Rhodes refutes Warren Commission

by Tom Krucyek
Staff Reporter

Rhodes, an executive chairman of the Committee to Investigate political assassinations, presented slides of the motorcade the day of the assassination in Dallas, November 22, 1963. Rhodes noted that the secret service determines the order in which the cars will proceed along the parade route.

Normally, Rhodes related, the president's car was to precede behind the press car in the number seven position of the parade. However, when the president's car was in the press, who usually take motion pictures of the president while the car is moving, was placed far to the rear of the parade. The effect of this was felt later when the president's car made the turn from Main Street to Houston to Elm Street where the President was shot. While making all of the necessary turns, the press car was a large distance behind the president, negating their camera angle vision.

Concerning the assassination and the parade route, Rhodes pointed out that normally the secret service car trains the president three to five feet. The secret service car adhered to this rule until the car got midway onto Elm Street. The secret service was further back and is not to be seen on the slides.

It is Rhodes' conviction that, "the secret service did not take adequate precautions for the president in Dallas. The night before they were up until 7:00 in the morning drinking, which is in direct conflict with secret service regulations."

Rhodes also made the point that while the assassination was in progress (app. 2.8 seconds after the first shot was fired), Lyndon Johnson was out of his car, and covered by his secret service agents, slides show, however, that Kennedy's aids failed to respond, even after the president was grasping at his throat.

Slides were a large part of Rhodes' presentation, with one slide showing a view of the book building where Oswald was purported to have fired the fatal shots. The window was empty during the time when Oswald was to have been firing the shots. The Warren Commission was not shown the slide in its entirety, but instead was shown one half of this slide, the half showing the vacant window was discarded.

According to the Warren Commission, the shots which killed Kennedy were to have come from behind the president. Police who were riding to the rear and left of the president. Rhodes observed, were splattered "with brain and skull tissue. They (police) immediately went up to a grassy knoll area to search for the killer." The knoll was located to the front and right of the president. The Warren Commission ignored this with their story of what later was called the Magic Bullet Theory, or "super bullet."

Rhodes said that for Kennedy and Governor of Texas John Connally to be hit and have a total of seven holes, there would have to be more than one bullet or more than one assassin. Not so, says the Warren Commission. This Commission came to the conclusion illustrated by Rhodes through the use of diagrams, that the bullet when shot from the sixth floor angle, first entered the president in the back and proceeded out the front of the neck, striking the governor. However, Rhodes declared "autopsy reports show that the bullet entered the president's body 5-6 inches below the collar bone." The Warren Commission merely changed that medical fact to the bullet's entering at the throat.

"When one examines the evidence, one sees that the bullet would have to enter in the back, and instead of going downward since the bullet was fired from six floors up, when it entered Kennedy's body, traveled up and out of the throat where it proceeded to, if one is to believe the one bullet idea, hang in the air for a second, hitting Connolly through the back of the rib cage, and exit out the front and into the governor's wrist and then into his left thigh," criticized Rhodes.

Rhodes stated that in addition to all of the action in the president's car, a bystander was also shot. Oswald, it was later pointed out, would have had to load the gun within three-quarters of a second to have fired all the shots.

No bullets were found, except later one bullet was found on the stretcher that carried Connolly. This bullet originally weighed 160 grams, and

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Rusty Rhodes, executive director of the Committee to Investigate Political Assassinations, held an interest of a capacity crowd at Washington Hall last night, as he talked about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. (Staff photo by Maria Gallagher).

No unified thought

LaFortune renovation discussed

by Ken Bradford
Staff Reporter

The Officers of the University of Notre Dame met in the Center for Continuing Education Tuesday afternoon to discuss plans for the renovation of the LaFortune Student Center.

According to Vice-President of Student Affairs Dr. Phillip Fascenda, the Officers are considering four or five specific modifications of the plan submitted by the Student LaFortune Renovation Committee.

"There is no unified thought on the matter yet," Dr. Fascenda stated. "The Ellerbe architects have been at work up until 7:00 in the morning drinking, which is in direct conflict with secret service regulations."

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WASHINGTON (UPI) — A federal judge Wednesday rejected with a single unexplained “qualification” Dwight L. Chapin’s attempt to block Watergate tapes. John W. Dean III from testifying at his upcoming perjury trial.

Chapin, President Nixon’s former appointments secretary, contended the tapes, as former White House counsellor, in effect had been his lawyer and could not be a prosecution witness.

But U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell, who listened to secret testimony on the subject last week, issued a one-sentence order denying Chapin’s motion to bar Dean from the witness stand.

New York (UPI) — A federal court judge Wednesday read a list of names including John W. Dean, John Ehrlichman and three of President Nixon’s relatives to a prospective jury in the conspiracy and perjury trial of former cabinet members John N. Mitchell and Maurice Stans.

But U.S. District Judge Lee Gagliardi did not indicate whether former presidential advisor Ehrlichman or the Nixon relatives would be called to testify in the trial. Dean, the former White House counsellor, is expected to be a key prosecution witness.

Revised inflation estimates show increase

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Inflation, already galloping at a 22-year high, was even worse than initially estimated at the end of 1973, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday.

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Economic output in the fourth quarter of 1973, however, was somewhat larger than first estimated, 1.6 percent instead of 1.3 percent.

The two revised figures present a picture of an economy growing at a sluggish pace at year’s end, with prices out of control despite a continuing government stabilisation program that is fighting the Korean War inflationary boom.

President Nixon graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1941. Admiral to give talk on humanistic technology

Admiral Hyman G. Rickover, deputy commander of the U.S. Navy’s Nuclear Power Directorate, will discuss "A Humanistic Technology" in the second lecture of the Notre Dame College of Engineering’s Centennial Lecture Series. The public talk will be held at 8:00 p.m. Friday in the auditorium at the Center for Continuing Education.

Admiral Rickover, who has been called the "Father of the Nuclear Navy," began working on the project to develop an atomic powered submarine in 1946. He has continued to be associated with the development of nuclear naval vessels since that time and was instrumental in the construction of the first civilian nuclear reactor. A 1922 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Admiral Rickover has received many awards, including the Enrico Fermi Award for contributions to atomic science and the Egerton Medal of the Columbia Engineering Alumni Association. He is the author of several books on education, including "Education and Freedom," "Swiss Schools and Ours," and American Education — A National Failure.

The Engineering Centennial Lecture Series commemorates 100 years of engineering education at Notre Dame.

President Nixon graduated. Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt Jr., the chief of Naval Operations, opened the Navy’s flying program to women by accepting the first applications of several women who met requirements.

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First woman flier: Lt. Allen

(UPI) Barbara Allen will be awarded her wings Friday as the first woman flier in the military, the Pentagon said Wednesday.

Lt. Allen, 25, of Long Beach, Calif., completed her training Tuesday and will officially become an aviator during ceremonies at the Corpus Christi, Tex., Naval Air Station. She is a 1970 graduate of Whittier College, the same California school from which President Nixon graduated.

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Winiarczyk, Famula enter race

by Jim Barke
Staff Reporter

Andy Winiarczyk and John Famula, both of Flanner Hall, announced their candidacies for President, respectively, last night as Student Body President and Vice President.

Winiarczyk is an English major and President of the Notre Dame Celtic Club, a group fostering Irish traditions and history. Famula is in Electrical Engineering.

Before a small group, Winiarczyk read the Winiarczyk-Famula platform. "The philosophy of the new 5 regulations which call for restrictions on male and female relationships, values, and campus parties. Because 'We will not make you better Christians' and 'unprepared for the challenges of the future.' Winiarczyk and Famula feel that the University is not providing the necessary environment for the growth of the individual."

SLA program begins, Hearst still missing

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — FBI special agent Charles Bates said Wednesday he felt Patricia Hearst was safe and would be freed unharmed. Organizers of the $2 million food giveaway demanded by her kidnapers said they would be ready to feed 20,000 needy people by Friday.

Bates said he thought the "People In Need" free food program (it was largely by publisher Randolph A. Hearst had met the demands and Headline of the Symbionese Liberation Army and the "next logical step" would be Patricia's release.

He also said the agency had no choice but to go after her kidnappers once the girl is returned to her family.

The 20th birthday of the granddaughter of William Randolph Hearst took place with no hint from the terrorist kidnappers of their next move.

Kissinger attends meeting

MEXICO CITY (UPI) — Mobbed by a friendly airport crowd, "shouting 'Henry! Henry!'" U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger arrived Wednesday for a crucial meeting of 24 foreign ministers from the Western Hemisphere.

He pledged a "new start and a new spirit" between the United States and its neighbors.

Kissinger was accompanied by a delegation of the U.S. Congress headed by House Speaker Carl Albert and including Senate Democratic leader Mike Mansfield and Senate Republican leader Hugh Scott.

Mansfield said a new dialogue between the United States and Latin America was "long overdue" and the energy crisis—which some Latin American delegates feared would lead to a confrontation between the United States and Venezuela—"will be discussed at the conference but will not be a pet issue."

Shortly after his arrival, Kissinger began a series of separate talks with foreign ministers of five key South American nations—Brazil, Colombia, Argentina, Peru and Venezuela.

The conference will be officially opened Thursday by Mexican President Luis Echeverria in one of its few public sessions.

Kissinger will follow him with a statement on Washington's hemispheric policy. U.S. officials cautioned, however, against expecting any radical new initiatives from Washington.
Glasser to speak at O'Laughlin

by Judy Peterson
Staff Reporter

William Glasser, M.D., the renowned author of Schools Without Failure, Reality Therapy: New Approach to Society, and The Glasser Institute, will be appearing at O'Laughlin Auditorium on April 24, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. A reception will be held at 9:15 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge for representatives of school systems throughout Indiana. Dr. Glasser appears in preparation for the proposed opening of a Glasser Institute at St. Mary's next fall.

His works are based on the belief that there has been a cultural change since World War II from a goal to a role-oriented society.

Credit card firms sued by Consumers Union

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Consumers Union sued American Express and BankAmericard Wednesday, accusing the credit card firms of preventing merchants from offering discounts to cash customers.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court, claimed the two firms practice was discriminatory and asked the court to forbid the pricing policy.

"Pegging the prices charged to cash customers to the prices credit card users pay eliminates price competition and is tantamount to restraint of trade," a Consumers Union official said.

"A shopper should be able to pass along these savings to cash customers in the form of discounts and lower prices. But American Express and BankAmericard forbid merchants from giving a better deal to cash customers.

"Since only the credit card user enjoys the added service of paying later, all consumers end up paying for the benefits of credit card holders."

American Express and BankAmericard officials said they would not comment until they have had time to study it.

Consumers Union, which publishes the magazine "Consumer Reports," and the provision is included in contracts between companies and merchants that set up credit card service at a particular establishment. The suit claimed the clause violates antitrust laws.

A lawyer involved in the suit

No matter how many times I've passed a pawn shop, I've never gone inside...
Shutdown threatened

Gasoline station owners warned the government Wednesday it was "sitting on a powder keg" that could explode in a nationwide shutdown of gasoline pumps unless it granted a substantial increase in retail prices.

Charles Binstead, president of the National Congress of Petroleum Retailers representing 70,000 dealers, met with deputy federal energy director John C. Sawhill Wednesday about ways to head off a threatened uprising by station owners protesting the need for higher prices to offset reduced gasoline supplies. "We did not threaten Sawhill, but we made it very clear this is a serious situation," Binstead said. Sawhill promised to meet with the station owners' representatives again on Saturday, he said.

The dealers' representatives urged Sawhill to approve a sliding scale formula which would allow them to increase gasoline prices by their profit margins by one-tenth of 1 percent for each 1 percent cutback in gasoline allocations. "They are well aware we are sitting on a powder keg," Binstead said, referring to the spreading shutdowns in gasoline stations in protest against reduced supplies, the profits freeze and growing waiting lines at stations.

Gov. Marvin Mandel of Maryland announced meanwhile he had met the Federal Energy Office in U.S. District Court in Baltimore "to get our fair share of gasoline for February.

Mandel said the 2 percent increase in Maryland's gasoline allocation was insufficient to meet his state's needs. He said the state was getting 77.3 percent of its supplies of two years ago, "compared with an average 83.3 percent nationwide."

In Tucson, Ariz., U.S. District Judge William C. Prey signed a temporary restraining order against federal energy director William E. Simon's order prohibiting gasoline station discrimination in favor of regular customers—a prime source of station operators' complaints.

Simon said he would not hesitate to recommend gasoline rationing if spot shortages became widespread, but that he didn't think rationing was necessary. He withheld judgment until the emergency re-allocation of 84 million gallons of gasoline to 26 hard-hit states, announced Tuesday, took effect.

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A Cloud of Fear

The beauty and good feelings were being balanced by a sense of fear—a fear that seems prevalent at Notre Dame. The people of Notre Dame are afraid to relate to one another, they seem afraid to communicate their feelings and to touch each other. Maybe it's the thoughts of a much too long winter, but I think it's something else.

The trouble apparently stems from a fear of identification and a corresponding fear of reprisal. Most people here are afraid to admit that they said something. They prefer not to take the credit for an article or for an action. The shadow of anonymity hides all and shields all from danger. The attitude that is most apparent is that if one says something that's out of line, I'll pay for it.

Method of Judging

The only method of judging this that we have available are the letters that we receive. Surprisingly, the volume of letters that this newspaper has received this year is far above that of any year before. People at Notre Dame have a lot to say and a desire to say it, but they must be terrified to admit that they actually said it. Over 50 percent of the letters to the editor received at The Observer come unsigned or with the request to have the name withheld from it. That's not a healthy sign. Most of the letters are over silly matters...far from anything that would merit reprisal from anyone or any office.

The Clacker

But Wednesday the clunker finally came. A letter came to the office complaining about the Armory party. Everyone respects another person's right to complain about anything. Yet, this letter simply expressing a person's disappointment with the party came with the plea to "Please don't print my name." What are people afraid of anyway? I wish I could say that the sun coming out and spring being on its way would cure everything, but that would be foolish of me, wouldn't it? The problem seems to extend much deeper than that.

From What Source

Though it's questionable if blame can be placed in a situation like this, one must first look at the office of student affairs, for their actions most directly affect student life at Notre Dame. If there is this feeling of fear within the student population, the student affairs staff has to ask themselves if they have done something wrong or if they are operating in methods that create this fear. Someone, somewhere is doing something wrong if people are afraid. And the huge, overriding question is why should people be afraid at a University that pledges itself to "Christian community."

It's something to think about. And if the sun shines again today (yes, even in Indiana the sun can shine two days in a row) enjoy it. But don't let its presence disguise the fact that something is wrong.

Jerry Lutkus

Polar Bearings

A Serious Choice

Ann Mccarthy

A hoax, an ego-trip, an excuse for a party, an impressive qualification and uncomfortable silence. Student government elections are these and more at Notre Dame. Student politicking has an interesting heritage at du Lac. Those involved have ranged from rebels with causes to pooh-bahs with briefcases, to vereurs, caught with their fingers in the till. Once in a while a "Boss" Daisy machine will bloom or a pseudo-nobleman with supernatural powers will run the show.

Too rarely there appears an honest man with a real concern, a selfless motive and a capability for solid action. You will be witness the births and rebirths of many such characters in the coming days. They are all part of black comedy entitled "The Student Government Elections."

The play has been in preparation for unluck months and years in some cases. (Some candidates have been known to admit that they enrolled with this objective in mind.) The public performances begin now as the various SBP and SBVP aspirants announce their candidacies.

For some the campaign and subsequent elections are nothing more than this-day, a psychic drama, an alternative to the February blues. Others are earnest politicians dedicated to the proposition that all students are created equal but that they are a bit more equal than the rest. A few believe that student government is a viable entity on campus and has the potential of becoming an effective, efficient service to the university, facilitating not only the student body but the faculty and administration as well.

The candidates' qualifications vary. Some are short and some are tall. Some like pre med, some hate football. Some have been involved in an ND political machine for the duration of their college career or are refugees from hall government organizations. Some are new talents, taking a chance and hoping for the best. Who knows? Maybe, here lies an electorate, a new breed, of which the Notre Dame voter is a proud member, willing to step up to the task of choosing谁能. Nonconscientious and narrow-minded the Notre Dame electorate has been, unfortunately, rarely important. The Notre Dame voter has a reputation for being erratic, irrational and easily swayed. Nonconscientious and narrow-minded the Notre Dame electorate has been and is. It is this same electorate that will rise in flaming fury some months later when a pre-Labor Day registration date is set as the Dean of Student's Office pinpoints a new party policy or organizes a squared-off campus race.

The voters want and need a responsible student government then, one that can speak and at least be heard if not listened to. The Observer may be a mouthpiece or even a mold for public opinion. It is not, however, primarily an administration-student body go-between. A student government is necessary for a consistently positive representation of student opinion in university affairs. The choice of candidates will be yours and there will be many from which to choose. Only one slate of candidates can win. Think carefully, considering all the alternatives in relation to what Notre Dame is to you and what you would like it to become. Jumping on a bandwagon with rash abandon can be diverting but it can be disastrous too.

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O’Laughlin Auditorium, a dark sea of hushed whispers, the curtains parted to reveal a barren, expectant stage. A flicker of action and suddenly a spot-light figure. Striking an inimitable pose, vaguely reminiscent of a Tarot card, the piquant Pierre Verry unfurled a silk banner announcing the first pantomime—“A Sunday Walk.”

A pregnant blackout then a splash of light. Marcel Marceau, the world’s greatest mime, graciously acknowledged the welcome acclaim of his audience Tuesday night.

The performance proceeded swiftly and efficiently—a well-chosen and organized selection of vignettes from the master’s repertoire. Each pantomime flowed, consistently expressing the grace, control and classic style of Marceau that permeated the performance. Another factor consistent with the performance was, unfortunately, the lack of rapport between the artist and his audience. Nonetheless, the pantomime has its own versatility as well. Miming the “Seven Deadly Sins,” or interpreting with a unique ballet quality, the “Creation of the World,” Marceau was a symphony of imagination, talent and elegance combined with the concentration and dedication that epomizes his art.

These techniques were best exhibited in the intensity of the Maskmaker. Assuming the character of a mask-molding artisan, Marceau became the creator modelling his creations. Marceau’s expression changed in rapid succession, a tribute to his adept facial control.

The punch line is that the Maskmaker cannot remove the laughing image from his own. With simple gestures, although his facial expression is frozen in the smile, Marceau communicates the anxiety and intense aggravation of the frustrated craftman.

His audience intrigued with the mime’s talent’s use of comedy, satire, and the simple ease with which he intimated the nuances of the persons and situations he portrayed. Marceau returned, in the second half of his performance, with a series of “Bip” pantomimes.

Marceau created “Bip” in 1947. The battered clown, shrouded in his traditional striped pullover and a tailored, rose-patched hat, has been described as Marceau’s “alter ego.” Perhaps “Bip” is rather Marceau’s inner self—his true heart of hearts.

In his skillful pantomimes entitled “Bip Commits Suicide,” “Bip as a Baby-sitter” and the tremendous, carefully drawn “Bip Plays David and Goliath,” “Bip” brings to life the inner personality of Marceau, which, until now, has only colored the performance.

Here is the essence of Marcel Marceau—his paradox of the simple man, gracefully performing under pressure of a demanding, fairly unresponsive audience, sharing with them the intrinsically engaging, illuminating all with his brilliant perception of man and his society. Saving his best for last, Marceau summoned all of his talent, insights and poetic imagery for “Bip as a Soldier.” Marceau’s “Bip” traces the life of a soldier as he leaves his sweetheart, enlists, marches to the front, and, finally, is killed in battle.

Emanating sincerely poignant feeling through discreetly telling mime, accentuated by subtle lighting changes, Marceau, previously come and witty, now portrays the greatest tragedy known to man. The performance is ended. The stage once again bare and blackened. The art remains, the echo of Marcel Marceau’s ability, his perpetual encore.

Marcel Marceau describes mime as an art “halfway between dancing and theatre... a complete art in the sense that it tends toward an all-embracing art in the sense that it tends to the portrayal of the human being in dramatic action is broken by the beauty and continuity of the movement. This could be unmitigatedly effective. In addition to comedy, the new Marceau has only colored the performance.

Moreover, Marceau has begun to rely more heavily on music, not only to bridge and complete his sketches, but also to provide a cadence for the movement. I am reminded of Red Skelton who completed each of his shows with the “Silent Spot.” He too relied on music and effects to supply what his own actions could not. It is much easier.

Phil Marcel Marceau has succeeded in bringing mime to the attention of the people is undesirable, yet the methods he has used to reach this goal often leave the sensitive viewer in doubt. Some would even go as far as to equate the popularization of mime with its vulgarization. Nevertheless, Marceau believes in his art just as adamantly as Etienne Decroux, and he has the added satisfaction of knowing he is tremendously successful. No doubt then, in the face of this and other criticism, Marceau will remain unperplexed, treating these comments as he does all else—in silence.

The performance praised by some... and criticized by others

by tom gora

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D.J.C. ('72)

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**Open more soapboxes**

Editor:

This is a Christian University. We bear that phrase from all sources, faculty and student alike.

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**Souk kitchens**

Editor:

This letter is in response to the February 26th letter printed: "O.C. Freeloaders."

Surely the 15 to 20 minutes this person has waited in line should be totally blamed on O.C. students. Never before has there been a waiting line to eat at the dining hall. Right? Basically this person should be happy there are these "100" off-campus students who eat the surplus of food: because without them, he or she would be eating leftovers for three days instead of two. We, the "100" off-campus students, see everyday and bombard the lines with our presence just to screw up the organization and management of the dining hall. We're radicals in disguise!

The financial burden it is on this person must really be serious. Probably the only thing he or she has paid for on this campus is beer (or desire). Without good old dad at home shelling out the beans he or she would never be here.

John Garofalo, Jr.

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Ford denies Watergate influence

By RICK VAN SANT

CINCINNATI (UPI) — Vice President Gerald R. Ford, still chafing over the loss of his old House seat to a Democrat, said Wednesday such special elections have nothing to do with Watergate and are not indications of a trend for November. Campaigning on behalf of Republican running in a special Congressional election to be held next month, Ford conceded that the White House "does get handled (Watergate) better."

But he reiterated his conten­tion that the outcome of the first election of a Democrat to this Cincinnati seat since 1910 was not the unsettled economic situation in Michigan and Ohio.

"The economic climate here (in Cincinnati), however, is good and I don't see anything in the Watergate incident to indicate a political contest between (Republican) Bill Gradison who is his own man and his (Democratic) opponent (Tom Lukon) who is tied up with the APL-CIO and big labor," Gradison is seeking the House seat vacated by former Rep. William Keating, R-Ohio, who resigned to become president of the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Gradison said he believes President Nixon handled the Watergate situation "very poorly right from the start."

And Ford said Wednesday: "I believe the White House could have handled it better," said Ford. "They probably could have given the (Senate Watergate) committee or special prosecutors more material more promptly and sooner. I think they could have handled it differently."

Ford cautioned against viewing Democratic victories in special elections as setting political trends.

"In 1946, Republicans lost several (special) elections, yet the Republicans won elections. So Republicans were the big winners in 1946 and they're the big winners now is not necessarily a forecast of what is to come," he said.

Gatch balloon to land in Sahara

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Adventu­rer Thomas L. Gatch, attempting the world's first trans-Atlantic balloon flight, sailed toward an expected landing in the Sahara desert today, about 1,000 miles north of earlier predictions.

Land trackers had previously expected Gatch to land in Dakar, Senegal, but later said unpredictable winds blew him toward the Spanish Sahara.

It was the second major change in predictions where Gatch, riding in his 35,000-foot altitude balloon, has been expected to land since he left New Orleans for his planned demonstration of the feasibility of using helium-filled balloons to provide people with news from the stars.

"All commercial airline traffic on the east coast of Africa has been keeping an eye open for Tom," Armstrong said. He said that because of Gatch's rather erratic southerly route across the ocean, visual sighting by an airliner became difficult. He said most trans­-Atlantic flights follow a more northerly pattern.

Gatch adjusted his altitude Monday evening, when just 76 minutes into the flight, one of his ten balloons burst. He was able to continue the flight using balloon over his 190-pound gondola and continue the trip. The plastic and fiber glass gondola is equipped with flotation equipment and he kept it seaworthy if Gatch has to ditch into the ocean.

Gatch, of Alexandria, Va., was spotted by two airplanes Tuesday morning and was spotted on radar later Tuesday about 1,000 miles east of San Juan, P.R. Still he is off some signals to the radio station on the Azores, about 1,000 miles west of Lisbon, Portugal.

Dr. Ray chosen SMC speaker

by Patte Conney

St. Mary's Editor in Chief Volunteering the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission's Dr. Dixy Lee Ray, chairwoman of the AEC, to make the keynote address at Orientation this year, President M. F. Murphy indicated that this year's program, traditionally, is to orient students to college life, but the President also indicated it may be a year that may be focused on students who are interested in science, as Science is the major field of study of the AEC.

Dr. Ray holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in zoology from Mills College in Oakland, California, and a woman chairm an of the AEC. In 1969, she announced her appointment as the first woman ever named to a high position in the government.

In 1973, the 1974 Freshman Orientation chairwoman, Melissa Byrne, Co-General Chairman of the '73 orientation, was named to the position of Planning Coordinator, making her the first woman chairm an of the AEC.

Volunteers needed

by Jackie Kurkjy

The 1973 Orientation program was termed a success in terms of the number of well attended social activities and the number of well attended social activities.

This year's program, the number of well attended social activities and the number of well attended social activities is to be made of time. We worked at a disadvantage last year, because we only had a month to plan activities before leaving for the summer," explained Melissa Byrne, Co-General Chairman of the '73 orientation.

A St. Mary's task force recommended an early start in planning this year, to help freshmen and transfer students. Traditionally, the orientation chairwomen come back to school before freshmen arrive, however this could be eliminated with adequate early planning.

The 1973 Orientation program was termed a success in terms of the number of well attended social activities and the number of well attended social activities. These activities were a carnival, social, and ice cream social. It is hoped that the new plans for hall life will provide more social activities for orientation.

"It's a lot of work and headaches, but in the end it all seems worthwhile and you've met a lot of new and interesting people," commented Byrne.

Byrne mentioned students interested in working on the orientation program.

Student Union Commissioner Jim Nowalk announced last week that the on-campus mail service has once again begun operation. Nowalk said that anyone, including students, faculty and staff members, wishing to send mail anywhere on campus should use the service. With postal rates rising next month, the system should be more popular than ever.

Nowalk blamed the inactivity of the system last semester on a lack of funds. Now that the operation has sufficient backing, though, he hopes that the campus will take advantage of the service.

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Gary Brokaw—hardcourt magic

by Greg Corgan

"Pretty Tony." But to fans on the basketball court, and that's what I'm concerned with," said Gary. "I'm concentrating more on my shots, and now, with a little more experience, I know what shots to take and what shots not to take. Also, I feel that the weight program I was on during the summer has made a big difference. I worked more on my arms and wrists which I felt were a little weak last year, and I think it's paid off."

"There's also not as much pressure on me to score as there was for last year," he added, "just because we have more scorers this year. When that pressure is off, it makes it easier to play." Whether it's easy or not, Brokaw has been battling opposing coaches and players with his vast repertoire of moves all season long. More recently, however, he seems to have found his magic show an everyday occurrence.

"It's a matter of me reaching my peak and getting into a rhythm playing with a little more confidence now trying to bring myself along, and get ready for tournament time. I'm trying to correct all my mistakes to the point where I have total confidence in every facet of my game." Confidence is important not only for an individual player but for the entire team as well, and this year, Brokaw has it.

"The attitude is a lot more positive this year among the coaches, fans and the players. We have a lot more confidence especially in trying to help the freshmen. I'm not saying that it wasn't close last year, because it was, but maybe it's just because we're winning. Being 2-1 does help."

A big reason for that 21-4 mark in leadership, and Brokaw likes to assume the quiet role.

"I'd like to see a rematch with UCLA," allowed Broke. "I think we're the best team in the country."

"I think that playing against older competition when I was little really helped me," said Gary. "I used to just sit inside and watch the older guys play. But one day I went out and started playing with them. I've been playing ever since."

"I don't play against older kids in the neighborhood, and I'd play with my father and my older brother. We had a little court in the backyard and they helped me a lot."

For Broke, and fortunately for the Irish, Gary's basketball career didn't end on that little backyard court. Hopefully for Gary, it won't end when he plays his last game for Notre Dame.

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ND fails to reach century mark

by Hal Munger

It was a tough road trip for the Notre Dame swim team.

Although three Notre Dame swimmers set new records and 10 others set personal marks, the Irish were defeated by Purdue, 153-86, at the Northridge Aquatics Pool in West Lafayette.

Three days earlier the Irish were demolished by the Purdue Boilermakers at West Lafayette 169-31.

The tankers, whose record now stands at 7-4, are still in pursuit of the NCAA title. Irish rookie winner, the same win that will insure the team the 1958 NCAA title. The Irish lost by a scant five points to the Boilermakers in a narrow victory over the Irish 10-8.

Jim Kane. Kane proved why he's a member of the number-two national ranking.

A sociology major, he does not have as difficult a time keeping up his studies as do some of the others. "If so, and only the NCAA's will tell, Gary Brokaw will be Mr. Magic in a magic year."