Mr. Joseph A. LaFortune, a 1916 graduate and member of the Board of Trustees at the University, died Tuesday night in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mr. LaFortune’s cash gift to the University helped finance the renovation of the former Science Hall, which turned it into the present La Fortune Student Center. Mr. LaFortune also served on the Board of Trustees and the Associate Board of Trustees. Since 1971, he had served as a trustee emeritus. Story on page two.

The transition from Dean of Students Macheca to Dean of Students Roemer is presently underway. Both men are still reluctant to discuss any official plans for the future of the office, and Dean Macheca is presently trying to provide an element of continuity under the new Dean, whose appointment has been effective for seven days now.

Roemer has been involved with many student activities throughout his years at Notre Dame, ranging from his duties on the board of directors of the Neighborhood Study Help Program to those on the board of director’s of the Ombudsman service at the University.

Looking to the future, Macheca commented, “We have to hold expectations up for each other; that’s the only way to continue to grow and better ourselves.” Story on page three.

Who says a newspaper has to be heavy all of the time? Certainly not us. It’s fun and games time on pages six and seven, as the Observer presents a Puzzle Page to help you while away your summer hours. Brain teasers, word games, mazes and trivia questions abound. Bring a pencil and eraser.
LaFortune dies at 81

Joseph A. LaFortune, 81, was a graduate and member of the Board of Trustees at the University of Notre Dame since 1941, died Tuesday night (Aug. 5) in a Colorado Springs, Colo., hospital. A resident of Tulsa, Okla., 81 year old LaFortune, had been vacationing at the time of his death.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow, in Christ the King Church, 1300 S. Rockford St., Tulsa.

Mr. LaFortune majored in a sports management sequence during his undergraduate days at Notre Dame. The South Bend native moved to Tulsa after graduation where he headed up the Tulsa World newspaper and began a long association with the oil industry.

He was named deputy administrator of the Petroleum Association in Washington in 1963. Named to the Associate Board of Lay Trustees in 1941, Mr. LaFortune was reappointed to the Board of Trustees in 1947, and has served as trustee emeritus since 1971. He received an honorary L.B. doctorate at the 1949 commencement on the campus.

A cash gift to the University in 1963 helped finance the renovation of the former Science Hall for use as a student center, the present LaFortune Student Center. A scholarship fund in honor of their parents was presented to Notre Dame in 1970 by four children, Joseph Jr., and Robert, Jean Henry and Mary Ann Wilcox.

Dr. Robert Fruen, the director at Hines, added: "We can only assume that no one who happened to be in the elevator realized his condition."

According to a recent United Nations report, rats, birds, insects and moisture spoil enough grain in India each year - 10 million tons - to make up the entire world shortage.

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Macheca and Roemer working together for smooth transition

by Andy Praschak
Associate Editor

It was officially announced on July 31, that Dr. James A. Roemer would be replacing Mr. John Macheca as dean of students at the University of Notre Dame. With the appointment effective for only seven days now, both Macheca and Roemer are still reluctant to discuss any official plans for the future of the office of dean of students. "I am presently working with Dean Roemer to provide as much continuity as possible under the new dean," Macheca said.

Macheca, who was the first lay dean of students ever appointed at the University of Notre Dame, explained that his job now is to help Roemer understand "what" has to be done as dean of students while leaving the choice of "how" the job is to be done to Roemer. He also explained that much understanding and many concepts must be worked out before they can make any definite plans for the future public.

Macheca, who was appointed to this position in 1973, noted that he first started thinking about devoting more time to his master's degree in May when he started discussing the possibilities with Dr. Just Panassy, vice president for student affairs.

"I now feel that I will have the time to investigate the MSA program that I have been interested in," said Macheca. He said that when he first considered furthering his studies, he did not know exactly how this would affect his job as dean of students.

"I've been here two years and the first year was spent mostly immersed in the process of learning how to be the dean of students. It was an awful lot of hard work. The second year I was beginning to adjust and it wasn't quite so demanding," said Macheca.

A press release issued by the university on July 31, said that Macheca would serve as a special assistant to Brother Justin next fall. Macheca commented that his job as special assistant would include working with Roemer as well as continuing to work with the Senior Club. "I want to be able to give the Senior Club and the Senior Class as much support as possible next year," he said.

Macheca, who announced that his wife is expecting a child in October, explained that his entire family will take some time to decide exactly what he will be doing in the future. "However, I do plan to stay at Notre Dame for the next semester and probably for the entire year," he said.

Macheca was careful to note that although he will be around to help Roemer as much as possible, each man brings his own personality to a job such as this.

Briefly reflecting on the past two years, Macheca pointed out that it was a very demanding job. "But it's a job that has to be done," he said. He continued, "We have to hold expectations up for each other; that's the only way to continue to grow and better ourselves," he said. He said that he hoped that during his term he was able to do as much as he could to better the student's life. "When I took the job, I realized that this would not be a long-term one," he said.

Dr. Roemer, who has been University Counsel since October of 1972, felt that he was chosen for the job because of his close involvement with Notre Dame students throughout all his stay here. "Notre Dame students have been welcome in my house for the last five years," he boasted.

Roemer has been involved with many student activities throughout the years. He was on the board of directors of the Neighborhood Study Help Program, and is currently a board of director's member of the Om-budsman service here at Notre Dame.

Photos exhibited at SMC

Award-winning photographs from the River City Art Association's contest competition are currently exhibited in the Little Theater Gallery at Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, August 3-31.

After the show closes at Saint Mary's, it will travel to several South Bend public schools, the Mishawaka Public Library, the City-County Building in South Bend, Nazareth College in Kalamazoo, and other area locations through the first of next year.

The contest and exhibit are sponsored by Saint Mary's College and the National Endowment for the Arts - the Indiana Arts Commission. Judges were Julius Ivanics, South Bend Tribune staff photographer and instructor at the South Bend Art Center, and Richard Raymond Alkuse, gallery director and assistant professor in art at the University of Wisconsin-Waukesha.

Kommers named to Civil Rights post

Dr. Donald P. Kommers, professor of Government and International Studies at the University of Notre Dame, has been appointed director of the University's Center for Civil Rights, effective September 1.

Kommers, a member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1963, succeeds Dr. Howard A. Glickstein, who has headed the Center since it was established at Notre Dame by a $500,000 grant from the Ford Foundation in 1973.

Glickstein, a former staff director for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, has accepted a law faculty appointment at Howard University, Washington, D.C.

In making the announcement of Kommers' appointment, the Rev. James T. Butchartell, C.S.C., provost of the University, also disclosed that the Law School will soon be offered a postgraduate program in civil rights. Kommers, in discussing the possibility of accepting the new challenge, said the Center will continue to be a focal point of legal education and research on civil rights, and possibly an encompassing educational and research program for sociology, economics, public administration and other related disciplines.

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I remember running, in 1969, north from post Circle in front of the tear gas. I went into a restaurant to clear my eyes, but soon the restaurant’s air conditioners were blowing tear gas. I went out, and saw a young man, in suit and tie, leaning over a bush and trying to stop the bleeding from scalp wound. He claimed he was only the medical aide personnel, but I didn’t know if that was true. Earlier that year, a policeman told me I was under arrest for being in a public under­ground garage, where demonstrators had fled from tear gas. Luckily, the cop’s attention was distracted and I slipped away. Typical events, in the era of demonstrations — neat in Washington, which had a com­paratively restrained police department. Washington, after all, was no Chicago, no Kent State, no Jackson State. But it was bad enough. And now we have proof. U.S. District Court Judge Joseph C. Waddy, in a ruling on a ACLU suit, has determined repeated violations of the civil rights of demonstrators by District of Columbia police — beginning with that 1969 “Mob March.” The judge claims that a cop or doctor beaten for trying to help tear-gassed demonstrators then. I do not know if this is the same young man I saw. If so, somebody did a better job of reporting him I did. Another critic the judge singles out for condemnation is the “Police line or­dinance.” His declaration that any territory is off-limits to the public, and one can be arrested for being there (exactly my situation in the underground garage). Judge Waddy took some of his evidence from the police’s own files. He found that policemen were un instructed on citizens’ rights, confused by contradictory orders, and left to improvise the law man by man — as if the hundreds of police on the street were so many cloud marshals in the Old West, each carrying the law in his Mace holster. This report is one of a number of in­dicators that the “law and order” binge of the latter’s and early 1970’s was one of the darkest spots in our legal history. In new testimony on the Kent State killings, a national guardman admitted he lied to put the protesters in the wrong. Another court finding led to a $13 million penalty that must be paid by the District of Columbia for its violation of rights in the Mayday arrests. The Watergate investigation revealed that the Republican Party has been going on a money raising binge, and the country is an iceberg. Routine harassment of potential demonstrators over a period of several years. I saw two young men stopped, and their car searched for drugs, on no other grounds than that they were young. The police stopped searching only when I went up and showed them a press pass. The young men drove around the block and came back to thank me — there were — surprisingly, to find that someone still cared about the rights of the young. Any journalistic covering demonstrations in the late sixties has many stories of violated rights. The thing was so blatant that some journalists stepped over the story and joined the demonstrators. I never did — but some of my betters did. It seemed im­perative to such men — I am thinking of Murray Rumpton in Chicago — to say that they were not with the uniformed violators of the Constitution, but with those who appealed to it. Judge Waddy has ordered that anyone arrested by the D.C. police in a public demonstration after 1969 can have his record expunged, so general was the illegal arrests. This order was made with all the cases thrown out of court during Judge Waddy’s reign at the Justice Department.

JUDGE WADDY has argued for a domestic amnesty. President Ford should take the same step, no regard to our involvement in the same period. Some hawks prolonged Vietnam in order to silence the young critics at home, as part of a general assault upon their rights. There is nothing we can do, now, for the American GIs we had maimed during World War I, or the Japanese Americans we had locked up on our camps during World War II, but the victims of our last fling at illegality are still reachable, some time is running out. Not for them, but for us.
American-sponsored torture

In a televised speech of April 16, 1983, President Eisenhower said, "Any nation's right to a form of government and an economic system of its own choosing is inalienable." Iran was in the process of choosing its own economic and political forms at that very moment. The country nationalized the oil companies run by America, and voted by 99 percent to back this move, along with its sponsor, Premier Mossadegh. The young shah of Iran had crumbled before Mossadegh's popular strength.

America did not like this show of independence along the Iranian frontier. If the country would not be the puppet of the Southern strategy. Don't worry, everyone he's talked to says you'd drag a decent person like Gerry Ford pull the rug out from under his own liberal."

Ex-director of the CIA, who has had sudden bribes of at least one percent."

"Gerry shat he had fled. Then President Eisenhower exempted American oil companies from monopoly statutes to set up the consortium taking oil out of Iran. So much for freedom of political and economic choice.

It was not surprising to find, earlier this year, that Northrop Corporation had paid bribes of at least $10 million to Iranian officials. The principal adviser to Northrop in this effort, and emptied Iran's health clubs of all beefy specimens to lead the mob. With this, the vice-presidential candidate of the Southern strategy. Don't worry, everyone he's talked to says you'd drag a decent person like Gerry Ford pull the rug out from under his own liberal."

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"I said I didn't expect Ronnie to come into our bedroom.""

"And what did she say?"

"Nothing. She just giggled."

"I wouldn't put too much emphasis on one telephone call from Nancy Reagan. The President assured me we could decorate the White House..."

"Did he say before or after January, 1977?"

"Come to think of it, he didn't."

"Nelson, I think there's something going on that you don't know about. Mrs. Howard Baker was over the other day measuring the living room. She said she wanted to know if her Persian rug would fit in it."

"No kidding!"

"And Mrs. John Connally came over with samples of new wallpaper for the bathroom. And Mrs. Donald Rumsfeld called our cook and asked him if he'd be willing to stay on and work for her. Don't you see? It all adds up. Your job isn't as secure as you think it is."

"Happy, don't be unhappy. This is all politics. After the dust settles, Gerry Ford is going to put his arm around my shoulder at the Republican Convention and say I want Rocky in my swimming pool for the next four years."

"Well, I'm glad you're so optimistic. But I'm going to tell you one thing. If I have to move out of here, I'm taking this bed with me."

"It only costs $35,000. Why are you worried about a little old bed?"

"Because I don't want someone to put a plaque on it which says 'Nancy Reagan slept here.'"
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Rebus Puzzles

How would you read the following?

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Or this, which was found on an envelope sent by mail?

Hill

Or this description of a man in love?

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Relationships

Many problems arise over the relations between words and ideas. Some special problems arise over the relations between humans. See what you can do with these.

1. The television wrestler said: "You have the same problem as my brother Henry." Yet, the friend knew that Henry had no brother. Was the wrestler lying?

2. Want to have lots of laughs. Take a card and write on one side: The sentence on the other side is true. On the other side, write: The sentence on the other side is false. This is good for keeping arts and letters majors busy.

3. John Doe (remember him), a lawyer, gave his friend Richard Nixon free use of office facilities, for Richard had just lost a high-paying job and there was little hope of recent employment. Richard agreed to pay John as soon as he won his first case. (Watch out, John, Richard is not known to keep his word!) Richard was admitted to the bar, but he had no clients. (No wonder.) After six months, John grew impatient and changed his last name to Dean. John planned out a sure-fire strategy: If I sue him and win, the court will order him to terms of the agreement. How did Tricky Dick see the suit?

DOONESBURY

by Garry Trudeau

The Plumber's Problem

Mr. Ford has a security leak, and he has been told by Mr. Kissinger to examine a tank full of pipes which some of the plumbers had been joining together "just to keep their hands in." His instructions were to remove all the necessary pipes, especially those leading to the press, and leave only the shortest way through for a flow of water. Which pipes did he leave?
Help Wanted

This puzzle lists well-known authors and different professions. Your job is to match the author and the profession he or she followed before or in addition to writing. If you get them all, consider yourself a wizard of sorts. Miss one to three, and you’re in the white-collar wizard category. Four to six — out of the wizard’s league. Missed seven or more? What were you wasting your time on this puzzle for in the first place?

1. William Carlos Williams
2. Lew Wallace
3. Herman Melville
4. Edwin Arlington Robinson
5. Wallace Stevens
6. James Michener
7. Willa Cather
8. Mark Twain
9. Ralph Waldo Emerson
10. Robert Frost
11. Oliver Wendell Holmes
12. Washington Irving
13. Thomas Wolfe
14. Frank G. Slaughter
15. Robert Benchley
16. Sidney Lanier
17. R. H. Warner
18. Willa Cather
19. Pearl Buck
20. Kahlil Gibran

a. teacher
b. sailor
c. army general
d. insurance executive
e. hospitaler
f. college professor (he-ha!)
g. customs house clerk
h. shoemaker - teacher
i. physician
j. printer
k. lawyer
l. motion picture star.

DOONESBURY

by Garry Trudeau

Pub Crawl

A bunch of rowdy students met at Corby’s to celebrate the fact that they were all meeting at Corby’s. One of them made an unnecessary comment to the waitress, and they decided to go to another bar.

Soon, they decided to visit all the bars in town. One of the men, a bit crazy and drunk at the time, said “Don’t let’s go over the same roads twice. And how’s that Shula’s?”

This proposal was taken up, and the men crawled from pub to pub. According to this map, which way did they go?

Six College Men

Brown, Jones, Smith, Robinson, Hill and Mills each go to one of the following colleges: Dartmouth, Cornell, Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Columbia.

Miss Band is Jones’ girl. Miss Clark is Smith’s girl. Miss Drury is Mills’ girl. Miss Johnson is Brown’s. Miss Snow is to Robinson’s. Eleanor Roosevelt is nobody’s chickadee.

Miss Clark abhors Cornell, and thus doesn’t know any. Miss Drury once shared a Pullman coach with a Columbia man, and contracted a rash. She knows none.

Miss Snow thinks Harvard men are faggots, though she knows not one. Miss Norton is all out for Princeton, because she had a good time at a party there once. Miss Johnson, diplomat that she is, is undecided as to which she likes better, Yale or Dartmouth man. Smith knows Miss Snow, but she won’t go out with him because of the nasty scar on his face. Jones has a “Y” on his football sweater, which he considers to be quite existential.

“Which college does each man go to?” (Hint: None of them go to Notre Dame.)

Solutions

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The Lighthouse Keeper

A lighthouse keeper once took a bath on the top floor. When he closed the door he found that it locked automatically, and he couldn’t get out. To complicate matters, he couldn’t turn off the water, which rose rapidly, threatening to drown him. His mind was clogged as his life flashed before his very eyes. Just before he got to adolescence, he had an idea which saved his life. Can you figure out what the idea was?

HINT:
In Hackensack, adolescence, he had an idea which saved his very eyes. Just before he got to life. Can you figure out what the idea was?

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Solutions
Womens Political Caucus alive and well at IUSB

by Judy Smith
IUSB Editor

The Women's Political Caucus (WPC) is an organization of men and women who are active in many activities—locally, statewide and nationally.

Some of the membership of the caucus includes the IUSB faculty: Gloria Kaufman, Professor of English, is the WPC membership chairperson. Paula Auborn, Continuing Education, is the vice-president. Other members from IUSB are: Christa Maria Beardsley, German professor; Nicole Dominique, English professor; Patricia McNeal, history professor; Anne Marie Pinnate, foreign language; Donna Harlan, head of the Library.

The annual dues for membership in the local, state and national WPC is $20. According to Kaufman, a scholarship fund is available to pay for the dues of women students who can not afford the membership dues.

Ending Discrimination

The WPC is divided into many task forces. "Women, minorities, and the handicapped are the last to be hired and the first to be fired," according to the WPC. Task Forces have been formed by the local caucus to 1) seek ways to overcome the traditional job discrimination and 2) study the ways to develop new kinds of jobs that better meet the changing job market. Statewide a Task Force is being formed to investigate rehabilitative possibilities for incarcerated women. A Task Force was organized locally, initiated by Kaufman, to improve employment possibilities of women. Employment opportunities and fair treatment is one of the main concerns of the caucus.

The E.R.A. Amendment is still alive and being made known to the public by the WPC.

According to Harlan, the E.R.A. is for the benefit of men and women. The right to a job with equal pay and the rights of women to apply to men in the E.R.A. amendment.

Kaufman said IUSB students will have the opportunity to join the WPC in the fall. Many activities will be planned in the fall by the WPC which will be of interest to the students.

The Women's Committee on Sex Offenses and the caucus are jointly sponsoring Rape Prevention and Awareness Month in August. They will be informing the community of: 1) the fact that a great number of rapes go unreported; 2) the fact that many victims do not know the procedure for reporting rape; 3) the fact that there is a social and emotional burden placed on the victim.

On September 29, the caucus will have a Festival-Banquet to celebrate International Women's Year. It will be held at St. Mary's College. At the banquet, the caucus will be awarding a plaque to a local woman for outstanding contribution to society. Rolande Parent is serving as ticket chairperson.

The Sense of Self-Women's Colloquium sponsored by the Michiana Coalition for International Women's Year and IUSB's Continuing Education will be on November 14 and 16.

In October plans are being made to raise funds for candidates. The WPC is also working on a workshop on "Women in Government."

IUSB to have FM station in September

by Judy Smith
IUSB Editor

Beginning September 1, IUSB will have a radio station broadcasting from the former audio-visual room. The call letters are WVIU, which stand for the Voice of Indiana University. The station will be on an FM frequency, with a range of 10 miles.

The station will employ about 48 people, according to Gerry Campbell, station manager. Larry Lovett is the program director and Mary Benninghoff is the news director.

"We will get our news service from United Press International and the American Inter College Broadcasting Association," said Campbell.

The Public Broadcasting station will have a wide spectrum of music from classical to rock. The air time will be from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. seven days a week.

Of the weekly programs will be Radio Theatre, airing on Saturday and possibly another day of the week, according to Lovett. The Children's Theatre will be one of the educational programs. The first program will be the Hobbit. Other shows include The Andersonville Trials and Sorry Wrong Number. Most of the plays will be taped. However, Lovett said that some would be live, giving the students a chance to go to the radio station and see the reading of the plays.

"Funding will come from the United States Government," said Campbell.

"There is roughly four or five places we can get funding from. One is Health, Education and Welfare. The others are Corporation for Public Broadcasting, The National Association of Public Broadcasters and the National Defense. We can get funding from HEW for up to 15 years, and we hope to get some underwriting from local businesses."

Campbell hopes to have credit and non-credit courses offered through the station. He said this would be a good community service. "The station is an outreach of IUSB. It is very hard with today's economics, for working couples, husband and wife, to get to school and take courses. This might be a change for the wife who works and takes care of the kids, or whatever the case may be, to get an education. I felt this was a need, when we started this idea, in the community."

"I feel this is an extension of the campus, if not in fact physically then technically and spiritually," said Lovett. "The tower that we have is 360 feet tall which would give a radius of 50 miles. Technically and electronically it is an extension of IUSB. The more people that know the happenings of IUSB, the more who may eventually come to IUSB. Radio is an aid and a tool."

WVIU will feature two talk shows. "Rap Session" will be a conversation type program. Two people will man the miles while the public calls in to talk about anything. "Hot Seat" will feature local controversial figures and open the telephone lines to the community. Hot Seat will be an issues and answers type of program.

"Communications is a way to extend oneself. IUSB needs a voice, another addition going into making the whole," said Lovett.
The federally-financed Special Services program at Indiana University at South Bend, designed to help low-income students, the physically-handicapped and veterans to enter and stay in college, has been re-funded for 1975-76.

A grant of $70,000 to underwrite the program has been made by the Office of Education of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The program is in its fifth year at IUSB.

Michael S. Klaybor, director of the Special Services office, announced receipt of the grant.

Special Services is part of the federal Trios Program designed to make higher education accessible to students who might not otherwise consider college. These include low-income students, physically-handicapped persons and veterans. The program sponsors students for admission to IUSB and then offers academic and personal support of help the student do well in the classroom.

The program helps students through admission procedures, financial assistance, orientation, counseling, tutoring and career advice.

Special Services students have access to the program's learning resource center at 919 Mishawaka Ave., on the north edge of the IUSB campus. The center is supplied with books, typewriters, tape recorders, reading coaches and magazines. It provides a focal point for social gatherings for students in the program.

Last year, the program aided approximately 120 students at IUSB, Klaybor said.

He added that a high school visitation in the Michiana area is scheduled for some time in the fall to identify 60 students who might be interested in attending the Special Services comprehensive summer program next year. Information about requirements for the program can be obtained at the Special Services office on the IUSB campus.

A Music Academy for IUSB students

A Music Academy for beginning and advanced students in piano, guitar or string instruments will be offered by the Continuing Education division of Indiana University at South Bend this fall.

Designed for young people (over 8) and adults interested either in college preparatory training or in developing their musical skills, the academy offers instruction by members of the IUSB associate music faculty and bi-weekly recitals for those preparing to perform.

Music Academy instruction for strings is through private lessons only, while piano and guitar instruction will be offered both in private lessons and in group instruction.

The academy program will begin in mid-September and run for 14 weeks. Information and registration materials can be obtained from the IUSB Office of Continuing Education in Nexus Hall.

Music Academy offered for IUSB students

Graduate pre-enrollment schedule announced

Graduate students in education at Indiana University at South Bend can pre-enroll for fall classes Tuesday through Thursday, July 29-31, from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Greenlawn Hall lounge on the IUSB campus.

Fall semester classes begin Sept. 2. Fall registration will be held Aug. 27 and 28.

Pre-enrollment will allow graduate education students to select courses in advance of the registration period. Class assignments will be made after the pre-enrollment period ends and students will be notified of assignments before registration begins.

Schedules of classes for the fall can be obtained in most IUSB divisional and departmental offices. Schedules can be requested by mail from the University Relations office.

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To The Editor:

As a result of the activities of people genuinely concerned, sufficient interest in consumer well being has been generated. The attempt to develop an informed public is an ongoing struggle. Whatever the motives of our legislators may be to enact the laws they do, the businesses which serve the consumer are gradually becoming exalted in a tangle of governmental regulations and red tape that has reached explosive proportions. It is simply too much; so many businesses, people to cope with and the consumer untrained in further taxed and burdened.

Accepting the proposition that consumer legislation was enacted we should now ask ourselves what they are being protected from. It is not alone in the area of commercialism that they must be protected. Consumers should also be protected from the acts of government officials and most particularly elected government officials. Here exists an enormous vacuum. Consumers, or most of them anyway, know next to nothing about their voting record. They know nothing about their income, their expense accounts, their free jaunts and there, their work habits and capacities. What bills do they vote for or against? Do they vote at all? Do they attend hearings?

This information is available somewhere in Washington, but not readily so to me or to you or almost any consumer. It would seem quite appropriate that the daily activities or at least the voting record of our elected officials should be common knowledge to an other­wise poorly informed electorate. Elected officials on every level are accountable to their constituents. This too, you see, fails under the heading of consumer protection. This fondly labeled word "disclosure" which has raised to such heights havoc and personal and political war to shall we say propel members of the government, the consumer, or constituency if you prefer, is entitled to know what his elected agent is doing in Washington. Without such disclosure, how can the con­sumer know how to evaluate his position. Put very bluntly without such disclosure, how can the con­sumer protected from government pressure.

This letter is being written to you with the hope that a law has been stated may perhaps inspire a decision on the part of the Editor of your excellent newspaper to appoint one or two of your fine reporters to this subject and perhaps publish their findings on the over-all aspect of consumer protection on the one part and under-informed aspect on the other part. The consumer is entitled to know the truth and he will be very well received and of great value to your readers who may be guilty of permissiveness in conjunctionism, because they feel perhaps that they cannot fight. This is a sure way to make the consumer ultimately lose his rights.

Michael S. Beck

To What Court?

Dear Editor: To what court of appeals does a person turn for justice on this campus of beauty and academic peace and quiet. Beauty, yes, but where has all the quiet gone?

Some two to three thousand graduates have invested right to $1000 to partake in the academic qualities of Notre Dame. Then they run 11111111 to spread about the annual onslaught of the junior-high drum and cymbal corps. Next day, the distant sound of drums con­forms all runners. The distance blende7 the sounds into the monotonous hum of other human activity. The blessed monotony necessary for success in bookland, especially during close-the-end pressures. Then, lo and behold, the swelling sound is vanished. And drums are sitting on the nearest window ledge, beating like ludge hammers on ever-craram nerve ending.

Now I ask you what is one to do: circulate a petition, join a picket line or maybe simply walk up to the nearest instructor and sweetly ask him to retreat to the nearest stadium or clearing beyond the center of campus. There are three other possible alternatives, in­volving a form of retreat for those in bookland. They could move, bag and baggage into the library, which may require a few trips, then what with typewriters, books, paper, friends, they could close all the windows, turn on a fan and "hold out" until the supply of oxygen runs out; then they have another problem; or maybe they could steal some Hospital "Quiet Zone" signs and place them at strategic points.

If none of the above alternatives seem workable, then it is all back to the beginning: to what court of appeals does one turn? It might even be enforced if it were a one­time happening; but an annual event, that dreary anticipation would seem to require either a change in some calendars or else a possible change in address: if the latter choice turns out to be the only possible solution: i.e. do, exists (desist) or leave, then all that can be said is it is surely a ranty commentary on the status of American scholarship, within the last year the structure of our society.

Sister Janet Tillman PFYM Graduate, History of Religions Walsh Hall

Many, Many Thanks

Dear Editor: Many, many thanks to you and Andy (Prassack) for running the pro-life article on page 3 of the July 17, 1973 issue of the Observer. It was well written. Again, thank you.

Sincerely for LIFE,

Joe Corpia
Despite a flashy success at Yeshiva, Henry Kissinger has revealed a personal and political setback in his crusade to make energy policy. Apparently been dealt one more setback in his crusade to make energy policy, the President -- caught in a stalemate -- stubbornly opted for the worst possible energy policy rather than surrender credit for a better one.

Unfortunately, however, Congress is not the Ford Administration wants to keep. Now that foreign noggins seem so heavy, the President has been in need of someone with whom to do heroic battle. Given the ho-hum list of Democratic Presidential hopefuls, the new Ford campaign has been stalled for some time without anyone to run against. The Congress, it seems, will be grids.

Politics of embarrassment

The feeling, of course, is mutual. The President will also suffer Executive reductions related to little more than the politics of embarrassment, the Branches' "marriage" has looking like a scene from Who's Afraid of Virginia Wade. The President, calling names and tearing calendars, has assailed a "speedy" Congress, while legislative leaders have pictured Mr. Ford as the enemy of Labor, the Elderly, and the Poor and Mother Nature.

Both strategies, furthermore, seem to be working. Polls now put the President ahead of even such popular spendthrifts as Uncandidate Edward Kennedy, but far behind among Labor, the Elderly and the Poor (Mother Nature in a traditional fence-straddler). Even complicated energy legislation has been in the current issue of the Notre Dame Journal of Education calls for a special congress to examine the future direction of Catholic education.

According to the article, the current pattern of failure of Catholic elementary and secondary schools is determined by financial strength or weakness. To rectify this pattern, the author suggests that the financial condition of Catholic educational institutions be examined and that steps be taken to control the future of Catholic education.

They offer seven alternatives to the present course and recommend that representatives from the Catholic Church, NCEA and Catholic universities meet with teachers, parents and students in the Notre Dame area to discuss these and other alternatives. Their suggestion ranges from concentrating on a traditional educational effort in secondary or urban schools to developing an experimental program of education for human development.

The editorial is written by Dr. Richard H. Mecuron, assistant professor of graduate studies in education at the University of Notre Dame, Dr. Gregory M. Holz, Herbert Lehman College, City University of New York, Bronx, and Dr. Jerry G. Florent, educational consultant, University of Notre Dame.

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John M. Duggan, Ph.D., has assumed his duties as president of Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind., after a brief leave of absence for student affairs at Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Mr. Duggan was appointed president of Saint Mary's in February 1973.

Mr. Duggan, who served as acting president of Saint Mary's College in 1974, has returned to his former position of vice president of academic affairs for student affairs at Vassar.

Mr. Duggan joined the Vassar administrative staff in 1969 after serving as vice president of the College's Examinations Board (CEEB) for five years. Earlier, he was CEEB's director of personnel development and director of guidance services.

Before joining CEEB in 1967, he served for four years as assistant dean of freshman affairs at New York University, New Haven, Conn. He also has been a graduate of the University of Bridgeport (Conn.) and the Canterbury School, New Milford, Conn.

Mr. Duggan, has written articles on psychological testing and higher education for publication in numerous professional journals. He received a bachelor of arts degree from the College of the Holy Cross in 1960 and a doctorate from Yale in 1967.

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PLAYHOUSE
"Ten Nights in a Barroom"

review by ralph bravo

During the mid-1960's, Mary Martin (you remember her don't you? Peter Pan?) starred on Broadway in an ill-fated musical called "Jennie". "Jennie" was a fictionalized account of the not so happy marriage of playwright Charles Taylor, the turn-of-the-century king of melodrama and his actress wife Laurette Taylor. As a prologue to the marital sagas of "Jennie" the curtain rose on what might have been a typical Taylor melodrama. (It was titled "The Moody Get's His Man, or Chang Lu, King of the White Slavers"). Here, we found a wide eyed Miss Martin as Our Melissa (sigh) trying desperately to rescue herself and her baby from the clutches of Chang Lu - truly a villain's villain. (Boo! Hiss!) Their demise seemed imminent when suddenly tempers on "suddenly" the Royal Mosby, our hero (appliance, cheer) appears not only to rescue Our Melissa and Capture Chang Lu and his lackies but also to Kill a local bear who gets in his way. Happy ending. (Relief.)

Unfortunately, "Jennie" peaked during the hilarious prologue. When the more serious business of the play began to unfold, not even Mary Martin was able to rescue us from that theatrical villain called boredom. (courage)

I couldn't keep from wondering why the authors of "Jennie" didn't maintain the comic mood of the prologue and perhaps write a show which would spoof the hero and thuder of the old Taylor melodramas. Last week the SMC-ND Theatre presented "Ten Nights in a Barroom", a full length musical parody on an old melodrama, and I wondered no more. By the evening's entertainment spoofing a melodrama wears pretty thin and the idea becomes somewhat old even before the first act curtain.

"Ten Nights in a Barroom" is a musical spoof in the three acts based on an 1887 Temperance Drama of the same name. The original version of "Ten Nights", written by William Pratt from a novel by T.S. Arthur, was first performed as a serious sermon against the evils of alcohol. It was made into a full length film in 1921 and in 1928 the play was again performed for 111 performances at the Wallack Theater in New York. The New York Times reported that this 1928 version was performed "with a straight face and no conscious attempts at burlesque."

It has been rumored that if "Uncle Tom's Cabin" helped abolish slavery then "Ten Nights" may have brought on prohibition. The version presented by the SMC-ND Theatre in a 1976 musical adaption by Fred Curchod is a fairly good attempt to have a modern audience laugh while they watch. Curchod, with a moderate collection of turn-of-the-century songs. To the best of my knowledge this version has never been performed on or off Broadway but it seems to be a favorite Summer and Dinner Theatre presentation.

Basically, the plot twists and turns around the efforts of Deman Rum on the citizens of Cedarville. Among the victims of the soul poisoning beverage is Joe Morgan. Neglecting his "Heartbroken Wife and Angel Child." Morgan spends most of his time as one of several resident drunkards in the sleazy atmosphere of the local Sickle and Shovel Saloon. When daughter Mary urges her father to return home ("Father, Dear Father, 0 Father, Come Home!") she is struck with a wasayward beer mug. The poor dear dies and the bar owner, with her repetitive "0 happy we were at the old mill" stare more than a chuckle from everyone present and Kirk Donelson does a superb job of being the pappy of the family's destruction. pappa reforms.

Woven into the plot are many of the stock characters expected in any of your basic melodramas. There are Sample Switchel and Methaball Carver, the face hero and heroine, Harney Green, the black-hatted, black-capped, black-mustached, black-hearted villian and, of course Miss Burke, of course the Saloon singer and the heart of the saloon (marked) (gold). Along the way, we are treated to some fine old musical standards including dance songs of George M. Cohen, the 1902 "Little Boy Friend" and "Lowdown, Dark and Mysterious," the 1920 "Don't You Kiss Me," and the 1930 "Look for the Silver Lining."

Yet somehow after you've witnessed the hero, his wife, his villain and sighed for the heroine the joke becomes worn, the laughs become forced and the musical numbers become tedious. Tho' weakened the material might be the energy and spirit of the SMC-ND players which was never dampened. Every member of the cast and crew deserve a simply superb. First of all, there is Mary Martin who steals the show as the Saloon, Goldie Hills. Her first act entrance was a moment of mad perfection ("Nall down the bar boys, Goldie's here!" A troupe of bar women singing sixteen verses of "Hello, Goldie!" couldn't have improved it. Miss Burke's throaty chirping of the Harry O. Sutton 1904 classic "I Don't Care" was enough to turn any red blooded boomer three hundred and sixty degrees on his bar stool. Every musical should own a Katherine Burke. Katherine Wales' little Eva-like death scene had precisely the right amount of silliness to make it one of the truly comic moments of the evening. Mary Wool, as the wife of the tavern owner, with her repetitive "0 happy we were at the old mill" stare more than a chuckle from everyone present and Kirk Donelson does a superb job of being the pappy of the family's destruction. pappa reforms.

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