Merger hopes killed; speculation rampant

by Ann Therese Darin
Observer Associate Editor

Informed sources revealed over the long weekend that plans for a Notre Dame-St. Mary's merger, in the offing for almost a year, have been scrapped by Trustees of the two schools.

Edmund A. Stephan, chairman of Notre Dame's Board of Trustees, and Mother Olivette Whelan, chairman of St. Mary's Board, are scheduled to issue "an important announcement" through the university office of public information this afternoon.

Notre Dame President Theodore Hesburgh said that two separate statements are being prepared. One was released to the ND faculty this morning. The other statement will be released at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Hesburgh declined to comment on the contents of the two statements. He said that they were prepared by representatives of both schools.

Reportedly the statement will definitely suspend unification. In the same release, sources revealed that the University will announce its intent to accept women students for the 1972-73 academic year.

Although the statement allegedly will not stipulate the number of women to be admitted, some university administrators approximated the number at 400.

The statement supposedly says that the University will not terminate coeducational programs with St. Mary's College. However, may have to start paying for present coexchange services which include cafeteria exchange, shuttle bus transportation between the two campuses, tuition per credit hour for coexchange classes, and fees for the use of university computers to program students schedules, payrolls, and report cards.

While the two schools still desire unifications, the statement allegedly contends, the Trustees are still far apart on terms.

Stephan could not be reached for comment. In Chicago, his secretary revealed he will be in Russia until Dec. 7. Likewise Mother Olivette Whelan was unavailable for comment.

ND Trustee's secretary, Paul F. Hellmuth, claimed he had not yet received notification of the plans yesterday afternoon in Boston.

William Cahill, a 10-year member of the St. Mary's Board, however, denied that the two boards had terminated unification plans. Cahill attended the Ad-Hoc meeting on Unification Nov. 30-31, with St. Mary's representatives P. Jordan Hamel and Srs. Olivia, Alma, and Gerald. Notre Dame's representatives to the meeting included Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, president; executive vice-president Rev. Edmund Joyce; Provost Rev. James T. Burtchaell, Trustees Student Affairs Committee Chairman Thomas Carney, and Stephan. Cahill said that, "I felt the meeting was very satisfactory. In fact, there is another meeting planned before Christmas."

"I can't speak for Notre Dame," he continued. "We certainly haven't withdrawn at St. Mary's though."

He felt, however, students are "overemphasizing" the finances of the merger. He indicated faculty contracts and merger of administrations are critical points.

"The joint budget alone is a tough problem," he related. "As far as SMC faculty contracts for next year, Notre Dame originally agrees to issue them. They didn't realize at the time, the depth of the problem. There are personnel problems to be resolved -- and you can't put a general solution to specific problems."

P. Jordan Hamel the other lay SMC member of the Ad-Hoc Committee, will be out of town (Chicago) until Dec. 2. It could not be ascertained whether he attended the meeting. Some SMC faculty have indicated that all of the listed representatives did not attend the meeting which may have thrown its results into jeopardy.

While Cahill felt the merger would be continued, apparently other SMC representatives to the Ad-Hoc Committee believe differently.

In Boston, the consulting board of the college region for the Sisters of the Holy Cross, owners of the college property, sent a telegram last weekend to the Ad-Hoc Committee meeting.

According to one sister present at the meeting, the wire said the board, "deplored the breaking off of the merger." SMC representatives present at the assembly included Srs. Alma, acting president; Elena, theology instructor; and Franzita, English instructor.

Late last week Sr. Alma sent letters to all SMC professors describing the tensions. In the letter, she indicated she would meet today at 1:00 pm with SMC department chairman to discuss the situation.

She also scheduled meetings with the rank and tenure committee (2:00 p.m.) and with the faculty (4:30 p.m.). At the faculty meeting, Mother Olivette Whelan will speak.

Notre Dame officials, however, denied they had planned any meetings to inform their faculty of the changes.

Notre Dame students may receive letters from Fr. Burtchaell in their mailboxes confirming the actions of the administration today or tomorrow.

Transferring?

Although university admissions officials admitted they were as unclear as anyone on campus about the coeducation announcement, they clarified admissions procedure for upper class transfer students.

John Goldrick, an admissions officer, indicated an applicant must have 30 hours of credit from an accredited college or university.

Students wishing to transfer or even thinking about a move should contact the admissions office to arrange an appointment with a counselor.

Edmund A. Stephan
Chairman of the Notre Dame Board of Trustees, scheduled to issue "an important announcement."

Fr. Theodore M. Hesburgh
President of the University, "two statements being prepared," for release this afternoon.

Sister Alma
Acting President of St. Mary's, informed faculty of tension, will meet with SMC faculty this afternoon.
Nixon threatens tax bill veto

by Eileen Shanahan
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Washington, Nov. 29—President Nixon warned Congress today that he would veto the tax bill if it contained either the controversial plan to finance presidential campaigns out of tax funds or what were termed "budget-busting" amendments added by the Senate.

The veto statement, conveyed by Clark MacGregor, was the most unequivocal to date. But many members of Congress, including some Republicans, expressed some doubt that Nixon really meant veto talk was

Student Government Congress, including some amendments added by the Congress today that he would

Republicans, expressed some by Clark MacGregor, was the the House Ways and Means Committee, said the veto talk was "a polite way of

Halls will give out co-ex meal tickets

In co-operation with the hall presidents, all co-ex meal tickets will be distributed through the individual halls, Gary Karuso, co-ex director announced. No more tickets will be available at the Notre Dame Student Government Office. The move was taken at the request of the Hall Presidents' Council.

Distribution at St. Mary's will remain essentially the same as before, except that the tickets at LeMans, Regina, and Holy Cross will only be offered on a day-to-day basis, rather than on the weekly schedule previously followed.

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New Delhi-Indian and Pakistani forces clashed for the third consecutive day in the Hilli region of East Pakistan, according to Indian officials. At a briefing near the border, the officials said that Pakistan troops had launched a counterattack against Indian forces that had entered East Pakistan as a defensive measure.

Washington-The State Department said that President Nixon sent personal messages to India, Pakistan and the Soviet Union urging an end to the fighting along the India-Pakistan border. The note to Moscow, a reliable source said, asked the Soviet Union to use its influence with India to prevent the outbreak of full-scale war.

Washington-President Nixon's chief White House lobbyist, Clark MacGregor, told Congress that Nixon would veto the tax-cut bill if it contained either the plan to finance presidential campaigns with tax funds or what were called "budget-busting" amendments added by the Senate.

In a recent letter to Javits, the original sponsor of war powers legislation, Stennis praised the principles of the compromise bill as "clear" and "sound" and expressed hope that some version of the bill would be enacted into law "in the near future."

Such an endorsement by the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee is virtually certain to result in widespread conservative support for the legislation. Javits and Eagleton, meanwhile, can be expected to rally liberal and moderate support for the legislation.

The hope of the sponsors is that the legislation can be approved by the Senate early next year, before the issue could become involved in the presidential politics of an election year, with the suggestion that the bill in some ways was aimed at Nixon. There would remain the problem of obtaining approval of the House, which has taken a less assertive attitude on the issue of the relative war powers of Congress and the presidency, but the hope is that Stennis' sponsorship will result in a more sympathetic approach on the part of the House leadership.

With the war powers legislation, the committee would have an opportunity to reassert the principle...
Thanksgiving Turkey from the Trustees

It was thoughtful of the Trustees to cook up such a nice Thanksgiving surprise for the student body. After platitudinizing for some time about the long-overdue merger, select groups of Trustees—meeting in secret, as per platitudinizing most sonorously about the long-overdue definitely”—which means forever.

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It was a particularly nice surprise for the St. Mary’s fresh­-men and sophomores who willingly contracted themselves to two years of inferior education at St. Mary’s in expectation of a final Notre Dame education and a Notre Dame degree at the end of the process. It was a particularly nice surprise for American Studies and Drama majors from Notre Dame, who will find themselves without a department as the co­-exchange programs disintegrate.

Apparently an inability to settle on one budget for the two schools—the Holy Cross nuns were hot after more than a few dois the merger in. In no state of mind, can the college around on its own, this time.

So it goes. So it always goes. The question remains: what good can Notre Dame make out of this bleak situation? Well, it can renew its commitment to go co-ed—on their own, this time. It would mean that the university would eventually dredge up as the ultimate cause for the merger’s tragic ter­mination, conscienses of the moribund will have a high old time the next couple of weeks trying to figure out the behavior of the Holy Cross nuns, the Powers behind the Thrones and Dominations currently running the college. They must have known that the alternative to merger was an indescribably coeducational Notre Dame—an alternative that would turn St. Mary’s into a finishing school for morons.

The University can also lure Education and Drama faculty from St. Mary’s so that Notre Dame can legitimately award degrees to its Drama and Education majors. It would mean that Notre Dame would have to strain its budget and expand its facilities, but that is a more attractive alternative than abandoning the training of a third of Notre Dame’s buildings in a bankruptcy auction. St. Mary’s—Sister Alma and all—ought to last about ten years as a minor league convent. After that the campus can be divvied up between Notre Dame to its East and the dairy farm to its West.

the mourning after gang

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hey, camarry, where’s the story?
everything you wanted to know about thanksgiving at school*

* but were afraid to ask

Dear Mom,

Thought I was coming home for the holidays. Wanted you didn't you? You should know by now that rides to Texas for four lost days don't exist (leave early! Me, a Notre Dame student! Mother please!). Besides, there is much more interesting things to do up here in the rain and snow.

The first inklings of what could be done was last weekend, (and I remember last weekend's last day) were two weeks ago. A dinner? Why not? All I gotta do is get enough dum-dums that are hanging around to help pay for it, get aloin of an oven, and have a fight.

Too bad it wasn't that easy....

First problem was finding people that were available. Everybody was being held hostage, no matter if they lived in Mishawaka or Hollywood. There, it managed to phone proved this. But was I to be daunted? Never! I persisted.

Wednesday morning arrived, and a motley bunch of seven had finally been assembled: myself; Jim McDermott, illustrious night editor of the Observer; Jerry Latkus, equally picturesque news editor; one that publication; Mary Gallagher, up and coming reporter and love-note acceptor; plus three of Lutkus' cardboard buddies. We probably would have had more, but we were too honest not to tell who worked or what they earned.

I dressed warmly and, my eating utensils and love-story phone made me believe in the culinary devotion soon to be committed! Wednesday morning dawned, and the first of our many excursions to the friendly market. Jim, Maria, and I all piled into Maria's chauffeured (by Maria's Datsun for the journey to the A&P. Thirty minutes later (and the load of a full dinner-in-the-making-. We staggered out under the load of a full dinner-in-the-making. We parked it a brief moment to give Jim McDermott again for his insistence on fresh vegetables, and real butter. ("Don't worry, I'll take care of all that").

Thursday morning: first thing, I overslept (nothing unusual there). I went warm and my eating utensils and TV (for the Big Game) shung over my abdomen. So I managed to struggle over to Regina Hall, where Maria had already begun chopping celery and apples around the edges, but not bad for a novice.

Meanwhile, Maria was having a few problems with the great 15-pound beast, the turkey. After a brief struggle with a piece of wire holding the legs together, she managed to open it enough to fill it up with her concoction of assorted ingredients.

One problem, though:

"Where are the rest of the giblets? All we've got is the neck." A careful search followed, but still no luck. So an emergency phone call went out to Delaware for making gravy without giblets, while another trip back to New Dame was made for my set of recipes. I was in luck this trip. I had a car, and managed to grab Jerry Latkus in the bargan. Jer, always keeping the proper things at the top of his priority list, asked, "Where's the house?"

"I thought you were gonna get it," I told him.

"Clifford is supposed to do it.""When?"

"I guess not," I mused. "Well, so much for home..."

But always resourceful Jer was willing to try, on a suppon holiday like Thanksgiving, so after deciding on Chablis and White Port, we went out to the void of closed storefronts to see what he could do.

Meanwhile, Jim and went straight to his work. A second trip to the A&P the night before even provided him with his precious beef boullion cubes, so we figured he was happy, and left him to his beans and Brussels sprouts.

Maria and I went on to bigger and better things. She set the table most tastefully, complete with a tablecloth covered of St. Mark's linen service and centerpieces of a last minute thoughtful gift. At 10:00, time, I tried to put more records on the stereo we had brought down for the day.

She seemed to be doing better than I, for the turntable didn't feel like turning. "It's between speeds," she suggested.

"No, no, no, couldn't be," I mumbled, checking out every control. Finally, I gave up and turned to the TV. Almost time for the Big Game anyway, rationalized. She came over, flipped the turntable speed control into the groove, and we had Chicago and Cat Stevens all over the kitchen. I quietly stepped out of the room and screamed.

Jim came back after, with a grin on his face and a large package under his arm. We grinned as he slipped it into the refrigerator, and told him to go watch the Game; he had done his good deed for the day.

Suddenly, great news came from the shoulder. I never forget it. I know I won't, thanks to pandora's Books

Somehow, we had done it--transformed a cheap, tasteless bunch of seven into a flowing traditional Thanksgiving, and without the sauce of closed storefronts to see what he could do.

I let them be and never forget it. I know I won't, thanks to pandora's Books

So much, with no major niggles all around, we sat down and began.

Strangely enough, the meal itself was uneventful. Since I was the one elected to hold the knife in the pictures, I was also elected to wash the knife for every portion. After a few good introductory cuts, I then proceeded to hack the bird to bits. For what it was worth, though, no one complained.

"Great. Now what about the whippe cream?" Jerry asked.

"That's your problem."

"Thanks..."

"I couldn't help feeling that there was Jim, a Notre Dame student, and a mere bowl of cream was devitalizing. Now, by God, I won't let it! I began to turntable spin the rusty beater, and soon was rewarded with a semi-thick white substance. Maria, meanwhile, was having her own problems with the mashed potatoes. She and Jim had already sorted out the yams and had set them to cooking. Now, was vainly attempting to mash out the lumps of the spoons I had peeled earlier with nothing more than a wooden spoon.

"Well, it's not my fault, all we have!"

I offered my rusty beater, but the potatoes were too thick for the beaters to turn. We gave up and the wooden spoon went back to work.

Tension began to build as Jerry's friends arrived. Last-minute preparation of the gravy was thrown off the agenda in favor of a cocktail salad, and an eleventh-hour debate as to the "dooneness" of the turkey all followed one after another as we eagerly awaited the start of our first full-blown dinner.

Jim's strange mixtures took on a rather appetizing aroma now, and we knew that we'd used both Brussels sprouts and whipped cream;

Finally, everything was finished and on the table. We took the combined strength of Jerry, Jim, and myself to coek the cork out of the Chablis as Maria ducked up stairs to change into a flowing traditional skirt. At last, we were ready. So much gusto noises all around, we sat down and began.

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The pumpkin pie soon followed, along with my apprehensions (if anyone was to blame for this, it was me alone). But surprise of surprises, it was accepted with a vague semblence of praise, and I was allowed my small egg trip for the day.

Coffee and after-dinner conversation proceeded afterwards, and before anyone knew it, we was all over Jerry's friends washed the dishes and cleaned up, but for the three cooks, it was ended.

Somehow, we had done it! Transformed a wild idea in the head of a hungry sophomore into a complete thanksgiving dinner. So what if the pie was "crico"? So what if the potatoes still had a few lumps in them. So what if everyone had shreds of turkey meat, and wine served in tumblers. It was better than the South Dining Hall, and most of all, it was our own. We'll never forget it. I know I won't, thanks to pandora's Books, Jim, and Jerry.

But next year, we'll really know what we're doing!

See you at Christmas, and no, I won't cook dinner.

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U.S. & India: developing strains

By Max Franksel
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New Delhi - Most everything the Soviets say in Washington about Americans: Arrogant, unwise, unhelpful, and unwise. And about their own problems, short-sighted and perhaps cleverly so for such a big country. This catalogue of resentments is now being aired in Washington out of the need to explain why the pledge of continued economic aid for Pakistan is not the "golden ground," as President Nixon has explained it. Among Indians in Washington, who have a great fund of goodwill for many Americans and for the idea of America - democracy and diversity - which India has successfully implanted in Asian society.

But irritations now dominate the relationship. They have been rubbed raw not only by American pressure to end the U.S.-supported war in Afghanistan but by Pakistan's defense treaty with the Soviet Union. Here, as in Washington, the bitterness runs deep, and complex. They are attacked and chagrined to find the U.S. attaching neither emotional nor strategic value to the strength of democracy in India. Moreover, though they welcome the new approach to India, they resent the fact that the Nixon Administration has invested so much more time, hope and thought in the Peking venture while the ties to India have been allowed to deteriorate.

For a time in 1962, after China had invaded their territory, the Indians felt that Washington had really, that is favorably recognized the stakes here. By then, India had ceased to "export morality" as it had before, and conquered her fear of alignment. She needed help and the White House responded. But less than a decade later, it is the Russians whom have dropped firm anchor here.

The Indian version of their embrace by the Soviets last summer reveals a good deal about their desperate desire for big power friendship and support, and their chill that the U.S. has failed to count on them in like manner.

The Soviet-Indian treaty of friendship, support and consultation that was signed in August was first drafted in 1967-68. Moscow was seeking an ally to help contain China. Mrs. Gandhi was seeking guarantees against both China and Pakistan and also leftist domestic support at a moment of peril for her divided Congress Party.

The relationship blossomed, but the passions for a formal treaty cooled and the papers were laid aside. Mrs. Gandhi went on to fashion a staggering two-thirds majority in this year's election. An agricultural revolution doped the once ever-present dread of famine. The promise of rapid development at home replaced the hemorrhaging abroad.

And then came the shattering developments in East Bengal and there were the Russians, treaty in hand. As the war of war with Pakistan gripped India yet again, and millions of Bengali refugees arrived to drain the development kitty, the U.S. again appeared far away and preoccupied with other causes. At that crucial moment, the Indians say, President Nixon's National Security Adviser, Henry Kissinger, delivered a warning that China might not remain aloof from war and that, if attacked, India should not expect the kind of emotional and indirect support she received from the U.S. in 1962.

When Kissinger stepped over on his secret journey to Peking via Pakistan last July, he is said to have repeated this shattering counsel. He was treated coolly and he responded appropriately. And soon enough the Indians learned of his real errand in Asia. Bitterly, they concluded that they now understood the American refusal to cut off the residual arms shipments to Pakistan and the American reluctance to be jilted even diplomatically against China on India's behalf.

Sensing the shock here, the Russians invited Mrs. Gandhi to Moscow to sign the friendship pact. She thought that going a bit far and invited Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko to New Delhi instead. He brought not only the vaguely phrased treaty of consultation but also some interesting private assurances, it is said.

He offered an immediate supply of weapons, with thermonuclear and short-range rockets and radar components flown in immediately and in toto materials arriving in eight shiploads to date.

He promised firm propaganda protection and diplomatic support in the United Nations and elsewhere so that Indian policy could proceed without fear of crippling U.N. intervention.

A new program of ZT athletic and recreational activities from basketball to skiing to Karate begins soon at SMCC. Signups today and tomorrow in the SMCC dining hall.

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Irish split with Michigan Tech

Overtime victory keeps ND atop WCHA standings

by Jim Donaldson
Sports Editor

Anyone who watched both hockey games this past weekend might well have thought he was watching two different lineups as the same teams played Michigan Tech.

Friday night, the Irish were virtually run out of their own zone, receiving a 9-3 drubbing at Notre Dame. But on Saturday, it was a different Notre Dame. In the second game of the series, the Irish showed Tech a modicum of respect.

The lead was shortlived, however, as Joe Hartviksen fed a pass to Paul Regan who hooked it around a defender and ripped it into the back of the Tech net.品类,
Nixon's visit to Red China set for late Feb.

by Bernard Gwertzman

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29--President Nixon's visit to China, the first by a United States Chief of State, will begin Feb. 21, the White House announced today.

A one-sentence statement, issued simultaneously in Peking, ended weeks of speculation on when the visit would take place but provided no further details.

Ronald L. Ziegler, the White House Press Secretary, said he would have more information on the trip tomorrow. It is expected that the visit will last about one week.

The visit to China, with an announced goal of seeking a normalization of relations between the two countries, will occur more than a month after Nixon completes a round of talks with key Western leaders.

Those talks are aimed at shoring up allied unity at a time of stress caused by Nixon's tough economy policy and his dramatic moves to improve relations with both Peking and Moscow.

Rat-race starting

The Registrar's Office disclosed yesterday that Graduate, Fifth Year and Senior students will begin second semester pre-registration on Thursday, December 2. University Registrar Richard Sullivan, also revealed that juniors could register on Friday, December 3, and Sophomores on December 6 through 9.

"Pre-registration will run from Thursday to Thursday," said Sullivan. "Forms (form 50's) will be distributed through the mail. Each class will have their forms in time for registration and all checkmarked courses must be approved by the departments."

Nixon is scheduled to visit the Soviet Union in May -- the first State or Presidential visit since the wartime crimean Conference in 1945.

The joint statement on the China visit, as read by Ziegler to newsmen said:

"The Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the United States of America have agreed that President Nixon's visit to China shall begin on Feb. 21, 1972."

"The timing of the visit indicates that Nixon wanted to wait for the State of the Union address and budget message to be out of the way before he left the country. Those traditional reports to Congress usually take place in January.

"The trip will take place while campaigning for the nation's first primary election is taking place in New Hampshire. That primary, which traditionally kicks off the presidential campaign, will be held on March 12. Nixon's journey has been intensively discussed here and abroad ever since the President startled the world on July 15 by announcing that he had accepted an invitation to visit China sometime before next May. He disclosed then that the groundwork for the meeting had been carried out by Henry A. Kissinger, his national security adviser, during a secret "visit to Peking between July 9 and 11. Ziegler, in reply to questions today, said that the purpose of the trip was the same as that announced on July 15: "To seek the normalization of relations between the two countries and also to exchange views on questions of concern to the two sides."

Kissinger returned to Peking last month on a publicized mission to discuss details of the visit with Premier Chou En-Lai and other Chinese officials. Ziegler said that the date of the visit was actually decided upon during that second Kissinger journey.

Ziegler, apparently seeking to rebut some speculation that the Chinese were presenting obstacles to the trip, said that "preparations to continue to go well and the general framework has been established."

"What we have been doing (since the second Kissinger trip) is tying down the surrounding details so we would be in a position to make the announcement I have given you today." Further details, such as the length of the trip, stops that will be made, and the size of the party will be made public tomorrow, he indicated.

Administration officials have said they do not expect any major substantive developments to result from Nixon's visit to Peking. They have said that they doubted that China would agree to establishing diplomatic relations, but as Washington continued its support for the Nationalist Chinese regime on Taiwan, Nixon has stressed the continuing U.S. backing for Taiwan.

The general impression given here is that the administration is hoping for some kind of accord on establishing cultural, scientific and educational exchange changes and for the start of some trade between the two countries.

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