Academic Commission presents proposed code

Academic Affairs Commissioner Christopher Nedeau last night presented the proposed Academic Code prepared by Fr. James Burchaell, University Provost, and the Deans and Assistant Deans of the four colleges to the Academic Council student representatives, SBP Pat McLaughlin, and HPC Chairman Bob Howl.

The proposed academic regulations include:

- additional fees for credit hours taken over a 17-hour limit in Business and Science.
- mandatory class attendance on each class day before and after vacations.
- revision of the standards for the Dean’s Honor List from a 3.25 to 3.0 average.
- procedures for readmission to the University.
- expansion of the University Curve.
- a grade referendum policy.

Nedeau stated, “Ordinarily, I would not have presented this material until all Academic Council members had received it. However,” he continued, “the administration’s scheduling of the next two Academic Council meetings left me no other alternative. The University community must be given a chance to respond to these issues.”

The proposals will be submitted to the third Academic Council meeting this year on May 6 where a decision will be made whether or not to pass it on to a hearing board.

First Time Compiled

This is the first time that all provisions of Academic Code have been compiled. The majority of the student protest centers on those amendments within the code.

Nedeau claimed that when he received a copy of the code at the Academic Council Executive Board meeting, Burchaell characterized it as being of little relative import to anyone but the third Academic Council members who had received it. This was not a codification of existing regulations. “This was not a codification of existing regulations,” Nedeau said. “Many of them have been changed.”

Student Input

A further focal point of student dissent over the Code is the lack of initial student input. “We’re the guys who have to hassle this day to day,” said Nedeau. “They didn’t include us in the early work on the regulations which is why we are griping now.”

“We have not convinced them that they must include student opinion in making proposals,” he said.

The revisions to be proposed by Nedeau center on six major issues. First on the students’ list of priorities is the proposed extra charge for students carrying more than 17 credit hours.

Fee for extra credits

As the proposal now reads, students would have to pay for every credit hour over 17 hours. Nedeau argued that the plan would place a severe penalty on the average, middle class Notre Dame student. “It’s a very serious problem when the University says that they want the middle class student,” said Nedeau, “but with the calendar changes, riders have to be on time, and the extra credit hour charge, you are pricing the middle class student out of the market.”

“I think the economic argument is the strongest argument,” agree Student Body President Pat McLaughlin. He noted the particular strain placed on students enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters.

“An Arts and Letters student is paying the same amount of tuition and taking less credit hours than any other college,” McLaughlin noted. Nedeau also said that such a restriction on credit hours would be “penalizing intellectual ambition.”

Class cuts at breaks

The second priority for student effort would challenge the administration proposal for bidding cuts the day before and after an official academic vacation.

Under this proposal, argued Nedeau, “The University is taking away from the individual professor his control to regulate his class before and after break.”

McLaughlin cited the effect this plan would have on student transportation. If this ruling were enforced, all students would have to leave for vacation on the same day.

“I’d like to see the University provide planes for every student,” said McLaughlin.

Change Dean’s list

The proposed academic manual would raise the grade point requirement for the Dean’s Honor List from 3.25 to 3.50. Although this amendment is designed to prevent inflation of student grades, Nedeau stated that a higher Dean’s List requirement would result in even further grade inflation. In other words, he explained, the student who would normally receive a B would instead receive an A—.

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Senator Smith speaks in Library

Senator Margaret Chase Smith spoke last night on “Morality and Government” in the Memorial Library Auditorium. The former U.S. Senator from Maine has been visiting the Notre Dame campus for the last week, sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson National Foundation, helping to bring American and international politics together.

Commenting on the American political system, she said, “I believe it is the best in the world. The forefathers of the men who wrote our Constitution is amazing. They provided the only system which ensures freedom and liberty in the history of the world. But no system is better than the people who serve that system.”

The senator feels that a credibility gap has developed among the American people towards their government, due to the administrator’s involvement in the Watergate break-in.

Senator Smith has served in politics for over thirty years, and is the only woman to have served in both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

“Questioning of the system has brought about many negative results,” she claimed. For example, Senator Smith pointed out the public doubt that there really is a beneficent evil crisis.

“This has too often developed into violence as with the trucking strikes, with people exploding at gas stations, with miner’s striking to bring our U.S. economy to its knees, causing Americans to question whether our system is really the best,” she continued.

Smith placed the responsibility for this credibility gap on “crazed pragmatists,” such as those involved in the Watergate tragedy, not the system itself. Speaking about those involved in the break-in, she explained, “There is a common denominator among these people, which is their ‘Credo of craz Pragmatism’—the idea that the end justifies the means. I think that it is acceptable to use any tactics, however immoral, to achieve a goal. These people feel the crime is the unlawful act, but getting caught is not.”

The senator spoke of the future optimistically, if every individual will look to himself for improvement of the system. “Craz pragmatism is the result of the emphasis every one of us places on materialism. Every one of us should do some soul-searching before placing the blame on others.”

The Senator is very optimistic about today’s youth and their potential on improving government through active participation. “I have confidence in young people,” she said, “to reverse this trend of pragmatism by finding good solid candidates with integrity. I would encourage people to get into politics. It is not a dirty word. American politics is really what we make it.”

The Senator had much praise for both the faculty and students she met at Notre Dame. She said, “I have had a rewarding, challenging and enjoyable stay here this week. I am very impressed with the students and faculty; with their courtesy and the questions they asked me.”

Margaret Chase Smith: The American political system is the best in the world (Staff photo by Paul Joyce).
The former head of the Environmental Protection Agency, William Ruckelshaus, will speak April 29 in the Library Auditorium and the next day will speak at 10 a.m. in the Library Lounge, next to the auditorium. Ruckelshaus will speak on April 29th on his views and outlooks on today's society, its people, its problems and its challenges to the youth of today. After the formal speech, questions will be invited. The next day the former Indiana Congressional candidate will meet and talk with interested people in a more relaxed atmosphere with coffee and donuts being provided.

Ruckelshaus, a third generation Republican, began his climb to the political forefront in 1968, when he joined the Justice department as assistant attorney general in charge of its civil division. He negotiated with student leaders on the campus of the University of Notre Dame and St. Mary's College, 180 freshmen in a fight against raising electric rates.

Currently Ruckelshaus is working for the Florida Apartment Association to represent owners of more than 150,000 apartment units in a fight against raising electric rates.

Jerry Samaniego, this past year's Senior Class President, said that the class can only hope the seniors can make the time to meet such an outstanding individual. The Observer is published daily during the college semester except holidays. Subscriptions may be purchased for $8 per semester ($14 per year) from the Observer Box Q, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556. Second class postage paid, Notre Dame, Ind. 46556.
**By Campus Ministry**

**National events project planned**

by Ken Bradford

The Office of Campus Ministry is seeking students interested in a variety of national events with the intent of sponsoring a special program tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 4.

The four national events initiating the Campus Ministry project include National Farm Worker Week, which lasts from April 23 to May 6, a National Day for Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer on April 30, a fast sponsored by President Nixon and the National Christian Action Committee on May 1, and the 30th anniversary of the death of four Kent State students at the hands of the Ohio National Guard on May 4.

"They come together at one time of the year and help us to focus our concern and interest outward beyond the confines of this campus or any other microcosm to matters of justice, reconciliation, and a concern for the dignity of human person," Assistant Director of Campus Ministry Sr. Jane Pitz said.

She added that Campus Ministry is looking for students who feel strongly about these concerns and wish to mark the special occasions in a special way on campus.

No special plans have yet been made to commemorate these dates since the Campus Ministry is hoping that students will respond and choose their own ways of organizing any such activities, Sr. Pitz noted.

Sr. Pitz continued to explain the significance of the national happenings. The National Farm Worker Week "will focus on what is really going on" with such groups as the grape harvesters, she said.

The last week in April is the big struggle week of the year, when contracts are signed and harvesting in many states begins, Sr. Pitz added.

The April 30 National Day for Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer was proposed by Oregon Senator Mark Hatfield who said, "National repentance opens the door for thoughtful re-examination of national priorities." The occasion will probably occur without an official proclamation by Congress because of the current excitement in the House of Representatives about the impeachment issue, Sr. Pitz noted.

The May 1 "Fast to Save a People" has been given previous publicity through the Observer. On that day, students are urged to forfeit one or more of their meals and donate their money to help six to ten million starving people in drought-stricken Africa.

The May 4 National Day of Concern commemorates the fourth anniversary of the death of four Kent State students at the hands of the Ohio National Guard. Sr. Pitz observed that this issue has resurfaced once again due to the resumption of court inquiries into the case. Students, faculty members, or administrators with suggestions for possible activities, requests for more information, and interests in participating in the activities should contact Fr. Bill Tooley at 6538 or 6273, Fr. Tom Stella at 6536, 7500, or 6712, Fr. Tom McNally at 8251, Br. Joe McTaggart at 7525, or Sr. Pitz at 7431 during this weekend.

Beginning Monday, those interested may contact Rosemary Johnson at the Campus Ministry Office.

**International Festival set for Washington Hall tonight**

by Jane Thornton

Staff Reporter

Sixty-five international students representing 11 foreign countries will perform in the fourth annual International Festival tomorrow night at 8:00 p.m. in Washington Hall. Admission is free.

Questions sent to the President

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The House Judiciary Committee will send written questions to President Nixon as part of its impeachment investigation to determine if criminal fraud was committed in preparation of his income taxes.

Committee Counsel John Dean said Thursday the committee will independently investigate the fraud question in the Nixon tax returns, especially the deduction for the donation of his vice presidential papers.

The Internal Revenue Service and the joint congressional tax committee investigated Nixon's 1969-1972 tax returns and both concluded that the President owed about $435,000 plus interest. Nixon said he would pay the amount.

The cultural panorama, sponsored by the International Student Organization of Notre Dame and St. Mary's, honors the 300 plus host families of international students. Junior chemistry major Julie Baet, a Puerto Rican, is chairman of the Festival Committee.

A Chinese opera, Cambodian dances, American folklore, Latin American music, and Indian folk songs are among the native festivities to be featured during the performance. All are invited to the reception following in La For­ tune Ballroom.

Fr. Dan O'Neil, C.S.C., international student advisor, feels the most significant aspect is "the intercultural and interpersonal exchanges."

"If all Chinese, Americans, Africans, Indians, etc. worked together like this all the time," he explained, "it would be a better world."

"It is as this level of person to person," O'Neil continued, "of individual interactions in grass roots communities, that the rhetoric of brotherhood, peace and understanding becomes a reality."

The 300 host families being honored include members of the Michiana International Hospitality Program. Notre Dame's Office of International Student Affairs organized the group as it became evident that the rapidly increasing foreign student population had great potential for community interaction. The office also felt that foreign students needed an avenue in adjusting to the new environment.

Host families are of various races, creeds, colors, and economic strata. Through the Hospitality Program interested students are assigned a host family during their stay.

The Hospitality Program offers picnics, receptions, Christmas parties and a "wives group" through which wives of international students share their culture with American wives.

International students, on the other hand, often address church groups, schools, civic clubs and organizations, tutor migrant workers and also act as translators and interpreters.

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Storage for summer is doubtful

by Patrick Hanlin
Staff Reporter

Summer storage of students' belongings may be unavailable this year stated Richard Golde, student union commissioner, and if there is a storage program it is likely to be limited to strictly non-
valuable items.

In previous years the Old Fieldhouse was utilized for storage purposes but this summer the art department will use the facilities for the summer art program. The student union has researched various alternative storage possibilities but none appears promising at the present.

The Student Union conducted a questionnaire survey to determine the approximate volume of storage footage necessary for student needs. The response to the survey was excellent and the commission is aware of the space required for each hall if storage is eventually conducted on a residence basis.

The use of an independent warehouse for storage was one of the first possibilities studied, but none of the existing warehouses have the space or the desire to store the Notre Dame items. Fr. James L. Kiehle, assistant vice-president of student affairs, directed the warehouse research, looking for a building with approximately 10,000 square feet of space to devote to students' belongings. No building was contracted for the tasks although there is still a possibility that an old Studebaker plant may be utilized for the summer months.

With only three weeks of school remaining, the lack is approaching a critical stage and Golde noted, "The situation appears very bleak." If no other facilities offer themselves, the commission is researching the possibility of using individual halls to store returning residents' items.

Presently it is against University policy to store materials in the dormitories over the summer months. The university would incur no insurance liability in such a case, but the prohibition stems from maintenance problem such storage would create.

If the halls were utilized for summer storage only non valuable items would be permitted. Although the fieldhouse stored stereo and other valuables, in a hall there would be an overwhelming risk of theft or destruction stated Golde.

There exists the possibility that no facilities will be found since all plans at this point are extremely tentative and there remain just over two weeks to resolve the difficulty. In the event that the university can find no accommodations, Golde noted that one private warehouse owner, Mrs. Cooper, has a small building which she devotes to the storage of student belongings.

Alcohol position explained

by Patrick Hanlin
Staff Reporter

Speaking last night in the Keenan-Blond chapel SBP Pat McLaughlin and law student Chuck Nau explained the position students and hall staffs are in because of the new Indiana alcohol decision. Nau and McLaughlin proposed a concentrated student effort to elect legislators who would vote to reduce the drinking age.

Nau stated that the Indiana case held, at least as the University has to interpret it to protect itself, that any adult who knows about a minor drinking could be held legally liable. "This puts the hall staffs in a very difficult position. If you let them know you are drinking they will have to do something or face possible suit."

Nau, an I.A. in Keenan, went on to propose that students register and vote primarily on May 7. "We can set up a simple door-to-door registration procedure with the help of the Brandesman and Bayh campaigns. Student government can make up a list of candidates who will vote to lower the drinking age. Then vote that list."

Nau agreed that students might be voting for candidates who were in other ways not what they wanted but said that "this drinking thing is really the only Indiana problem that affects you, and it can also really hurt your University." He also suggested getting together with other universities in the state on the program.

McLaughlin told the audience that he had already gotten legal advice on the decision from the law school and had contacted Bail State, Purdue, and IU as well as the Bayh campaign. "We have talked to both of the two eight candidates running in South Bend and both are for lowering the age, though not strongly so." The legislators from the southern part of the state were more conservative, he said.

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Pelican death

a mystery

SPEEGLEVILLE, Tex. (UPI)

On Saturday afternoon, April 13, in two different places in Texas, giant white pelicans fell from the sky to their deaths.

"They looked like whitecaps falling from the sky," said Leo Lyons, who saw 90 of the majestic birds dashed on the waters of Lake Waco.

The mystery of the pelicans has not been solved. It may never be. But scientists have theories.

1. The birds, some of which have a 9-foot wingspan, may have been caught in a tornado. A twister was seen in the Lake Waco area the day it rained pelicans.

2. The birds may have had their equilibrium upset by a loud noise, like a massive roll of thunder. There were no reports of tornadoes in Cranfills Gap, where 13 other pelicans fell that day, but thunderstorms were roaming the area.

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The Natural Resources Defense Council, which represents the public interest, urged the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to have state agencies make measurements near factories immediately to determine the extent of the hazard.

"We regard this as a potentially serious public health problem," it said, "and worthy of immediate investigation."

Future scientific giants of the world will be present together, as the 25th International Science and Engineering Fair gets under way at the ACC beginning May 5 and continuing through May 10.

The fair brings in approximately 500 high school students from 45 states and 6 foreign countries. They will be competing for cash prizes and trips to world science fairs and expositions. Four winners among the competitors, the Notre Dame science fair will be open to them on Thursday May 9, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the Nobel Prize ceremonies in Stockholm and witness one of the world's most honorable events.

The competitors, in order to qualify for the ISF, must face a battery of questions, plus competition in local and regional tests. Two winners from the regional competition will advance to the international fair.

When the competitors gather for the event, they will face the scrutiny of a few hours, but much cumulative scientific knowledge of the judges coming from all over the United States. The judges come from all over the world.

The students, faculty and the public are cordially invited to visit the fair, which will be open to them on Thursday May 9, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and again on Friday May 10, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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What exactly is this novel approach to a freshman English course? As the English Department explains it, "In its actual operation, the Humanities Seminar brings together a group of total strangers, asks them to read together a series of books in which other men meet, struggle with and live these questions, to explore critically the responses to this experience and thus gradually to allow these questions to become personal and mutual questions.

The ultimate purpose is to introduce the students to or to make them aware of the fundamental questions about man, about themselves. In succeeding years of education, formal or informal, these questions can be refined, lived, perhaps answered in a different form, but never meant only to bring the student to articulate the question for himself and others."

Is the program successful in this purpose? Gerald Boyle describes his experience in the course, his participation in a discussion and writing course which leads one to question, and hopefully himself. The problems of man which seem to have no answer are articulated in a broad scope. In keeping with the goals of the course, then it has been successful.

When discussed under the qualified guidance of the Freshman Humanities professors, these questions are not meant to be a temporary premise for a college freshman since, "all of us must face these questions. The earlier a student raises them, the more creative his search for answers will be." Since the program is interdisciplinary by nature, the student is able to assimilate what he has learned into future courses.

"This is a student-initiated, student-run festival," explained Dr. Eaves. "The goal of the Freshman Humanities Program is to synthesize and integrate man's knowledge of man. The festival is one means to accomplish this." A more successful student-run festival is one means to accomplish this.

For students enrolled in the course, there will be a dance on Tuesday night to "kick-off" the festival. The festival resumes Wednesday night at 8:30 with the exhibition and performances open to the public. It continues through Friday night.

Dr. Eaves urges all those who can to attend. "It will be an experience for all involved. Just come and enjoy yourself, while learning at the same time."

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St. Mary's hires Westler as head of writing dept.

Pattie Cooney
St. Mary's Editor

Dr. Max Westler, currently a professor at Northwestern University, has been hired by St. Mary's College, to head the English Writing Department.

Starting in August, Westler will be teaching four courses: Language and Literature, Modern British and American Poetry, Creative Writing and Freshman Language and Literature. Westler is also interested in teaching some kind of course concerning film. Westler's primary goal is teaching a Humanities course with eight hundred students in it. "His recommendations are top. Aside form being intelligent, Dr. Westler seems like a fun person and I think the students will enjoy him," commented Sr. Jean Klene, Chairman of the English Department.

In addition Westler has a special interest in poetry and is publishing a volume this summer.

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Isolating the regime's continued, Caetano, 67, handed over the government to General Antonio de Spinda, a liberal-minded war hero who was fired by Caetano for saying the country could not win its 13-year battle against African liberation movements.

Caetano surrendered to leaders of the coup at his stronghold in the national police headquarters, 12 hours after the rebels sent a column of tanks into the heart of Lisbon and announced the end of his, 15-year control of the country.

"The hour of freedom has arrived," the rebels told the nation over radio and television.

The rebels said a military junta would rule the country until free elections. They announced a program of democratic reforms.

Thousands of jubilant Lisbon residents gathered around the police headquarters, shouting "Freedom, freedom!" and "Victory, victory!" when Spinda arrived to take over the reins of power.

The rebels, calling themselves the Armed Forces Movement, said several pockets of resistance still existed in Lisbon, including a stronghold where Premier Antonio Thomas and several other members of the Caetano cabinet were holding out.

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A world too beautiful this year...

Lord, I do fear Thou'rt
made the world too beautiful this year...

saying goodbye to them would still be April's beauty bringing me to tears, because there is more springtime in them than there is in me. Then there are those other Masses where, for seven years now, I have seen students gather in my chapel on Sunday afternoons. Through them, I know that worship is not just an affair of cathedral choirs, and faith is more fleshly than a bishop's creed. There must be a place in the world where a priest's love is anchored, a group to whom his ministry belongs. There must be a Nazareth where his faith is at home, a community where his heart finds peace. For seven years n.w., the afternoon Masses, having nothing to do with the Mass—has given me a reality as a Christian, an identity as a priest—as has nothing else. I am feeling them through; and in all the ways possible to human virtue, I will be loyal to those students. "Lord, I do fear Thou'rt made too beautiful this year." In the year I must say goodbye to the Keenan Chapel Christians, April could be a certain kind of death.

On the April lawns, the students of my own beloved Keenan are sailing frisbees through the air; I have heard it forward just as I would honor a priesthood that others honor in me? For seven years, the love of students and in friendships that have grown out of the Mass, or in friendships who skim frisbees as gracefully as though they were launching birds to ride the wind. In mid-air, the frisbee suddenly changes direction as though there were wings to guide it homeward to the roost of a waiting hand. The frisbee on the Keenan quad are as much of a reminder of birds as I need, and for the rest of my life, the movement of birds or frisbees will remind me of barefoot kids playing with skyborne toys outside my window in a Notre Dame springtime. "O Lord, I do fear Thou'rt made the flight of frisbees too beautiful this year." Frisbees remember could make it perilous to look at doves.

There is a beauty greater than April's that binds me to this campus. I think of the gentle police officer in the Students' Infirmary who once cared for me when I was sick. Seeing her is to be surprised by joy, as when a walker unexpectedly meets the purple and perfume of the spring lilac. There are friends one learns to recognize after seven years, ones place with reverence in the place of their eternal peace in the Community cemetery. O World, I cannot hold thee close enough! Thy winds, thy wide grey skies! Thy mists, that reel and rise! Thy woods, that ache and sag And all but cry with colour!... Then there are those other Masses where, students of my own beloved Keenan are sailing frisbees through the air; I have heard it forward just as I would honor a priesthood that others honor in me?

With The Golden Scarab, Ray Manzarek shows us the potential of the electric organ, a special kind of grace. If I should see them on Sundays and weekdays in the Keenan-Stanford chapel, have been times and places where a poor, white trash Christian like me comes to a heart-to-heart encounter with the children of the Lonely God. There have been nights and days on 42nd street, or in East Side bars, where I have known the shame of being rejected, but I have, at the same time, understood my responsibilities in love and in justice to a congregation of students who, I fear, as one April postponed to the year..."Thou must!"
Student input. Regardless of how often it must be repeated, it simply has to be.

But again today, with the release of the administration’s Academic Code proposals, the feelings of students about the issues concerning their very existence—academics at Notre Dame—are absent. There is no excuse for that omission.

The extended debate over the Academic Calendar should have been proof enough of student sincerity in the desire for the simple opportunity to contribute their reasonable views—initially. For not only is initial student input a right, but a responsibility which the administration, in particular the Provost and College Deans, can no longer continue to ignore.

The proposed changes to the Academic Code were prepared by the administration and presented to the Executive Board of the Academic Council by Provost Fr. Burtchell, the Thursday beginning Easter break.

The sole student representative, Chris Nedeau, was not contacted about the meetings until that morning. At that time, he was presented the proposals. Nedeau had been totally unaware of any proposed changes to be made, and was told by Burtchell that the proposals presented were a simple “codification” and hence of little importance to students.

What must it take to convince our administrators that these issues are of grave importance to us as students? No demand is being made for an equal power of decision or veto but only for an avenue to express student viewpoints at the outset to an administrator from a student or vice-versa. Perhaps the administration does not feel a need for such communication. If so, then any claim to educational equity between the University and its students is a falsehood.

The proposals made in the codification of academic regulations, in themselves, provide no equity if any equity to the students as a result.

For instance, the proposal to add an additional fee for every credit hour over 17 in Arts and Letters and Engineering may have an economic basis, taking into account needed increases in faculty salaries and rising educational costs. Yet a lack of expressed student sentiment regarding such a basis adds little to such rationale, in addition to the fact that it hits the AL student hardest with the cut-off at 17—rather than 18—hours because a majority of Arts and Letters courses are three credit hours.

The proposed change of raising Dean’s List from 3.25 to 3.50 average is another example that the difference of student input could have made. Supposedly suggested to help curb grade inflation, the proposal will certainly add to that inflation. What is essentially now an A, B student will become an A, A—student since the competition will remain the same with only the standards being increased. As Nedeau stated last night, the proposal will only add to a “false standard of excellence” at Notre Dame.

Thus the only alternative left to students is to retaliate on the rebound. The priorities which Nedeau, McLaughlin, Bob Howl of the HPC, Judy Offerly, Engineering representative, and John Mazza, AL representative, have set are reasonable and straightforward. Should the Administrators and Academic Council members accept them as such, then a controversy similar to that over the calendar can be avoided.

If not, and without threat, the input of students will be forced through other alternatives. Reasonableness on the part of the all is the key.

—Tom Drape

Opinion

Ridiculous the waste sad time

james f. pauer

Notwithstanding F. Scott Fitzgerald’s generous concession that “Everyone’s a youth in a dream, a foreign chemical madness,” I yet feel obliged to wriggle out of my own senility year semiannum hallowed to respond to Maria Gallagher’s ominous lucubrations (Observer, April 22). As a graduating senior, I find more hopeful points to ponder.

Thaw time counted by anxious worried women... Lying awake, calculating the future... Trying to swerve, unwind, unravel... And piece together the past and the future... Between midnight and dawn, when the past is... all deception... The future futerless, before the morning watch... When time stops and time is never ending;

The Dry Salavages, 11. 38-45.

Well, where is there an end of it, the soundless wailing?

Ibid., 49

Pressing lidless eyes at Nickies may make one hold on tight but the door swings outward, presenting the possibility of having a couple feathers down at Sweeney’s or even Cliff’s (the clean well-lighted place)!. Or is it safer to put a coin in the jake box and just listen...

...were just seasons out of time...

You see,

Time present and time past... Are both perhaps present in time future... And time future contained in time past... If all time is eternally present. All time is unredemable... What might have been is an abstraction... Remaining a perpetual possibility... Only in a world of speculation... What might have been and what has bee... Point to one end, which is always present.

Burnt Norton 11.1-10

How “best that Tiresias?” But you’re right about the calendar. May 19 is fast upon us. Pardon my dust on your rose leaves, but I find it somewhat difficult to have misgivings (and nature has not made me a candidate for Ms. Givings) since I haven’t yet given the future anything except my best efforts in the present, and some careful thought. I do not think my own twenty-two years unthinkabe.

When time is withdrawn, consider the future... And the past with an equal mind.

The Dry Salavages 11.15-14

In fact, I might even be able to have what shall be extant thoughts on reaching the age of three-and-twenty. Perhaps all

My words echo thus in your (fate) mind.

Burnt Norton 11.14-15


Sorry, Maria, but with all due empathy I would rather wait for the early owl than follow the deception of the thrush.

...to make an end is to make a beginning

Little Gidding, 1.215.

Indeed. Indeed. Indeed.
Ivan Mestrovic, famed Croatian sculptor and professor at Notre Dame until his death in 1972, will be honored at a special exhibition opening Sunday, April 28 at the University Art Gallery. Professor Dean Porter, curator of the gallery, stresses that this will be particularly exciting show, and one that is very important to Notre Dame. The exhibition opens at 2:30 p.m. this Sunday, and Father Burckhard will make opening remarks at 2:45. At 3:00, Laurence Schmeckler, former professor at Syracuse University who wrote a well-known book on Mestrovic, will speak on the sculptor as a person. Members of the Mestrovic family will be present at a reception at 3:30.

Besides the works that are now on campus, the show will feature Persephone and Ossyan, an early self-portrait from 1917, the 1500 pound marble Croatian Rhapsody, a work entitled My Mother, and some eight foot drawings from Madame Mestrovic's private collection. Gallery officials also promise a big surprise in the form of a new acquisition of one of the sculptor's most important pieces.

Much of Mestrovic's work is too large to move, and this includes two equestrian monuments in Grant Park, Chicago; Indiana with Bow and Indian with Spear. A twenty-four foot bronze entitled Man and Freedom is mounted on the facade of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. The Memorial to Father Loras is in St. Augustine, Florida, and in Miami, there is an over-life size Pieta.

Mestrovic, who created primarily religious art, was honored as the first living artist to give a one-man show, in both the Victoria and Albert Museum in London and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. He has also been represented in exhibitions in Vienna, Zagreb, Edinburgh, Paris, Chicago, Detroit, Buffalo, Brooklyn, and Syracuse.

Yet this man, praised by Rodin as "the greatest phenomenon among the sculptors of the world," stems from very humble origins. Born in 1883 in the Croatian province of present day Yugoslavia, Mestrovic spent his childhood tending flocks of sheep in the Dalmatian Alps. It was during the lonely hours on the mountainside that the young shepherd began to carve out of wood.

As a child, Ivan learned of the struggles of the Serbs and Croats for freedom and read the Bible intensely. Thus he became steeped in the themes of patriotism and religion, and his earliest works were heroic figures, Crucifixes and Madonnas.

Mestrovic's work was favorably received in the village and at age fifteen, he became apprenticed to a marble cutter in Split. He continued his art studies at the Academy of Art in Vienna and later opened up his own studio in Paris.

Mestrovic was very busy with his projects and commissions, yet he still made a name for himself as a political figure. Because he was against the Austro-Hungarian regime, he refused to show pieces in their pavilion at an international exhibition, and he also refused to design figures for the facade of the Crown Prince's palace. When World War I broke out, the Croatian nationalist was forced to flee to Italy. Here he was instrumental in forming a committee whose purpose was to unify the Serbs, the Croats, and Slovenians. This aim was realized with the creation of Yugoslavia.

At the end of the war, Mestrovic tried to become an ordinary citizen in his new country. He was rector of the Academy of Art in Zagreb and taught and sculpted. However, he made no secret of his disapproval of Alexander I, the first king of Yugoslavia, and especially of Hitler.

So in 1941, Mestrovic was imprisoned by the Nazi puppet government of Yugoslavia because of his pro-allied sympathies. Hitler said, "He is against us and he has always been against us."

Although the imprisonment was terrifying and the artist suffered greatly, this period was also strangely profitable. On smuggled brown wrapping paper, he drew, among other things, the studies for the Pieta, which now stands in Sacred Heart Church on campus.

Through Vatican intercession, Mestrovic was released from prison and house arrest after four and a half months. He and his family were smuggled into Switzerland and on January 16, 1942, he was stricken by a second in his studio. This one proved to be fatal, but Ivan Mestrovic carried out his vow—he would work up to the last day of his life.

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A matter of interpretation

This letter concerns the recent decision by the Indiana Court of Appeals. The essence of this decision was that there was no difference between the act of giving and the act of selling alcoholic beverages to minors. In either case the one who sells or the one who gives alcohol to a minor is responsible for any damage that result. The former interpretation of the law was that only vendors were responsible for the subsequent actions of a minor to whom they had illegally sold liquor. The new interpretation is that both who give liquor to a minor are equally responsible. All this is very familiar to any parent of a student body. The purpose of this letter is to determine the effect of this recent court decision.

The question before the SLCA is Dean Macheca is what to do concerning the new contract policy and the fact that the university has allowed controlled parties in the past, there is no reason why they should continue to do so. The recent court decision has had to do with the university's present contract system and no alcohol in public policy. The only that type of parts affected by the court's latest decision is the university's present contract system and no alcohol in public policy. The only that position here. They can not give alcohol to minors or they will be directly responsible. This is, however, the only case in which the university will relinquish its position. The court decision should have no effect on the university's position except to reemphasize the university's position they have always been in. The court decision should have no effect other than to curtail university sponsored parties at which alcohol is served and the student should see that the university does not use the court decision as an excuse for curtailing our parties.

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I hear from your rector you've been having some fun With a cute little thing from across route 31 Authority

She leaves your room at quarter to one
But this would be okay if she were a nun
You out-of-state students think you're real keen
But the age in Indiana is still at eighteen

I've been in other states and had lots of fun
But dry, dry Indiana is still twenty-one

Student

Well come on all my friends and get this through your head
We'll drink in dry Indiana Until we all fall dead

Well you've taken away our beer but we'll still have lots to fun here
Even if Dean Macheca is after us but our social life is thoroughly cut

Our situation here is seemingly without hope
But the solution is for everyone to smoke dope

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SHARE seeks higher response

David Kaminski
Staff Reporter

SHARE, the Student Help and Resource Emergency at St. Mary's, has not received the response form students that the SHARE staff has hoped for in their first weeks of operation.

The student staff at SHARE offer information and referral services for the problems and interests of students on campus. SHARE also gives students an opportunity to talk to peers about any subject of interest or concern to the student.

Jane Albietz, a senior at St. Mary's and one of the organizers of SHARE, says that it must gain the trust of the students in order for students to use the services of SHARE on a large scale.

The questions and problems of students contacting SHARE are kept in confidence. A file is kept on the nature of the student's inquiry and the class year of the student.

However, SHARE also keeps a record of the names of students contacting them.

The idea for SHARE originated with Cathy Liseman, a December graduate of St. Mary's and currently a resident councillor in LeMona Hall. She and others saw the need for students to more actively help each other with their problems.

Liseman and Albietz, along with Patti Kampsen, the current director of SHARE, sent out a questionnaire to 25 per cent of each class at St. Mary's. The questionnaire polled students on what types of information and services they would like to see coming from a student resource center.

The returned surveys showed that students wanted information in areas such as: self defense, hobbies, and crafts, car maintenance, budgeting careers, academics and peer problems.

With the results of the survey, Liseman, Albietz and Kampsen cleared their idea with St. Mary's administration and began training a staff for SHARE.

In training, the SHARE staff learned listening skills and the program in which the act of leaving the University will not be on the basis of a serious health problem. Nedeau said.

University Curve

Nedeau will propose that the Academic Council specify the particulars of the so-called University Curve for grades. Nedeau said that this would allow a final exam to not count for more than one-third of the course grade. According to Pat McLaughlin, the student who has an exam during the first five class days of the semester, after which the student must have the approval of the dean.

Objections have arisen on three counts: academic failure, administrative failure and academic cheating. The final sentence, according to the proposed changes, would read "students may drop courses at their own discretion during the first five class days of the semester, after which the student must have the approval of the dean."

Grading

The Administration's version of the Academic Code presently reads, "A student may fail a course regardless of his grade coming into it, under the provisions of, in the judgement of the instructor, the work of the course has not been completed or if the final examination is unsatisfactory.

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The students are also proposing a renewal of the rule which would allow a final exam to not count for more than one-third of the course grade.

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According to Pat McLaughlin, "a student who has an exam at four in the afternoon and seven that evening would not have to take another exam until four the next afternoon."

SHARE attempts to provide for these shortcomings.

SHARE opens its office in the basement of LeMona Hall at St. Mary's room 15, on March 2, the first Sunday before spring break began.

Jane Albietz expresses the philosophy of SHARE:

"We feel there hasn't been enough time given to the individual person by fellow students. Also there is a huge gap between students and the resources available to them in the South Bend community, or at St. Mary's itself."

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SHARE goes on to say that students don't need a problem in order to contact SHARE. "You may just want a chance to talk and to let off some steam," she says.

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Patty reaffirms SLA loyalty.

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Imposing her father and fiancé as pawns and declaring that she is a soldier of the people’s army, Patty Hearst has sworn her allegiance to the terrorist Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA) that claims to have kidnapped her nearly three months ago. And “I am a soldier of the people’s army,” she volunteered to the bank robber who held her at gunpoint.

Speaking in a calmed, subdued voice in a taped message received by authorities Wednesday, Miss Hearst said “Greetings...This is Tania.” She then proceeded to leap score and ridicule on her family, said she never cared if she saw “swastik pigs” again, and added:

“To those people who still believe that I’m brainwashed or dead, I see no reason to further defend my position. I am a soldier of the people’s army.”

“The only way we can free ourselves from the terrorist is by fighting—not with weapons but with ideas.”

In the tape, 20-year-old college coed called her parents “those people who still believe I’m brainwashed or dead.” She addressed her father as “Adolf,” her mother as “Cathy.”

Steven Weed, to whom she became engaged last December and planned to marry in June, “my ex-fiancee.”

Her father, San Francisco Examiner editor and president Randolph A. Hearst, confirmed the voice was his daughter’s and added:

“The only good thing that is happening in my life right now is that my daughter is alive. Regarding her personal attacks on me, if she has been brainwashed, and I firmly believe she has, then it’s not surprising she would say something like this.”

“No matter what she says, we still love her. The girl we’ve known all her life would not say something like that of her own free will.”

In the tape, Miss Hearst, whom the Symbionese Liberation Army claims to have kidnapped on Feb. 4, dismissed suggestions that she was made a material witness rather than a material witness by the SLA.

“To all the clowns who want a personal interview with me—Vincent Hallinan (an attorney), Steve, and the pig,” Miss Hearst said, “it’s absurd to think that I could surface to say what I’m saying now and be allowed to freely return to my family. The enemy still wants me dead.”

The tape, which also included the voices of two men, was Miss Hearst’s first communication since she renounced her family on April 3 and said she was joining the SLA as an armed comrade. She also said she had taken the name “Tania,” in memory of a slain girl friend of Latin American guerrilla Che Guevara.

Wednesday night’s tape from the SLA ended with the words, “Patria o muerte, venceremos.”

They are the same words used by Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro when he ends speeches, and they translate: “Fatherland or death, we will overcome.”

No Official Comment

Federal authorities had no immediate comment on the tape. Police Community Relations Officer Bob Holmes said the voices on the tape were not heard by Mrs. Hearst to describe the last communication from her daughter.

Miss Hearst also questioned the validity of a letter published in her father’s newspaper. The letter, said to be from French revolutionary Regis Debray, asked for proof that she was speaking voluntarily.

Addressing her father, she said, “How could I have been written in Paris and published in your newspaper on the same day, Adolf?”

Explaining the alleged reason for the bank robbery, she said the holdup “forced the corporate state to help finance the revolution...As with the money involved in my parents’ faith gesture to aide the people, these funds are being used to aide the people and to insure the survival of the people’s future.”

Dennis Brainwashing

She said she was alive and well.”

As for being brainwashed, the idea is ridiculous to the point of beyond belief.”

Shortly before police received the tape, the FBI announced that two rented getaway cards used in the bank robbery had been located in a basement parking garage. The FBI said the vehicles, which turned up in a routine check, apparently had been left there within a few hours of the April 15 holdup.

In it, Miss Hearst said it was taken and two bystanders were wounded, called two young women with past ties to SLA members to testify Thursday. But both said they would refuse to cooperate in the secret proceeding.

The two were Cynthia Garvey and Janet Cooper Weiss, 27, whose identification was used by a woman SLA member to rent four cars used in the bank holdup. Mrs. Weiss said the identification cards had been stolen from her family last October.

The latest tape recording, the eighth communication from the SLA since the kidnapping, was given to a San Francisco police officer through unidentified intermediaries.

In it, Miss Hearst said it was “ridiculous to the point of beyond belief” to think that she had been brainwashed in participating in the bank robbery.

“I was in a position (at the bank) so I could hold bank personnel and customers who were on the floor,” she said.

“My gun was loaded, and at no time did any of my comrades intentionally point their guns at anyone. However, there has been speculation by her family and authorities that Miss Hearst was forced to participate, and it was for that reason she was named only as a material witness, but not as a suspect. Federal bank robbery warrants have been issued for four other suspects.

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List of charges against Nixon narrowed

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The legal staff of the House Judiciary Committee's impeachment inquiry Thursday dropped two of the 19 allegations that could result in potential charges against President Nixon (from 19 to 17). Special Counsel John M. Dua said some of the other 19 allegations were being examined by House investigators to determine if they should be included in a formal impeachment.
HUKADUWA, Sri Lanka (UPI) - School can hardly be called a bore for the 566 freshman-level American students at the Buddhist University of Colombo.

Most of the students are from the United States and Canada. Classes are a real breeze, "said Mike Stanwood, a mustached 21-year-old junior from West Palm Beach, Fla., who was playing on the beach after a weekly expedition along the coral reefs of Hukaduwa.

"This semester we're going around the world to different countries," Stanwood said, "from the headquarters of the U.S. government in Washington to the island of Japan, Indonesia, Singapore and the Philippines. We're even going to see some of the shore programs like visiting parliament, getting briefed by the U.S. ambassador and flying over that really pretty village."

Robby Briexan, a vivacious blonde junior from Orange, Calif., is an anthropology major at the University of Colombo.

"We stop wherever we want, for a beach, or a picture, or something," she said. "I see the world."

Fullerton College.

"If you go to the campus," said Mike Greene, a 21-year-old junior in economics who is also an anthropology major, "you feel like you could live here and everything you want, like going to the beach and bars, because the campus is affiliated with con-"nexion, the village." is an anthropology major at Fullerton College. She transferred to the S.S. Universe campus for the semester because she wanted to study family structures and get credit for her studies.

"It isn't very hard travelling," said Greene, "the only thing I really cried about was good old Nathan's hot dogs."

Streaking, Too

The campus streaking fad has not bypassed the floating island. You can get caught streaking and its semi-isolation on the high seas.

"Someone's always streaking," Greene said. "When the students streak, the professors streak, the dean streaks, the whole campus streaks."

"One professor held a streaking contest and promised the first two students to hit his office passes to a special onshore program," said Stanwood. "It turned out to be a tour of a Japanese nudist colony or something."

The students all agree that school authorities are fairly liberal about sex but they lament the 3:1 ratio of girls to boys at the University of Colombo.

Miss Bjerum said notices were passed out giving "the numbers for planned parenthood in Honolulu, so I guess the administration doesn't really want them streaking."

"Some couples are allowed to share a cabin but only those who were living together before they came on board," Stanwood said. "If you go to his cabin and find one of your roommates occupied you spend the night on a couch in the living room."

The college is strict, however, about smoking.

"The whole crew is under orders to immediately search any cabin that has a smell more than the license coming out of it," said Stanwood. "If a kid gets caught with grass or something they send him right home."

That practice, the students said, has continued the tense moments between students and crew.

"One guy got caught smoking marijuana (joints) while we were in being busted and was still in a Japanese jail when we left," said Mike Greene. "He was busted and was still in a Japanese jail when we left."

Although one semester aboard the S.S. Universe campus costs an average of $5,000, all the students are from wealthy families.

Miss Bjerum, whose father is a woodworker, took out loans and worked as a hair dresser in her spare time to pay for her trip.

Endless Pocketbooks"

"But lots of kids have just end­less pocketbooks," she said. "Everywhere they stop they buy something."
For Pat Coleman number one means baseball too

by John Finnern

Normally, you don’t expect a success in one sport to affect another. But, this year at Notre Dame, that has not been the case, particularly for 12th third baseman Pat Coleman.

“I’ve certainly been thrilled with our ability to beat the number one teams in football and baseball,” the Anoka, Minn. senior says. “They’ve been some of my favorite moments here at Notre Dame.”

Still, Coleman, who’s currently hitting .329 for Coach Jake Kline’s 11-17 baseballers, wouldn’t mind if some of those football and baseball successes rubbed off on the Irish version of the national pastime.

“I have to have an urge to be number one even though you shouldn’t get hung up on it,” he continues. “You have to strive for success, but you have to know your place when doing it.”

The Irish, for certainly, knows his place in athletics, and he has been quite successfully staying there. Coleman was an all-state in three sports—football, basketball and baseball—at Benilde High School, but he’d give up all of those honors to allow the Irish to ap­proach Bemidji’s success on the ND’s women’s tennis team

downs St. Mary’s

by Karthi P. Thenoo

Tennis leisures were treated to an exciting contest viewed the St. Mary’s and Notre Dame women’s tennis teams met at the Regina Court yesterday afternoon.

In the number one single event Betsy Fallon of Notre Dame defeated Sheila Fineran 6-4, 6-3. Number two players Jane Lammers and Christl on chain.

McDolk 6-2, 6-4. St. Mary’s came back the next day with a 3-0 win.

The teams battled it out with an exciting split set between Ann Heiser (SMC) and Ellen Callahan. After a series of deadlocks Houser finally captured the playoff game 6-4.

SMC’s win put them in the singles event to an even 2-2 by defeating Sharon Nolan with a 3-3 and a tiebreaker.

The Irish women began their winning climb in the double’s matches where they took all three of the best of two series 6-4, 6-1, 6-4; and in the last 26-6, 4-2.

After the match Lammers commented, “Of course we’ve been looking forward to playing the St. Mary’s girls because we’re right across the street from each other. It was a really good game.”

Notre Dame’s star Después de 50, Marsha Galski, sat on Lake Forest at home this weekend, and St. Mary’s, 0-3, traveled to College Station a week from Saturday.

“Baseball is like any other sport. It is a game of confidence. And with confidence comes luck. The breaks just haven’t been going our way. The guys have been really trying as hard, too. We want to win to badly.”

The third sacker doesn’t have any real batting philosophy, nor does he try to be fancy when playing his position. “I’ll try anything to keep a winning streak going.

“If you feel you can hit, you will,” he says. “I like to go with the pitch and try to keep my bat­ting swing one fluid motion.

“Third base is a position of reaction. You have to keep your nose to the ground and keep the ball in front of you with your body.”

“Real superstition. I’ll wear the same shirt as long as we’re winning. If we get a winning streak going, though, I’ll be dressing alone.”

This is all surprising, particularly since his father, uncle and brother were athletes at Minnesota.

“It certainly has been a funny four years here,” he admits, “but I began the things have turned out.

“Specifically, I like the people here at Notre Dame. They’re the main part of the school. I’ve met some really super people here, a lot of them not athletes. Here, everyone pulls for one another.”

“I know it’s pretty tight right now, but because we’d like to see us get a tournament bid. And that means I’ll have to play as well as I can.”

“Statistics are something you can look at,” he concludes, “but they don’t always tell how well you’re doing. If you’re satisfied in your own mind, you’re going to be pretty close to your goal.”

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Cold climate fails to cool
Jamaica’s Brandon Walsh

by John Fineman

Notre Dame is far from the warm climate of Brandon Walsh’s Jamaica. And while the school enjoys much notoriety throughout the world, to the Irish tennis captain, it was just another school four years ago. “My father thought I should come here,” Walsh says. “It was kind of a rush thing. Sometimes I couldn’t remember its name when people asked me where I was going.”

That’s no problem now. In fact, when as an on tennis officials thought Walsh’s help for the Caribbean Islands’ tourney, they knew where to find him. “I would like to compete for the Brandon Trophy (the tourney’s prize) because it is from this tournament they choose members of the Davis Cup,” Walsh continues. “However, wherever I’ve been offered chances, I’ve had to refuse them because they conflicted with school here.”

Although this might have disappointed other players, it hasn’t affected Brandon Walsh. He enjoys everything about the sport at Notre Dame—everything except the weather. “It is kind of hard getting used to the climate,” he admits. “Of course, I like playing in warmer weather because my blood circulates better, and I get loose quicker.”

“Notre Dame certainly has helped my tennis,” he jokes, “although it would be great if the school was in California. Still, I’ve gotten used to playing conditions here.”

There is no joking, however, about the caliber of Walsh’s tennis. So far, swinging between number two and three singles, Brandon has a fine 15-5 mark for the 1-5 Irish. “Brandon has a well-rounded game,” his coach, Tom Fallon says. “If he lacks anything it is a killer instinct.”

Brandon had been shy, but the captivity has helped him mature quite a bit. He is very easy going, very popular with the team. He does a real good job, particularly with the younger players.”

“I am a lot more serious this year as captain,” Brandon agrees. “I’m putting more effort into my game because Coach Fallon and the team expect it.”

“Like to show and lead by what I do on the court. After all, this is my last year and I look at it as now or never for myself and the team.”

“One started going well when I was 10 because my friend had a tennis court. My friends in Jamaica have always been older than me, so I have always been playing competition more experienced and stronger. Playing against better competition both at sport and also that at Notre Dame has helped me improve my game.”

The standard of tennis in Jamaica is lower than in the United States. It is not surprising, therefore, that Walsh won his first men’s tournament at 16, and also that he was ranked the number one player on the island republic after his freshman campaign in South Bend.

Backfield strong as starters return

by Greg Corgan

Sports Editor

Things just seem to go right when you win, especially if you're the national champion. And if you're offensive backfield coach Tom Pagna you'd have good reason to hope things wouldn't change a bit. “It is the only time in my ten years here that I can remember having a complete backfield returning,” offered Pagna. “Wayne Bullock will be back at fullback, Eric Penick at one halfback, Art Best at the other halfback, A.J. Hunter at what we call the swing back position, and Al Samuel as a backup man.

Besides that we have two good football players behind Bullock at fullback, Russ Kornman and Tom Parise. I don’t think that barring any injuries we’ll be in trouble.”

The “trouble” Pagna may find has to do with duplicating last season’s accomplishments, a task that might very well overwhelm a lessor man. But Pagna looks at it calmly and philosophically. “The most difficult time to have success is after success,” he mentions. “It’s so important to emphasize this to the players, to make them aware of the fact that they aren’t going to win this year by merit of what they did last season. That is one of our biggest concerns.”

For the time being, however, there are other concerns for Pagna not the least of which are perfecting once again the machine-like efficiency of the Notre Dame backfield.

“With spring we’ve tried to emphasize three things,” continued Pagna. “We’ve worked more on the wing blocking, play action passing, and overall knowledge of football concepts.”

“For that reason last I can’t tell you how important it is to have an experienced quarterback like Tom Clements who has a great understanding of play conception. I think the highest compliment that was paid to Tom was when his teammates elected him captain, because as it is the quarterback is the one who usually gets all the ink. We’ve got the respect of all the players on the squad, and although he may be the greatest runner, or long passer, he’ll beat you, he’s a winner.”

Tom may all the while. With Penick, Hunter, Best, Bullock, and Samuel the Irish have one of the finest backfields to ever dress in the N.D. blue and gold.

“For a good many years,” explained Pagna, “the speed we brought to the field was such that we felt that the boy couldn’t play defense. That’s why we had your Clarence Ellis, Nick Rassas, Tom Schoen in the secondary. That’s also why we had a strong running nucleus like Denny Allan, and Bill Barz for instance. As long as we have Penick we feel can only play offense and Bullock the same way. All Hunter is a fine athlete and definitely the best running back we have this year.”

Bullock helped the Irish finish high in the top ten in total offense. “Boh Penick and Best came here a little green,” said Pagna. “But they’re polished now and should do their best to run things behind them. Wayne reads the defenses real well and hits the hole quickly. A lot of people think he more or less lumbars, but they don’t realize how fast he’s moving until they can see him hit those quick openers.”

“Al Hunter is a phenomenal athlete. At 190 pounds he’s got excellent hands, he’s knowledgeable about the game, he runs well, and he’s doing all the right things. We’re really pleased with him. Al Samuel is another guy that I’ve got, and I look at him as now or never for myself and the team.”

“Brandon was the number one freshman at Notre Dame has helped me improve my game.”

Brandon Walsh warms up on the tennis court despite the cool weather. This year Walsh captain’s the Irish squad.

“Although I want to make the best use of my potential,” Walsh concludes, “I want the team to have a good enough year to make the NCAA championships at USC.” USC, of course, is a California school, and a return trip there (the Irish finished 6-4 on their March excursion) would not bother Brandon Walsh one bit. Californian weather is not known for being cool.

Stickmen beat Boilermakers 4-2

by George Eckes

It took four goals from two stickmen not known for their scoring prowess, and some scrappy 4th quarter defense to put N.D. on top of a 8, 7 decision over the Purdue Boilermakers at Stepan Field Wednesday.

Junior Kevin Fogerty and Sophomore Don Trabert each pocketed two goals apiece in a game which wasn’t as close as the score might indicate. The first half ended with N.D. holding a 4 2 lead over a Purdue team that is in the midst of a rebuilding year. The third quarter saw the remaining four goals scored by Notre Dame, while Purdue countered with three goals. The second period, however, besides Fogerty and Trabert, went to Richaron, Steve Torn, Ron Sullivan before Pat Trico Assistants to Joe Meares and Tom Pansheman.

The 4th quarter saw a defensive struggle as the young Purdue team tallied twice while holding the Irish scoreless.

Freshman Jay Williams turned in another good job taking faceoffs, winning 11 of 19 from the Boilermakers.

Ken Weight turned in another admirable job in goal for the Irish (replacing injured Joe Lepley) stopping 12 shots en route to the 8 7 win.

The season is coming to a close for the stickmen. They play Detroit LaCrosse Club on Saturday in the Motor City and come back May 5 with their last clash against the Falcons of Bowling Green.

Baseball today

The Notre Dame baseball team continues this season this weekend against Illinois State University. The Irish will play a single game this weekend and a doubleheader Monday against Michigan State for a Sunday afternoon doubleheader Monday for an afternoon contest against the Crusaders.