticisms of the circumstances of the recall, we urge the student body to vote and to support the Student Body President. Responsible student self-government is being challenged in today's election. A vote for Richard Rossie is the means of supporting this principle.

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St. Mary's Drops Hours, Changes Sign-Out Rules

Last night the Student Affairs Committee of St. Mary's College adopted a revised sign-out system for the campus curfew. The proposal, which will go into effect November 15, gives the freshmen more liberal hours and grants upperclassmen the right of determining their own hours.

The Student Affairs Committee is composed of Sister Immaculata, CSC, the Dean of Students, three faculty members, the President and Vice-President of the Student Government and the presidents of the individual classes. This is the Committee's first official act; it was created last spring as a part of St. Mary's Community Government.

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors will now have the freedom of coming into the dormitory whenever they wish. In the event that a student will be out past the designated hours, which are 12:00 during the week and 2:00 on weekends, the student must notify the dock officer at the dormitory. In the event the student has not notified the dock, in the event the student has not notified the dock, the guard will be called at the dormitory to admit any student to the dormitory.

The system of late minutes will continue to apply to freshmen. Oversight and weekend signout procedures will remain the same for freshmen.

The changes will go into effect on November 15. The reason for the delay in effecting the system is that certain procedural details must still be worked out and the parents must be notified. The Student Affairs Committee will send out a letter to all parents of students at the college. This letter will explain the new regulations and ask that should the parents desire to further restrict their daughters' curfews, the arrangements should be made between parents and daughters thus relieving the school of any in loco parentis responsibility.

Theresa Ambrusko, Student Body President, said, "This is an important step in the progress we hope to achieve through the Community Government." At yesterday's meeting, the committee experienced certain difficulties. Senators Mary Kennedy and Eileen Hayes were excluded from the meeting on the basis of an earlier decision that meetings should be closed. Misses Hayes and Kennedy stated that they could see no justification for the closure of the meeting.

Sally Strobel, Vice-President of the Student Body who chairs the committee explained the committee's position: "Since it is the right of the committee to decide its own procedures, we voted to have closed meetings to enable expediency, free communication among members, and order.

The next meeting of the committee will open for discussion on the enforcement of the new hours policy.

Latest Violence Closes Sr. Bar

Senior Class President Dave Witt yesterday announced that, as of midnight tonight, the senior class has terminated its business association with the Flamingo Restaurant. The closing of Club 69, which is effective immediately, follows the recent violence that has occurred at the Flamingo.

Yesterday evening Witt, senior class Vice-President and Senior Bar manager Gordon Beeler met with several faculty members: Professors John Housak, Frank O'Malley, Sister Libby, and Hugh O'Brien to discuss the problem of relocation. Witt called for the relocation of the Senior Bar to the old faculty club, which now sits dormant south of the stadium.

Witt issued the following statement concerning the relocation of the Senior Bar: "You may recall that the Student Senate of 1969 took office last year they considered many locations for the Senior Bar. We returned to the Flamingo only after repeated attempts to obtain the old faculty club had failed. Our decision to return was based upon three factors: 1) size of physical plant, 2) its proximity to the campus, and 3) its equity of financial arrangements.

"Recent developments must now negate that decision. Saturday night's unfortunate events are only the last in a series of disorders. To make matters worse, police protection is inadequate. One South Bend police man was reported to have said to an N.D. student last Saturday night, 'Those guys have knives. You'll have to get bigger guns.'

"Mr. Witt went on to say that the officers of the senior class do not feel that 'bigger knives are the answer.'" Witt said that he believes the old faculty club would make an ideal senior bar, "I cannot wait until that day could become a source of income for both the class and the university."

"Too many times our pleas have fallen on deaf ears," Witt added. "Only last month the class of 1969 once again presented a rationale to the Vice-Principals of the University concerning the use of the old faculty club. Now time has run out. And now, once again, the senior class must ask itself, 'Is anybody listening?'"

Foe Raps DeGaulle

Francois Mitterand, former French cabinet minister and leader of the opposition to President Charles DeGaulle in France's national elections, analyzed his nation's foreign and domestic policies before a crowd of more than 200 last night at St. Mary's. Mitterand was strongly critical of Gaullist foreign policy, proclaiming it to be based on the national interests and saying it ignored other European authorities.

"DeGaulle is a realist who recognizes no European authority other than himself," Mitterand talked at length from France's papers last May, listing a denial of recognition of student unions, a recognition of student groups, and anticipated examination systems as causes of the disturbances. The anti-Gaullist leader concluded that the French student disorders differed from those of other nations in the fact that "In Paris and in Paris only did a student revolt threaten a government. It actually shook DeGaulle."

Mitterand told of the differences between his party and the left and the students, maintaining that the students thought they could create a revolutionary situation. We thought they could not."

However, Mitterand, who himself challenged DeGaulle in the 1965 Presidential elections, praised the courage of students opposing the French President. Mitterand reflected "The deep down explanation is that youth is revolt was expressing the society which had brought it up for not offering solutions therefore monetary. The activity did not take into account its spiritual aspect."
Recall Election Set Today

Polls will open today in every hall at 11:30 am for Notre Dame's first Student Body Presidential recall election. Students may vote from 11:30 am until 1 pm in the afternoon and from 5:30 pm to 7 pm. The off-campus office will be open all day for balloting.

Students have varying opinions concerning who will suffer most from the recall. Rossie's supporters would not see it as a loss, Rossie's campaign manager said. Rossie's supporters will turn out to vote as he did last turnout.

The main point in Dillenburger's campaign has been objection to Rossie's tactics in dealing with the University Administration. Dillenburger contends that Rossie maintains a system of confrontation with the University and Dillenburger advocates responsible negotiation.

Rossie has said that he expects Rossie to win. While Rossie and his campaign have met with some hostility, several students have evidence interest in the organization.

ND Schedules Issue Day

The following is a list of Issues Day events to take place on the Notre Dame campus today, their time, and their location:

Late Morning: A teach-in on the Notre Dame environment and the Black man by members of the Notre Dame Afro-American Society is attempting to awaken student interest in the needs for the black student and he will work specifically for those ends is elected. He has proposed that Student Government establish a 52,000 scholarship to be awarded to an incoming black freshman.

Tuesdays are seen as a test of the growth of population, the world will soon be unable to cope with it; second, the Pope's stand would preclude effective action to control its growth; and third, therefore one should not follow the encyclical.

Aside from the highly questionable validity of the individual points, there is a more important issue of whether the approach is right. Namely, should the Pope decide a moral conflict on the basis of the decision's effect on practical social problems.

The answer must be a clear "no." Whatever anyone thinks about the Pope, it is clear that if he makes a decision it must be based on the morality of the question and not its social implications.

Another interesting, no more valid point, which is akin to the first is that which condemns the encyclical's concern with the morality of birth control. This is most obvious in the wholesale rejection of the idea of natural law.

Such a rejection is wholly in keeping with the times, because few people anymore accept that God made the way we are for a definite reason. Moreover, people seem to reject the notion that everything has a nature. Man does have a nature though because by definition his nature is what makes him a man. What is that makes you and me men? There must be something, and that something is important enough to be considered in any moral conflict. Some men, almost facetiously say that because men are free, they have no limiting nature; the answer to which is merely that if all men are free, it is because there is something of men's nature which makes them free.

The truth is more apparent to one who accepts the idea that man is, in the fullest sense of the words, created by God; not something evolved haphazardly, but one that evolved in accordance with God's plan. It is God's will that we are the way we are. And the way we are, our nature, is this: whenever a man and woman unite in the most beautiful expression of their love for one another (and God), that love can bring forth a child created in God's image. Our very bodies are made so that the functions of uniting in love and giving birth to new life are inextricable combined in our own flesh and not just an accident.

Win $250

Your story about our Fun Shirt of Creslan® may win it.

Based on a letter from a student who submitted his funniest story about the Fun Shirt of Creslan®. Runners-up who have changed its life, we decided to hold a contest.

The following are the rules for entering:

1. Tell us the funniest story about the Fun Shirt of Creslan® you know.
2. Tell us how you changed the life of someone else.
3. Entries must be received by December 1, 1969.

Judges will be awarded to an incoming black freshman.
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Irish on Mutual

Some 300 radio stations of the Mutual Broadcasting Company are carrying Irish games this fall. Van Patrick & Al Wester do the play-by-play with Bill Etherton, WNDU television ace, on the sidelines to interview players. Mutual put up $60,000 for the 1968 radio rights, outbidding ABC, last year's Irish network.

Contest Begins

At the end of last summer, Sports Illustrated, true to form, stated that Michigan State had overtaken Notre Dame as the top collegiate contributor to pro football. SI said that 18 pros hailed from MSU whereas 14 listed ND as their alma mater.

All things considered, it was a pretty neat trick by Dan Jenkins & Co. After all, the pros were just settling into their respective training camps at the time and nobody was thinking about final cuts. Yet, SI "knew" that when rosters were submitted to the league officials, State would have an 18-14 advantage over the Irish. Then, Sept. 25, South Bend Tribune's Joe Doyle, also true to form, listed all the former ND lads now playing in the NFL. His percentage actually wasn't that bad. He forgot only Alan Page of the Minnesota Vikings.

Compiling these lists is rather difficult because of the way men are activated from the taxi squads, placed on the injury reserve list for 30 days, etc. Changes are made so often that even the head coach probably couldn't give you an accurate list at a given time during the season.

As far as we can figure through, there are currently 21 wins of du Lac on active rosters of NFL clubs, compared to 14 Spartans. In the AFL, the count stands 10-10 (and if you think that's ironic, I do too).

Today, Observer Sport challenges you to a contest which will test your knowledge of ex-Irish gridders now in the pro ranks. Three weeks ago, we asked you to name of the 14 listed ND as their Alma mater. We'll give you a pigeon, but watch for the difficulty to increase.

UPI Has Irish 15th

NEW YORK (UPI)-Purdue moved up a notch in this week's UPI coaches' "top 10" to hold down sixth place, but Notre Dame, which lost its second game of the season Saturday, dropped out of the first 10.

Purdue was given 130 points in the balloting to move from seventh to sixth place on the strength of the Boilermaker's 44-14 rout of Iowa.

The Irish, fifth last week but a 21-17 winner at Michigan State Saturday, were dropped to 15th place in the voting.

A.R.A. RAPS OFFICIALS

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (UPI)—Notre Dame coach Ara Parseghian said yesterday he could not understand how the officials missed calling pass interference on Michigan State in the closing minutes of the game with the Spartans on Saturday.

"On third down we had Jim Seymour moving into the open in the end zone," he said. "And Terry Hanratty had naked the ball when the defensive back just tackled Seymour.

"Everybody in the press box and the stadium and the millions on television saw it, and the officials didn't, I guess. I hate to have a game hinge on an official's call. But we either had no pass interference if we got the ball back down on the 1 yard line if interference is called.

"Instead it's fourth down and we didn't make it. It was upsetting. It wasn't a judgment call either. With five officials, there should not be any uncertainty."