by Jeff Noonan

Some, if not many, Notre Dame and St. Mary's students travelling home for Easter vacation may be affected by the threatened Professional Air Controller's Organization walk out. The walk out was to occur at 8:00 a.m. this morning. Telephone calls made to the St. Joseph's County Airport in South Bend revealed varied expectations of the results of the walk out.

The Air Controllers in the tower at St. Joseph's County airport stated that to their knowledge there would be no strike. Mr. Don Chase, head of flight services for the Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) in South Bend, said, "Airlines will be operating today."

Many flights out and through South Bend yesterday evening were medically filled the nervous apprehensive walk out. Some Notre Dame and SMC students, anticipating the shut-down of air transportation, made reservations for Tuesday afternoon and evening, even though classes are not officially concluded at Notre Dame until Thursday afternoon.

United Airlines representatives at the airport advised them that they could not say definitely whether or not the walk out would actually take place. United recommended that concerned students should listen to radio news broadcasts today. The United spokesman at St. Joseph's County Airport said that if the walk out happened, it would begin at 8:00 this morning and that all United flights would be cancelled.

Allegheiny Airlines, also out of South Bend, said that they did not know if the threatened walk out would occur, but that if it did all flights would be in the air. These flights might, however, be somewhat "slowed up."

At North Central Airlines' central reservation headquarters, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Miss Ann Morici, a reservations clerk, reported that the only information they had heard was the broadcasts on radio and television.

"Usually, in this circumstance, flights will merely be delayed. Everything else remains the same," she added.

If the air controllers do strike, ND-SMC students traveling North Central's "green" gate with youth cards will not be affected.

United Press International (UPI) reports that "the 7,500 man union said the slowdown would go into effect at 8 a.m. Wednesday in all its branches as "a bargaining condition."

A spokesman for the union said that the controllers plan to call in sick in response because of fatigue. UPI stated that these controllers "claim the combination of fatigue and obsolete equipment is endangering the safety of the air traffic control system."

This "sick out" is reminiscent of a walk out of June 1969 which paralyzed all major airports of the nation.

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Krashna calls appointee 'sensative'

Bob Pohl named SU head

Bob Pohl became the Student Union Director for next year last evening after the Student Senate Board of Directors approved his nomination by 59-2 affect, Dave Krashna. Applications for the position were also submitted by Tom Oliveri and Stay Senator Pat Weber.

Pohl's nomination was made after Krashna had interviewed each applicant. Krashna said Pohl has the potential to make the Student Union more personel and to break down the "karass" that exists.

He also mentioned that Pohl knows how to constructively handle criticism because he is "sensitive" to other people's opinions.

According to Krashna, the new director is capable of diversifying union activities and expending them to the campus as a whole. Krashna claimed that the other candidates were not as familiar with Student Union and its direction. Krashna stated that he hopes that they will continue their interest in the union and the student government as a whole.

Outgoing director, Dennis Clark, said that he was extremely pleased with the choice.

Clark added that Pohl was a proven leader and he "will be able to help the Union continue to fulfill and hopefully expand upon its function as a service to the university community."

Clark's administration will work closely with Pohl during the next few weeks to "help smooth the transition."

Clark said that he will continue many of Clark's programs, such as lectures and concerts. According to Pohl, the Union is "over centralized." He plans to reduce this problem by letting parts of the Union work in the halls. He gave an example of a speaker who was invited to illustrate his point. Instead of Union officials entertaining the speaker with dinner or party, the speaker would be invited to visit halls and conduct informal sessions.

Pohl also stated that he likes a few foreign cultural festival and bring more blacks into the Student Union.

Clark the next year announce congratulated Clark for his work in restructuring the Union, giving it "financial stability". Pohl said that the Union will be able to do much for the students next year as a result of Clark's work.

Pohl and his staff will begin work under the guidance of Clark's staff, and will probably announce power around April twelfth.

With today's edition of The Observer will end publication until April 7. We wish all of you a most blessed and happy Easter Season.

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Ask curfew changes

by Ann Therese Darin

In an attempt to eliminate the curfew for SMC's Freshman Class, freshmen Laura Bayer and Ginny Zocco are initiating a drive to sample parental opinion on the issue.

Their proposal is in the form of a letter explaining to parents the present curfew regulations, the consequences of their vote, and an attached list of five possible curfew changes.

They drafted what they term "constructive proposal" for curfew changes because they believe that there should be some responsible tabulation for parental permission on the subject since any kind of curfew would necessitate parental permission.

Choices on the questionnaire include no curfew restrictions for freshman year, one weekend a month, or second semester.

Parents are also given the option of indicating whether they agree with the curfew changes, but would not want them granted to their daughter.

Presently freshmen must be in their residence halls at dorm closing. Dorm closing in the residence hall manual is defined as midnight on Sunday—Thursdays, Friday and Saturday evenings.

Committee shows division

by John Abord

During the past week the Student Senate and The Hall President's Council moved jointly to establish a committee which would propose a new constitution for the operation of student government. The committee is composed of Stay Senators Tom Thraisher, Fred Gafkeffka, Pat Weber and Russ Stone as well as Hall Presidents Phil DeBlase, Tom Sudden and Mike Lindburg. A fourth hall president's seat is as yet unfilled. The other members of the committee are SBP's Dave Krashna and SBVP-Mark Wissig.

Krashna, in an interview last week, classified the role of the committee as one of investigating the present Student Government and propose a new coordinative body called the Student Forum. This body, as outlined in the campaign, would be composed of the Hall President's council with off-campus representation.

Krashna claimed that: "After our mandate we think this is what the students want." Krashna also said that John Barkert of Mortonsey would be the HPC's fourth representative on the committee.

Grace Stay Senator Tom Thraisher saw the committee in a different perspective. Thraisher, also interviewed last night, anticipated a new constitution which would be "shorter, less wordy, more clear, descriptive and technically correct," than its predecessor. Thraisher called the old constitution which is nine pages long "superfluous" and "sketchy" in its description of the offices and duties of present government structures. He cited as an example, the confusion surrounding last year's recall election against Richard Reese which resulted in a long amendment clarifying recall procedures.

Asked to comment on the possibility of a Student Forum being incorporated into the new constitution, Thraisher said he believed the proposal would probably be approved in committee. He suggested that there might be "a lot of controversy" if this were the case. The student Senate could then either approve the new constitution or the minority report by 2/3 vote or submit either or both to a student referendum requiring approval of 50% plus one of the entire undergraduate student body.

Grace's other Stay Senator H. Patrick Weber expressed confidence in the Student Senate. While he thought the idea of a Student Forum "could be feasible" he viewed the Student Senate as a more functional body.

"The only thing the Student Senate needs is a rededication on the part of the Senators so that they realize just what their job is," he concluded at Notre Dame until Thursday evening.

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Stay Senator Tom Thraisher
Stay Senator Pat Weber

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Summer in Cleveland

Undergraduate and graduate students can earn up to 9 semester hours of credit during the seven-week term at Case Western Reserve University (June 22-Aug. 7).

For further information, write to the Office of the Summer Session, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio 44106, or stop in during your spring break.

Case Western Reserve University

According to Student Body President Phil McKenna, the University Senate will need assistance either in the form of an Academic Council or a Faculty Ombudsman to handle complaints ranging from rats at the tap to stolen laundry, as well as in the form of a Student Senate to examine the possibilities of setting aside special student elections for the positions.

McKenna also hinted that some sort of student election of faculty members to positions on an academic council or to ombudsman offices may be desirable.

The SLC action is the result of work done earlier this year by the Academic Affairs Sub-Committee of the Student Senate. The committee recommended an Academic Appeals Council to fill the void left since the termination of the Honor Council, and, as was reported in the February 10th issue of the Observer, sought an effective means for handling complaints by faculty and students concerning cases of cheating, plagiarism, and unfair grading practices.

Under the proposal, a "university ombudsman" would represent the present student ombudsman, and be a faculty member with more power in academic areas.

According to the report given to the SLC, the present student ombudsman would continue to handle complaints against members of the administration, and to act as an intermediary in cases where students were being suspiciously handled by the institution and by the fact that it did not have a system of, or proposal to, establish the necessary services.

McKenna said that he is among those elections for the positions of a system of a university ombudsman service. This service would include a full-time salaried Ombudsman, with several other students serving as assistant ombudsmen on a part time basis and a faculty member or an academic grievance committee in each college to handle academic grievances.

The SLC bill, which was passed unanimously, endorses the concept of a University Ombudsman, and, recommends that the Student Senate and the Academic Councils investigate the idea of the University Ombudsman Service with a particular emphasis on the necessity of and role of a Faculty Ombudsman and/or Academic Grievance Committee in each individual college.

The question remains as to whether or not the proposals is still whether to set up a Grievance Council, or to have a faculty Ombudsman in each college.

The academic council in each college would be composed of two faculty members from the college to students, and the university ombudsman. A student or teacher having a complaint would go through the council. The proponents of the Grievance Council system point out, however, that it is in no way intended to be a trial, but simply a way to get both sides together.

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They have one thing in common... they're Franciscan Vocation Office

FRANCISCAN VACATION OFFICE 11950 gj 11950
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
I would like to find out whether or not the Franciscan priesthood or brotherhood is "my bag."

Name
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Several postal workers were arrested, including some who had been picketing outside post offices. The arrests were made to prevent further disruption of mail service.

Mail distribution centers throughout the country were affected, with delays reported in several major cities. The situation was expected to improve as more postal workers returned to work.

The Postal Service announced that it would continue to operate with as few interruptions as possible. However, some delays were inevitable.

In New York City, workers at the Javits Center were among those arrested. They had been picketing outside the post office to demand an end to the lockout.

The move by the Postal Service was met with criticism from some quarters, with some union leaders calling it an overreaction.

Meanwhile, in other parts of the country, postal workers continued to demonstrate and picket. The situation remained tense as both sides tried to reach an agreement.
Diamond success hinges at Mound

by Jim Donaldson

Observer Sports Writer

With the coming of spring the college baseball season moves into full swing and the thump of baseballs is heard once again being worn down by the crack of the bat. The first week of the 1970 rounders schedule will see the Fighting Irish nine embarking on a trip to Miami, Florida, where they will play six ball games in the area and be hosted by the University of Miami.

On the eve of the trip head Coach Mike Conwell, who shot an optimistic "I think we’ve got a good chance of finishing second in the league," said that the Irish would go to Miami to practice and it helped us get our timing down."

Although the Irish will be hurt by the loss of ace pitcher Nick Furlong following an approach and the graduation of last year's second baseman, Rick Lutz, the Irish should be fine for the coming year.

Shining brightest among the returning veterans are Bill Ora, top hitter on the ’69 team, and centerfielder Rich Lauer, called by coach Counsell "one of the team's top ball players in mid-season, has a strong arm and is a fine hitter." Ora, a senior first of the Irish team, has had more than half his trips to the plate last season. Lauer leads the team in four of the 33 at-bats for a phenomenal .515 average. Ora also drove home 14 runs and was second in that department. Lauer batted the ball at .295 this year, driving in 22 runs. He also tied two of the bases, tops on the club, on 23 hits.

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