Hoffman reconsiders resignation; accepts nomination for position

The Associated Press

Hoffman has been Dean of the Freshman Year since 1971, said he had accepted his appointment with the expectation that he would continue working in the position in which he was involved. He was the chairman of the search committee for the Division of Chemical Education and the American Chemical Society, Director of the Notre Dame Teaching Institute in Chemistry, and the Director of the 25th International Science and Engineering Fair.

Hoffman felt that if he had withdrawn from these projects at that time, they would have been finished. Consequently, he decided to accept the appointment as dean while continuing these projects. All of these projects were completed by the summer of 1974. Hofman said he "has a very special commitment and dedication to the teaching of chemical education and films."

He discovered that he was unable to make the progress he wanted on the completion of the book and teaching aid. Therefore, he could not both finish his projects and remain as dean of the Freshman Year. Consequently, he decided to resign his position as dean.

After resigning, Hofman was approached by a number of students who said they were unhappy with that decision. "I was very touched by these expressions, and so I decided to resign," Hofman said.

Hofman was recently notified by the search committee that several people had submitted his name for nomination and that he had been accepted as nominee. "I told them I would work as a consultant and enthusiastically accept the nomination," he said. The dean added that his first priority should be with the Freshman Year of Studies.

The change applies to both sophomore classes scheduled for the fall on Sept. 10 and Sept. 11, 1974.

"The court opinion said future right to die cases can rely on the ruling without the need for a case-by-case judicial review," said Hofman.

The court ruled in favor of Karen Quinlan's medical wishes and was in line with the decision of the New Jersey Supreme Court. However, the court did not rule on the specific situation of Karen Quinlan's daughter, Karen Sikorski.

Karen Quinlan's case is one of the most well-known cases in the United States, and it has sparked much debate and controversy regarding the issue of euthanasia.

The court ruled that the daughter, Karen Sikorski, has the right to die. The court stated that "the daughter's right to privacy grows as the degree of bodily invasion increases."

The court's decision is a significant victory for the right to die movement, and it has been widely hailed as a precedent-setting case.

The court's decision was based on the principle of autonomy, which holds that individuals have the right to make decisions about their own bodies and lives. The court ruled that Karen Quinlan's daughter, Karen Sikorski, has the right to refuse medical treatment and to die with dignity.
On Campus Today

12:15 pm - mass, laboratory ballroom
1:30 pm - lunch conference, "on the reasons of the heart", by Rev. Franciscus van M. c.s.c. to open to faculty, staff, students with n.d. id.
2 pm - tennis, western michigan at n.d.
3:30 pm - computer course, "pl/I", room 115, computer center/mathematics building.
4 pm - colloquium, "appro. rate behavior control in the natural setting: applications with 'normal' subjects", 
d. c. anderson, ph.d., and m. wilkoff, graduate student, sponsored by the psychology department, rm 119, baggar hall
4 pm - colloquium, "classifying spaces of discrete, algebraic and topological groups", by prof. eric friedlander, northwestern univ., sponsored by math department, room 226
3:40 pm - evensong vespers, log chapel
5:15 pm - banquet, n.d. chapter of sigma xi 1976 initiation banquet, blue and gold room, morris inn
7 & 10 pm - film, "barmitz" with harry lawrence olivier, sponsored by english department, engineering auditorium
7:30 pm & 9:30 pm - film, "t.v. classics," laboratory ballroom, 75 cents, free popcorn & coke
8 pm - lunch conference, "the emergence of collective consciousness" by dr. william irvin thompson, lindsfare, ece
8 pm - lecture, "islam and african masquerades: the emergence of human spiritual and artistic ideals" by rene braumann, chairman, african studies, washington univ., seattle, sponsored by art dept.
10 pm - jazz opening new restaurant services
12 am - album hour, wond 640 am, tonight's featured album: "kingfish"
12:15 am - rooftop night flight, wond 88.9 fm, the best in progressive rock, jazz and blues, tonight's host: brian shanahan

Nazz Restaurant
to open tonight

The new Downtown-style restaurant in the Nazz will open tonight. Food will be served from 9pm. to 11 p.m. tonight through Saturday. Plans are scheduled to continue this service on these nights for the remainder of the semester.

The restaurant will feature waitresses who will serve an array of sandwiches, snacks and various beverages. Entertainment will also be provided.

The restaurant is designed to bring people out of their dorms as an alternative to off-campus drinking activities. The first month's operation is experimental. Hours may be extended to seven days-a-week in the future.

Orchestra tryouts set for "Godspell"

Auditions will be held on Monday, April 5th for any guitar players and drummers interested in being in the orchestra for the ND-SMC production of Godspell. Auditions will be held in the Jazz Band Room (the old tailor shop next to LaFortune) at 7:00 p.m. Further information can be obtained from Fr. Waskirchen in the Band office on Monday. Auditions will be provided for guitarists.

Child development center may open

There is a possibility that the Early Childhood Development Center will be open this summer, whether during the Notre Dame summer sessions or during the entire summer. There is sufficient interest and need. The center would provide full or part-time programs for children between the ages of six and eight.

Anyone who is interested or wants further information should call Terri Kosick at 284-4150.

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AUP composes collective bargaining survey

by Maureen Flynn
Campus Editor

The Notre Dame chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) composed a questionnaire on collective bargaining in an effort to poll all faculty members last night.

In a recent survey of AUP chapters, a need was indicated for the entire faculty to be aware of the collective bargaining issue. Another reason favored an effort on the part of the chapter to offer itself as a collective bargaining agent.

Prof. James Robinson, chapter president, was scheduled to distribute the questionnaires on collective bargaining yesterday. Robinson told members he will distribute the questionnaires on collective bargaining, "but they should be taken as a guide on what action we should take in the fall."

Robinson noted that the questionnaire is completely informal and in no way binding on those who respond.

The questionnaire first asks faculty to indicate which aspects of University governance, faculty grievance procedures, and salary questions are of concern to them. Faculty are then requested to give their impressions of the merits and short-comings of collective bargaining and current procedures in dealing with the issues.

Speaking for himself, Robinson said he supports collective bargaining at Notre Dame because: "When you have a faculty that is likely to be listened to--a good faculty--then they should participate in University government."

Robinson said he will take "the faculty perspective" into consideration and that collective bargaining would offer "an immediate setting for discussion than currently exists."

Edward Vasta, AAUP member and chairman of the English department, said he was "used to thinking of collective bargaining in terms of pollution and dilution, but that he had started thinking very much as an honest agent for faculty organization."

"A number of these issues represent areas defined here (Notre Dame) by the University alone," Vasta observed. "I wonder if the faculty might not entertain the idea of collective bargaining simply as a more sophisticated way of organizing." Robinson stated that "one suspects," frequently held about collective bargaining was that "academics are a set of non-academic people."

He noted that most collective bargaining concerns "steps pursued by ordinary procedures" and that issues "only go to the bargaining agent if they can't be worked out."

When asked about the collective bargaining process, Robinson added, "in such cases 'academic' people are brought in."

Robinson said a collective bargaining contract would be in the form of a faculty manual. "The difference is that there is a system to go to when problems arise," he said. The chapter president also noted that most collective bargaining contracts would have no strike, no work sit-down clauses.

Earlier this year, the AUP and the Faculty Senate composed a series of informal discussions on collective bargaining with guest speakers from the AUP and AAUP. Several institutions at which faculties are collectively represented.

Robinson said a chapter newsletter will be sent out soon with further information concerning the issue and that the questionnaires will be circulated within two weeks.
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After all, what would you do if you were walking down the South Quad, were struck by lightning, blinded for three days, and called by the Lord to be his soldier, to serve as a man of the cloth? Divine inspiration just doesn’t come that often; would you still want to be a chemical engineer? I don’t think so, but I really wish it were that easy.

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Spring can bring problems. How can I relate these feelings in an analogy that would capture the essence of this indiscretion. The mind is not a simple organ; it is a matrix of confusion. One is reminded of James Joyce, revisted in this stream of foolishness.

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Calls for more catsup

Hesburger changes UnPolicy

by Barb Franklinstein
Abroad Persnickety

Fr. Theodore Hesburger, Un-
president, appeared in overalls and
Roman collar in front of a throng
statute last night for another infor-
minal discussion with students,
which resulted in an unexpected
announcement of major changes
un Smoking.

"The social and academic condi-
tions on campus are intolerable,"
Hesburger, who had just returned
from another extended vacation,
replied to students.

"I believe that existing rules and
regulations should be abolished be-
cause it is the purpose of a univer-
sity to prepare men and women for
their roles in society," he agreed.

"To make: UnPolicy.

HESBURGER

Unpronounceable office canned

by Prep P. Revhash Buffy Editor

Vice President of Student Affairs
Bosher simply Unpronounceable
announced early today he is step-
ning down as Vice President to
become permanent manager of the
Irish Cream Shoppe in the
Huddle.

Unpronounceable added his en-
tire office would be abolished.
"There simply were not enough affairs going on that warranted
several people retaining office pos-
tions and keeping large offices
open to accommodate them," un-
pronounceable stated.

Unpronounceable explained his
new job would allow him to be more
closely associated with the Student.
SA, UnPolicy announced Unpronun-
ounceable's plan but denied that affairs
were lacking.

In order to dispel any conflict of
interest charges, Unpronounceable
added he had sold all his stock in
Hesburger's Brownie franchise at
the Mock Stock Market last month.
after that group could not be persuaded by Unpronounceable to open
an ice cream franchise on the campus.

In other action, Dean of Students
Jeanie Ramus will relinquish her
position to administrate the
St. Michael's Laundry and Campus
Dry Cleaning Service. Ramus was
appointed by a "grim and white-
later, 'I couldn't resist trying to
help them while looking into the
hanging faces of several hundred
irate students," Hesburger des-
cribed their arguments as "very
convincing.

Changes "to be implemented
immediately" include revisions in
the academic calendar. Stating,
"We need to provide an easier
learning situation," Hesburger
announced changes in house-

ing and academic codes.

"One hall will remain all male
and one will remain all female," Hesburger explained. "For those
students who have other prefer-
ences.

Other changes will include open
hours in the Commons. 'We have
never been against drinking,'
Hesburger repeated. "It is a matter
rather enjoy it. I have ever told
you about my drinking experiences
in Rome."

A new academic code will pro-
vide an automatic 4.0 GPA for all
students who have paid their
tuition for the semester. "I feel this
action will eliminate competi-
tion," Hesburger noted. "That means
the cutthroat activities, such as
class attendance," he predicted.
"It will also be beneficial to the
social life here."

A "reduced atmosphere is
needed at Notre Dame," Hesbur-
gen conceded in an analysis.
Therefore, the university will sponsor
new activities such as disco parties,
kegs, picnics and another "GRIN-
chaell.""The grass of the South
Quadrangle will be converted to a
student center to make it a
off-campus "open house" area,
which hopefully will be put
even more use, especially on
weekends," he urged.

"Poor food quality, perhaps the
major complaint against Notre
Dame's campus, has resulted in
numerous types of complaints.
Hesburger informed students, explaining the need to charge for
student dining halls.
This new service will provide
food for every meal and meat on
Friday.

"I realize these are radical changes,"
Hesburger admitted.
But "I sense they are necessary,"
he added, "because an odd solution
with a final proclamation of change in
the University.
As of this
moment, I am resigning from the
presidency of this great insti-
tution.
I feel from the beginning of my
administration that I could not
be considered..." Unpronounceable
announced.
"I have been appointed to the UnPolicy, in
order to keep religious conditions in the
important regions of Guatemala.
and I will be joining my co-worker in our
fiber glass house in the mountains
next month.
Hesburger then named Tim
Boyle as his successor for Student
Body President, as his "successor to
follow in the excellent footsteps of
Hesburger, I am sure he will prepare
Boyle for a grim and white
challenge in UnPolicy if those
conceded by the current academic codes."

Hesburger was unavailable for
comment after the discussion.

So what else is new?

Just another calendar story

by Fr. James Grinchaell
Staff Reporter & Copyreader

In a believable move, the
Academic Council created a
1976-1977 baccalaureate academic
calendar at a meeting last night.

The calendar was devised by
Mike Gasperson and includes
several innovations never before
attempted by any school.

The academic calendar:
A total of 13 semesters in honor
of the thirteen original colonies.
Each semester will be composed of
eleven days, ten class days and
one day for special events. Each
semester will last for only two
hours, they will all be held in the
morning, I thought we were
practicing the second semester will
be held that afternoon.

Each student will be required to
attend at least two courses per
semester. This will enable the plan
to be economically feasible.

The new academic code
will not be included in the

(continued from above)

The location of the night spot has
not been disclosed, but an area
large enough for the new
will be announced.

Fr. Moose Milk, director of
campus residence, will be reas-
nigned to campus security as a
number of the late-night diners.
Milk's job will include Navbar violations and prosecute (persu-
ade) all offenders. Milk has also
accepted a staff position on the
Auditorium. As a member of the
Sports Department, Milk will
serve as Far Northern corres-
don to the Canadian Wilder-
ness.

Plans for the reuse of the office
space vacated by Student Affairs
personnel have not been released yet.
The possibility of the space
becoming a 24-hour lounge is likely
according to a spokesman for C.R.A.P., (Committee Reorganizing
Assigned Places).

"Chances are, this is highly
unnecessary," Unpronounceable
added, "we may have to

official calendar. However, a stu-
dent could conceivably take a semes-
ter off to work at the student
radio station, but then he must re-apply for admission back

held on Monday at 8:00 p.m. will
delivered, at 12:15 p.m. on
Tues-
day, as well as other events.
That
to attend Grace dorms at the
same time. We have over 30 classes
in the added class load will also benefit
from the absence of the 1978 Senior
Class.

The increase in next year's
levels of cars and will be
Lincoln the day for the upcoming year
particularly inhibited, but due to the increased use of
classrooms, lab and other
facilities the increase is
expected to be considerable.

The calendar is truly worthy of
Notre Dame in this Baccalaureate
Ginchaell was a real challenge getting
the Academic Council to agree.
One Council member stated, "I
didn't know that the hell I was
writing," thought we were
agreeing on whether to go to
Spain, Guatemala or the
Theodore Grinchaell, editor of the
Library was able to follow the
meeting to ask him his opinion on
the new calendar.

"As we are both in the 60-0 class days,"
Grinchaell stated. "It fulfills the
students' sense of crisis in the
academy.

The schedule if approved by the
one day break for Christmas he
replied. "Yeah, we'll have to work
straight through Christmas and
then get back to it."

An Unpronounceable reporter also contacted
Fr. Theodore Hesburger, President of the
University for his comments on the
issue.

"In my 24 years as president of the
Academic Council," he stated, "...
Off Campus Yesterday

6 am — mass exit, time for all parietal violators to exit respective on-campus halls before maids come to work. This has become a standard routine for all dorms.

8:10 am — lecture, "use of cb radio in avoiding campus security" by arthur peach, south gate booth, $50

10:45 am — lecture, "the molecular fission of monocleidispousous and fencelidindal under the influence of coquetory genology books, what could be next?"

11:59 am — mass entrance, time for all parietal violators to enter respective on-campus halls before maids come to work. If parietal violation time begins (e-o luster seekers, have another drink), all campus dorms

This doesn't make sense

by Barbara Zwer

Ex-Student Body President Fred Byrned is still complaining that the Aboriter emphasizes the failures of student government and treats Wally credit for their help. An Invisible Pirhana, selling at $4 retail, the Invisible Pirhana comes complete with golfball and tiny sheen—just to prove that the fish has been there. The package includes a mini fish tape as an invitation to Pirhana care, which incidentally explains that a bowl of spaghetti, a cow's head, and a stick of dynamite to pet the fish. This explains all, this competition is bound to make live animals feel unloved.

Bow, cen 10 E L

Lockenback, Texas—Awards were recently handed out for "the most tastless expressions of tastelessness." Two winners tied for an award—the Falstaff Brewing Co. for bicentennial beer cans, and the Jackson Casket Co. for its red, white and blue flag-lined caskets. The prize money is bound to make live animals feel unloved.

SIC plans announced

by Vivian Browne

Mitchell Gwynne, chairman of the Sophonemic Bliterrete Celebra-
tion Committee, announced today that five people have agreed to make guest appearances at this year's event. On Wednesday, an announcement by noting that SIC was began the 181st issue of the publication of The Awful Disclosures of the Monk, for the purpose of bringing to the people into close contact with the nation's leading anti-secre-
verse, smutty and generally value-

Less literature. Formerly the committee had featured such guests as Alfred E. Neuman, the Sophomore Bliterrete, and the working staff of the Doris Gwynne

Door Show—Peter, the man who made enough money off one shoe stand to buy a car, announced to his students of the library's book to make sure they don't get the computer version by mistake. "Reader's Digest ran the book," Gwynne complained. "By tasteful editing they managed to improve its quality 40 percent."

Byrned ramrodded to be working on another novel, tentatively entit-
ed Claws.

Later in the week, SIC will feature Ted Agnew, a new-comer to the city. The well-known fiction-making Agnew has written a book, One Flew Out of the White House, the tale of a giant antishit official required to go under pressure from pompous purveyors of politics. Readers will love the book.

We have great hopes for the poor quality of Ted's novel," Gwynne stated. "Our hope is based on his previous experience of writing.

The third confirmed guest is poet Alfred Leonard, better known to the literati in the merlin. "Al" is best known for his book, "Geezer Carport—From Portage" and "The Dog Who Shouted "I'm the Monkey". Barnaby's wished to repel the SIC invitation in verse:

"Eye."

"Byrned said it was his doing that the Mardi Gras was such a successful event. The party was well received and sold out two raffle tickets, and I know the students felt well from what I heard from him."

The ex-president also claimed to have been the first person to propose the reversal of the Iced and Ice

Don't read this!

Notice: All articles in the ABSURD column are intended to poke fun at various individuals, the OBSERVER staff itself. The staff hopes the readers don't take offense and can laugh along with the rest of us.

Gossip Shorts—Smelly Se

by Zena Shlobodnic

Prune Editor

Demonstrating lethargic concern for political reality, delegates to the Michigan Student Government Convention in Ann Arbor nominated Governor George Wallace as its governor-candidate, in order to prevent the line's presidential candidate on the twenty-sixth ballot at 6:30 a.m. Saturday.

Last Saturday, delegates en-
raged by the proposed slate by drafting Arthur Bremer for the vote. ('To see the vote, during the convention, which attempted to restrict men from entering the dorms. This attempt to restrict men from entering the dorms."

The circumstances of Wallace's victory were explained by Jim "Wally" Bremer, student body president for the ticket.

"We tried to get three delegates still awake when we held the caucus, and the guy from Alabama cast his delegate's nine votes for Wallace and the votes for Udall from the Hawaii and Maine delegations totaling 43 out of 80."

"As the chairman, I was sup-
pessed to break the tie," he

"Of course, I had to handle the Fighting Chicken myself, so we
decided to flip a coin instead of another vote for Udall," he

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"On Wallace, there was no possible way that he could win the convention, with 25 delegates remaining to sit out among the nominees."

Two hours later, Wallace won. Former President Bremer was present, and the possibility that animosity could develop between Wallace and Brown was later revealed. Theosaic was the idea that the other delegate was rumored to dislike the Illinois heat between California Governor Jerry Brown, Arizona Congress-
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Hang Em High

When this university needs is a good old-fashioned public hanging.

Many people have complained that this has been a really "dead" year in which very little exciting has happened (and judging from the crap this rag has been running lately they are not far wrong). What we all need is a little excitement to liven things up and get us through the long last pull between the closing of this and the next nation. And finally, if we have an A Toast but after you have seen someone mangled on a football field, mud volleyball just does not make it. A public hanging would certainly give us excitement. In Merry Olde England everybody in town would gather to see some event. This was the occasion for a family meeting. It would thus be perfect for putting some of the old family spirit back into us.

There are many ways the excitement could be built up around this new spring Hanging Festival. Since the Hangman and Hanggee would be instant University celebrities there would be intense competition to win these coveted positions—especially that of Hangman which would be a once in a lifetime opportunity. The obvious way to choose would be to have an election which would itself be an occasion of excitement. The position of Hangman would of course have to go to an administrator and there would no doubt be intense rivalry for this honor between the provost, the dean of students and the vice-president of student affairs.

Any student or faculty member would be eligible to run for Hangman (and should any promising candidate be too shy to step forward his supporters could run a write-in campaign). Candidates would flexout the campus with posters promoting to chop down the tree and kick back him. After the campaign and after careful interviews, would endorse candidates for their qualifications and abilities and the Absurder's endorsement would become known as the "kiss of life." After this build-up the Hanging Festival would be held in the stadium some sunny spring afternoon (South Bend weather cooperating) a week or two after breakthrough. A gallows could be erected in the middle of the field and decorated with blue and gold. Students would side with either the Hangman or the Hanggee and display signs supporting their favorite (no allusions to rubbers, please). The band would parade around the gallows the playing victory the march. To warm up the crowd before the main event the Leprechaun could burn one or two of the cheerleaders at the stake. Then the University Chaplain could deliver the Invocation. Never mind the lucky winner of the election to the hands of a lonely god. His Huskaghourth would be present to give his best-student-body-in-the-world speech and commend everyone for helping to fight world hunger (the body would of course have been given to the Hunger Coalition for distribution in Bangladesh).

Finally, the curtain could be raised. The Hangman and Hanggee would match up the gallows stairs arm-in-arm with the band playing our national anthem and the bandmasters and all of the university students and administrators would lead the student body to the hangman's step. The Hangman would be the most mangled of the lot, the Townies... I mean, the townies. Would be BXVH.

I urge you to get used to this word. It is a bit long to use often but it is a really neat word. I urge you to get used to this word.

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Sure looks like the real thing.

Ed. Note: THE OBSERVER has often accused us of having such kind of taste and tact completely associated with God. I differ. But if you think the letters we print are tasteless, look at some of the ones we did not print. (Names are withheld by request of our lawyer.)

Jail-House Blues

Dear Editors:

We are some prisoners incarcerated in the penitentiary and would like to impress on you that if you'd print our letters we might come out of jail.

To conclusively state our purpose, we would like you to look ahead for correspondence. It is our desire to correspond with anyone of you who ever major who's unceremoniously and unnecessarily interested in exchanging ideas on a concept with us. We feel certain we retain sufficient knowledge as regards the prison to lend an insight into its activities as well as we're cognizant doubly beyond doubt that there are a number of otherwise college subjects which the student of the Future would be102ering elevating our consciousness on. Who knows? What if we were now to be judge—perhaps the experience itself would allay some of our postgraduate developmental. We heart­fully welcome the chance.

The Girls in Le Mans

Dear Editors:

Hangman and Hanggee are a one group that makes one believe in innocent competition—especially in the buff, with only a few thunderous applause of the townies. Unlike their sister group Kiss, they would not be mangled on a football field, mud volleyball just does not make it.

Hang 'Em High

I am sure what makes Hug the cheekiest group around. (photo by the funny O'Neil.)

The Absurder

Having a rapport with the one and only lonely god.

Dear Editors:

Let me get the name dropping out of the way right now. I'll lunch the other day with the Lonely God and become a student at Notre Dame.

"What's your major?" I asked him.

"Loneliness," he told me.

"Really?" I exclaimed.

"Religion," he answered.

"What's yours?" I asked.

"Jail-House Blues!"

"Thanks," he said.

I smiled. I knew what he meant. It had the same effect on me when I was visiting my grandmother, meditating upon a sunrise in Oklahoma.

Still, however, I found him distraught.

"Would you write a letter to Father Griffin?" I asked him.

"He's lonely too, you know."

"I tried that," he pouted. "But he keeps writing me back letters about an old hobo without teeth who sells apples or something on 42nd street. He's not exactly answered me directly. And besides, the guy's a Communist and a Buddhist. I pulled the file on her years ago."

"But he's a holy man in bringing," I pronounced. He looked surprised.

"And he's a holy man."

"We're all lonely."

"Really?"

"He was shocked."

"Well, everybody hot football players and people who have read

my latest book, How I Found God on a Street Corner by Father Bill Fohey."

"How much does it cost?"

"$14.95, but it's a bargain at any price," I answered him.

"He sends me what I do have of the bottle of Hadyi's MO?" he asked.

"I corrected him."

"The Happy God."

"But he's been hiding out in a bottle of Hadyi's MO, and I've been here at Notre Dame answering letters and telling him that the president of Heaven when I get there? I want to feel certain we retain sufficient knowledge as regards the prison to lend an insight into its activities as well as we're cognizant doubly beyond doubt that there are a number of otherwise college subjects which the student of the Future would be102ering elevating our consciousness on.

"No one, I guess. I said to him.

"That must be the President."

"Of course it is."

"After the death of the angry God, I exclaimed the Happy God to tell all the cares of things. I was too grieved to a paycheck you give me free­miated, seething heap of parrot drooping ladies Hawaiian elephant—'

"Respectfully yours,

Z. Miglio Fuhblo

P.S. You may be pleased to note that I'm not drinking a mouth, you miserable, styphlocyanin paranoiaus coin!"
Wild women hit the sticks

by E.O. Grady
The Irish El

Women's Sports broadened its horizon this year with the addition of field hockey to its list of track and field events. What you may ask, is field hockey? The ancient sport of women, to say nothing of a field hockey game, included a few on the basketball court as he managed to keep every man in place for a record shattering 52 straight games. Coach Rose called Royle's Mason also played well in the backcourt for the Irish. Another impressive performance was the one given by freshman Vidal Weed. Notre Dame's favorite freshman. Weed turned in an aggressive defensive game, fouling out in two minutes and being charged with six accounts of assail and battery. The John Birch society has picked up the tab on the assail and battery charges and has called Weed a great American for beating up "Those commie pinkos."

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B.C. gets the court looked like a tobacco road. Cantley was so impressionable that he was offered a place on the Cuban Olympic Basketball team by Cigar Head Coach Fidel Castro. Castro supposedly offered him a tobacco plantation, two Cuban built yachts and Cuban heavy weight boxing champion Adelmo Stevenson as a personal bodyguard. B.C. said he'd think over and win $60-100 on the issue. Also impressive for the Irish was Robby "the Pumpkin" Solerno. Solerno had quite a few scores this game, including a few on the basketball court as he managed to keep every man in place for a record shattering 52 straight games. Coach Rose called Royle's Mason also played well in the backcourt for the Irish. Another impressive performance was the one given by freshman Vidal Weed. Notre Dame's favorite freshman. Weed turned in an aggressive defensive game, fouling out in two minutes and being charged with six accounts of assail and battery. The John Birch society has picked up the tab on the assail and battery charges and has called Weed a great American for beating up "Those commie pinkos."

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Head Ball coach Fidel CastroPhilips pointing facts out to Brian "B.C." Cantley about the Havana Cigars, among other things. [photo by who else!]
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Soloff heads Festival talent

by Jack Whitehurst
Staff Reporter

This is the sixth in a series of two-article series on the Collegiate Jazz Festival.

The eighteenth annual Collegiate Jazz Festival comes to campus this weekend, Friday and Saturday, April 2 and 3. The event, which is held at Segar Center, features sixteen fine college bands and an impressive collection of judges. The festival highlights a performance by Lew Soloff and the Eastman School of Music Jazz Ensemble.

The activities will begin Friday afternoon at 2:30 in the new Music Building with a symposium of the judges. The symposium, which everyone is invited and encouraged to attend, will be an informal dialogue with the judges on many jazz-related topics. Topics may range from their personal careers, to the festival, to the jazz world in general. Because the judges come from different banks and schools of jazz, they may discuss their different approaches to music. At any rate, the symposium is loosely structured so the judges and other people who attend can concentrate on the topics that they find most interesting and useful.

In previous years, the symposium has been a valuable experience for those who have attended. This year’s symposium should be no different.

Friday evening, the festival will feature the music of six college bands. These bands include: The Notre Dame Big Band, the Mona of Indiana UniversityCombo, the Oakland University Big Band, the Northwestern Big Band, and the Predonia State Jazz Band. This session will start at 7:30 and run around midnight. The talent displayed by these musicians should bring most of the audience back for more jazz on Saturday. Yet, the festivities on Friday night will not end at midnight.

After the first session, the Notre Dame Jazz Band and the Eastern Michigan Jazz Ensemble will journey to Vegetable Buddies for more good times. The Notre Dame Jazz Band will perform along with other interested musicians from the festival. Everyone is invited to this jazz gathering. This event will conclude Friday evening’s activities.

Saturday afternoon, the festival will feature the music of five college bands. These bands include: the Wastewater College Big Band, the Western Michigan Big Band, the Ohio State Combo, the Kent State Big Band, and the MIT Quintet. This session will take up where Friday night left off. This session will begin at 11:30 and run until about 4:00. All five bands should give very enjoyable performances. There will be plenty of fine seats to watch the fine music, so make a point to attend this session.

Saturday night, the festival will conclude in an impressive succession of musical talent. It begins at 7:00 with the performance of the two high school bands that won the high school competition. At 9:00 the remaining college bands take the stage for the third and final college jazz session. These bands include: the Governor’s State Big Band, the University of Illinois Big Band, the Chicago State Jazz Combo, the Indiana University Big Band featuring Dr. George Bain, who won the awards for best instrument and best ensemble last year, and the Northwestern Combo. These bands should amply warm the audience up for the fine performance to follow.

At 11:30, Lew Soloff and the Eastman School of Music Jazz Ensemble will take the stage for an anticipated fine performance. The Collegiate Jazz Festival judges’ chairman, Mike Dillon, has arranged for Soloff to have several practice sessions with Eastman before the festival so they will be well prepared for their performance. Last year, Eastman received a standing ovation from a large Notre Dame crowd, so festival officials feel it would be more than appropriate to invite them for this special return performance. Lew Soloff, former trumpet player for Blood, Sweat and Tears should enhance their performance a great deal. He has a fine jazz background and much talent to offer.

The Saturday night concert will climax with the presentation of awards. After hearing such fine talent displayed by the college musicians, the festival audience looks forward to the recognition of outstanding bands and individual musicians receive.
The conference will be held at Notre Dame's campus in South Bend, Indiana. The conference theme is "The Future of Language and Literature in the 21st Century," and it will feature keynote speakers such as Dr. Thomas Kapacinskas, assistant professor of English at the University of Windsor, and Dr. Robert Bly of Minnesota. The conference will also include workshops, panel discussions, and a literary reading by the renowned poet William Irwin Thompson. The conference will conclude with a literary reading in Sacred Heart Church on May 3.

The conference will offer opportunities for networking, collaboration, and the exchange of ideas among scholars and practitioners in the field of language and literature. Attendees will have the opportunity to engage in discussions with leading experts in the field, and to present their own research and work.

For more information, please visit the conference website or contact the organizers directly.
DeCicco, 'jack-of-all-trades': teacher, coach and advisor

by Paul Stevenson

The name Mike DeCicco may mean something different to a lot of people at Notre Dame, and that's because his responsibilities are diversified. As the associate professor of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, head coach of the fencing team, and Academic Advisor to Student Athletes, Mike DeCicco graduated from Notre Dame in January of 1949 and remained to receive his graduate degree the following January. He received his Ph.D. between three schools. Notre Dame, Massachussetts Institute of Technology and Newark College of Engineering. DeCicco fenced on the Notre Dame team and was 17-46-0 in his three years there. He competed in all three weapons, although specially trained in epee.

Until this year, DeCicco held the Irish record for best season record, fencing his way to a 29-1 mark against ten different schools in 1964 for a win percentage of .930. This season however, freshman Mike Sullivan of Bloomfield, N.J., has broken DeCicco's record, dueling his way to a 53-1 mark, for a 982 winning percentage.

"My record wasn't broken, it was supplanted," said DeCicco.

"It was great as a coach looking at him perform so well." After receiving his Ph.D., DeCicco joined the Baltimore Engineering Company in Newark, N.J. During the summer of 1964, DeCicco visited Notre Dame for nostalgia sake.

"I always enjoyed my time at Notre Dame, it was great as a coach seeing his growth. Although his record wasn't broken, it was outstanding."

In 1962, when Langford devoted his duties elsewhere, DeCicco assumed the head coaching position. DeCicco has amassed an amazing record of 268 wins and only 33 losses. DeCicco said, "I took over as head coach in 1962 and coaching to the Golden Dome. Mike Sullivan has performed as well as any other player I've ever coached."

In his sophomore year Galloway responded to the new surroundings. He was the second leading scorer on last year's team, getting 27 hits in 85 at bats, for a .311 batting average. He knocked in 10 runs, and scored 11 himself. The most amazing statistic, however, was that he committed only one error all season, despite the fact that he was on unfamiliar ground.

Last year's senior infielder is gone now, and Galloway has once again been called on to fill the void. Head Coach Pete Miller said that there is another new position, third base, and again he's adapted to the change.

In six games during the team's spring training at Cocoa Beach, Galloway hit for a .333 average, with seven hits in 21 at bats, and nine runs scored.

Galloway, a six-foot, 170 lb. junior from Cedar City, Utah, is happy about the move back to the infield. "I like it better because I've played the infield all my life, and it's a lot more comfortable there.

"Never say never. We expect Mike to return to the golden dome and teach."

Schloesser used the same lessons taught at that time, encouraged DeCicco to return to the fencing team. He emphasized the fact that DeCicco had the ability to teach and coach and that his teaching and coaching abilities were at their pinnacle.

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"I hope that I can improve over the year. I think I can improve because I'm batting third in the lineup which will mean that I'll be a good team player. I try to hit line drives and bat around and average."

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