Neuhaus offers reflections on conspiracy

by Mike Baum

The Rev. Richard Neuhaus suggested yesterday that there was "no definite Christian ethic" for a radical or otherwise political position. The opinion was offered during Mr. Neuhaus' lecture "Theological Reflections on Conspiracy", presented as part of the Non-Violence Program's Conference on Conspiracy and Dissent.

Neuhaus criticized, before an audience of some 150 students and faculty, the rise of what he characterized as the "Theology of Series" (Theology of Ecology, Theology of Revolution, etc.), capitalizing on "in" movements and trying to make religion "feel" relevant.

"We have to avoid the cum-ulative need to feel relevant to our respective religions. To be relevant is not the goal of theology, I would think," he stated.

Neuhaus attacked the use of theology to provide a "veneer of religiosity" to prior political convictions. "Many of us," he said, "who talk of politics and sociology in terms of our religions have lost credibility."

Neuhaus said that he felt the trend of "nearly every group to use a "cloud" for political beliefs had led to "a very dangerous kind of bifurcation that we have now in the church."

He went on to say, however, that "I firmly believe that the scriptures remain the most radical reality...giving birth to the most provocative dreams, of any piece of literature in the world," and "Christians are peculiarly vulnerable, or ought to be, to the charge of conspiracy."

Quoting St. Paul, "What we do, we do openly." Neuhaus went on to say, "We are anything but conspirators, as Christians, we shout out and exclaim...the nature of the hope within us. Yet we have been, and some are, more ought to be, as conspirators.

He explained that he felt Christians are "Foreigners" and "pilgrims" in the world who "deny reality in terms of the coming Kingdom of God." This other-worldliness, a satisfaction that Christian a foreigner to all governments and revolutionary groups alike, according to Neuhaus.

He added, "The Promise of the community we are a part of, the Church, is foreign to every social reality short of the Kingdom of God."

He argued that the religion of the majority of people had been tuned down to live at ease with present society, and was indeed a sedative, and "opiate of the people." "There is no community for us short of the Kingdom of God," he said, "...it is a small thing that I be judged by you...Let no man judge you before the time."

This castigation of the present division in theology, characterized by such phrases as "Church and State", "Real History and Salvation History", and, in Lutheran theology, "The Two Kingdoms", Neuhaus referred to these as a method to "cover up our religion, and to make it seem "safe" to present society. "Those who seek the Kingdom, he feels underestimate all total claims of nations, cultures and sub-cultures."

The Rev. Richard Neuhaus(inset) addresses Program's Conference on Conspiracy and Dissent.

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by Ann Therese Darin

When Mother Olivette Whelan, St. Mary's Board of Trustee chairman, contacts aspirants for the college's presidency as provisional on the Board at their December 22 meeting, the results may prove surprising.

Of the four top contenders, weed out by a presidential search committee last spring, only two remain present acting president, Mr. Peter in August of 1972, only two nominees Tuesday afternoon acknowledged any interest at all in the position.

Director of St. John's University Research Center for Urban Affairs and Public Planning, Dr. Edward Henry, flatly denied any interest in becoming an interim president.

"I hope for the sake of both schools that aspirations do go through," he commented, but he bowed at the idea of becoming vice-president at the university while the president takes all the credit.

Henry would consider the presidency only if St. Mary's remains independent, and the growing movement all over America for small women's colleges and small liberal arts colleges to train women for openings for them in the job market."

Stephen Tonsor, professor of intellectual history, University of Michigan, another hopeful, was out of town.

And on the Michigan Daily, University of Michigan Student newspaper, an editor characterized the presidential aspirant as "a rigid conservative, more theoretical, and not exactly a student's choice in being responsive to student opinion."

According to members of last year's presidential search committee, these two men are the only contenders for the job.

One of the four original candidates, Lewis Gatto, St. Joseph's College, Ben­
seal, Indiana, recently accepted the presidency of Marion College, In­
dianapolis, Indianapolis.

Another nominee, Dean Palmer of the college of arts and sciences from Union College, Schenectady, New York, now heads the Metropolitan State College, Denver, Colorado.

"We never had any sister of the Holy Cross in final contention for the post," commented one member of the com­mittee. "All of them were laymen. We tried to get a woman and we almost had one, but we were not successful. I am just telling this to prove that the search committee was not a bunch of male chauvinists."

"In fact," continued the committee member, "we never were told you'd better look for a sister" despite the fact that Sr. Alma and Sr. Miriam Patric were co-chairmen of the committee.

None of the four candidates, as yet, have heard anything from Mother Olivette, whose directive to find a replacement for Sr. Alma came over a month ago. Top college administrators claim Mother Olivette is either on retreat or on the West Coast helping with a Holy Cross hospital damaged in an earthquake.

Of the four candidates, Dr. Henry was the most articulate in expressing the dilemma:

"Why would anyone want to come in and work hard only to find his job done during the summer?"

Envisioning the scope of the presidency at St. Mary's, Henry mused, "I believe in staying close to the student. Every ad­ministrator ought to teach at least one course to keep close to the student."

He claimed he would opt for the political science department, since he did graduate work in political science at Harvard University and University of Chicago (MA, MBA, Ph.d).

"Colleges today have become service-oriented. We need more 'experiential' education—students have to combine bookwork and practical work."

He believes St. Mary's to be in an exceptional position with its two sister schools: Dumbarton College in Washington, D.C and Cardinal Cushing College in Boston.

This detachment from the world, Neuhaus feels, does not preclude the Christian's com­mitment to a political position, but rather makes it impossible for the Christian to view my position as his final goal.

He himself is the pastor of the Lutheran Church of St. John the Evangelist in Brooklyn, on the board of directors of SANE, and an organizer and co-chairman of Clergy and Laymen Concerned about Vietnam along with Fr. Daniel Berrigan and Rabbi Abraham Heschel.

In the rest with the Viet­namese delegation in Paris and engaged in a fact-finding tour leading to the establishment of U.S. support groups for resisters in France, Sweden and Canada.

In a question and answer session after the talk, led by Stanley Hauerwas and John Howard Yoder of the Theology

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Paris - Replying to the latest eight-point United States Peace Plan, the Vietnamese Communists insisted Thursday at the Paris Peace Talks that the United States must set a date for total military withdrawal and sue the present Saigon government before there can be a Vietnam Settlement. The reaction fell short of a categorical rejection of the American Plan, which was being formally presented at the talks.

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Two days before the end of the carnival, a concert will be held at the South Bend Armory from 8:30 until 1 and the cost will be five dollars per couple.

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Nixon tells Congress controls will be continued indefinitely

by Edwin L. Dale Jr.
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Washington, Jan. 27—Price and wage controls will remain indefinitely until "reasonable price stability can be maintained without controls," President Nixon told Congress today.

"How long that will take," the President said, "no one can say." The President made his statement in his economic report to congress, which accompanies the annual report of the council of economic advisers.

In their reports the president and the council said essentially the same thing in different ways: controls will be maintained until Americans stop acting through such things of labor contracts and business pricing policy, as if inflation were to be prevented. Thus, the task of the end of controls will be the end of what is called "inflationary psychology."

Nixon in his brief message again emphasized that "the great problem" of the economy is to reduce unemployment from its current level of 6 per cent of the labor force. He said he was "determined to reduce that number significantly in 1972."

In its relatively detailed forecast of the economy, the council put the probable growth of the gross national product this year at 9% billion, or 8.4 per cent, with unemployment declining to "the neighborhood" of 5 per cent by the end of the year. The gross national product is the dollar value of all goods and services produced in the country in a year.

The report said that this picture was "out one of takeoff into a cyclical boom."

Of the expected total growth, the council said that about 6 percentage points would be "real" and about 1-1/2 points would be a result of inflation. The inflation rate will decline as the year progresses, the council said.

For last year, 2.7 points of the growth in the gross product was considered "real" and 4.7 points was attributed to inflation. The forecast emphasized a number of "unverifiabilities," and noted the administrative adviser's need to take additional steps if necessary to bring about the projected expansion in output and jobs. However, the report said, "The possibility that, with the policy now in place, the economy will even more rapidly than we foresee today is a strong reason for not seeking to stimulate the economy more now.

In two important respects, the forecast was relatively conservative. It projected no reduction in the recent unusually high rate of consumer saving, and thus did not rely upon a booming burst of consumer spending.
Ackerman makes response to SBP letter

Claiming that the Security and Traffic Advisory Board has been examining security from every viewpoint since it's inception, Chairman Robert Ackerman, assistant Dean of Students, defended the Board's record in reply to questions raised by SBP John Barkett in a letter dated November 30th. The letter was released this week.

"The students in the hopes that the Security Advisory Board will stir into action after nearly eight months have passed since the Board was approved by the Office of the President," Barkett wrote, "...to have been in existence for nearly a month now and still show no concrete movement is pitiful." Barkett continued.

The SBP called for the board to consider a human relations program for the security office, cross training for all campus security guards, removal of inequities involving traffic fines and a possible lowering of the student parking fee. Barkett said that delays in appointing members to the board, and the members only being notified by phone, such as individual parking tickets, hindered its work. Board members are, he asserted, enthusiastic over their work and have been working continuously since the Board's formation.

Barkett called for "concrete movement" on the part of the STAR but Ackerman noted that what might be called "concrete movement" is not within the realm of the STAR. He said that the purpose of the board was only to recommend changes, not to implement policy. A traffic study is being done by one of the Board members and a meeting is scheduled today with Security director Arthur Pears to discuss the suggestions outlined in Barkett's letter.

A complete investigation of Security and appropriate recommendations was promised by Ackerman in time for the publication of next year's student manual.

One of STAR's basic intentions is to change the human relations involved in security according to Ackerman. A primary objective is to develop a healthy attitude between students and security, the assistant Dean of Students said. Security is a service to the community, Ackerman commented, and reactions would greatly improve if they were understood. He asked for any suggestions members of the community might have in the areas of traffic and security be submitted to him in writing.

Messerbarger announces SMC moratorium on faculty tenure

The St. Mary's administration had delayed indefinitely any tenure of Saint Mary's faculty due to the "uncertainty of the future" of Saint Mary's College, according to a letter the administration sent to SMC faculty members.

Contents of the letter were made public Tuesday by Assistant Professor Paul Messbarger. According to Messbarger, SMC called the tenure and promotion "moratorium" because St. Mary's will have few students and consequently fewer faculty members if the merger between them and Notre Dame does not go through.

Messbarger speculated that if the merger were to come about the Notre Dame administration might not accept the tenure status of St. Mary's faculty members. In a previous agreement between ND and SMC all tenure earned prior to May, 1971 would have been honored by Notre Dame provided the merger came off by September, 1972. However later the merger's recent

NWPC meets to discuss role in city elections

by Susan Prendergast

The National Women's Political Caucus will hold its first South Bend meeting on Tuesday, February 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Public Library Auditorium.

According to NWPC worker Iris DiGrazia, the organization's main objectives are "to help women run for political office" and encourage real women to realize that this field is open to them. The NWPC also hopes to "pressure politicians already in office to concentrate on women-oriented areas such as day care centers, abortion legislation and discrimination in hiring and wages," Ms. DiGrazia asserted.

Ms. Jane McMichaels, a former WSBT newscaster now working for the security office, for the local chapter last year.

Ms. DiGrazia contended that the caucus's local plans will include placing "more women on Mayor Miller's administration and working on abortion in the state."

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Nixon gains in Florida race

by James Reston

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Sarasota, Fla.—President Nixon's account of his secret expedition to reddish-brown enemy in Indochina has clearly helped him in the Florida presidential primary election campaign, and embarrassed the leading Democratic candidates for the presidency.

President Nixon's arguments are extremely complicated, but what stands out in the shorthand of stump campaigning is that he offered to withdraw all his troops if he got re-elected—this war wasn't re-elected—and that this was true of his withdrawal from the National Liberation Front.

Accordingly, Muskie, Humphrey, McGovern, and Lindsay, when they point to the critical conditions which are basic to the President's peace terms, find themselves caught in a tangle of complex and ambiguous qualifications, and even in danger of being made symmetrical to the enemy.

Ironically, it is not the press here but the families of the American prisoners of war who have come to feel that the issue is undecided and made clear that Nixon is demanding the immediate release of the P.O.W.'s, but the neutralization of all of Indochina, the end of American foreign troops (are the South Vietnamese Communists "foreign" in South Vietnam?), a cease-fire and an election process which is virtually certain to be a needless burden.

The next plan is to run four candidates formally bound together on ticket. The final alternative is to continue the current system, when all candidates have the option of running separately or in coalitions, Barkett said he favors the first plan.

The decision is scheduled to be handled at an election committee meeting, probably held next Thursday after the 7pm Senate meeting. This plan also is tentative. Barkett and Stay Senators Jim Clarke, Dan Patrick and Bob Sauer also considered two other questions: The InPIRG petition to add an optional fee to the students' University bill for InPIRG operations and the problem of mandatory vs. optional telephone installation.

InPIRG plans to circulate a petition in order to gain approval of their proposed fee. The main discussion here concerned the percentage of student approval needed. This also was relegated to the Senate for action.

The crusade of the telephone problem is whether or not to make them optional, thus allowing a student who does not use the phone much to escape paying the fee. However, this would also involve the removal and installation of phones every time the occupant of the room changes residence, and this was unanimously felt that this could be a needless burden.

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It will be difficult not simply because a good administrator is needed, Notre Dame has an adequate supply of men who can riffle papers with the best of them, but because they will be looking for a man who has the rare gift of courage. They will be looking for a man who can look beyond his administrative problems and perceive the problems that haunt the lives of so many Notre Dame students and then strike out boldly and forcefully to effect solutions to them. To move boldly and forcefully doesn't require an extraordinary amount of courage, it requires imagination, and drive and confidence. To move boldly and forcefully in the face of opposition, opposition from superiors, such as the exalted Provost of this University does require courage.

The search committee cannot make the mistake of choosing a weak man for the position. They cannot choose a man who will bow to pressure easily. They cannot choose such a man because if they do they will be cheating the students. They will be cheating the students because a weak man will tender no opposition to a priest who has never and probably will never have the interests of the students at heart--the Provost.

A strong Vice President for Student Affairs may not be enough of a deterrent to the Provost's often heavy handed tactics. He may not be able to turn the Provost's thoughts from preoccupation with sawdust in the halls. But if he is a strong man, if he is an honest man, if he is a decent man then perhaps he will be able to prevent the Provost from reigning supreme. And that would be a very good thing.

The search committee should make every effort to find their candidate from the members of this university. They should make every effort to find a man who will not be hopelessly vexed by administrative problems, a man who knows the students of this school, a man who believes in the students of this school. Whether this man be priest or lay makes little difference--a human being's inherent worth is not strengthened or diminished when he puts on a collar.

The Vice-President for Student Affairs is one of those jobs where it's difference-a human being's inherent worth is not strengthened or diminished when he puts on a collar.
MOVIE REVIEW: "WRENCHED CONNECTION" (THE French Connection: A Thriller, Now Playing at Campus Sponsored by the ND-SMC Board of Trustees) 

For the first one half hour, the intelligent viewer watching The French Connection will be pleasantly surprised, however hearing about what a great movie it is, the viewer may find this flick a just a cinema version of the old series, NYPD. For about half an hour The French Connection begins to grow on the viewer. The plot remains difficult to follow, but soon the observing eye learns to focus on the greater picture. It turns out only after the setting and characters have become familiar, that the plot begins to build momentum. Soon it's travelling at such a pace that the adrenaline glands have a challenge on their hands. The chase scene is one of the great moments in American motion pictures, and is in itself, worth shouting out three for. 

the film as more escapism however, is to do it the ultimate injustice, for it is far deeper than that. The person who failed to understand "Wretched Connection" of the film is not going to fully appreciate the end. However the details of the plot are hard to follow, is that the essential theme does not require the viewer's omniscience. The NYPD type realism serves not as a platform for a misanthropic script writer, but as necessary for both characterization and setting.

It is impossible to understand The French Connection without first grappling its central character, Sergeant Doyle. Doyle is a New York City narc, and is originally from the Tough Cop clique. Certain things are quickly noted about Doyle. First, fighting drugs has become more than a job for Doyle, it is in life. Secondly, Doyle is aplomb, borrowing a bit of his character. He is shown drunk, the film not too subtly trying to compare alcohol with the drugs he abhors. Small things in Doyle's life are secondary. Frustrated by a being beyond his understanding, Doyle lets the feeling consume him, "To make sense of his loyalty to Spain and his love while caught in the abstraction of exile in Paris. The screenwriter is Joseph Losey, who also did "Z" and "The Confession". There is also the delightful "The Shameless Old Bachelor" (24), from Grand Guignol's, a tells of a precocious, pretty, but it wasn't supposed to be. Rather one comes away from the French Connection with a real sense of what a no New York City reality is (but a fascinating one at that). A movie that is an exciting and as intelligent as The French Connection is rare and priceless gem.
Letters... on editorials,

I concur, but...  
Editor:  
While I concur (although for different reasons) in your support of Dean Shaffer’s editorial plan for the Law School, I must take exception to one of the more disparaging statements regarding the quality of the SBA’s student body. I believe that both faculty and student body of which you believe must be “sharply upgraded”.

We law students have learned that FACTS are the all-important commodity. Any conclusion, which can not be objectively and expressly supported by concrete facts will be torn apart much to the embarrassment of the person rendering the unsubstantiated conclusion. Thus, we learn: if one can not speak with the objective knowledge that will support his conclusion, it is better not to speak at all.

All of this is by way of suggesting that your comment regarding the caliber of the Law School student body is entirely unwarranted and unfounded and thus should not have been printed. As an aside, with respect to your conclusion I give you the following facts:

1. This year’s entering class of approximately 450 students had an average LSAT score of 620 and an average Q.P.I. of 3.30—does this indicate a less quality student?

2. Of those already accepted for admission to the class entering January 24: “Applications for admission decisions detrimental to the kind of “quality” which does not automatically accompany high LSAT scores and grade point average.

Concerning the faculty, it is at least possible that faculty members at law school, often working for considerably less money than is available in legal practice, may be attracted and retained by the prospect of excellent offices and research facilities, a student-faculty ratio that allows time for pursuit of their own interests, an auditorium in which to hold lectures, symposiums, and so forth, as well as outstanding students. These are lauded not maligned.

3. Most importantly, I take issue with the implicit presupposition of the SBA’s student body, having dedicated his career to Notre Dame Law School is egotistically naïve!!

In the introduction of the recent editorial by Howard Cossell, I openly limit use of the term “editorial” to this; it is “just one man’s opinion.”

Sincerely,  
Michael C. Schaefer  
Third Year Law  
Sr. Alma: Poor Editorial

Editor:  
While I have often doubted the sensitivity and sensibility of the editorial policy of the Observer, I have never been as compelled to object to as is I am now to your editorial on Sr. Alma’s reputation. Your attempt to bury Sr. Alma shows many of the weaknesses that have become trademarks of Observer editorials. It is mide, in poor taste, and inappropriately written. It seeks to find a simple solution—hopefully with a convenient villain—for the complex problems of Notre Dame and St. Mary’s.

Admittedly, Sr. Alma’s administration has been a difficult one and there were many problems in it that could have been averted. But that does not grant license to flout rudeness and petty personal opinions. Perhaps if the editorialists were the responsibility of an editorial board, or written with the slightest attempt at fairness, this letter and others would not be needed.

Jim McDermott  
02 Keenan  

Definition of Quality  
Editor:  
All of us would agree that the “quality” of the faculty and student body is of primary importance over bricks and mortar. Therefore, it is not the lack of a new $6 million law center that disturbs us most, but the relationship between Dean Shaffer’s “ideal plan” and that “quality” we are all seeking. The definition of “quality” is where we take issue with the Dean. As to admission standards, the Dean reported the following on January 24: “Applications for admission to the class entering next fall, as of December 31, stand at 787.139 from Notre Dame students; this compares with 400 applications, 72 of them from Notre Dame students, as of December 31, 1971. Out inquiries total 5,382, as compared with 2,087 at this time last year. The admissions committee recommended 30 admissions for the first session of the year, the average LSAT score in that group is 645, G.P.A. 2.4." By objective criteria, it is difficult to foresee a marked increase in standards. However, student “quality” is also function of the environment based on such things as geographical representation, minority group membership, sex, undergraduate colleges, and age. During my three years here the Law School has been distinguished by a greater diversity of this sort than ever before. A reduction of

...learned experienced and knowledgeable Sister of the Holy Cross, in one of a most difficult position, has refused to judge from what she sincerely believes is the right and correct course to follow according to the spirit of our Founder and the wholesome traditions of the Congregation of Holy Cross, to say nothing of the mind of the Church. (Of Vatican II “Perfectae Caritatis”)

Fifth, this editorial exhibits a complete lack of diplomacy and finesse and, consequently, has set up a great obstacle to the merger if (this is ever to take place) of these two institutions of higher learning and, therefore, has defeated its purpose. This is a vindictive not a constructive editorial.

Sincerely yours,  
Christopher J. O’Toole, Ph. D.

There are more letters on the following page. These are a sample of reactions to recent editorials. -ed.

People & Song  
TODAY presents  
Alumni Lounge  
Dan Koehler And Randy Sarton

Butch Ward  
Refresments 9-2 am  
25" Admission  
Everyone Welcome

Mari Gras  
RAFFLE BOOK INCENTIVE:  
TOPCAMPUS SELLER (east and west campus, minimum of 200 books sold) $500

2nd CAMPUS SELLER (min. 100 books sold) $250

3rd- 5th CAMPUS SELLER (min. 50 books sold) $100

TOP SELLER EACH HALL (min. 15 books sold) $50

TOP HALL $500 (books per capita to win - 3)
It's Unanimous

Editor: I have been asked to call the following to your attention:

Students are fined for having a refrigerator. No university regulation bans refrigerators. In fact, the university approved APO's refrigerator rental project. In point to the use of the word fine:

Secondly consider the following letter which describes a study made on the Mini-Kool refrigerator:

Dear Mr. DeCarlo:

At your request I have run tests from September 28 to October 3, 1971 on the refrigerator unit that you submitted to me. I believe the performance is quite satisfactory. The power consumption averages about 41 watts. The motor and compressor run 54 percent of the time and draw 80 watts when running. This would cost about two cents a day. For comparison, it is about one-fifth the power consumption of a typical small color TV.

This unit shows that the Mini-Kool unit consumes little power. Therefore one cannot construe it as a cause of power line failure. Moreover, most modern units whose capacity is less than 3 cu. ft. are similar to the mini-Kool unit. The cost of the electricity consumed is less than $0.01 for a nine month period.

These facts show that the above fine is unwarranted. As a compromise measure I propose that the $30.00 fine be charged to a $5.00 permit fee paying Alpha Phi Omega and the Student Union submit a list those who rented refrigerators to the university.

Ray DeCarlo
Pres. Alpha Phi Omega

Sincerely yours,
Sister M. Raphaellia, C.S.C.

Br. Kieran Cold on Ice Boxes

The following is a letter sent to Br. Kieran Ryan, Assistant Vice-President for Business Affairs by Ray DeCarlo and Jim Schnied. The letter in the middle was sent to DeCarlo by a professional engineer.—ed.

Dear Brother Kieran Ryan,

As you know the university fines students $30.00 for having a refrigerator. You have told me that the reason for the fine is to stop the proliferation of refrigerators, because this proliferation (of refrigerators and appliances with high power consumption) overloads the hall wiring and in some cases the power lines feeding the hall. Hall rewiring costs upwards of $700 per hall. It would seem then that the fine serves two purposes: 1) to deter students from purchasing or renting refrigerators and 2) to punish the owner. The letter in the middle says, "the fine is a sum imposed for punishment of an offense." I believe the fine is quite satisfactory. The power consumption averages about 41 watts. The motor and compressor run 54 percent of the time and draw 80 watts when running. This would cost about two cents a day. For comparison, it is about one-fifth the power consumption of a typical small color TV.

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**ND cagers face tough weekend**

by Vic Dorr

Little more than a month ago, the UCLA Bruins met Notre Dame in a nationally televised night game in Pauley Pavilion. The defending NCAA champions crushed the Irish, 114-56, and the game was little more than a display of UCLA’s devastating abilities.

At 3-40 tomorrow afternoon, Notre Dame and UCLA will again meet in a nationally televised game. The casts will be the same. But the set will be different—it will be Notre Dame’s Athletic and Convocation Center. And Irish coach Digger Phelps is hoping for more than a change in the set. He’s also hoping for a change in the script.

But before Phelps’ 9-squad can even begin to worry about the Bruins, they must face 9-3 Illinois at 9:15 tonight (CST) in Chicago Stadium.

“We aren’t looking ahead to UCLA at all,” said Phelps. “We’re going to go one by one and right now we’re concerned with Illinois. They’re a good team, and we want to beat them."

The Irish, who dropped a 64-60 overtime decision to the Illini last year, have good reason to respect their opponents from Champaign. Despite injury problems, the Illinois roster is dotted with impressive talent, and the Illini will try to beat the Irish by relying on that part of their game.

“They’ll want to try to beat us with their talent,” said Pehlps. “They’ll probably press us, and they’ll try to get inside and beat us on the boards. We’ll just have to go out after them, and we’ll have to try to stay with our game plan.”

Most of Illinois’ scoring talent comes from the duo of 6-6 forward Nick Weatherspoon (averaging 19.1) and 6-9 center Bill Morris (16.2). Forward Nick Conner is averaging 12.2, and guards Jim Kreli and Larry Cohen are hitting at clips of 15.0 and 4.2 respectively.

But the Illinois coaches are not without their respect, either.

“They (Notre Dame) do some things in their press that have bothered us this season,” admitted Illini coach Harv Schmidt. “They’ve been humiliated a couple of times, but they are a young team and are making progress with the press.”

The subject of humiliation will be very much on the minds of both the Irish players and the Bruin fans on Saturday, when John Wooden, Bill Walton, Henry Bibby, and the rest of the UCLA squad make their appearance in the Convocation Center.

The Irish may have the incentive factor going for them in this game, but that, along with the home-floor advantage, will be about the only plusses they’ll be able to claim. UCLA is currently 14-0, and the Bruins have been busy since their December romp against Notre Dame.

They’ve won nine games since then, and were threatened in only one. The scare came against Oregon State, a team which gave the Bruins all they could handle before finally yielding, 78-72.

But that has been the only scare, and UCLA has most recently polished off Santa Clara (85-71) and Denver (108-61). John Wooden, as low key as ever after his team’s 13th and 14th wins, would only say that: “I was well pleased with our play over the past weekend in most all respects.”

The Irish will get a brief chance to scout UCLA Friday night, for the Bruins are also tabbed to play in the Stadium. They will meet Loyola of Chicago at 7:30 (CST) in the first half of the scheduled double-header.

“We’ll have to play them the same way we did last time,” said Phelps, as he considered his team’s chances against the Bruins. “We’ll just have to score more points than we did last time, and we’ll have to try to hold them down. We’ll have to try to contain them.”

“But the thing about UCLA,” he admitted, “is that they have eight or nine great ballplayers. If one of them is off, that’s not going to help us at all—because someone else will just pick up the slack. We’re hoping we can catch them on a day when they’re all off.”

Catching all of the Bruins on an off night, though, is a tall order. The team Wooden will be displaying tomorrow afternoon is shooting 57 per cent from the field and 74 per cent from the line through their first 14 games. UCLA’s offensive leaders are 6-11 sophomore Bill Walton (averaging 20.1) and senior Henry Bibby (18.4). Keith Wilkes (13.8) and Larry Farmer (11.7) are the other Bruins scoring in double figures.

The Bruins are averaging 102.6 points a game, and have scored over 100 points on nine occasions this year. And the Ucians also have the rebounding to control the tempo of the game at both ends of the floor. Walton is good for more than 14 rebounds a game, and Wilkes and Swen Nater, 6-11 reserve, are averaging 7.9 and 6.5 respectively.

On defense, the Bruins employ a press of their own, and they employ it with predictable results. Notre Dame’s chances against such offensive and defensive prowess are not good, but Digger Phelps is not ready to give up—not by any means.

“We’ve got to hope for better shooting,” he said, “both from the line and from the field. We had a good night the other night against Marquette’s press—we only had 10 turnovers—and I hope we can keep that up, too.”

“Our kids are developing confidence in themselves. They’re beginning to believe in the system, and they’re playing well as a team. We’re improving steadily, and one of these days we’re going to upset someone.”

But, despite Digger’s confidence, the chances of an Irish upset this weekend are fairly slim. And come Saturday afternoon they’ll be slammed of all...
Irish ready for WCHA leaders

by Jim Donaldson

Sports Editor

If you want to go to a first- 
rank hockey game, you'd match a
couple of high-scoring clubs, with
good defense in a healthy rivalry and then drop the 

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Not even the most dyed-in-the-wool sports fan could ask for a better
schedule of athletic events than that slated to take place on campus this
weekend. Today and tomorrow, Notre Dame is an athletic
mecanand's Paradise.

There's something for everyone's sports taste as the Irish hockey, 

The Irish have a couple of

commented Wisconsin coach Bob

Robb earlier this week. "A lot
of people are having good years. 

are hard working hockey 

and we have pretty
good balance.

The Irish have a couple of advantages going for them that 

may give them a slight

advantage when these series. The first is 

that the Badgers haven't played two weeks in a row because of their 

first semester examinations. In addition, Wisconsin will have to play without the services of 

Talafous Friday night. The suspended freshman was ejected from the 

Badgers' last game against Colorado College and, according to league rules, must sit out 

the team's next game. Finally, the Irish will be skating on home ice 

where they have lost but one of

The Badgers still figure to 

give Notre Dame plenty of 

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On this weekend.

The 3-1 Irish feature a number of solid 

performers, including sprinter

The Irish wrestlers are in action tomorrow too, meeting the University of 

overpowering thrashing by now 

Campbell will center for Eddie

Bumbacco and Ian Williams, and 

Regan is currently leading the 

Irish in scoring with 37 points on

22 goals and 15 assists. Williams(17-17) and Noble(7-27) are tied for the 

runner-up spot with 24 points each and Bumbacco(17-16) is fourth with 33 

points.

Inconsistency has plagued the Irish all season but coach Smith 

feels that his club is at the top of 

its game. "The team is in a real good 

frame of mind," Smith said.

"As ready as we can be."
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Revenue sharing.

Monday's Supreme Court

ruling striking down welfare-

residency laws in New York and

Connecticut has drawn little

comment from Notre Dame

government professors. Rev. Raymond F. Edgar, C.S.C.,

who has specialized in American

constitutional law and civil

liberties, found the result to

be what he had expected. He

contended that it was not the
decision itself that was most important in

case, but rather the way in

which it was decided and the

vote. The justices released a

sentence, unsigned order of

merging the judgments of the

lower courts striking down the

laws. The decision was

unanimous.

According to Fr. Cour, the
court not only determined the

fate of this case but "shed light" on

the way that other similar

cases might be handled. By

acting without hearings and

releasing no opinions, the court

"may be indicating its attitude"

toward changing other past

liberal decisions.

Additionally, although the
decision was unanimous the

Court did not reveal whether or

not Justice Powell and Rehnquist

did participate. Commissioner

Dixon concluded that this might have given some

indication of their reaction.

Government Professor John

Roos contended that the entire

situation was too complex to

analyze in a brief statement. He

did suggest, however, that the

decision seems to indicate two

"basic, conflicting trends." One,

he felt, was toward

nationalization, and the other is
toward localization, involving programs such as

revenue sharing.

Neuhaus speaks

(Continued from page 1)

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question based on his failure to

cite any specific ethical standards

for Christians on the questions of

conspiracy and moral duty to

support of defy the government.

Neuhaus held that there are

"no definite" Christian positions

based on Scripture or tradition,

that both sides of political

questions today can be validly

argued, citing an example

himself, an anticlerical activist, and his

brother, of the US Army,

Special Forces.

"Ethics within the Church are

controlling and arguable," he

said, "one of us have the ability to

say which is The Christian

Ethic."