by Don Ruane and John Abowd

The SLC fields wide range of questions

New members see no change

by Ann Thoresen Darin

Alma hits Abortion Panel

Cotton Bowl proceeds undecided

by Don Ruane and John Abowd

Yesterday at the St. Mary's Health Committee meeting Sister Immaculata, dean of students, read a letter to the committee members from acting Student Life Council president Sister Alma restating the complaints that she said she received after the committee's "Abortion Panel."

In the letter, Sister Alma continued that many students, faculty and parents had expresseddis postponement of the panel for not emphasizing the Catholic point of view. At a faculty meeting in November, she stated, "At St. Mary's College, an institution of higher education, there should be room for, exposure to, and discussion of many positions but in the final analysis, the position of the Catholic Church must be emphasized. Concern and care for the entire academic community must be exercised in the light of Christian values."

According to the minutes of the meeting, "This statement referred particularly to the Abortion Panel which caused misgivings and concern among many faculty members and students."

Because members of the committee felt that this inaccurate remark would be detrimental to their further work, they unanimously requested a clarification of the statement by Sister Alma. This letter disturbed committee members because "Sister mistakenly linked the abortion

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Students voice opinions on Co-Education

by Glen Sorge

One cannot seriously consider the topic of coeducation at Notre Dame without reference to St. Mary’s College. For several years, St. Mary’s has afforded Notre Dame a limited interchange of the sexes on campus. Thus, S.M.C. girls have come to consider themselves a part of Notre Dame and must have very definite opinions on coeducation at Notre Dame.

A poll taken to indicate the girls’ feelings on the subject offers some interesting, if not astounding results. 99% of the more than 150 girls polled had definite opinions on the subject. Only 5% of the girls were satisfied with the present level of coeducation at Notre Dame, leaving 94% unsatisfied. Not a single girl polled wished to retain Notre Dame a limited interchange of the sexes on campus. The point stressed by these girls was that although they wished to gain greater interaction between the sexes, they did not wish to change the presently lopsided male-female population.

However, a whopping 66% of the girls polled said (that) they do not only wanted to see Notre Dame merge with St. Mary’s but wanted N.D. to increase its acceptance of girls to the point of a one-to-one ratio. The overall reaction was one of discontent. The girls didn’t like the rat-race of their social life or the unnatural atmosphere of having a “token” boy in a class or being a “token” girl in a class.

As one young lady stated, “I don’t like the reputation SMC girls have at Notre Dame.” “It’s not our fault that the social situation is so messed up, it’s the school’s.”

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The most disheartening thing about gathering these opinions is when a girl asks “will this do anything?” she expects a negative answer. Almost without exception, the girls I spoke to at S.M.C. feel that change (especially in regard to coeducation) is something that is endlessly talked about but never accomplished.

Tracey

At the present, there are no formal programs at St. Mary’s aimed at coeducation with Notre Dame, according to Ann Marie Tracey (S.B.P.). Miss Tracey herself is waiting for the results of the Parks, Mayhew Report on Coeducation in January. However, having read several of the reports published in favor of coeducation (Stanford-Keenan and Prof. Runde’s), she is presently in favor of turning St. Mary’s into a liberal arts college of Notre Dame. She also hopes for coed resident halls in the future. Miss Tracey does not believe we will have coeducation earlier than fall 1973, but would like to see it sooner.

When asked about student opinion, Miss Tracey stated, “coeducation has not been a chief issue over the years.” She continued, saying “The freshman came here expecting coeducation almost immediately.” Miss Tracey indicated that feeling was high, but had only come about recently.

Ann Marie Tracey is not happy with the male-female ratio at N.D. and S.M.C., saying “It’s not fair to Notre Dame!” She maintains that Notre Dame should go coed independently even if St. Mary’s chooses to retain its present status. If such a case occurs, she hopes the N.D.-S.M.C. relationship would be maintained. If coeducation does come about, Miss Tracey would like to see a 1-1 ratio but feels 3-1 is more realistic.

When asked if she saw the trustees as an obstacle, Miss Tracey cited, at a case in point, the pre-campaign proposal. It has passed nearly every case of acceptance up to the trustees and then was vetoed by them. She fears the same may occur with any attempt at coeducation. However, Miss Tracey said she was somewhat comforted by Sister Alma, who assured her that the trustees will make a fair judgment.

When questioned about the dismissal of the two S.M.C. professors, Miss Tracey said she did not think their activities on behalf of coeducation were the cause. She felt there were unexplained troubles between the administration and the professors.

Krashna

In a recent interview, Notre Dame S.B.R. member Krashna stated, “I expect some form of coeducation in the near future.” He continued, “I would say fall of next year is unrealistic, may be spring.” However, he also indicated that the recent rumors of coeducation are probably baseless. Krashna puts more stock in the forthcoming coeducation report being compiled by Bill Wilka and Tim Conner and the work being done by the committee for Social Understanding. This committee is now trying to institute coed eating arrangements and is investigating the possibility of constructing a mall on route 31 for Notre Dame and St. Mary’s students.

Krashna would like to see Notre Dame increase its enrollment to include women as soon as possible. He also supports the idea of coed residence halls. Although Krashna would like to have St. Mary’s become a part of our coeducational university, he recognizes their reluctance to do so. He would therefore support a move to go coed independently of St. Mary’s.

Speaking on the recent dismissals of Professor Runde and Professor Hickmeyer, Krashna stated, “On pure speculation, it seems there was some connection between their efforts on behalf of coeducation and their dismissal.” He also said the student government would soon issue a statement on the subject.

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Student Government Constitution continued

student government body will cause the President's Council to conduct a referendum on a specific resolution.
Section III: A petition bearing the valid signatures of 35% of the electorate will cause the President's Council to hold an election on the recall of the Student Body Vice President.
Section V: The Student Union Board of Directors will be composed of:
1. five (5) student Body officers.
2. the President's Council representative.
3. the Student Union Treasurer.
4. the Student Union Business Office.
5. the Student Union Director.
6. one (1) faculty member.
Section IV: Student Government Council will be such that other persons will be allowed to thrice run against the officer in question. In order to remain in office, the officer must receive a plurality of the votes; if he does not, his office will be filled through the same means of this constitution. A new officer may be elected by receiving a majority of the votes in this same election.
Section IV: A Permanent Election Committee will run all University wide elections, whether regularly scheduled, or referendum, and recall, and impeachment. The committee will be composed of:
1. the Student Body President.
2. the Student Body Vice President.
3. the Executive Coordinator of the Student Government.
4. the Finance Committee.
5. the President's Council member chosen by the Undergraduate Student Life Council.
6. any member of the Committee is the object of a recall drive or impeachment, he will be suspended from all committee pending the completion of the election. The Committee will make all the rules for Universitywide elections and will violate the constitutionality of wide petitions. The Committee may ap- point non-member to be Election Coordinator for a specific election.

ARTICLE VII: (Impeachment)
Section I: A bill of impeachment may be initiated by a petition containing the valid signatures of 750 undergraduates.
Section II: The President's Council will try the individual under the bill of impeachment with a majority vote of the President's Council sending the bill to referendum.
Section III: The impeached individual shall be removed by a majority of the voting undergraduate student body—provided that the total vote exceeds 60% of the un-
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Junior Parents Weekend, will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday February 26, 27, 28, 1971, Chairman Tom D'Aquila announced yesterday.
Chairman of the Weekend said that the pur-
pose of the weekend was to involve the parents in the life of the university community with accent on the academic program and the contemporary issues and ideas confronting the Notre Dame student. 
Institutions were mailed to all junior's parents and should have been received during the Thanksgiving vacation, D'Aquila said. He encouraged all juniors to remind their parents of the January 15th deadline for con-
firmation and to urge them to attend. He went on to say that every junior who has not received an invitation may procure one by calling 1266.
Final ticket sales, seating arrangements and confirmation of reservations will be held at the LaFortune student center on January 25, 26, and 27, 1971.

- The Observer -
Don't mess up our Campus

Why are you destroying your halls? The Notre Dame dormitories, never to be confused with Frank Lloyd Wright creations in the first place, have rapidly deteriorated over the last five years. The reason? Prime among them is the geometrically rising number of incidents of vandalism.

There is no excuse for the incidents. No excuses are offered; only vague and tortured mutterings about the University not having variances from law not to remain conditions, but to make them worse. Damage to the hall often goes uncorrected for days, and acts of damage may leave permanent scars.

Father Amen, in Flanner Hall, has apparently been forced to limit keggers because of the damage done to halls. Now, how in God's name does vandalism wreak revenge on the University for the real or imagined ill?

Yet the mutterings continue. Vandalism is judged to be a reaction to the repressive on-campus social atmosphere. Breaking windows, however, has never been considered much of an alternative to sexual gratification.

Vandalism is alleged to be a reaction to the ills of the outside world. Since there is war, poverty, and racism, the contention goes, we will get out, get smashed, and punch holes in the walls to escape. When the dirtied hands come out of his stupor, war, poverty, and racism are still there, but now there's a hole in the wall.

No, there are no excuses, and no higher reasons. Vandalism is the result of men who wish they were animals acting like animals. And animals belong in a cage. We suggest potential vandals keep this in mind.

Peripheral Division

Why the New Constitution Must Lose

T.C. Trenar

What a sad disaster the proposed student government Constitution is! It's really too bad, too, that March's bright promise to return power to the halls has been so unthinkingly abrogated. The present monocracy, when it's lüdicious enough to say anything, is a dead letter, and power should go back to LaForte, back to LaForte, back to LaForte.

The same thing makes itself evident right after the Preamble, an awful but necessary piece of machinery. All legislative power will be vested in the Student Life Council as contained in its bylaws with the exception of budgetary and other internal procedures. The Student Body President says Article I, Section I. But what are the other internal procedures? What is an "internal procedure" anyway? Well, that's something that concerns "student affairs." Is Parietal hours an internal procedure? It certainly concerns "student affairs."

How about the dining halls, or the laundry? Does the new constitution bar the SLC from considering them?

Article II is the much-hooped "President's Council" Article. But what powers have been designated to the Hall Presidents? Well, they can chew through the budget, as the Senate has been doing for years. And they "may" express an official opinion on any issue pertaining to the hall life of the students of the University. It was nice of student government to give that to them, but it really doesn't differentiate them from any other group of vocal people. Where is the President's Council's effective voice in Student Government? Where is the guarantee that the diverse and broadly-based student opinion that the Hall Presidents represent will form the important student government reports that are sent to the SLC and the Trustees? And who will represent the student body, the elected President's Council or the Student Body President and his appointed Cabinet?

Don't hold your breath. Article III, Section III, says The Student Union Board of Directors would most certainly envelop most student political activities on this campus. But who would try people for violations of this Constitution? Why, a Judicial Council people--get this--the student body president, the Ombudsman (an appointive post) and four Notre Dame Undergraduates you put into it--appointed by the Student Body President after recommendations from a board made up of the Student Body President and Judicial Coordinator, in repeat performances, and three members of the President's Council or the by-laws. Ooh, Aah! Some Hall Presidents--making up a little more than half of a once-removed body that only makes recommendations anyway.

We need a new constitution. We need one that will bring power and money to the halls. This year's Student Government never comes around unless it wants something from you, like it will tonight. And this year's constitution has almost all of the vision we so distantly saw last March. We want to see it again.
Jesus Christ, Superstar was released with a tremendous hype from Decou, the same company that brought us Tommy, not only in England, but in town, heralding the age of the rock opera.

The rock opera has failed more often than not, and both Tommy and The Mercury's The Naked Carmen, and one Capitol put out a follow-up to the Civil War, the name of which I can't even remember.

Tommy itself wasn't the first of its kind, of course. The Stones had both experimented with extended forms, and the Who itself had tone similar experiments; before Sgt. Pepper. Traces of songs from The Who Sell Out came over to the Who, and later Tommey. I liked all of those things. They were experiments; the bands were trying to see how far they could go. And they weren't pretentious. The music was always only as serious as you wanted it to be. But people wanted to make rock everything serious 'commercial music', and more, and that includes pedantry. From this came Jesus Christ, Superstar. (the illegitimate son of Tommy and Naked Carmen?)

The music of the opera was written by Andrew Lloyd Webber, the words by Tim Rice, who we understand are two record company executives. It was 18 months in the making, and then a tour, and utilized the City of London Ensemble (an 89 piece orchestra?) plus a rock band. The cast included, among others, the Purple, Chris Mercer, formerly sax for the Byrds, Buffalo Springfield. And the band were trying to see if the whole thing would work. It was going to be for anything, and all the right people are in attendance, like hip deep in the rightness of the thing. The mottled scarves, unattactive but "nice girl" music students, and the whole thing is so elegant. There she is in long white dress, book in hand, singing all the right notes, not well, nor (God forbid!) good, but, beautifully, magnificantly. When you sing Bach etc. you don't sing well, just beautifully or magnificantly. Breastful.

Now this whole classical music thing is impossible to give it meaning. The whole thing is not worth it. I can't even remember. And the Who itself had tone similar experiments; before Sgt. Pepper. Traces of songs from The Who Sell Out came over to the Who, and later Tommey. I liked all of those things. They were experiments; the bands were trying to see how far they could go. And they weren't pretentious. The music was always only as serious as you wanted it to be. But people wanted to make rock everything serious 'commercial music', and more, and that includes pedantry. From this came Jesus Christ, Superstar. (the illegitimate son of Tommy and Naked Carmen?)

The problem is, though, that the whole thing really doesn't come off. Part of the trouble is that huge list of people; they are not used to playing together (the Who in) and so the music sounds sort of cold, no matter how emotional it is. There was a pretentious problem the Who didn't need to face. This is a problem of idiom. Tommy is purely a rock work. The songs, while string together, are quite separable, and most of the action is described in the third person. Besides this, there is no real Bards, Dattley and Townsend singing the characters, and no real attempt is made to keep the thing together like a rock concert. What is happening is what is happening from what is going on around the action.

Here there is no real, there is actual song dialogue, and even a chorus in which the characters are working in something which is proving almost impossible to do in rock, because white songs can be extreme.

There is also the historical problem. People simply are not used to hearing things like "one thing about Jesus - His cool!" and so it seems very self-conscious. The only direct, a place of direct historical intension seems work is in a case like that of Donovan (Atlantic) or Cream (Tales of Brave Ulysses) where the effect is sort of a quirky beautiful days of the past thing. It is in the days, mirrors of the word where, where are they now?

That's what we used to hear. I can't even remember. This was, after all.

But the priest only preached that all travelogues are somewhat of that kind. And he hoped they would not stand the program's scope and interests. Then he asked God's mercy on his own foolishness. Then he asked God's mercy on his own foolishness. Then he asked God's mercy on his own foolishness. This was, after all, only a ceremonial spilling of the Blood of Christ.

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Flanner- A major victim of vandalism

by Steve Kane

Like most everything else Flanner Tower isn't what it used to be, that is, a year and a half ago when it was brand new. Some of its physical grandeur has now disappeared because of the damage, breakage, and mistreatment of its structure and facilities; Housing college students would put a strain on any building, its elevation, plumbing, heating, electrical demands, etc. These difficulties can be calculated and resolved, but the added problem of vandalism cannot.

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Vandalism in Flanner appears to be no more evident than in other halls, however, almost every physical scar and defacement can be readily detected, since it is still relatively new. Elevators and lobbies are the most obvious victims of damage, and this leads many to blame visitors and outsiders for the destruction.

When asked about acts of vandalism in Flanner, Father Maurice Ammon, the rector of Flanner Hall, replied, "It's questionable whether students or visitors are to blame for much of the vandalism." He referred to the recent situation in which many false fire alarms were pulled. He pointed out that the majority of these pranks were done with the fire alarm near the front east, which "could easily have been pulled by a visitor as he left the hall."

Within the sections themselves, weekend misconduct and the resulting damages "can be predicted," he said. "In other words, the weekend before the Thanksgiving holiday will usually experience more vandalism than the weekend before final exams."

Father Ammon estimates that damage this year is less than in the last. He regretted that last year it was necessary for him to threaten an entire floor with paying for all future damage. As to his role as rector, he stated that he is "not going to patrol" the bad sections, but would rather hope to see the problem resolved within the section. Ammon's main concern with vandalism is the "casualness with which minor destruction is done." He added that hall parties with beer kegs can be directly correlated with the amount of damage that occurs and for that reason, students must seek his permission if they wish to bring kegs into Flanner.

Joe Cassini, president of Flanner, views hall vandalism as more serious than last year. He listed holes in walls, damaged ceiling panels, the theft of a wall clock, and the breaking of the glass doors which enclose fire extinguishers as just some of the destruction experienced by the hall.

Some students "think about themselves too much" and are blind as to what effects their actions have on the property of others, he said. He conceded the correlation between alcohol and vandalism, but then referred to the many students who fail to clean up the mess that accompanies the following day, whether it be litter in the dorm or food on the rugs. According to Cassini most of the destruction has gone unchecked. He said that the Judicial Board has not met to resolve the many false fire alarms that were pulled. He pointed out that the many students who fail to distinguish fire extinguishers as just some of the destruction experienced by the hall.

Placement Bureau lists summer jobs

by Dave Cobersan

The Summer Job Placement Bureau announced that Summer Job placement information for several thousand job positions in "diverse areas of interest" will be available at the Placement Bureau by December 14. They also announced that 125 educational institutions have requested teachers and/or administrators for summer sessions in the regular school year.

The jobs are classified according to three major areas: Engineering and Science; Business and Liberal Arts; and General Employment. Requests for N.D. students to fill summer positions have come from 15 major firms as of this writing with 350 major firms that have been heard from Bulletins with names and addresses of the reporting firms will be found on the various bulletin boards around campus.

The requests from educational institutions included many to fill teaching posts in Canada and various other foreign countries. There is also an increasing demand for Public Relations and development personnel from many schools across the country.

The summer jobs available besides teaching included "trying to improve educational programs and summer sessions for this university for the students." He wants to see the correspondence between the students and the facility and the administration.

He said that the student members of the organization would probably be "on trial" for the first year. He hopes, by careful research and discussion of the various problems the students will be able to come up with some good solutions to the problems that arise.

Student Government Academic Vice President Bill Welka said that he hopes that the students who have problems that relate to Academic Council work will contact their respective representatives and discuss their problems with them.

Sex-Ed wanted

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by Terry Shields
Observer Sportswriter

Notre Dame's young wrestling squad journeyed to New York on Saturday, Dec. 5, as they competed in the 89th annual New Year's Open at the New York Tech Tournament and the results mirrored the in-
Erratum

The remarks attributed to Ed McCartin in yesterday's Observer concerning his appointment to the Academic Council and his feelings on the Computer Science department were not entirely accurate.

McCartin said that "It is questionable whether computing science merits departmental status. It may be that the value of computing science lies in its application to various existing departments in all four of the colleges. I did not intend to assert that the students in computing science were pursuing an invalid objective or trying to impose my personal value system on them. I was merely trying to question the value of their study as a major field. My remarks are not intended to indicate the way I will vote in the Academic Council for I am still undecided. I intend to vote as a representative of the college and not merely on the basis of my personal opinions." The Observer wishes to apologize for the error and hopes this clarification will clear up any misunderstanding resulting from it.

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SLC discusses spring elections and Soph cars

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government would reduce these games to a "bare minimum."

While on the topic of the new constitution, Krashna said he hopes centralize elections and hopes new officials begin their terms at an earlier date. Depending on the vote Wednesday, he said there is a possibility that this spring's elections may be moved up because of the semester break and the new SBP would take office before the customary date, April 1.

The present debate over the record co-op sponsored by the Student Union also came under discussion Monday and quickly expanded to include the prices of textbooks. There is a possibility of a special meeting next week at which the problem will be discussed. Prof. John W. Houck requested that data on the operation of the bookstore, particularly the second floor operations be available at the meeting. Doubts that this material could be compiled by then were expressed by several members of the council.

Faccenda said that "there probably isn't any cost accounting between the first and second floors." He noted that bookstore profits in the records he had seen did not distribute the overhead between the different departments. Faccenda thought that the bookstore is operating on a more or less "cashbox" basis.

Prof. Eugene W. Henry reported that his committee on sophomore cars was still researching the financial problems of the proposal. He said the office for Business Affairs is still to be contacted. Another member of the committee, Rich Tarr, said the sophomores were asked to research certain financial problems three weeks ago but had not completed the job as of Monday. A single proposal will be presented regarding the feasibility to the council next Monday if a special meeting is called.

Faccenda explained obstacles to the proposed annexation of Notre Dame by the City of South Bend. He said South Bend claims it will make money due to the larger rebate in state taxes as a result of counting Notre Dame students as city residents. He noted that it would cost the city two dollars for every dollar in extra revenue to provide the public services it provides to private citizens.