Ray pleads guilty in exchange for life

MUNCIE, Ind. (UPI) - James Earl Ray pleaded guilty to the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in exchange for his life yesterday and then, by prearrangement, convicted Ray and sentenced him to 99 years in prison.

Judge Baltic noted that although "it has not been established at this trial that the murder was committed by Ray and others in King, this is not conclusive evidence that there was no conspiracy." If there had been, he said, the conspirators could never "lie down to pleasant dreams." Both King's widow and his successor, Rev. Ralph Abernathy, pronounced the sentence justly and said the government should continue to investigate. Negroes out through the south called the sudden, two hour trial "a cover-up.

In an affidavit yesterday the defendant said "the investigation into the original allegations of a conspiracy is still open.

Astronauts set for rough splashdown

SPACE CENTER, Houston (UPI) - The Apollo 9 astronauts flung themselves yesterday into the bay at 20,650 miles an hour, to the planned splashdown in an Atlantic so new so angry they could see the whitecap from a distance of 10 miles.

"Beautiful, beautiful," ground communicator Ronald Evans told the crew after the rocket-fueled Apollo 9's orbit nearly exactly matched the planned 288,113-mile path from which the astronauts could must safely return to earth.

Although McGrath reported seeing whitecaps in the storm tossed Atlantic and said "it looks pretty rough," ground controllers promised conditions should improve by splashdown time Thursday.

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The first festival, held in 1959, was organized by a group of students. It was the first of its kind on the college level and today is still the best. The stu...
The Mail

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I spoke on this matter with several other cab drivers and they all expressed their surprise.

We really didn't expect that sort of conduct or rather the lack of conduct, from a Notre Dame student.

I now feel that the next time a Notre Dame student enters my cab I'm going to treat him with the same type of suspicion and distrust as I would if I were to pick up any other type of drunk, delinquent or unhygienic type person.

I know maybe I shouldn't regard the entire student body in this situation as there's been much more rumbling since Dr. Keplysh and my cab who have acted like decent persons the kind who everyone likes to associate with but really I just got soured this morning.

I wrote this cause I'm mad and disappointed and wanted to let you know just in case some day one of the student body might want to explain about my conduct as his driver when he becomes a passenger in my cab.

Respectfully,

Eugene Mendoga

Editor:

Letter sent to another lam as

The following is a copy of a letter sent to Father James Kelleher, Dean of Student Affairs, by William Hynes, who was one of the students who was inductee.

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WILL BE HELD WED. MARCH 12, 7:30 - 9:30 in the FIESTA LOUNGE of the STUDENT CENTER.

Ominous

‘Editor: Of all the failings of the Twentieth Century, none is more serious than the silence and complacency of our generation in allowing our nation to be "defended" by an innumerable force.

If there was any ambiguity to the principles involved, our failure could be more easily understood, but even the most general Christian concepts of the need of justice are totally irreconcilable. Yet, we condone it with the kind of mathematical morality that let them before us shrug their shoulders at the bloodshed of Hiroshima, and continue with life as usual.

To each of us this is a personal failure; but even more than that, the awareness is frighteningly almost the total lack of a response from our own leadership, particularly, I might say, in our own university.

If Fr. Hesburgh has indeed acted to protect the freedom of the university, let us hope that he has the courage and wisdom to implement it when and where it is most needed. If we concern ourselves with trifles while the extinction of our species is being calculated, we will have succeeded in only so much whimpering. Let us ponder the consequences of the future.

The system promises to the top those who don't care about the planet."

Kurt Vonnegut Jr.

Newswax March 3, 1969

Tomorrow you'll have your chance to refute this system.

Don't blow it.
The Marriages: How do they pay for it?

by Ted Price

This is the second part of a five-part series on the married students at Notre Dame and St. Mary's. "I didn't raise my daughter to marry a college bum without a dime in the bank!"

"But son, are you going to support her?"

Although they may not be as vocal as the two fictitious fathers above, most parents respond to the announcement that their son or daughter is going to marry before he or she is finished school with objections on the financial level. They do have a point: how does a student couple manage with the expense of being married?

This was the subject of the major portion of a questionnaire we sent to a random sample of all married students at Notre Dame and St. Mary's. (We had sixty percent response to the questionnaire, giving a maximum probability of error of 0.05.) We used the answers from this to provide a base for further investigation.

Most married couples here are left to their own devices. Extrapolating from the questionnaire, we found that slightly less than thirty percent of the couples are receiving aid from their parents. "I don't really want help from my parents," reported one junior in an interview. "Please understand that I am not being hostile toward them, but I would rather that my wife and I make it on our own."

His wife added, "Both sets of parents were against us getting married, but Jack had graduated. They warned us that Jack would not be able to pay well enough to make ends meet."
The university officials refused comment on question of such a policy. For most couples, it becomes a question of work. Who works, what they do, and how much is a variable quantity, however. In most cases, the non-student spouse, if there is one, has a full time job and is the primary support of the couple. The student often has a part time job.

Probably the two most common occupations for the wives are sales and data entry work, both the elementary and secondary level, (generally for graduates) and secretary (undergrad wives). These are also the best paying jobs reported, and many couples on relief actually like to bank some of their earnings and begin moderate savings accounts.

"I didn't have very much trouble finding a job," said one wife, a secretary for a downtown manufacturer. "Nor did any of the other wives I have spoken to."

Of course, for those husbands whose wives are students, although they are not, the problem of finding and generally the problem in this area is minimal. However, there were several couples in which neither student had a full time job, although only one was a student. The most common reason reported for this was the wife's pregnancy, but there were a few husbands who simply did not want their wives to work, regardless.

"There is really no reason for my wife to work," said one father, "since it is a special case since I work as a professional driner, and summer work and a part time job are not enough to get through."

We found no cases in which one spouse was a full time student and a full time worker. Most couples do not even consider it, and those who do quickly discard the idea as near impossible.

Those who seemed to have the toughest time finding a job were the students who tried for part time employment outside the University. The major objection against working for Notre Dame or St. Mary's is that the jobs do not pay well enough to make them worthwhile.

The jobs that these students did find ranged from those as simple as sales clerk, to extraordinary as a pizza chef. But everyone questioned said that it was not at all easy. "After one semester last year, I decided that I would not be able to work for the University." reported a Senior. "So I worked in the local paper store around last winter and finally found a job late in the spring, but it is so low paid I had to take it into rehiring me for this year."

On the whole, although the money is usually worthwhile, many couples and these couples have been able to live without going on relief. "I had too much to do at school," said one student, "and I didn't want to have to bother with it."

Tomorrow: A Place in the Sun. For Notre Dame-St. Mary's marrieds, housing in South Bend is a major obstacle. How do they get over it?

Murphy elected YAF Chairman

Thomas Murphy, a junior, was elected Chairman for the Young Americans for Freedom in a meeting last night. Murphy captured 73% of the vote. He replaces Don Narucki, a Senior.

In his acceptance speech, Murphy stated, "Next year, we want to see YAF be recognized as a responsible organization interested in the growth of Notre Dame. We have never thought ourselves a reactionary group to the SDS and will prove this to the Notre Dame community the rest of this year and next year as well."

Tom Murphy then named the members of the executive Board for next year. The Board consists of Phil Schneider, Steve Vore, and Jim McKee.

After Murphy's election, Bob Narucki stated, "I am completely satisfied with the progress the organization has made, and I am confident that the new chairman, Tom Murphy, will adequately fulfill his chairmanhip and further the cause of YAF and contribute to the ideals of Notre Dame University."

Before the election, Narucki gave his evaluation of the past year and his suggestions for next year.

"I have probably spent too much time on my own problems and complaints rather than discovering the organization's own ideas and opinions. Next year's chairman must be dedicated to YAF, and he must, with the co-operation of the rest of the organization, make our policies and philosophies known to the campus."

Murphy, the newly-elected chairman, should be able to get as many people as we can in the campus media as well as on campus. He must do this to get a better idea of what we can propose certain legislation."

Vista visits to recruit

This week VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) recruiters will visit the Notre Dame and St. Mary's campuses. Their purpose in coming is twofold.

First, they will recruit interested people who would like to improve the condition of the poor, while living and working among them. Second, they will try to explain what VISTA is all about to those who may have some interest.

"While I Run This Race," a color documentary narrated by Charlton Heston with a musical score by Charlie Byrd, will be shown at 7:00 pm today and 5:00 pm Wednesday, March 12 in the Center for Continuing Education education, and at 9:00 pm on March 14 at SMF Room. The short film shows VISTA volunteers working with the people of their communities to meet the challenges of today.

Lynne Weinberg, coordinator of the SMF drive, said, "VISTA is interested in people who are willing to dedicate one year to living with the poor. We are especially interested in college students who feel they have particular talent which can be used to fight poverty. Vigorous, bright young people are especially valuable in developing education and community organization programs."

The forum at SMF will be held only on March 12 and 13. For further details, the recruiters will be in the foyer of N.D.'s Grace Hall and in the SMF Regency House Wednesday and Thursday nights.