Boycott Slated for Today

by De Ellis

A convocation of 1300 students last night, predominately from St. Mary's, agreed to boycott classes today. The decision came after an hour long meeting with St. Mary's Acting President Sr. Alma. The students were concerned with the collapse of the ND-SMC merger. The Students asked for the help of the Notre Dame student body in pressurizing the St. Mary's Trustees into reversing their half of the decision not to merge with Notre Dame. Another convocation was called for 11 a.m. today in O'Laughlin Auditorium, scene of last night's meeting.

Sister Alma meeting, held against a background of boos, cheers, and hand-clapping, during which Sr. Alma once threatened to walk out, saw considerable student anger over both the Board's decision and the manner in which it was made. Two policemen were seen outside the auditorium during Sr. Alma's speech.

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Meeting with students at Farley Hall

Hesburgh withholds details

by Jerry Lukus
Observer News Editor

University President Rev. Theodore Hesburgh refused to answer student questions concerning the reason behind the Notre Dame-St. Mary's decision to stall the unification of the two schools, while blasting the student boycott of classes as a "silly thing to do," last night at Farley Hall.

Hesburgh spoke before a packed crowd of approximately 250 people in the Farley chapel. The crowd was relatively polite, but intermittent cheering, booing, and grumbling permeated the atmosphere. Continuing throughout the meeting were cries of "Why?" from the crowd.

When asked to explain why the merger was cancelled, Hesburgh left it upon "financial and administrative reasons," refusing to go into further detail.

"The chairman of the executive Board of Trustees felt that it would be counter-productive if we released the why. The Board agreed with him and I am abiding by that," Hesburgh commented.

Hesburgh did not agree with the idea of a student boycott of classes. "It costs $200,000 to open this place up every day. It's for one purpose--for education. Education is the only thing in the world that people will pay for and not get," Hesburgh said.

The University President constantly repeated throughout the meeting that there was no blame to be placed over the cancellation of the merger. He said that "we are not going to take cheap shots at St. Mary's."

"I don't want to place blame," Hesburgh said. "We all tried very hard to get everything together. But it didn't work. We're confident though that it will all work out in time."

Hesburgh noted that the whole action was a "clearing of the decks."

"It has become perfectly clear that we cannot have now one institution and one administration. Therefore, we must build as many bridges as we possibly can," he added.

When pressed further by students for the why, Hesburgh said, "I'm not going to get into a recounting of details. If I do that I'll have to take a stand--I'll have to lay the blame."

He claimed that Notre Dame had their list of priorities and that St. Mary's had theirs. No one could change any of their priorities, so they could not get everything together. "I'm not going to get into the shell game--they're wrong, we're right. No," he said.

"It's easy to see this all as a sinister plot but it's not. It's a two-sided argument. We've gone as far as we can and it's not agreeable to either side," Hesburgh said.

Hesburgh finally ended the discussion of that point by saying he had commitments as a "human being and a gentleman" not to lay blame and refused to handle further questions on the matter.

Hesburgh continually referred to "building bridges" between ND and SMC. Claiming that we have already built many of these, he said that it would be foolish to destroy them.

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"No merger' made official"

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Several students, especially freshmen, complained that they had come to Saint Mary's under the assumption that they would be Notre Dame students and get Notre Dame degrees.
When Sr. Alma denied that the SMC admissions office had ever used that information in recruiting students, three letters were produced. One, quoting from an SMC press release of last year, was sent to the freshmen before they got to SMC, and mentioned the merger and Notre Dame degrees. Sr. Alma dismissed all three, to a series of groans on the part of the students.
Sr. Alma said that she would "put nothing in the way of students trying to transfer from St. Mary's."
Then she said, "I would advise you if you do not wish to stay, not to." And, she added, "I wonder if it would not be a good thing for the majority of freshmen to return."
This statement was greeted with cheers.
Later, the Acting President apologized to the freshmen class for her comment.
Sr. Alma described three areas of difficulty that slowed down the progress of the merger and eventually led to its demise. The three were financial, administrative, and academic. The financial problems, believed by many people on both campuses to be the major ones, received no comment from Sr. Alma.
She said, "You couldn't possibly understand them. I don't even understand them in their entirety."
Finally, the discussion settled on the question of the Board of Trustees, with most students wanting to talk to the Board, rather than the Acting President about the situation.
Sr. Alma recommended that the SMC Student Government write to the board and request that they come to campus.
The next scheduled meeting of the Board is December 18, the last day of final exams for the first semester.
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We wonder if it would not be a good thing for a majority of administrators not to return to St. Mary's. And perhaps a majority of Notre Dame Administrators, too. A collection of administrators, trustees and potentates managed to both a bright and promising merger and ruin academic careers of hundreds of St. Mary's students. Instead of the merger, the potentates substituted a broad comedy at St. Mary's and a melodrama at Notre Dame.

Sr. Alma was the star of the farce. She, as expected, performed well in the role. Appropriately, the thing was staged at O'Laughlin Auditorium, which had just finished showing "the Cage." Sr. Alma, primly threatening to leave if the kiddies got too ram-bunctious, several times gathered up her skirts as a prelude to departure until she realized that the threatened departure wasn't particularly discommoding her audience.

Beyond her choreography, the Acting Head Nun said that the mopsets "couldn't possibly understand" the financial problems involved in the merger because "I don't even understand them in their entirety"--hardly a fair standard; pretended that three letters the SMC publicity mill sent out promising a merger didn't exist; and replied, when asked what good her Monday Morning Quarterbacking on the original merger moves was doing the St. Mary's students, "What harm does it do?"

A little while later, over in Farley Hall, a real tearjerker was under way as Father Hesburgh played Gentleman and Human Being in refusing to reveal who was responsible for the disastrous collapse of the merger program. In a lecture filled with pitiful generalities, Fr. Hesburgh took time out to sniffle in stentorian tones that after all back in the old days when Notre Dame was so poor they didn't have anybody to darn the students' socks and who would want to hurt such a nice old order anyway.

The Observer hereby offers to darn any number of Notre Dame socks Fr. Hesburgh would care to specify in return for a controlling vote in the University's long-range policies.

Negative Recruitment

But if the student body really wants to put the hurt on the nuns, they tackle it by denouncing someone or something else.

A solid, massive action will remind the Trustees and Administrators of both schools that we're thinking of 'em. It will keep the issue fresh--it'll show the necessary people that the Notre Dame-Saint Mary's student body is aware of the situation and will be (how it's going to merge with Notre Dame, etc.,); why can't representatives from student government to out and tell the real story?

That'll be a presentation destined to drive away any sane prospective St. Mary's student possessed of an IQ in triple figures. If St. Mary's is determined to become a finishing school for morons, they ought to get the job done and be damned.

Yes, the real story will do the job. For it's not a particularly good story. Not a particularly Christian story -- full of broken promises. Just a disingenuous and miserable and cheap story -- a typical ND-SMC production.

Pressure the Trustees

There are two other courses of action we urge all SMC students to take: and take quickly.

First--get on the phone to Western Union or go over to the office at the ND administration building and send a telegram to Sr. Olivette Whelan asking her to convene an emergency meeting of the SMC executive Committee of the Trustees. Several hundred such messages might get the good nun upset-upset enough to call the meeting on a week's notice.

Second--get on the phone to your parents today: tell them that a group of myopic, incompetent nuns are throwing away your chance for a Notre Dame degree. Ask them to send a telegram to Sr. Alma protesting the decision and telling her that they are not spending 3700 dollars a year to send you to an institution destined to becoming a third rate finishing school.

The latter action will inform the good sisters that if they persist in their obstructionist tactics they will be inviting an assault on St. Mary's Holy Grail--the dollar.
College students across the country are being asked to support a movement to try to ridicule irritating and obnoxious television commercials off the air.

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Administration hit at meeting
No consultation: SMC faculty members

A hidden wound festering for some time among faculty at St. Mary's College was reopened Monday after Mother M. Oliviette Whalen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees called the attempted merger with Notre Dame a mistake and apologized at a faculty assembly.

The wound, according to the consensus of nearly 80 faculty members who remained in Carroll Hall after Mother Oliviette's statement, is caused by St. Mary policy makers who allegedly no concern or need for faculty viewpoints or information.

The impromptu meeting, which lasted nearly an hour after Mother Oliviette and SMC President Sr. M. Alma Peter left, resulted when the Trustee chairman refused to answer questions in the interest of fairness to the audience. She urged the assembly to wait until after December 18 when the board will meet to specifically discuss the merger problems.

In her statement, Mother Oliviette urged the faculty to have their Academic Affairs Committee consider the two schools' missions, goals, and objectives for SMC to her or Sr. Alma, so that they could present them to the Trustees. She also urged consideration of potential candidates to guide SMC in "a new and promising era."

A primary reason
Naming finances as one of several problems, and not the primary reason, Mother Oliviette said the merger was "far more complicated than anticipated," and that "it was a mistake to go forward until basic negotiations took place and agreements were reached.

Sr. Alma on merger

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Sr. Alma agreed that the number of applications to St. Mary's after Notre Dame begins to accept women would probably go down. "But," she said, "we have always turned away at least 2 to 1. I have talked to the administration that can keep the basic philosophy, "all things possible," prepared statement to the audience. She also said before leaving that she foresees no drop in enrollment or quality of SMC students on the basis of applications.

As the administrators left Paul Messbarger, chairman of the Faculty assembly, took the podium hoping to find a personal, prepared statement to Mother Oliviette. However, disorder in the auditorium prevented him from doing so.

Order restored, Messbarger prefaced his statement by saying that a floor microphone had been made years ago, but was vetoed by Sr. Alma.

Calls for new administration
In the prepared statement, which is expected to be published and in faculty mailboxes this morning for those who want to sign it in support of Messbarger, the English chairman says that no rational opinion can be made on the merger decision because there is no way to get all facts of the negotiations, and will prevail," she said.

Noting that she has sought and received "very direct answers" from high Notre Dame administration on the merger, Sr. Elana, as an alumnus and faculty member, apologized in a joking voice, for Mother Oliviette's refusal to entertain any questions.

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The Graduate View

Just for the Record

It is difficult to assess this year’s football performance since there was no great victory to cap the season as was the case last year. Despite a young team, the Irish improved their team experience, no 8-2 record can ever be disappointing. Suffice it to say that the Irish, with inexperience at the qb spot, adopted a ball-control game dependent upon field position and defense; unable to play catch-up ball, they fell victims in comeback failures. The only really galling thing is that Ara Parseghian will probably miss the Top Ten for the first time since coming here.

The unhappy finish mustn’t obscure the many fine individual performances, especially among the underclassmen who’ll be returning. Cliff Brown continued to improve steadily. With he and Tom Clements, the Irish qb picture has cleared up since last spring. John Ciesielski and Mike Creaney have returned next year as the team’s 2nd and 3rd leading rushers behind the departing Bob Minnix who gained 337 yards in 1971. He moved from a running back to start his way up to the first team in several impressive performances.

The kickers will return off fine seasons. Walk-on Bob Thom as is in line for another fine year at p.k. Mike Pavlin has replaced Seymour as the all-time Irish receiver. Tom holds most of the records in that area.

On defense, mention should be made of junior Ken Schlezes who continued to improve steadily. With he and Tom Clements, the Irish defense has improved steadily. This is especially true of the line where Ken Schlezes, Mike Pavlin and Mike Creaney have returned to run the line all it can handle. But the team which Phelps has achieved a good deal of improvement is the special teams. We’ve reorganized the field position and defensive units.

“We’re as ready as we’re going to get,” said Phelps, as he looked forward to the opener with the Wolverines. “We’ve been working for six and a half weeks now, and the kids have pretty well learned our system. We’re going to stress defense and our defense will have to be our offense. But I know the kids are ready. They’re just itching now. They want to play.”

But Tom O’Mara’s youthful squad wants to play against will provide the Irish with a stiff challenge, to say the least. Even without the services of 6-10 Ken Brady, who has been lost at last until January because of knee surgery, the Wolverines figure to be a potent bunch. They will be led offensively by big Henry Wilmore, who Phelps labelled as “one of the finest players in the country.”

The Wolverines won’t lack anything in the way of board strength, either. Ernie Johnson, who Phelps describes as a “mobile 6-6 or 6-9,” should give the Irish front line all it can handle.

“They (the Wolverines) are a physical team,” admitted Digger. “They have great size, and good rebounding strength. They’ll try to play inside, but they’ll run on us if they get the chance. Defensively, they can play either man-for-man of zone.”

“Yes,” continued Phelps, “Brady will be out for our game, but they will still have five guys out there who are pretty good. They’re a well-coached team, and an experienced team. And I think Johnny Orr has done a good job with their talent.”

But while Michigan is expected, Notre Dame is not. The Irish have been practicing for a month and a-half, but their only game experience came last Monday, in a scrimmage against the freshman team. The varsity came out on top in that game, 62-32, but they did not appear overpowering. Still, Phelps was not discouraged.

“Just that was just one of those nights,” said the Irish coach. “I mean, Tom O’Mara doesn’t usually go one-for-eleven. We were getting the good shots, but the ball just wasn’t dropping. And there were Michigan scouts there, so we weren’t showing any of our defense. The team that played in that game wasn’t the same team that you’ll see out there against Michigan.

“They know our system, and they believe in it,” he repeated. “But we have to get them to execute properly is the name of the game.”

But despite his confidence in his team, Phelps admitted that his squad would need help in their opener. “We’ve got confidence in ourselves,” he said, “but we need the confidence of the students, too. The student body has to be behind us 100 percent. This season is going to be a test for the team, sure, but it’s also going to be a test for the students. To me, a good home crowd is worth 15 points anytime.

“We may lose by 20 one night, but if we do, the students have got to be back out there pulling for us the next night. It won’t be as easy as going out to cheer for Austin Carr.”

Tipoff for tonight’s home opener will be a 8:00 pm, and the varsity contest will be preceded by a fresh game—also between ND and Michigan. The freshman game is scheduled to get underway at 5:45 pm.
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progress and we must preserve as many bridges as possible," he commented.

The President of the University stated that Notre Dame is perfectly willing to give degrees to St. Mary's girls, but he countered by saying "It's not our decision.

Notre Dame will accept 125 women transfers next year, not necessarily from St. Mary's. They will go with the 125 fresh-

Hesburgh breaks the news

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female students, they will make the College of Arts and Letters nearly 50 per cent female.

Major changes in the financial arrangements between the two schools were also revealed. Both institutions will now operate on a "pay as you go" basis for all university operations. This includes the co-ex class program, which will be discontinued.

Even though students will continue to pay tuitions directly to the college of university to which they were admitted, each school will charge the other an agreed-upon rate for the co-ex credit hours, Hesburgh announced.

Continuation of administrative and academic unifications which have already been initiated will be evaluated individually by the administrations of both institutions based on recommendations of the inter-institutional committees.

Four inter-institutional committees composed of representatives from the students, faculty and administration of both schools have been established. Every student in attendance was given a packet this morning, is printed on page one

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THE OBSERVER

Students meet, list demands

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The Saint Mary's Boycott steering committee met last night and drew up a rationale and list of demands that will be released and discussed as action against the SMC Board of Trustees. The text of the statement, distributed to Notre Dame students early this morning, is printed on page one today.

At the meeting, students and faculty members expressed their anger at the method of decision-making process, since the wishes of both were supposedly not consulted.

Faculty members were especially upset at the refusal of Acting College President Sr. Alma Peter, C.S.C. to answer questions at her meeting with faculty yesterday afternoon.

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THE Steering committee

Hesburgh in Farley Hall

Notre Dame

Hesburgh noted that a dorm will be set aside for them on this campus, but he said that not a particular dorm has been chosen as yet.

When questioned about the finances, Hesburgh spoke of the need for a unification program. In the past years, he claimed, the co-ex program has come close to balancing. At least, he said, the imbalance was never too great.

Next year, however, the two institutions will be making up the imbalance by paying each other off on an institution to institution basis.

The students in attendance pushed Hesburgh by questioning whether tuitions will change in response to this unification program, to which the President claimed this would not be the result.

Students questioned the timing of the announcement. Hesburgh said that they hoped to have the story registered by December 1 and have them under one budget.

It became clear that this was not possible, so, Hesburgh explained, it was necessary to tell the faculty that the uni-

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