THE WORLD TODAY

Nixon stresses unity among US allies

BONN (UPI) - President Nixon, in an historic address to the West German parliament, urged America's European allies yesterday not to abandon the Atlantic alliance on the eve of critical negotiations he intends to open with the Soviet Union.

Nixon, who flew to West Germany from London on the third leg of his tour of the Far East, said that he is aware the negotiations will be difficult. He added: "There is no easy solution." He implied that the British plan to install a new national civil service could not be an issue that would be dealt with at the conference.

A spokesman for the Soviet Union, who has already been in Kissinger's office for two years, called the announcement of the U.S. plan premature.

Draft overhaul proposed by Kennedy

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, (D., Mass.), yesterday proposed a major overhaul of the draft and called for a study of amnesty for those who fled the country to avoid induction.

He also emphasized the need for "defensive" legislation to avoid a national crisis.

Morton selected new GOP chairman

WASHINGTON (UPI) - President Nixon ended a political tug-of-war yesterday by selecting Rep. Rogers C.B. Morton of Maryland, his floor manager at the Miami Beach convention, as the new Republican national chairman.

Morton resigned the chairmanship yesterday of the National Republican Congressional Committee. He also announced that he would not seek re-election to the House in 1970.

Communists escape during night

SAIGON (UPI) - Communist troops early today quietly abandoned the villages of two villages they had captured and successfully defended for almost 24 hours against massive Allied infantry and the rubble of two villages they had captured and successfully during the night despite the fact that Allied forces had surrounded them.

Seven persons perished in the elevator. Nine persons were injured.

New assembly established at Saint Mary's

by Ann Conway

Last night at one of its weekly meetings, the St. Mary's Student Assembly was established to take its place.

A bill was submitted and read by Beth Driscoll, a junior, and after an hour and a half of discussion, the bill was accepted.

A cover letter explaining Miss Driscoll's theory behind the bill was also submitted.

In this letter the student explained that the legislature power has "moved outside of the realm of solely student concern to the realm of community concern. This change has considerably weakened the power and the position of the board."

This movement, a shift from a class centered basis of power to the board, makes it pointless for a legislative body operating outside the Community to exist.

Miss Driscoll suggested changing the structure as well as the functional capacity of the board.

The following structural and functional reforms suggested by Miss Driscoll were made:

1) Resolved that the Campus Legislature be abolished and a Student Assembly be established in its stead.

Nixon approves death to present trial

LOS ANGELES (UPI) - Sirhan B. Sirhan is willing to plead guilty to the murder of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and die in the gas chamber rather than proceed with his present trial.

The 24 year old Arab exploded in anger in the courtroom Wednesday when a prosecution presented the diaries in which he had scribbled...over and over again that "RFK must die." Sirhan stood up and shouted and had to be shoved to his seat.

Sirhan told Superior Court Judge Herbert V. Walker in private chambers that he would rather die "than have people think I am getting a fair trial."
Three more juniors now in contest for SBP

The race for Student Body President became even more crowded yesterday when three more hopefuls announced. The three are Joe Shadwell, Al Apt, and Kevin Smith. All three are Arts and Letters Juniors.

In a prepared statement Apt indicated that his main thoughts were on the channels of communication in the University. He said that "Due to the excellent dialogue in the community between the administration and the faculty and students I feel no substantial changes are necessary." Apt feels that "...the varied opportunities for real personal progress on both the social and academic levels provided by the university...are adequate though certain leftists can’t cope with normal functions."

Apt’s running mate is Duff Holahan, also an Arts and Letters junior.

Shadwell’s campaign manager, in announcing for him, stated, "We believe that Mr. Shadwell represents the common denominator among the dissident factions. He stands unalterably opposed to the current sterile outmoded structures and wishes to establish a new order based on the principles of enlightened anarchy."

According to his campaign manager, Shadwell feels that the community has isolated the students from all relevant issues.

Shadwell was confined to the infirmary and unavailable for comment. However his running mate, John Sloan issued a statement.

"I have seen the retrogression of the individual for too long. I will no longer stand by the hierarchy shall perish under the rule of true freedom," Sloan said.

Sloan is also an Arts and Letters Junior.

In announcing his candidacy Kevin Smith stated that "...our candidacy is a call for student involvement. Notre Dame does not belong to those who are content with today and apathetic toward common problems."

In enumerating his approach to this problem Smith stated: "Involvement is the key to personal and social fulfillment. While the existing power structure has condescendingly allowed the student body to genuflect before it, we will attempt to infuse in the students a sense of concern, participation, and responsibility."

Smith also attempted to set himself apart from the other candidates. He set himself up as the candidate who was "...all the void, that exists between power oriented candidates and the students..."

Smith also stated that "Too many candidates run for personal achievement, ignore the student body while vying for the support of other groups of influence. Rather than reflecting the students’ and faculty’s view points of the issues we will redefine the issues in terms of their personal feelings. This is unacceptable to the majority of Notre Dame students."

Smith’s running mate is Gene Ritzenthaler, a junior.

‘Vaseline’ is squelched by Joyce

SMC student assembly

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Refined procedures

"Acting chief executive of the University" Father Joyce, in Father Hesburgh's stead, in a letter to Student Union President Richard Rembusch, refused "permission to publish the proposed magazine, Vaceline (sic), on the Notre Dame campus pending refinement of procedures to handle such publications."

In so doing, Joyce violated the constitutional rights of those who authored the magazine, since permission to print the magazine had been granted previously and the material had been, in fact, already printed. What Joyce succeeded in doing was to prevent its distribution and thus the free expression guaranteed not only by the United States Constitution, but also by the Student Manual.

Conveniently yesterday afternoon Mr. Phillip Faccenda speaking for Father Joyce told Student Body President Richard Rossie that he thought the Student Manual was invalid since it was not approved by the Faculty Senate of the Academic Council despite the fact that the manual was endorsed by someone named Hesburgh.

Joyce made his decision "in view of serious question" raised by one South Bend printer, who refused to print the magazine, which incidentally is correctly titled "Vaceline." Apparently Joyce holds the opinion of one printer to be of more weight than Father McCarragher, a University vice-president, a tri-parite sub-committee of the Student Life Council, and the Student Union Board of Directors which includes McCarragher, lawyer and professor John Houck, Rembusch, Rossie, his vice president Nan and student Edward Dover.

The Union Board viewed the content of the magazine and voted 4-2 to permit its printing. Joyce has yet to admit that he has even seen the offending material. We can answer the "serious questions" Father Joyce raises "about the inherent decency of the material" found in "Vaceline" and assert that the content of "Vaceline" is no more objectionable than issues of the JUGGLER over the past three years. (Strange would be the mind finding the JUGGLER objectionable.) It might be noted that this latter publication is officially published and totally financed by the University.

Until Father Joyce replaces his "No Comment!" answer to all of yesterday's questions with an admission that he has seen the magazine and that his apparent conclusion that the magazine is obscene is based on legal rather than narrow personal value judgements, we can only conclude that he is suffering from pornographic paranoia.

The situation is, clearly, that Joyce simply exerted his own arbitrary will and overrode the institutions created to handle such a magazine.

He not only violated the constitutional rights of the editors but he also broke the contract they had with the Union Board.

For the second time in the past two weeks the University administration has ignored pending procedures in making pronouncements on issues it feels are important enough. This time it has even overruled the vice president of jurisdiction.

We can only be astounded by Joyce's action and urgently hope that the error is corrected immediately, and if not, that just retribution is rendered, perhaps by a court of law.
ND students: Lucky

Editor:

Do you students there at Notre Dame ever stop and realize how lucky you are?

I can see protests, demonstrations, and walking out of school. I understand it under the age of student today, the 19th of February, 1969. I'm sure you would all stop and realize what a lucky lot you are.

I will always go through life with the wish that I could have attended that wonderful University. Since I have been out of the service after World War II and have been graced by God with a fine family and job, I've been on that beautiful campus of yours at least fifteen times. I will always look at your beautiful university with a look of admiration. I sure hope you students will stop and realize Notre Dame is not N.Y.U., California or another university but the great university that the student as well as the faculty demands. I beg of you to keep it that way.

If the urge ever comes to protest, demonstrate or boo at any athletic event, I hope you will remember that beautiful tree-lined campus toward the beautiful Sacred Heart Church and many of your fellow students stop and say a prayer of thanks for your great opportunity of being able to attend such a wonderful school.

I recommend you students can also offer a prayer that my twelve year old son may have the mentality, grades and the opportunity to attend Notre Dame some day.

I'm for all you young students all the way and hope you will lead our country in the future. But please stop and listen to your great president, as you are lucky and have a wonderful school and opportunity.

Sincerely, Robert J. Sere
820 Montgomery Ave.
Ashland, Kentucky
(just an old steelworker and Notre Dame backer - all the way.)

Hysterical answers

Editor:

Don Hynes column on Father Hesburgh's letter was self-contradictory. While expressing a warning against pressures external to the academic world, that letter despites the opening editorial of yesterday's New York Times was nothing less that the execution of pressures external to that University. A glance at South Bend. Who would contradict that thesis?

The collateral thesis was that the Administration does not belong to the learning process of the University. If there are people who can contradict this opinion, let us hear from them - but please, friends, show me how many cultural or religious insights have you gotten from Father McCaragher.

Certainly Don was not moderate and definitely he should have avoided writing down things that the academic novice faire allows only to be taught. His column was passionate and violent, but at least showed a genuine interest for the University. But if a student can be permitted to be intemperate, it is very sad to see the same reaction from the faculty. I have read letters that attacked the person, his happiness, his motivation, his mental equilibrium. And why? Because he was guilty of a crime of lese-majesty. I don't agree with the form of that column. Probably Tom Erblich's will have helped, but I think that the content was right and well-defended. Father Hesburgh's letter was not justified by the circumstances. It was certainly a marvelous political move, worthy of the best intuitions of my compatriot Machiavelli: it gave the nation the false impression that Notre Dame was on the verge of a revolution and at the same time satisfied people's desire of stability by tranquilizing them with the ever suggestive assurance of the "tough line." It created a case and solved it at the same time. It was just a parenthesis, as Don said, of self-indulgence with overt political and economic goals. What that letter hopefully did not calculate was that it would have radicalized divisions and frustration on the Campus, rather than pacify them.

But the most disturbing result of that letter is that Father Hesburgh goes on reaping the harvest whose seeds others have sown. Other Presidents had trouble; other campuses had riots and violence. Father Hesburgh reaps the fruits. With just the smallest effort on his own he is now the "defensor civitatis." But after all, isn't it true that "one sows and another reaps" (John 4:38)?

His letter finally reached the Olympus when even President Nixon endorsed it. And thank God, Nixon's letter gives the statement its highest recognition and its final sense: it will be turned to Vice-President Agnew. At last the right man for the right letter (Dr.) Mario Corradi Department of Philosophy

The Mail

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