The United States command in South Vietnam claimed Monday a nine day Viet Cong assault on Saigon. Lt. General Fred C. Weyland announced the victory, stating that more than 5,200 enemy soldiers had been killed or captured in Saigon and its surrounding provinces. The general stated "Large numbers of the enemy have been attempting to withdraw from the battlefield for the past 48 hours, many being intercepted in the process."

U. S. and South Vietnamese casualties in the fighting which began May 3 were given as 210 killed and 979 wounded. While the South Vietnamese Army bore the brunt of the assault, still the U. S. suffered 67 killed and 333 wounded. Civilian deaths in the battle were given as about 130 killed with more than 2,700 wounded. Ten thousand homes in Saigon were destroyed in the course of the battle with 170,000 Vietnamese rendered homeless.

US and North Vietnamese representatives began preliminary peace talks Monday in Paris. Little discussion was held as each side read a statement. Following the readings, agreement was reached to consider the statements and meet again Wednesday morning.

Yesterday's North Vietnamese statement was viewed by the U. S. as largely propagandistic. hopes rose due to a lack of threats to walk out of the conference. The language of the statement, however, was harsh in its condemnation of the United States, stating that the U. S. had been defeated in war and condemned by international opinion. The North Vietnamese demanded an end to all bombing and other attacks against them.

The race between Sens. Robert F. Kennedy and Eugene J. McCarthy for the Democratic Presidential Nomination continues today in Nebraska, where a state-wide primary is being held. Although these rivals are the only major Democratic figures in the race, appearing along with President Johnson, a strong write-in vote is anticipated by Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey. There is no clear leader at the present.

The Republican picture is once again dominated by Richard Nixon, who appears on the ballot with California Gov. Ronald Reagan.

In the Senate, Sen. Stephen Young of Ohio is protesting a move to legalize wiretapping in major criminal investigations. There is also a proposal to overturn Supreme Court decisions limiting the use of confessions for continuous action on a see-saw. At last notice, they had passed the old mark of 50% hours with no sign of quitting.
Plans Finalized For Seminary Transfer

Although it has been tradition­
al for the major religious orders to
maintain houses of study in Wash­
ington at the Catholic University of America, the Congre­
gation of the Holy Cross will break with that tradition this
fall, when the Holy Cross Col­
lege is relocated here at Notre Dame.

Holy Cross is the theo­
logy of the Congregation, that is, the school where the Holy Cross Seminarians study theology and philosophy in the final stages of their preparation for the priesthood.

Before arriving on campus, the seminarians will spend two years at the Congregation's Seminary of the Holy Cross in Donaldson, Ind., before returning to the Notre Dame campus to complete their ministry training.

Theology Department as a whole

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Last summer, the Provincial Chapter of the Indiana Province of the Congregation of the Holy Cross made the decision for the move and requested that the pro­
gram of theological studies in preparation for the very, the theology program of this University. The order's Provincial, Rev. Howard Kendall C.S.C., the academic committee from the members of the order at both institutions.

The final preparations were be­
gun on the site of the Holy Cross Col­
gress has ramifications on many levels. The faculty of the theology department will be ex­
panded by either four or five members and the College's stu­
dent body of about 150 students will take up residence in the larg­
ester dormitories in the north­
ern part of the campus.

The purpose of the degree program, designed espe­
cially for the advanced seminari­
s, is for the education and formation of men for the priesthood.

All obstacles to initiating con­
struction were cleared last week when a panel of experts met to consider the plans.

Ground-breaking on the new $1.5 million project is scheduled for this week. The cornerstone will be laid in May and the construction will be completed by early next year.

High Rise Construction Begins

The twin-tower structures will accommodate 500 undergraduate students in the seminary. The College will be moved here add­
itionally to maintain houses of study in the northern part of the campus.
Joe Th-Eyes-Man Or Th-Ees-Man?

By MIKE PAVLIN

A group of writers awaited Ara Parseghian in the coaches' locker room following Saturday's Blue-Gold game. After Ara offered them a coke, someone asked him, "What did you like best about the scrimmage?" Answered Ara, "You just have to be impressed by Theismann. He's quicker than hell."

The object of Ara's plaudits sat on a bunk in Breen-Phillips Hall Saturday evening and said, "I did get quite nervous before the game, but I tried to tell myself it was just a Saturday scrimmage." Joe Theismann, 6-0 and 170 pounds, calmed himself enough last Saturday to complete 20 passes for 277 yards, driving the Blue defense to distraction.

A product of South River, New Jersey, Theismann explained the pronunciation of his name. "It's a German name, and the German pronunciation is 'Th-eyes-man.' But my mother and father pronounce it 'Thes-man.' I don't really have any preference."

One writer asked Parseghian whether he would change Theismann's unorthodox throwing style. "No," replied Ara, "I like the results. He has those big hands so he can get leverage to throw from any position."

Theismann grinned, "I do have to work on keeping my elbow closer to my body and on getting my hands higher. Coach Tom Pagna is working with me. I used to have a tendency to overstride, but I think I've corrected that. I also have to improve my throwing between defenders, so I can drop the pass right over the short man's head instead of trying to line it in there."

Parseghian was very impressed by Joe's scrambling. "He doesn't panic in there, and he has a great sense of where he is. When he's pressured he runs; and he throws great when on the move."

Theismann explained, "Moving at the right time just comes naturally. I don't think there's any way to practice it, but you kind of know when someone is after you."

"And you know," continued Ara, "this isn't anything new to us. He's been doing this for the past two scrimmages."

Joe Theismann retreated into the noise of 315 Breen-Phillips. Saturday night was for celebrating, and Terry Hanratty's graduation was only 55 weeks away.

Above, Joe Theismann scrambles away from Mike McCoy (77) and John Lavin (41) during Saturday's Blue-Gold intrasquad game. Below, Joe hits tight end Dewey Poskon on a curl pattern. Tom Quinn (19) and Bob Olson (36) converge on Poskon. It was one of seven catches for Poskon and one of 20 completions for Theismann.

Photos by Don Dempsey.
THE OBSERVER

More than fifty of the nation's Catholic bishops have accepted invitations to Notre Dame's Episcopal Seminar in theology, scheduled for July 8-12 in the Center for Continuing Education. The seminar is co-sponsored by the University and the Bishops' Committee on Doctrine, headed by Most Rev. Alexander McS-Length, Bishop of Lansing, Mich. The Episcopal host will be the Rev. Leo A. Purdy, Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend. The principal seminar lecturers are: Dr. John J. Nurnberger, a psychiatrist at the Indiana School of Medicine in Indianapolis, on "The Present Authority Crisis and Faith"; the Rev. Avery Dulles, SJ, professor of theology at Woodstock (Md.) College, who will give three talks on faith; the Rev. Joseph Cahill, SJ, an associate professor of theology at Notre Dame, who will give two talks on faith and Scripture; the Rev. Eugene Maly, a professor of Scripture at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Norwood, Ohio, on "The Church as an Institution in the New Testament." Also the Rev. Harry McCreary, CSP, a professor of ecclesiastical studies at St. Paul College, Washington, D.C., on "Some Historical Aspects of Structures in the Church"; the Rev. Andrew Gorey, of the National Opinion Research Center in Chicago, and Eugene Kennedy, MM, a counseling psychologist at Maryknoll College, Glen Ellyn, Ill., on "Sociological and Psychological Aspects of Church Structures"; and the Rev. Dr. Manrey Shepard, a professor of liturgics at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, Calif., on "The Protestant Experience of Church Structures." The Most Rev. James P. Shannon, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Paul-Minneapolis, will head a panel which will summarize seminar discussion on the final day.

Nixon Support Organizes

Over fifty students attended a meeting of the Notre Dame Students for Nixon last week. At this general organizational meeting, chairman for next year were chosen and goals were outlined.

The three co-chairmen chosen were John Gibbons, Guy DeSopo and Tom Thrasher. Mock Convention Nixon manager Dan Landgren suggested the three, and said that they had done good work at the Convention. Having three chairmen will, according to Landgren, mean that there is never any lack of leadership for the group.

The main aim of the students is to set the basis for a good organization to support Nixon's campaign drive in the fall. Landgren spoke to Nixon at a rally in Gary last week and received a promise that Mr. Nixon will appear at Notre Dame in the fall.

There are several things planned for the remainder of this year. The first is to inform the outgoing seniors of Nixon's stands on the issues. Landgren said that Nixon was "often attacked for being a do-nothing," but that in fact he has definite stands on all the issues. As an example Landgren used a Time magazine article which said of Nixon that "no candidate has addressed himself more realistically..." to the plight of the Negro slum dweller thus far in the 1968 campaign." By informing people about Nixon's stands the group hopes to erase "many erroneous images" that are common.

Professor Frederick Dow of Marketing spoke about his efforts to obtain faculty support for the group. So far about ten have definitely "expressed interest," while there are other possibilities.

Prof. Dow also said that the person in the campaign who has most approximated Nixon's stand on issues was Senator Eugene McCarthy. Because of this he anticipated a possibility of obtaining support from McCarthy ranks if he does not win the Democratic nomination.

Bishops Here for Conference

The principal lectures will be assisted by other scholars drawn as great part from regular and visiting faculty members in Notre Dame's graduate theology programs. Handling seminar arrangements is the Rev. Albert L. Schlitzer, C.S.C., chairman of Notre Dame department of theology.