Hesburgh explains referendum delay

by Dave McCarthy

A special conference held yesterday at Father Theodore Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, told newsmen why, when 21 colleges and universities (including MIT, Cornell, Vassar, Holy Cross, and Duke) have decided to suspend classes from four days to ten weeks for student political campaigning, Notre Dame had postponed a referendum on the suspension until October 2nd.

"The whole question of effectiveness came up," he said. "The reason we put it in October instead of having it right yesterday Father Theodore." Hesburgh explained.

"The question of effectiveness," he said, "I think the current situation is fairly bad for Universities generally. I think the net effect of much that has happened is that the general public is somewhat down on Universities, at least that the reaction I get when I try to go into the University is that I'm being questioned, that the general feeling is that things have gone far, and wrong." Hesburgh also added. He also remarked that the image of the student saying, "This is my student, my student has written this image that is untrue and very bad, and I have to go out to the people...and the whole reputation of students, faculty, and administration is in question."

He denied extending security measures after terrorism at the University of Virginia was revealed.

Students May Sit On Council

by Greg Pudorski

The Academic Council will meet this Monday to decide on a proposal which would provide for students to become members of that body. The action comes as a result of a rationale drawn up by Academic Affairs Commissioner, Bill Wilka.

The basis for the proposal stems from a recommendation made last spring by the Curriculum Revision Committee which states that, "membership should be encouraged on these committees in which this action would be beneficial." In the rationale submitted to the Council's steering committee, Wilka argued that the change would enable students and faculty to "work together for academic affairs." Wilka continued that the validity of students in such a position should be recognized and cited such examples as the Co-Educational Coordinating Committee and the Curriculum Revision Committee as prime examples.

In the material given to the steering Committee, the suggestion was for nine student members with full voting rights. Wilka emphasized however, that all the rationale constituted was a recommendation, which the steering committee acted upon and whose decisions will be presented to the menstrual meeting. The Academic Council as a body will then be able to take action on the recommendation.

Food problems discussed

by Glen Corso

Observer Campus Editor

The problems of overcrowding and shortage of food that have been present at times at the North Dining Hall since the beginning of the semester have, in the past two weeks, virtually disappeared, according to Richard Majocchi director of the Dining Hall.

"The majority of my people are freshmen," he said, "and it takes time to get used to what they want." Majocchi said that the dining hall was "getting production set up where we can get rid of the lines." He added that "we may over-produce but we'll get it where we won't have this."

Another factor that the dining hall staff has had to adjust to over the summer, the political situation changes." He added that it was a time to test the candidates' reactions to whether or not they wanted student help.

"That turned out to be pretty much of a mixed bag," Hesburgh said.

When asked whether he favored the suspension of classes Fr. Hesburgh replied, "I'd be inclined to take a long, long look at it, and I wouldn't say I personally favor," but he added, "Being for or against the idea is not the same as being for or against political activity...I'm very much in favor of the vote for 18 year olds and political involvement by students." He summed up his feeling when he said, "I don't know how our referendum is going to come out. All I can say is that the feeling across the country is less enthusiastic than it was.

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(continued from p. 1) monitored in Jerusalem, said guerrilla governors had been ap­pointed to continue civil admin­istration in northern Jordan of the area claimed to be under commando control.

It said the "liberated" area stretched from Jara, about 72 miles north of Amman. Included in this area is the major city of Irbid and the smaller towns of A r R a m t ha a nd A l M a r a i.

Official Amman radio said that by dusk, only scattered pockets of guerrilla resistance remained in the city. Both army and guerrilla announcements in­dicated there were many cas­ualties.

The heavy fighting caused concern for the safety of 54 airline hijack hostages still held by the guerrillas, reportedly in scattered hideouts in Amman. President Nixon warned the guerrillas they would be held responsible for the safety of the hostages, most of the Americans, and the State Department de­clined to rule out the possibility of U.S. military intervention if necessary.

Official Amman radio, which played martial music and broad­cast government announcements throughout the day, warned against outside interference in Jordan "purely internal prob­lem."

Iraq has 12,000 to 15,000 army troops based in Jordan, and both Iraq and Syria have sided with the guerrillas in their opposition to Jordan's King Hussein and the military govern­ment he installed Wednesday.

Neither government respon­ded to the Palestinian appeal, but Syrian foreign ministry officials summoned the Jordanian ambas­sador in Damascus and told him "Syria will not stand idly in the face of the massacre." In Tel Aviv, Israeli foreign ministry sources said Israel had no intention of intervening un­less its own security was threat­ened by the fighting.

"The army has taken all sec­tions of Amman except for some pockets of resistance which it is not clearing," Amman radio said at dusk, about 13 hours after the fighting erupted on the capital and four towns in the north. The broadcast named 16 sections of Amman as being under army control.

The Jordanian government, responding to an appeal from the Arab League meeting in Cairo, offered the guerrillas a cease fire if they would agree to withdraw from the cities and hand their commando force to city urban areas. It offered to trans­port the guerrillas to points a­long Jordan's border with Israel.

There was no response from the Palestinian Central Commit­tee, under which at least 11 guerrilla organizations were fighting.

The guerrillas appeared to get the worst of it almost from the outset of the fighting, which began with several exchanges of small arms fire south of Amman at dawn. It spread quickly when

Jordanian army artillery units began shelling the cities of the area and tanks and armor­ned commando forces invaded it. The guerrillas fought back with machine guns and bazookas.

Heavy fighting also was re­ported in the cities of Zerqa, 13 miles northeast of Amman; in Salt, 22 miles to the northwest, and in Karak, 45 miles north­east of the capital, and the guer­rillas announced they had taken control of Irbid, 45 miles north of Amman.

Miss Mohrmann was almost a con­stant note of anxiety in an­nouncements and orders the Central Committee broadcasted to the guerrillas on Damascus radio.

"Amman is burning," cried an announcer on Damascus radio's Voice of the Palestine Revolu­tion.

"The agents of the Jordanian army are shelling the populated area everywhere. Liberals of the Arab world, liberals of the whole world, stop the horrible mas­sacre that your people are facing in Jordan!"

NSA meets nationally

by Hilary Rhoman

In August of this year the National Student Association (NSA) met in St. Paul, Minne­apolis to deliberate on the various prob­lems which confront the student as an individual and as a citizen. Miss Mohrmann, a junior at St. Mary's, attended the 10-day confer­ence.

NSA is composed of some 400 college and university stu­dent governments, and serves as a coordinator of information as well as an outlet for opinions and facts.

Miss Mohrmann said that al­though she had mixed feelings about the conference as a whole, she was very impressed by the intensity of the discussions and lectures. Some of the ideas which were discussed were the crisis in the universities, educa­tional reforms and American for­eign policy.

Miss Mohrmann said she believed that the stu­dents at the conference may not have accurately represented their student bodies but said that on the whole did not want to make a judgment about the conference but wanted to do something to help solve these problems and perhaps alleviate the tensions which these problems produce.

Miss Mohrmann explained that some individuals were frustrated by the idea that perhaps what was being done by NSA would be ignored by those in power; some believed that the Congress in Washington would not take the proposals made seriously enough and would tend to trifle with the ideas.

Miss Mohrmann feels that the value of NSA for St. Mary's lies not in the issues which were passed but in the other services which are connected with NSA.

First meeting of combined council

by Ann Conway

The Academic Affairs Coun­cils of St. Mary's College and Notre Dame have agreed to meet jointly September 27 at 3:00 p.m. This marks the first such meeting of the two councils to discuss issues which concern both campuses.

The initiative for this meeting came from St. Alma Peters, act­ing President of St. Mary's Col­lege. The reason behind such a meeting according to St. Alma is that "students tend to get pulled in two directions. The political scene is a good example. If one college votes to suspend classes and the other doesn't, then the one who suffers is the student."

"The meetings so far have been good," the recent SSMC stated, "I'm not in favor of it. I believe in student involvement, but it shouldn't take priority over the main purpose of college which is academics."
PHNOM PENH (UPI) - Military officials said today it may take a week for a Cambodian relief column to reach 3,000 government troops trapped by the Communists north of Phnom Penh who are in "serious illness." The column contains only enough food for five days.

Early Thursday the Communists attacked the eight battalion Cambodian task force with artillery as they huddled in their positions 49 miles north of the Cambodian capital. Five Cambodian soldiers were killed and 20 wounded, spokesman said.

It was the first time either the Viet Cong or the North Vietnamese troops were reported to have used artillery in the Cambodian War.

In South Vietnam, the U.S. military announced that Communist gunners shot down two more American helicopters raising to at least 20 the number of choppers which have been downed in the past week. Three crewmen were injured Thursday when their light observation helicopter was shot down about 100 miles northeast of Saigon. Three more were injured when their attack helicopter was brought down about 38 miles southwest of the capital Tuesday, spokesman said in a delayed report.

Communist troops backed away from a U.S. aerial bombardment around artillery base O'Reilly and American troops may take a week for a

changes in the Notre Dame security force, including the addition of student patrolmen and the hiring of an investigator and other professionals, were discussed last week by Reverend James L. Riehle C.S.C., Dean of Students.

According to Father Riehle, students were first hired as patrolmen last Spring on an experimental basis. Riehle said that he believes that an increase in student patrolmen will help the public relations of the security system also be a source of manpower.

Other changes in the Security force involve hiring an investor and qualified professionals. The new investigator will work closely with Mr. Arthur Pears, Director of Security, Riehle said. Riehle said that he is seeking other better qualified personnel, but added that hiring qualified professionals has not been successful because police departments throughout the country are facing the young professionals with increased sales, with which Notre Dame cannot compete.

"A rookie in the South Bend Police Department can start out making $1000 more a year than we can pay them," said Riehle. He also said that attempts have been made to add younger hall monitors to the residence halls. "Older hall monitors have been the victims of usted criticism, because they have often been accused of being inefficient, when actually, the only function they serve is that of fire watchers," Riehle said.

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The manufacturer of Oh Henry candy bars moved Thursday to take its products off the market following disclosure by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that a number of one million bars might be contaminated with salmonella.

Salmonella is a bacterial germ which causes stomach upset and diarrhea. An FDA spokesman said the salmonella type involved in the candy rarely causes serious illness.

The casualties brought in Cambodian losses in the Highway 6 operation over the past five days to 23 men killed and 144 wounded.

The task force left Skoun, 35 miles north of Phnom Penh, 10 days ago in an attempt to clear Highway 6 all the way to the provincial capital of Kompong Thom 45 miles beyond Skoun.

It ran into trouble Tuesday when Communist forces cut behind the column, surrounded it and blew up several bridges in a pinpoint maneuver that prevented relief units from moving up.

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The Basic Difference

Glen Corso

The racial question surfaced on Long Island this summer, through the guise of low cost housing for welfare recipients. It seems that the low cost housing shortage in Nassau county was so critical that county social service agency was forced to house people in motel rooms.

A sub-critical situation reached its height however when the agency reported that by December there would be no motel rooms available. A program was put into effect to renovate several buildings at Mitchell Field, an abandoned Navy fighter park, and house the welfare recipients there.

Residents from the adjoining communities of University and Oceanside at the County Board meeting, where the matter was to be resolved, and protested the plan most vehemently. The arguments ranged from beliefs that the school system would be overloaded with the children of the welfare recipients, to fears that the housing complex would become ghetto. Glen Corso presented arguments that were very well taken, but one could hear comments from the room that the people saying the recipients were "stupid and lazy", or how they refused to "get off their asses and get a job" so that they wouldn't have to worry about incompetent workers.

Listening to these people, who obviously believed the rightness of their comments, brought to mind a story told me by a black woman with whom I worked. At the time he was explaining to me why he felt there was such a gap between the white middle class and the black poor. He said he didn't pretend to talk for anyone but himself. He had found that people were so nervous about becoming a black man that he had never bothered to think about why blacks are so poor.

"The best way to show something like that is to use a graphic illustration, something that white people can relate to," he told me. The story I use sometimes has two characters in it, Joe White and Joe Black. It's kind of simple, but it has saved me a little bit of shit talk, but it gets the point across.

"Now take Joe White. He's 47 years old, he's got a college education. He's married, with two kids, lives in an exclusive suburb and owns his own electronics firm. He is not wealthy, but he makes out pretty good. His background isn't a hell of a lot different than most people in this country. Joe's parents came over from their native island just before the first World War broke out. They scrimped and saved to buy two steerage class tickets to America. When they got over there they couldn't speak English and since both had lived on farms they found it tough finding a job. Joe's father had some construction experience though and found a job laying bricks. Joe was meanwhile worked in a knitting mill. Things were tough, but they were no worse in the black community.

By the time Joe was 10 they had managed to move out of the rat

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Freedom of Speech

President Nixon received a warm reception at Kansu State University when he delivered his Annual Alfred Landon Lecture on Wednesday. Not very interesting material for a column unless you consider the fact that today the President of the United States cannot be assured of being accorded at least a courteous reception everywhere he goes.

There are quite a few people who hate President Nixon. Of course, always people who disliked individual Presidents. But there has never been a time in American history when so many people, especially young people, have been so violent toward the person of the man. Many young people have no respect for the man himself and there is open and wide-spread depictions of the President in posters with obscene and derogatory captions in college dormitories. It wouldn't be very hard to find a person who would talk seriously of the need for the President's death.

The state of affairs is sad. The President can not speak at any American College or University unless it is "conservative" or "reactionary." There were a few hecklers at Kansu State. They made delivering his address less than comfortable, but with the majority of the 16,000 listeners willing to listen. He was in a common courtesy, he delivered his address.

Kansu State is acknowledged to be a fairly conservative school. At least, that's what most journalists assumes from the mere fact that it is situated in the Midwest. Let the President try to speak at any of Eastern schools. He is characterized as "academic" and his "reactionary" reputations, and the heckling would no doubt increase. Probably to the point where he wouldn't be able to continue to speak.

The situation does not say much for the average American scholar. A true scholar would treasure freedom of speech, defending it against threats from outside the community as well as from within. He would understand that the only hope for 20th century civilizations torn by war and the ravages of their own waste lies in the firm adherence to some basic set of values - a set of values which elevates man above all his shortcomings. Not the least of those values is common courtesy. Another is respect for every man's right to hold an opinion differing from others. But do most college students feel outraged at the fact that the man who lead this country can not come to universities to speak about and to be questioned about their actions? It seems not.

Amazingly there are none on this campus who will say that the heckling of the President was justified. The President's rhetoric, inflammatory or his policies are ridiculous they say. But when since has it been accepted practice in a truly academic community to silence a speaker because of the lack of agreement with what he has to say?

American institutions of higher learning are gradually losing their most coveted possession; an atmosphere where free inquiry can take place. In the name of academic freedom, they have tolerated actions by members of the community which have made them more closed, then open institutions. In a time when student power is the demand it must be that power which is used to assure that the scholarly community will survive. Individuals who subscribe to any political philosophy must be free to speak on campuses.

Freedom of speech is a moral issue. To suppose that this generation's actions and judgement of events will hold much weight with future generations who no doubt will look to see whether the principles we express to hold really meant anything to us.
First Communion

by Fr. Robert Griffin

One Sunday this summer, because as priest I felt lonely and isolated while offering a Sunday Mass in the vast, empty sanctuary of Sacred Heart Church, I invited the moppets andurchins of the congregation to join me at the altar for the Canon.

Among the children who trooped up to the altar that morning was a dear, young thing named Eileen. She was as fair a child as her lyrically Irish name suggests she should be. She was so pretty, in fact, that a first-grade boy nearly busted a second-grade boy in the nose over who should stand next to the seven-year-old beauty to give her the sign of peace.

At communion time, as I had said I would, I gave hosts to all the young Christians, and the fair Eileen twinkle-toed her way back to the pew to kneel down beside her mother, who was by now a distraught woman. There had been a mixup, you see: Eileen shouldn’t have been given the host; she had never made her First Communion, in fact she didn’t have any clear idea what Communion was all about except that it was “a gift from God.”

Sad to relate, the host did not behave at all well for a gift from God; it got stuck in her throat, somewhere between the tonsil and the windpipe. One might have hoped that the living presence of Christ would be experienced as something more comfortable than as a damp, sticky paste for a little child to choke upon.

Afterwards, speaking to her mother, Eileen announced her rejection of the entire Sacrament called Blessed. “It was awful, and I don’t ever want to do it again.”

The priest was horrified to learn the news of the instant apostasy of the moppet-child whom he had nourished on the Saviour’s glory. Within a few hours, he had half the nuns in Summer School praying that the fair Eileen would give the sacramental system another chance.

The next day, he sat down with the child to talk of the mystery of love and redemption and God-with-us, and of the immensity of the Trinity tucked into a snowflake of wheat, and afterwards the child said she understood. Seemingly, for the child, there was no mystery left.

Then they visited the Keenan-Stanford chapel, where they played a note or two on the organ, identified the Man on the Cross, and peeked into the tabernacle to wonder at the pallor and fragility of the Real Presence of the Lord.

Once again, I offered a fragment of wafer (unconsecrated) to the child, and once again — oh, grief despair! — the bread, infamous in its accidents, refused to behave; and the child, despairing of bread so resistant to swallowing, broke in to tears.

She was comforted only by the news that for her next Communion — for her first big Communion that would be marked down by the Church in a great book where people could read about it forever — we would send out to a baker for bread whose only ambition in life was to be allowed to be swallowed as God’s gift; by little girls like Eileen. And if bread refused to do the trick, I declared, we would turn to wine, and immediately poured muscatel into a cup where the light danced joyously upon it. Eileen tasted the wine, and she nearly danced too, because she now knew that Jesus could come in Communion, tasting like grapes that have laid in warm fields for long afternoons, ripening in the sun.

I thought of Eileen today, because on Sunday morning she is coming to Mass in the Keenan-Stanford chapel at eleven o’clock as we resume the Family Mass begun in July for the children of the Notre Dame Emily. Hopefully, other children will be there, too — the orphans and moppets of students, faculty and staff. I am anxious that they should be there, for with children standing about the altar, I as priest can never feel isolated and lonely while offering a Sunday Mass.
Hesburgh discusses his roles

WASHINGTON (UP) — The Senate struck a hard and maybe fatal blow Thursday to a constitutional amendment to make everybody's vote for president count the same.

Although the action came on a procedural question—to kill a filibuster—it definitely weakened if it did not altogether work changes for electoral reform in time for the 1972 elections.

With a two-thirds majority required to stop a Southern-led filibuster against the amendmend, proponents of reform could muster only 54 votes to cut off debate against 36 votes to continue it—six votes short.

Father Hesburgh did confirm that the position of Provost

lightened his work load and responsibilities saying, "I'd say they have been. Because there are a lot of things that used to jump from individual vice presidents or even deans, hang up to my office. Now they normally go thru the Provost's office."

To a question directed at him as head of the Civil Rights Commission which asked whether he thought the country was going more or less divided regarding priorities, Fr. Hesburgh said, "There are some areas where we're making progress, other areas where we're going backward."

He cited that with progress comes polarization, when he remarked, "as is as bad as I've seen in the past ten or fifteen years."

"A lot of people are very liberal until their kids have to go to school with other kids of another social class or race, and suddenly they become illiberal because they talk a good game but they don't live a good game."

When asked to comment about the change in the country he observed, Father Hesburgh said, "I think the direction of change. He termed it a creative direction."

"but I think it presents that only a minority wanted to break away from Great Britain prior to the Revolution."

"You can't get leadership from the majority, but they have to have some 'tolerance' from the minorities."

Regarding the leadership of the majority by the minority he said, "Part of the challenge of leadership in our day is to find out what change makes sense."

Filibuster allowed

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Communists make truce offer

PARIS (UP) - The Vietnam-ese Communists Thursday offer-
ed the United States a limited cease fire and prompt talks on the exchange of all American and other allied troops from Vietnam by June 30, 1971. Chief U.S. negotiator David K.E. Bruce and South Vietnam's Pham Dang Lam, while prom-
ing to study the package offer, said it contained nothing es-
entially new. Bruce said the offer looked to him like "new wine in old bottles."

Terming the offer a major peace initiative and a clarification of the past negotiating of-
fer, Viet Cong Foreign Minister Nguyen Thi Binh said acceptance of the scheme would help break the 19 month old deadlock in the Paris talks.

Her plan, while offering a limited and vague cease fire to the Americans in return for a withdrawal pledge, also called for formation of a new prov-
vincial coalition cabinet in Sai-

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gers to the pound," he said, "but now we'll be getting six. The student will be getting more overall though since he will be getting two hamburgers."

Majocchi added that since the rolls will be smaller "the meal will stick out around the edges" rather than be covered by bread as before.

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**THE OBSERVER**

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Observer Sports Editor

It's the Wildcats and the Irish tomorrow afternoon and that says quite a lot. Notre Dame holds a commanding 27-7-2 record in this ancient series that dates as far back as 1889. Don't let that record make you think that there hasn't been some real ding-dong battles between the two Midwestern schools, however.

There is no reason to believe that this season's product should be any different in results. The Wildcats have some explosive credentials to put points on the board and since this is the first game of the season, ND won't have that tremendous press build up to frighten the opposition. The game appears to boil down to a matter of whose defense is the stronger. Northwestern's offense is potent. They rely a great deal on the running of Mike Adamek and Al Robinson. Both have good speed but there size is questionable. Both weigh in at about 190 lbs. They are a veteran offensive line to make holes for them but they will be going against a defense famished for its stinginess on the ground.

It may be a blessing in disguise if the Wildcats are forced to pass. Quarterback Maurice Daigneu (DANE-yoo) has a sure throwing arm and his receivers are potential standouts. John Brown is a split end with great speed and fine moves who has been showing brilliance in the fall scrimmages. The real superstar on the team may be a junior flankback named Barry Pearson. Pearson is fast and he is also lightening quick. Besides receiving passes he doubles as a punt return man. Clarence Ellis will line up on which ever side of the field that Pearson splits. This should tell the tale of what kind of ball player Pearson really is.

The Notre Dame defense must stop both Adamek and Robinson and Northwestern's newly installed option offense if the Irish want to avoid an early season upset. The Wildcats that will probably take this re- spective game are Bob Patulski and Bob Neidert at the ends (possibly the best tandem in the country) and tackles Greg Marx and Mike Zikas. Marx is a sophomore who been watching.

The linebackers have been impressive. There are five who will see plenty of action. Tim Kelly (captain of the defense), Jim Wright, Eric Patton, John Ratliff and John Thomasson. All of these men have experience and even more important they are all MEAN.

The secondary is headed by All-American candidate Ellis and Ralph Stepianiak, a steady starter from last season. Mike Croty will probably get the nod to start at safety. Croty is only 5'9'' but he is quick and a hard hitter.

Northwestern's secondary is experienced and, with what they must face, they'll need all of the savvy they can muster. Eric Hutchison and Rick Tienzer were two of the Big Ten's better defensive backs last season and they will try to stop the passing of Heisman Trophy Candidate Joe Theismann. Jack Darlin and Mike Coughlin will also be deep to halt the South River Road-runner's bomb.

The Wildcat's defense boasts two proven terminal tackles but little else. Wil Hemby and Mike Morkin will try to cover for mistakes made by the new interior linemen.

The Irish offense is a potential powder keg. A Thespians to Tom Gatewood completion was no uncommon sight throughout the spring and fall scrimmages and it's a deadlock thing to stop. Last year in the regular season this combo clicked 47 times. ND fans should expect these numbers at the same time around.

The offensive backs are neither overwhelming fast nor big but they do get the job done.

Senior Dennis 'Saw' Burz is a dependable four yard per carry man last year and he may well improve on this back on his new backfield. Bill Buzz is a great man to have for short yardage situations. He rarely fails to get the necessary yardage. The other halfback will be Ed Gulya in a day or two. He saw a little playing time last year as a defensive back and return specialist.

In the spring he impressed enough to be given a shot at the starting offensive position.

Besides Gatewood, the line will feature Mike Creaney, a sophomore tight end who has fought back from his second year mistakes and there is little evidence that he will let this mistake happen again.

The rest of the offensive line has been a worry for head coach Ara Parseghian. Larry Esnardo has been good but he did not do well in his first year as a starter. Zikas is a strong but steady tackle.

The key to the game should ride with the defense's ability to halt Daigneu and company. ND may have the boys to put points on the board. Look for the defense to come through. NU may stay with the Irish for a half or less. This result will be similar to last year. Ara will give his old pal Alex Ague another lesson.

Boots open Season

The Notre Dame Soccer Club will start their season this weekend with two home games.

1:00 p.m. Saturday the Irish take on St. Norbert's of West DePere, Wisconsin. Sunday finds the Boots playing U. of Wisconsin, Parkside. Game time is 1:00 p.m.

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The other tallies across the country it looks like Penn State over Navy, West Virginia over Richmond, Army over Baylor, Florida over Mississippi State, Minnesota over Memphis State, Georgia over Tulane, Clemson over Virginia, South Carolina to rebound against Wake Forest, Alabama to trounce over Virginia Tech, Oklahoma to squeak by Wisconsin, Boston College over Villanova, Purdue over UCLA, Texas Tech over Kansas, Iowa over Oregon, Oregon over Illinois, Indianaover Colorado, Michigan over Arizona, Michigan over Stanford, Washington over Air Force, Wisconsin and Arkansas to get their first win against Oklahoma State.

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