The country's first major conference on human rights under academic auspices will be held April 27-30 at Notre Dame.

A. H. Robertson, former director of human rights in the Council of Europe's secretariat and a professor of law at the University of Paris, will deliver the annual Civil Rights Lectures as part of the international symposium, which is sponsored by the Law School's Center for Civil Rights. Robertson's first lecture on April 27 will be a global assessment of the human rights situation and his second on April 29 will treat the Helsinki Agreement and human rights.

Representatives of several international human rights organizations will be part of the conference, as will several scholars in the field and two U.S. congressmen--Indiana's Third District Representative John Brademas, the majority whip in the House, and Donald M. Fraser (D., Minn.), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on international organization.

Mansfield awarded Laetare Medal

Former Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield is the 95th recipient of Notre Dame's Laetare Medal, according to a recent announcement.

"Throughout a Congressional career under seven presidents and during the longest tenure of any floor leader in the upper house, Mr. Mansfield exhibited a style of leadership as effective as it was understated," commented Fr. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president. "He wrote a record of integrity as a public servant which is an example to those who would advance the common good in a legislative arena of competing interests," he added.

The Laetare Medal, which has been awarded annually since 1883 to an outstanding American Catholic, was presented on the fourth Sunday of Lent, from which it derives its name. For the 75-year-old Mansfield the award comes just a year after he announced his retirement from the Senate after 34 years in Washington, D.C., as Senate majority leader. He is currently a member of a five-man presidential commission that sent earlier this week to Vietnam and Laos to seek information on some 2,500 Americans missing in action in the Vietnam War.

Mansfield was born in 1903 in Greenwich Village, N.Y., the son of Ida Levy, a litigator, and Samuel, a 74-year-old Mansfield the award


Prime minister Gandhi to resign today

NEW DELHI, India (AP) - Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, whose grip on power seemed assured only a few months ago, will resign Tuesday after losing her Parliament seat in last week's Indian general election, her spokesman said.

Opposition leaders began laying the foundation for a new government committed to democratic ideals, as late returns yesterday indicated Mrs. Gandhi's Congress party might lose its grip on Parliament for the first time since independence 30 years ago.

An opposition spokesman said the new government's first priority would be the dismantling of autocratic system set up by Mrs. Gandhi during the 21-month state of emergency, which sparked a voter revolt that led to her downfall after 11 years in office.

With 393 of the 542 seats in the lower house decided, the new Janata Peoples party and its non-Communist allies held 211, only 61 short of a majority, with 149 still to be decided.

The Congress party, which won two-thirds of the seats in the 1971 elections, had only 114 seats, while the pro-Moscow Communists had seven and independents and regional groups accounted for the rest.

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In Washington, State Department officials said it was too early to judge the effect of the voting on U.S.-Indian relations. The Janata manifesto pledges adherence to India's traditional policy of non-alignment. "Free from any attachment to any power bloc," she said.

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Cavity preventative found in saliva

STONYBROOK, N.Y. [AP] - A dental researcher said here yesterday he has isolated a substance in saliva that may help fight the formation of cavities. The discovery by Dr. Israel Kleinberg suggests a new and natural approach to the control and prevention of tooth decay that might result in caries cavities becoming a minor disease, the researcher said.

The substance has been named Sialin. It is a peptide, a small molecule containing amino acids, the basic material of life.

"The approach is quite simple," Kleinberg said. "It is a simple approach that raises the interesting possibility that the use of this simple molecule might result in caries cavities becoming a minor disease."

Kleinberg and his coworkers have synthesized the substance in the laboratory and are now commercially producing it.

The next step, he said, is to find the most appropriate vehicle for raising the level of Sialin in the saliva. The researcher said. Some possibilities include a rinse, chewing gum, toothpaste, beverages or a toothbrush that takes care of the sugar problem.

"The effectiveness of a dental cavity preventative would require about five years," Kleinberg said, although the anti-cavity effectiveness of the substance could be proved sooner.

Kleinberg's work was reported to a closed workshop on the microbial aspects of dental cavities held last June by the National Institute of Dental Research and was published in Microbiology Abstracts.

The major factor in tooth decay is "bacterial deposits that continually form on teeth and act, on sugar and other carbohydrates to make acid," said the researcher.

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The Sialin molecule besides increasing the "natural acid" of saliva, Kleinberg said, reduces the "acid production" of a bacterium that is "resistant" to the acid formed by the bacteria.

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Mock Stock Market now open for business

by Kathleen Connelly

The Mock Stock Market opened for business at 10 a.m. yesterday in the lobby of the Business Administration building.

In its fifth year, the Mock Stock Market offers any student the opportunity to get the feel of the market without the financial risks. In this simulation game a student may buy one account valued at $10,000 for one dollar, or their accounts, also worth $10,000 each, for two dollars. The student may purchase stock from the New York or the American exchanges. Since there are no counselors or brokers provided in the transaction center, Co-chairman Dan Bishop suggests the investor buy a Wall Street Journal to study trends and current prices on the exchange.

Gains and losses are determined by the behavior of the exchange in New York. Stock market figures are received daily from a teletype machine located on the second floor of the Hayes-Healy building. Although the market is a simulation game there is an opportunity to make money. At the end of the simulation period, April 21, the investor with the highest capital appreciation (the student who has made the most money) receives a $100 prize donated by Thompson and McKinnon Securities, a local investment firm.

A second prize of $50, donated by the finance club, and a third prize of $25, donated by St. Joseph's Bank, will also be awarded. Bishop stated that the Mock Stock Market offers education and realistic experience in investment. Hours for the market are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, and it is located in the lobby of the Business Administration building.

The finance club is sponsoring the market. There are 50 of the approximately 70 club members involved with the market. This is one of the club's three major activities.

The club also has an investment fund of $15,000 allotted to them by the trustees. The members invest this money in actual stock and maintain a portfolio of their investments. The club also has a finance forum which secures speakers on business and finance. The club offers practical experience for finance majors in the business college. Bishop noted.

Law students to argue case before US Supreme Court

A rare opportunity to argue a case before the Supreme Court of the United States Supreme Court has been given to law students and faculty involved in Notre Dame's Appellate Advocacy Program. The case to be argued involves a 1974 theft charge brought against a client who was then indicted, tried for a charge but because of a defect in the hearing, the trial was terminated immediately prior to the verdict stage. The defendant has requested review by the Supreme Court.

In the clinical work at the appellate level, 50 students have been involved with the case before the United States Supreme Court. The case to be argued involves a 1974 theft charge brought against a client who was then indicted, tried for a charge but because of a defect in the hearing, the trial was terminated immediately prior to the verdict stage. The defendant has requested review by the Supreme Court.

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I am a TV camera.

My restless eye searches out the terrorists or the hostages with guns and machetes on the streets. I keep a watchful eye on the barricades that form human walls. Sometimes I glance across the vast ocean of faces. I try to get a glimpse of the eyes of this institution; of those who may be a sub-human creature in this crowd.

Dear folks,

... is to a baby. They have taken the paintball guns, and they won’t let me get close enough to see what they are doing. I can only see the back of them, and they seem to be having a good time.

I used to be very bulky and had to stay indoors. Now I am a TV camera. I used to be placed on top of a truck. Now I am a TV camera.

I hate the screaming and the violence. The people in the studios are often so tense that they can’t stand the action? Find the action! Don’t just do it, do it.

The administration has, in the past, made allegations that Edwards’ political and racial beliefs have not met with approval at the powerful levels of the Berkeley community. The pervasiveness of institutional racism, under the control of business magnates and political chieftains such as the Healy family, is reflected by the low percentage of tenured black faculty members. The appointment of minorities at Notre Dame is an example in a way that it creates schisms and suspicion among faculty, divided over the issue of race.

The character of elite rule reveals itself clearly through withdrawing support for the few incoming minority faculty, allowing few minority faculty into tenured positions. However, the elite object to that kind of system.

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by Karen Silenski
Staff Reporter

LeRoy Neiman wears his self-confidence on his lapel, a gold pin in the shape of a football. "It's an assessment of myself," he said.

Neiman, best known as "the artist of the Olympics," appeared at Gate 100 in Midlothian where an exhibit of his work opened March 6.

A champagne reception marked the first show of Neiman's paintings in this area. The artist discussed his love of sports and a dramatic trend for theme as "I go for the spectacle, the pageantry... Sports have had that quality of representing the people, the city, town or school."

"As in-depth knowledge of sports, football has been essential to his work. "I know about as much as any sports fan," he admitted.

"The artist has to know about himself." He contrasted the "openness" of sports with art, which he said, "Sports fans are more informed than most people."

Part of Neiman's preoccupation with sports is his interest in the superstars of sport. "The physical aspect of the world is becoming so important," he observed. "Speed, strength, muscles. Those people (athletes) are becoming heroes."

However, he added that this admiration for the sports figure does not extend to the people characters, because they are "chosen by himself." Neiman estimated that an average of past chief executives would produce a "3 by 5" and 160 pounds.

The Gallery 100 exhibit, which will continue until April 3, reveals Neiman's varied interests as well as his talent. Sports predominates, pictured as team endeavors in works like "Alabama Handoff;" and as portraits of individual stars such as Stan Smith, Johnny Bench and Henri Boucha.

A central point of interest in "Olympiad," an original serigraph of the mural which Neiman did for the Montreal Games.

Gallery 100 is the exclusive dealer for Neiman's work in Northern Indiana and southern Michigan, one of 34 Neiman dealers in the United States. The Michiana area contains "the highest per capita concentration of Neiman collectors in the country," according to Robert Neiman, president of the gallery.

"In my mind, the artist has to know about the people, the city, town or location," he said. "So, if you're not flying Icelandic to Europe, you're not flying above an atmosphere of a place, such as Toots Shor's Bar" and "Vegas Blackjack." One painting depicts the production of an X-rated film.

Neiman commented. In art and in society he sees a return of religious values which he described as "something

"Artists, Neiman said, constantly risk rejection by exposing their feelings to the public. "The only thanks they get is human opinion."

Neiman's own work has required an assessment of himself, he admitted, "In my mind, the more I believe in spiritual movement, the more I believe in spiritual."

The United States Reading Lab is offering their famous speed reading course to a limited number of interested people here in the Elkhart/South Bend area. The average person who completes this course can read 10 times faster, and with substantially improved comprehension and better concentration.

For complete details about this famous speed reading course, be sure to attend one of the free one-hour orientation lectures that have been scheduled. These lectures are open to the public, above age 13 (persons under 18 should be accompanied by a parent, if possible) and the course will be explained in complete detail, including class schedules, instruction procedures and a tuition that is much less than similar courses. Please call 889-876 for details.

These meetings will be held at Elkhart at the Y.M.Y.W.C.A. Complex, 200 East Jackson on Wednesday, March 22 at 8:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 24 at 8:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m., Friday, March 25 at 8:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m., Saturday, March 26 at 10:30 a.m. and again at 8:30 p.m., Monday, March 27 at 8:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m. South Bend meetings will be held in Madettive Classroom Building, Rooms 247, St. Mary’s College on Wednesday, March 23 at 8:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 24 at 6:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m., Friday, March 25 at 8:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m. and TWO IN-CLASS MEETINGS on Saturday, March 26 at 10:30 a.m. and again at 1:30 p.m. and Monday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m.

Classes are limited and class places will be filled on first-come-first serve basis only. Be sure to attend the earliest meeting possible to insure a class place. Group rates are available upon request.
Hostages freed after 12 hours

TOKYO (AP) — An armed Canadian bank teller in a Tokyo town bank branch and said he wouldcdit his hostages for 24 hours if police did not surrender his last hostages and give him special attention during his last 24-hour hostage crisis.

Munaf McMahon, 36, said he would also surrender his hostages for 24 hours if police did not put him in a more secure location.

McMahon said he had been a licensed driver in Toronto and had been a police officer in Chicago for 10 years.

He said he was tired of being treated like a criminal.

Radio commentator Charles Daily, a former.FileNotFoundException, who entered the bank as a negotiator after the gunman asked to talk with a reporter, said when he returned to the bank's west side branch he asked police for a police car with a gun, but police said they were short of officers.

Munaf McMahon left the bank and then returned with coffee and sandwiches for the other hostages and the prisoners.

Daily said that McMahon "absolutely refused to give himself up, even knowing that he'll only do a life sentence, if he has already done. He just said, "There's no blankety-blank way I'm doing any jail time.""

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GUNMAN HOLDS 3 HOSTAGES IN BALTIMORE OFFICE COMPLEX

Baltimore, MD — An armed man held at least 30 employees of a municipal office complex for a short time yesterday before he freed them and turned over the negotiations with police that brought his surrender a short time later.

A woman and eight children, ranging in age from 7 to 14, were locked inside the complex for about an hour and a half after they were taken hostage.

The unidentified gunman was taken into custody and was being questioned by officers at the Metro Plaza building, an office complex next to Mondawmin Mall shopping center in northwest Baltimore.

There were no reports of injuries in the two-and-one-half hour con-

The woman and children came inside the office complex, police said it was not known if they remained there willingly.

An official of the office complex, along with a woman identified by police as the gunman's mother, took part in the negotiations, according to police. "He's a very smart man," police said.

The negotiations took place through an open door in a third floor office, police spokesman said the gunman was standing with his mother.

According to one of the freed hostages, the gunman burst into the office at about 10 a.m. (EST) and pulled the pistons and told everyone to stay still.

He held the hostages for about an hour and a half before releasing them, police said.

According to police, the man wanted to talk with the news media. But Capt. James Watkins, the man who had to give a draw at a news conference.

Marijuana does not harm brain

CHICAGO (AP) — Heavy mariju-

ana smoking does not, as has previously been reported, produce structural changes in the brain or central nervous system, two separate research studies have found.

In the March 21 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association, researchers headed by Dr. John Kuehnle of the University of Kansas, School of Medicine, Kansas City, said their study was done with a group of 10 young men who were heavy marijuana users.

They also pointed out that the group in the 1971 study was not the same population as the group in the new study.

They said it was possible that the marijuana smoked by the group in the 1971 study suffered a short time later.

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They were kept in a hospital research ward so their behavior could be closely watched.

They smoked five or more marijuana cigarettes obtained from federal sources for 21 days.

Co and Goodwin said that "the of their ability to function intellectually.

Harvard researchers said their subjects "Marijuana is a drug that is representative of the general pop-

ulation of the heavy marijuana users" than those examined by Campbell.

And they, too, said their study failed to demonstrate structural changes in the central nervous system of men who smoke marijua-

rania regularly and in rather heavy doses.

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by Paul Stevenson
Sports Editor

Notre Dame played host for the
eleventh annual Great Lakes Fencing
Tournament on March 11 and 12, and for
the third consecutive year, the Irish fencers emerged
victorious out of 17 other competing
schools.

The Fighting Irish tallied 165
points while Wayne State, who
finished second, chalked up 149
markers. Wisconsin-Parkside,
Michigan-Dearborn and Case
Western Reserve followed with 82, 68
and 67 points respectively to round
out the top five.

For the first time in Notre Dame
history there was a repeat gold
medal winner from last year’s
tournament. Tim Glass, the Irish
epee captain, placed first against a
strong epee pool. Glass defeated
Pete Rozsa of Cleveland State and
dave bauman of Wisconsin
Parkside, his two nearest competitors.

In sabre, Mike Sullivan attempted
to repeat his gold medal performance
from the 1976 tourna-
ment. However, Wayne State’s
Turi Rahinovitch, who finished
second to Sullivan last year, claim-
ed this year’s top saber honors.
Sullivan followed Rahinovitch in
second and Tim Mulligan finished
sixth for Notre Dame.

Notre Dame’s Pat Gerard fenced
handsomely to capture the top position
in men’s foil. The Irish foil
specialists fought past rigid
competition by Carl Klutke and Paul
Avsharian of Wayne State. Foul
Captain Terry McConville aided
the Irish with a fourth place finish
in foil.

The biggest surprise of the
tournament was the performance of
the women fencers. Wayne State,
who was favored to win the
women’s field, was dethroned by
Notre Dame. Pacing the Irish
women’s field, was dethrowned by
Theresa Swensen of Wisconsin
Parkside to claim second place in
women’s foil. Mulligan captured
second to Sullivan last year, claim-
ing the women’s points were included
in the men’s with the computing
score. As this was the first year in which
the women’s points were included
in the men’s with the computing
score.

The Irish fencers must now
prepare for the NCAA Fencing
Championships which will be held
here at Notre Dame beginning
Friday, March 24 and running through
Saturday, March 26.
By Greg Saladian
Sports Writer

It was more than a disappointing loss for the Irish hockey team to end the season as they did—it was a nightmare. In a stunning upset Tuesday night, Notre Dame was eliminated from the NCAA tournament by the University of Michigan, 5-0. It was Irish hockey's second season, and it ended with a 2-3-3 record and an elimination in regional semifinals.

The Irish were eliminated from contention for the NCAA tournament after losing to Michigan 5-0 on Tuesday night. The game was held at the Compton Family Ice Arena in South Bend, Indiana. The loss ended Notre Dame's season, which started off strong but ultimately ended in disappointment for the team.

The Irish were led by senior captain J.J. McLaren, who had a career-high 10 points in the season. The team also featured standout performances from players like Brad McElmury, who had a goal and an assist, and Phil O'Donnell, who had two assists. The defense played well, with goalie Lenny McRae making 37 saves.

Notre Dame's season was marked by a strong start, with a 7-3-0 record in October and November. However, the team struggled in December and January, losing 11 of their 14 games. The team rebounded in February, posting a 4-1 record, but it wasn't enough to secure a NCAA tournament berth.

The Irish will now begin their summer training and look to next season for hope. With a young roster and promising prospects, Notre Dame has the potential to make a strong run in the NCAA tournament in the future. The team will be led by new head coach John Park, who takes over for the retiring Notre Dame coach, who had been with the team for 15 years.

The loss was a tough one for Notre Dame, but the team will take heart in the strong performances throughout the season and the potential for even greater things to come next year. The Irish hockey team has a bright future, and they will be back stronger and better in the fall.