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New act will open
students' records

by George Barnes
Staff Reporter

College students throughout the country will soon be able to have total access to their personal records and data. A new section which was added to the Education Amendments Act by Senator James Buckley (Con- n. Y.) will also open high school records to parents November 19.

Senator Buckley articulated the intent of the act as restoring "parental rights and to protect privacy," a tenet of general public sentiment. So long as the act remains subject to a special report exempt from the usual judicial scrutiny, the report requested will be submitted by the National Association of College and University Attorneys. The Act states that the Act "could be affected by 1) insuring that "parents have the right of access to their children's school records," 2) preventing "the abuse and improper disclosure of such records and personal data on students and their products" and 3) requiring "parental consent before such records are disclosed to third parties.

The report defended that although "the language of section 438 specifically refers to access rights by parents, section 438(d) provides that whenever a student has attained eighteen years of age, or is attending an institution of post-secondary education the permission or consent required of and the rights accorded to the parents of the student shall thereafter only be required of and accorded to the student."

The report acknowledged that the original intent of the act was good, but that many problems exist. One objection was that the act gives students access to all existing records. Included among these records are letters of recommendation for admissions which were solicited from third parties with an explicit commitment that they would be confidential.

In discussing whether they would like to go through hundreds of thousands of student files to destroy certain records (such as recommendations) or, despite the commitment given to third parties and their rights, making the records available to students. "Before this law came up, we were under a strict commitment to retain the confidentiality of third party information," said James Roemer, general counsel to the University on legal requirements. "However we have to comply with this law and open up the files to the students. I think that future recom- mendations will be less candid, less honest and less valuable to everybody involved," he continued.

Another concern of this act that might prove troublesome according to the report, is a number of ambiguities that should be corrected by legislative ac- tion. One of these ambiguities is the term "any and all official records files and data."

The report asserted that this term can be given a number of meanings in varying institutional contexts. For instance, does the term cover notes of a rights hearing? I think it could turn out to be detrimental. I definitely think it should be made more specific to help all involved," he commented. A second concern is when the student submits his records to the parents. The report asks if a student could ask for a hearing to question a mark he got on a paper. In the same context, if a teacher writes in an evaluation that a student shows little creativity in his work, does the institution have to offer a hearing on the issue of the student's creativity? In short, the report asked, "what is the scope of the right of a hearing?"

"I personally believe there will be a lot of repercussions because the law is vague," commented Kil. "It's a law that could be interpreted in so many different ways, it could turn out to be detrimental. I definitely think that it should be made more specific to help all involved," he commented. The act also requires an educational institution to provide "hearings" for students, to "hear" and "consider" their interests and misleading. The report also asserted that the act "appears to have consequences that the Congress may not have intended." One example of this is that students who are receiving financial aid would have access to confidential information, such as assets of assets and liabilities and tax returns. Therefore, the right of privacy of the parents is affected by this law.

"I think that many parents might be concerned with this aspect of the law," observed Kil. "If they don't want anybody to see their financial record, in- cluding their sons or daughters for some reason, they can do absolutely nothing about it. I think that aspect is wrong for it is infringing on parents' rights," Kil continued.

Parents could also conceivably receive no information from a post-secondary institution about their children without the children's consent, even if the student is under eighteen years old.

A further consequence would be that students receiving psychiatric care would have access to the psychiatrists' records. Both Kil and Roemer thought that this aspect would prove to be a dangerous issue.

Prior to this act, institutions could protect students by refusing to turn over highly confidential information even if the student had given consent if this information could invade his privacy. With the passing of this act, credit bureaus, prospective employers, governmental agencies conducting security clearances and other organizations could no now require students to obtain all their records (financial, disciplinary, psychiatric, evaluations, etc.) and turn them over. The report stated that this breach of privacy could not be com- mitted, because it is legal under this new act.

The University in ten days after the November 19 enactment date to comply with the newly-passed law. However, both Roemer and Kil would like to see the enactment date pushed back while studies of the program are continued.

"I think that the act should be made more specific for the students' sake," commented Kil.

The National Association of College and University Attorneys agreed that the act should be postponed for the reasons given above. The report proposed, despite the recognition of the problems to which it is addressed, the effective date of the "Family and Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 be changed to next year to allow time for hearings."

Roemer said that the university "would do our best to abide by the law, but would like to see that the commitment date of the law post-parental. If this might be heard based on the same could be written up with appropriate modifications."

Observer Insight
ND off-campus students
harrassed by burglaries

by Pat Flynn
Staff Reporter

Gene Laurich is a senior student at Notre Dame in Arts and Letters. He lives with three other N.D. seniors in a house at 661 Sherry Drive about ten blocks from campus. They pay $135 of rent per month.

In the two months since school began Laurich and his roommates have been burglarized three times. On Sept. 24 Laurich left his house at 1:55 to make a 3:00 appointment, leaving the house vacant. At 2:15 one of his roommates returned and found the windows broken; the color T.V., eight stereo speakers, two turn tables, two amplifiers, and one set of stereo headphones missing. Laurich and his roommates were burglarized again on Sept. 26 and Oct. 24.

Gene's story is a very common one to off- campus students living near campus, especially in off-campus residence section 16 the area bounded by Madison, Hill, Edison, and Rockne streets.

Fr. Tallard, Director of Student Housing, stated that in this section there have been 10 burglaries and 11 robberies just within the month of October.

"If the police can single out which houses are targeted and at what time of day, they can watch them more especially closely during breaks," stated Tallard. He urged students living in these sections to report their house numbers to the Housing Office.

The Housing Office is also working on a project to compile a list of the license numbers of the cars parked in individual student houses in the 6, 7, 8, 19, and 10 areas.

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**Blues Festival opens at Stepan Saturday night**

by Ellen Syberg

Notre Dame's annual Midwest Blues Festival will feature Fenton Robinson, Big Walter Horton, Eddie Taylor and Muddy Waters when it opens at 8 p.m., Saturday, November 9th. The Stepan Center festival, a program of the Cultural Arts Commission, was organized by Perry Aberli, chairman, and Mike Moya, CA commission director.

Explaining their goals for this year's festival, Moya said, "We wanted really good music that we could offer for a reasonable price. With these performers, we have been able to do that." Aberli added, "How often can you get a line-up of excellent musicians like this form for only three dollars?"

We realize that people may not be that knowledgeable about blues. We're setting the ticket price low so that people who are interested in finding out about it can afford to come," Mroz explained.

Aberli noted that many students may be surprised at just how familiar they will be with the music. "When you hear it, you see how much influence blues has had on recent rock performers. After all, the Rolling Stones took their name from a classic song by Muddy Waters," Aberli observed.

Waters, a dominant figure in the Chicago blues scene, is making his second appearance at the festival.

Fenton Robinson will open the evening. Mroz said, "He has been called one of the most original and creative bluesmen around.

After making their second appearance at this festival are Big Walter Horton and Eddie Taylor. "Anyone who was at the festival two years ago in Washington Hall knows how great these guys will be," Aberli asserted.

Tickets will be available only at the door. The sale will start at 7:15 Saturday night.

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**Pat Warner 264-9810**
Warning is issued to local bars

by Dennis Kelly
Staff Reporters

The St. Joseph County Alcoholic Beverage Board met last Wednesday night in the Center for Continuing Education. The board, chaired by Beth Wiltse, addressed the issue of tavern owners in the town of South Bend who are failing to control the behavior of customers who have had too much to drink.

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**ND Faculty Senate meets**

by Ken Bradford
John Hennessy
Staff Reporters

The Faculty Senate considered the nine proposals of the Committee on the Course of Study (CCS) last Wednesday night in the Center for Continuing Education. The committee, chaired by University Provost Fr. James Burtchaell, stated that the University might benefit from a combined college system. Burtchaell asked the faculty group at that time to forward their recommendations, and the issue was discontinued due to the late hour. The CCS report is also scheduled to be discussed by the Academic Council later this week.

One of the key issues discussed in the report was the proposal to combine the two byes of Arts and Letters with the College of Science. The faculty has given a majority approval for a combined system. It already has worked well at other universities and that the system would work at Notre Dame.

**Midwest farmers warn food conference**

By PEGGY POLK
ROME (UPI) - American Midwest farmers representatives warned the World Food Conference that they were not about to feed the rest of the world out of their own pockets.

With all the fine words and brave talk going on around here, in the end it will be the American taxpayer who pays for it," said Dale Butz, a conference observer from the Illinois Farm Bureau and brother of U.S. Agriculture Secretary John Butz.

Cuba's representative used the world food forum to blame the world's economic ills on the United States, while China called for a worldwide food embargo on the United States. Butz said the food shortage was caused by the "superpowers." And Cuba was speaking for the "superpowers," too.

There was also some plain, tough talk from the Midwest at a food conference here, according to Barnard B. Stelle, president of the Illinois Farm Bureau and J. Merrill Anderson of the Iowa Farm Bureau.

The representatives from the biggest U.S. farm exporting states said they backed the idea of an international system to control food. The faculty, as proposed by Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, but they warned the American taxpayer should not have to foot the bill. "We would respond to the challenge of producing more," Steele said. "We are not stating that we expect starving people to pay for food before they are fed. But we are saying that neither farmers nor American taxpayers should be expected to carry the burden alone."

"We will be used to feed hungry human beings or will they end up lost on some docking point as they have done in the past," he asked. Cuban Vice Premier Carlos Rafael Rodriguez blamed "stubborn policies of the United States" for inflation and the fabric of the developed capital-ist countries.

"In the ruling circles in the United States there is talk of neglecting the exportation of food to bend the oil producing countries," he said.

Canada has pledged to provide 1 million bushels a year to help meet world food shortages, and Australia has pledged an amount proportional to its national wealth. The United States has called for greater food production but has refused to pledge a specific amount like Canada and Australia.

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Campaign charges refuted

By Jim Donahen
Staff Reporter

Leo Buchignani, chairman of Notre Dame-St. Mary's for Lugar yesterday refuted charges that his group employed illegal campaign practices.

In yesterday's Observer, Richard O'Connor, campus campaign manager for Senator Birch Bayh, claimed "some Notre Dame campus advertising attributed to student organizations was actually paid for by the Lugar organization downstate."

Buchignani admitted advertising purchased in the Nov. 4 Observer election issue was in part by the statewide Youth for Lugar organization, which was ad agency sponsorship by campus groups he claimed, "The difficulty is irrelevant since it is a subsidiary part of the State Youth for Lugar. It's silly to call it an unfair campaign practice."

Indiana election laws governing advertising stated, "It shall not be lawful for any political chairman, treasurer or political agent to expend any money for the printing or publication of any political matter whatsoever, which shall not appear on its face to be printed or published by the authority of said treasurer or political agent.

On the basis of the statute alone, the Lugar group may have committed a technical violation, said Professor Fernand Dutile of the Notre Dame Law School. "But if the local chapter is an agent of the state and takes control of campaign practice with the law, DuComb felt that his opinion was based solely on the statute. A legal brief on the statute would include an in-depth study of its legislative context.

Buchignani also challenged the Bayh group's contention that they spent funds on the Notre Dame campus. "Campaign literature costs money. It's stupid to say they didn't spend any money and we didn't observe."

The Lugar chairman said O'Connor implied that Democrats came away with a strong victory on campus. He pointed the success of Youth for Lugar in the two races on which they concentrated: Bob DuComb for state representative and Richard Lugur for U.S. Senate.

"We turned the campus around for DuComb. Two years ago, he lost this precinct by a two-to-one margin. This time, he won by a margin of about 90 votes," said Buchignani.

DuComb was one of three Democrats to get elected in St. Joseph County races. Buchignani felt his group cut heavy into the majority Bayh would have won otherwise. "This is Bayh territory. The fact he did better here (58 per cent) than statewide doesn't prove a Bayh victory here on campus," he stressed.

Buchignani criticized the campaign run by O'Connor and Bayh volunteers. "The Bayh people didn't do a whole lot of work. They just showed up for part of the day on Election Day and started making all sorts of charges in the press," he complained.

"It's poor taste to engage in back-biting at this time," concluded Buchignani.

No security problem at OC apartments

by Bill Flanagan
Staff Reporter

It is becoming a well-known fact that if a student chooses to live off-campus, one of the biggest difficulties he will encounter will be the problem of security. Recently, numerous reports of burglaries to the homes of off-campus students have been received by the police and, more often than not, there is little that can be done. In contrast to the problems of homeowners, apartment house dwellers have a different situation.

Managers and students residing at different locations yesterday stated their opinion that there is no apparent security problem at the apartments.

At the Notre Dame Ave. Apartments on South Bend Ave., Jerry Dewitt, a senior, attributed this to the fact that the Notre Dame Apartments are occupied nearly 100 per cent by students, and most of them keep erratic hours with lights on all night, etc. In fact, Dewitt noted, the only place you might have problems is the parking lot where his car was broken into twice last year.

One of the owners of the Notre Dame Apartments, Bill Farmer, said that extra security measures were taken, but that there is good outside lighting as well as fenced-in areas.

The ground floor windows have bars and the door of each apartment is equipped with a Sargent lock. The door-locks also have a "dead bolt" which prevents anyone from sliding a knife or plastic card along the lock to open it. Chain locks are on all the doors as an added precaution.

"It's silly to call any break-ins," Farmer said that there had not been an attempted burglary in nearly three years.

Other apartment houses have much the same story. At Campus View, student Hastings noted that aside from some minor vandalism on a few unfinished apartments (broken windows, etc.) there have been no problems at all. One of the managers, Judy Medich, said that Campus View employs full-time security guards.

The Crestwood Apartments on East 29th Street have not had any problems either. Manager Donna Burchfield said each apartment door has two locks and that they have never experienced any break-ins.

At the Eddy-Colfax Apartments on South 25th Street, Mrs. Moore, who runs the apartments, stated that all doors have regular night locks but no chain locks or anything of that nature. Loveland added that all the entrances are lighted and, again, there have been no problems at all.

Mrs. Moore, who runs the Riverside North Apartments on North Riverside Drive, noted that they don't really supply any extra security services. Moore said, "We've been very fortunate.

Rape, alcohol seminars scheduled at SMC dorms

Dorms should be centers of living and learning, Gall Ritchie, Assistant Director of Counseling at St. Mary's, stated Ritchie when attempting to put this idea into practice, with a series of seminars taking place in the dorms about rape and alcoholism.

Ritchie feels that the dorms should be a place that promotes personal growth. She therefore sees these seminars as a means of achieving this growth. "The seminars are informal and of a panel format. There were four seminars concerned with rape, one in each of the four SMC dorms, during October."

Four seminars about alcoholism were scheduled for the individual halls for November. The first alcoholism seminar was Tuesday night in McCandless. The others are scheduled for: Nov. 13 in LeMann, Nov. 18 in Regina, and Nov. 21 in Holy Cross.

Ritchie said these seminars were good, but she wished that more students would have come. She eventually wants students to conduct these programs.
Talking Loser's Blues

In every political contest there is a winner and a loser. You hear a lot from the winner but nothing from the loser. What happens to a defeated candidate? How does he feel? "Gov. Habersham." I said, "Oh, you still remember me?" Habersham smiled.

"You only lost the election Tuesday, Governor." I replied.

"People forget fast in this state, son." Habersham continued.

"It must be tough to have been a governor and then be turned out by the people. What was the first thought that came to your mind when you told them that you had lost the election?"

"I thought about all the good things I had hoped to accomplish for this state. The unfinished business that I had started; the dreams that were shattered by an electorate that didn't understand what I was trying to do."

"That's very nice, Governor. But what were you really thinking?"

"Well, if you want me to level with you, the first thought that came to mind was 'Damn, there goes my helicopter.' You know, I really got to love that helicopter. It would land right out there on the front lawn and zoom straight into the stinking congestion and busy air down there and I could get to the football game in 15 minutes. There's no feeling like it."

"No one could fault you for thinking that. Do you blame anyone for losing the election?"

"I blame myself, only myself. Of course, I had busy TV commercials. I mean they were really stinkin'. But every time I complained, they told me I didn't know anything about show business. And those campaign newspaper ads didn't help me any, nor did my campaign staff who seemed to be drunk half the time."

"A Rockefeller can neither buy nor rent, to the Apollo..."

"I was Jordan beside me, who, unlike Daisy, was and his opponent stole all my votes..."

"I screwed up there in the clouds and when you look down, all you see are sunburned eyes..."
November is a month of joy that stretches us apart with a hunger after glory. It is a half of season straining at the heart alive in a host of shadows, with trees as empty as windows letting in the moods of weather. November is a month of the death of death like a gray bird lonely in the meadow, betrothed to the winter by the October gypsy. It is April grown old; it is springtime too long at the party. Why then, in these landscape şiddet, is beauty like mourning, left bare of beauty ingathered by the dying year, can the other half with you two other blue guesting at immortal feasts? I, therefore, suggest that November needs a cheerful heart.

I, for one, am prepared to give November every thing it needs. Since I have a cheerful heart, I will give it to November, though the whole month leaves me a feeling metaphorically shaky. November can be a bitch of a month when forty-nine people go around talking like graveyard poets. I say that if November is going to be a bitch of a month, November better start acting like one. The world, these days, is in need of cheerfulness, and I'm not going to add to its gloom. Frankly, I think it's a year when you could afford to skip November altogether and move right on to the celebration of Christmas. If it was up to me, I'd do it. But someone's hure to object: you can't do it because of the calendar. Why must calendars always be such a problem around Ame's Dane? Everyone has been remarking what a queer, strange mood the world and the campus seem to be in, this year. Some of the Old Grads say it is because the economy is shaky. The politicians blame it on Watergate. Billy Graham lays it on the nearness of the Second Coming. The pre­ mists attribute it to academic pressures; an out-of-work alumnus says it's the fault of the job market, and a few inept acquain­ tances of mine insist that everyone is up­ tight about the drinking regulations. Darby O'Gill says he's not up tight about anything, but sure would help if were more female cocker spaniels around.

Carnival moods will pass, and the world will survive feeling strange, and Darby O'Gill will learn to make accommodations like the rest of us. But there will always be Novemberians feeling the faith we have like immortal nightingales, the earth was not born for death. Autumn is not the undoing of April, it is merely Nature's ending a song so that the dances of springtime can be played again.

But I need not tell you of November. You already know about November. You know it is a month that needs a cheerful heart. But there are those other gray times, so much like November, when the skies darken, and the cold winds blow across a human life; and our achievements, like autumn orch­ ards, seem to be in bare ruins. There are the tragedies, great and small, that our feet stumble upon, like frozen robin on the garden path, and like their dregs echolocate, we feel only chill where the heartbeat should be. November strips Muddy's forest of its leaves until the trees axe narked to the winter; but the soul knows a winter strapping that leaves it well nigh nacked unto death.

These are the metaphorical Novembers when cheerfulness is required of all of us, as well as as a faith in reemergence. For our comfort, in cycles that began with Creation, Christ tells us again and again with His springtime that beauty is never lost. Some trust in the triumph of life, He entrusted His own glory to the darkness, and love found its way to the light.

As with Christ, so with us. There is a love at work within us, beside us, behind us, under girding us, that leads us through the darkness into light—and I am not merely talking of graveyards victories which God knows, at the age of twenty, you probably don't think much about.

Love is at work in the ordering of the seasons, but it is not only roses that suffer the winter. Life has its seasons also, with its bleak months alternating with the summer, but the leaves turn constantly in the direction of springtime, until the final glory of an everlasting May.

While the minutes of heaven, there are the defeats and humiliations that are the day, the sores that ruin a date, the quiz that failed a semester's grade, the breakup of a marriage; the death of a child that broke a heart. These are the Novembers great or long of history, the season of the year.

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In Watergate trial
Sirica declares tapes admissible

By JANE DENISON
WASHINGTON (UPI) - U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica Thursday declared Richard M. Nixon's secret tapes to be an admissible evidence in the Watergate cover-up trial, overriding defense objections that they were illegal wiretaps and thus inadmissible.

In a brief courtroom statement, Sirica ruled that the president's tapes "laid the foundation" to admit the 26 tapes, which include Nixon's White House conversations between June 23, 1972, and July 25, 1972, as the alleged cover-up began to unravel.

They are expected to be introduced beginning Monday in the trial of five men charged with attempting to cover up high level involvement in the break-in and bugging of Democratic national headquarters June 17, 1972.

In a last-ditch effort to keep the tapes away from the jury, defense attorneys for defendant H.R. Haldeman tried the surprise tactic of arguing that federal law prohibits fruits of illegal wiretaps as evidence.

Since the prosecution has offered no evidence that any of the participants in the conversations gave their consent to being taped, Haldeman lawyer Frank J. Stricker argued, the tapes thus are illegal interceptions of wire and oral communications and must be ruled inadmissible.

It was an argument never before raised in the case and lawyers for the four other defendants - John N. Mitchell, John D. Ehrlichman, Robert C. Martin and Kenneth W. Parkinson - immediately endorsed it. But it carried no weight with Sirica.

"I think you have a different situation," he said. "I think these tapes that are being offered were made at the direction of the President and kept in the general course of business... My ruling is very simple. I don't think Congress intended that statute to apply in a situation such as we have in this case."

Poll on calendar change slated for second semester

by Maureen Flynn
Staff Reporter

Student government academic team leader Jim Ambrose commented yesterday on possible plans for changing the academic calendar.

"Right now, there's not much that can be done," said Ambrose. "Pills taken now will have very little influence."

According to Ambrose, the issue of the calendar will not be taken up by the Academic Council until late January or early February.

"We will be working with the student body, the faculty, the housing office. Bennett explained that the survey will be sent to the Academic Council and other officials by the Hall President Council.

"The ultimate decision," concluded Ambrose, "will be made solely by the Academic Council."

The Observer will conduct a survey this weekend to determine student attitudes toward the October break and possible changes in the calendar for next year.

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The campus vote was a deciding factor in at least one of the local races. Newly-elected State Senator Robert Kovach carried the county with more than 90% of the vote over his opponent, Bobtrager in large part to the student vote. Kovach's margin of victory would have been near 90 votes if it were not for nearly 30,000 ballots cast. Kovach carried the Notre Dame-St. Mary's precinct by 682 votes.

These results clearly signal success for the Voter Registration drive conducted by Student Government in September. In that drive 1800 new local voters were registered on campus in an attempt to create a student power vote on lowering the drinking age to 18. Although the number of majorities was not the only issue for students, its importance to the students has been demonstrated in their vote. Kovach favored lowering the age of majority; Bobtrager did not.

In a year of Watergate and a general political malaise, nationwide statistics indicate only 38 per cent of those of voting age actually voted. On campus close to 50 per cent of those registered voted locally, despite delays of up to 30 minutes at the polls. Student interest in local politics, especially the drinking issue, is high.

The question of how to sustain the campus vote has been exercised and now is the time for the students to become a viable political constituency on the city, county and state levels.

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For the last two years Student Government has been involved in a state-wide lobby with over 20 other Indiana colleges. Although this student lobby has failed to produce substantial results largely because of the opposition among member schools, cooperation with other state colleges (which wield greater political power than Notre Dame) is essential.

More important than influence on the political events in Indianapolis is the student impact on issues in South Bend. The student vote has been exercised in South Bend in the last election in a small town as Berkeley, California and Madison, Wisconsin. Although South Bend is far from being a college town, students do have an important role in political events. Notre Dame students living off campus are just beginning to experience the problems of living in South Bend-the crime, the housing and the racial problems that South Bend residents have long been forced to face.

The student living on campus spends nine months of the year in South Bend. What happens in this city and this county affects them, perhaps more than they realize.

What Notre Dame students are now fighting is the change from having a housing system with only 21 meals per week to a system in which a student can purchase the 21-meal-a-week plan. The cost for this service is $18.50 per semester. Students against the best interests of the Food Service. The over-whelming majority of the students feel that the best way to prevent this is to purchase the 21-meal-a-week plan. The cost for this service is $18.50 per semester.

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First priority for McLaughlin on the state level is to stem campus support from student representatives and state senators for a bill to lower the drinking age. This should be accomplished as soon as the legislature re-convenes in January.

DOONESBURY

by Garry Trudeau
Prison inmates reflect on the "life within the walls"
by Theresa Stewart
Staff Reporter

"I never stole a thing in my life. It just happened that I killed a man. It's not something I am ashamed of or proud of," the inmate said, brushing away the reckoning he was sentenced to life in the Indiana State Prison in Michigan City, Indiana.

Instead, he emphasized the need to reform and the importance of keeping busy and active in prison.

"You have to get involved. I am a male nurse for the inmates in a hospital in Michigan City. I'm very busy working with the patients and I spend three years trying to get a phone for the man to make outgoing calls from the prison," the tall inmate in his spotless white uniform stated.

"I am very busy working working with the prisoners, it's a part of my prison," the tall inmate in his spotless white uniform stated.

The Indiana State Prison with its tall, stone walls, is a crumbling red brick buildings. It doesn't look very progressive. The prison, "the life within the walls" of the institution.

On Tuesday's election results, Phillips voiced her concern with the extremely small voter turnout.

"Only 38 per cent of the eligible people voted," she complained. Besides that, Phillips acknowledged the fact that many people didn't even know who was running for which offices.

All throughout the discussion, the public is not well informed prior to elections, and that the information that they do receive is usually biased.

Phillips observed that groups such as the League of Women Voters and Common Cause, can probably provide voters with clearer, unbiased information on candidates and their platforms.

"One of the friendliest places," was Martha Phillips' initial comment when asked her opinion about the All-Campus Rap Session last evening at St. Mary's College. "This is a great experience," she said.

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SBP comments on voting

by Mary Reher
Staff Reporter

Student Body President Pat McLaughlin commented yesterday afternoon on student voting participation in the state election. "I was surprised not many people bothered to vote," said McLaughlin. "I don't know why the turnout was poor," McLaughlin stated.

"I'm glad that the students who did go to the polls voted for Richard Bodine and Robert Kovach, who were the candidates recommended by Student Government in the Observer, the SBP continued.

Speaking of the winning candidates, McLaughlin said, "I think we elected three good people. Now I think things look a lot better than before the election. They will push for lowering the drinking age law, and they will go on the parole board." He also noted that all three candidates supported the ERA.

Student votes proved their effectiveness in the election of Kovach who won by 900 votes, 700 of which came from Notre Dame and St. Mary's students.

McLaughlin stated that when Kovach was interviewed on television on election night, he acknowledged that he had received a good deal of support from Notre Dame students.

After appearing on the ND campus October 22, Robert Ducomb sent a letter to McLaughlin saying he would be very happy to introduce legislation that would benefit Notre Dame students. McLaughlin said Ducomb even offered to meet with students to discuss issues if he were elected.

Commenting on Bodine, McLaughlin said, "I thought he was the best candidate for the office because he was up on every issue, well-spoken, and experienced." He also mentioned that Bodine favored lowering the drinking age.

"We will soon be getting in touch with other schools in Indiana to influence state legislation," said McLaughlin. "We will be working in particular with 20 other schools such as Ball State and Indiana University in the Indiana Student Association, a lobby group ND just joined last year."

Prison conditions cited

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holding their 3000 cells outside the walls as Trustees in a work-release program. Tom Lenz, a sophomore from ND who went on a tour of the inside of the Prison, described the cells. "The prisoners are allowed to have TV's and stereos in their cells by 90% of the prisoners by their plastic-covered bars to keep warm in the drafty cell blocks," Lenz said.

Lenz was also taken to the Law Library, once the room which held the Electric Chair, now turned into a "file room," giving prisoners their legal rights in that room," he said. "Although there hasn't been an execution in many years, solitary confinement in a tiny, dark room was only recently ruled cruel and inhuman treatment," Lenz elaborated.

Wnzel added that recent legislation is changing the inadequate parole board, providing a contract to inmates who wish to get out. "The new board is fixing a way to shorten their sentence," he continued.

Commenting on prison conditions, Wnzel said, "There are still people here who believe in an an eye for an eye, a life for a life. There is still an old blind man on our parole board."

"Homosexual rape is inevitable, she continued. "Any young man introduced into the population will surely be raped within a few days." Many men play the role of the female, calling themselves by feminine names and marrying their men," Wnzel observed.

American Studies

holds workshop

by Mark Jahne
Staff Reporter

A joint meeting of the American Studies Association of Michigan and Ohio-Indiana will be held at the University of Notre Dame this weekend. Entitled, "The Revolution and After: Bicentennial Perspective," it will feature a workshop on Bicentennial planning.

Topics of discussion will be: Bicentennial summer institutes; the Bicentennial role in ethnic studies and community history; and special dimensions of the Bicentennial in the Midwest. Chairpersons for the event are Anne M. Ousterhout, of Michigan State University; John H. Ferres, also of Michigan State; Madonna C. Kohrschlag, and James P. Dougherty, both of Notre Dame. Professor Joseph J. Scherer will preside over the workshop.

Featured speaker at the conference will be, Professor William Kammen, chairman of the Department of History at Cornell University. Only thirty-eight years old, he received the Pulitzer Prize, for History in 1973 for his work, People of Paradox. An Impression of the Origins of American Civilization.

Professor Kammen will appear in the Memorial Library Auditorium tonight at 8:00 p.m. Following registration at the Center for Continuing Education, the meeting will run from 9:00 p.m. today until 12:30 Saturday. Fourteen different educators are scheduled to speak.

Government in the Observer, the SBP continued.

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St. Mary's mail service adds delivery in afternoon

by Paul Young

Staff Reporter

The SMC mail service has added a second mail delivery for students at no extra expense, without increasing the hours of hall carriers.

The new delivery, from 1:40 until 5:30 p.m. everyday except Sunday, includes mail which formerly had been held until the next day at the post office, according to Student Supervisor of the SMC Post Office, Leslie Williams.

This "leftover" mail, she stated, is delivered by the Notre Dame post office at 2:15 p.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays and at 10:15 a.m. Saturdays. "As the mail is there anyway," continued Williams, "it's a matter of convenience and a half-day-speed-up of mail for students to have the afternoon delivery."

The original mail system incorporated this year included only a morning delivery at 9 a.m. This change from former years' twice-a-day service was dictated by financial terms of operation affecting both the Notre Dame postal service and St. Mary's contractor.

However, explained Williams, SMC has worked out the handovers to a morning and afternoon. "Since there is no extra work involved," continued the student supervisor, "the post office is glad to be able to provide the service.

Williams related the resumption of the second delivery to the general interest around campus favoring its reinstatement.
The Irish Eye

Football picks

Bowl bids are the big news, unofficially, as the 1974 college football season enters week number ten. It looks as if Alabama and Notre Dame will re-unite in Miami’s Orange Bowl on New Year’s while Florida will tackle Nebraska in the Sugar Bowl. Texas A & M and Georgia at Florida: The Gators want a bowl bid and they helped their cause last week by crushing Auburn. The Georgia Bulldogs shouldn’t cause any problems in Jacksonville. Florida by 10. Lawlor: Florida by 10.

Georgia at Tennessee: VTPE will have to play to ref Brian Amos when he visited Falapy, Brian Coblenz and Brian Hartman last week. Tennessee will have to make the first move. The Irish had some trouble early in the game, but they were able to maintain pressure offensively with good skating and hustle. Bowling Green opened up scoring with a goal off a feed pass. Jackson slid the puck to Peter Hartman, who slotted in the slim lead at 6:12. Notre Dame routed back at 8:00 into the opening stanza when the Irish executed on offense as Peter Puck might describe it. Team captain Paul Clarke broke up ice and went lonehanded to the feed pass. Jackson sied the puck to Pat Conroy, who showed great numbers and slipped past split Falcon goalie Milt Luit.

Luit got his first varsity career goal when he took the point pass from Brian Walsh. Curry slid back into the opening period, and by the end of the period, the Irish continued their aggressive forechecking through the rest of the period. They wound up standing ovation and taking a 3-3 lead into the room.

Pat Conroy led the Irish attack in the second period, by coming up with the kind of saves that give coaches heart failure. Milt Luit made 12 saves inside the period, while Curry made 27. Team captain Len Mohr finally made only six, yet Luit let three pucks by.

Kevin Nugent got the first Irish tally of the period when he took a penalty shot and used the feed pass. Jackson slid the puck to Peter Hartman, who showed great numbers and slipped past split Falcon goalie Milt Luit. Nugent led the Irish in the second period, coming back to cover on defense. Dave Bosny notched his first career goal at 14:45. The play was setup by winger Tim Byers’ solo effort of muscling into the Falcons’ zone. Byers centered to Dave Howe, whose shot was stopped and slid out to Bosny. Bosny pulled the puck past the goalie, giving the Irish their third goal of the game.

Len Mohr, with assists to Jack Hartman, w ith assists to Jack Hartman, and Don (Jackson) for his wings, that line, with Walsh’s and Oliver’s, lead.

Missouri at Oklahoma: The Tigers won big last week so now it’s their turn to get chocked. But the Sooners were on the cover of Sports Illustrated and maybe they’ll catch up with them this week. Still, Oklahoma by 7. Lawlor: Oklahoma by 20.

Mississippi State at Auburn: Auburn was upstairs last week and they’re out to prove it was a fluke. Mississippi State is no patsy, however, although Auburn beat them 35-20 last week. It won’t be 2% this Saturday, but State will be on the short end. Auburn by 10.

Indiana at Northwestern: This game is a contest to see who is the worst major college football team. The sad part about it is that both teams are so evenly matched. A tie would be appropriate, but the Hooisers aren’t going to let that happen. Indiana by 7. Lawlor: By 10.


Louisiana State at Alabama: This game’s in Birmingham and Bear Bryant and everyone else in the state are itching to get another crack at the Irish in the Orange Bowl. The only way they could blow it would be to lose to LSU, and they won’t do that. Bama by 14. Lawlor: Alabama by 17.

Arizona State at Brigham Young: Frank Kush has a mediocre squad this year. It will be the first pick to see how badly they can fail. Paly to see if Arizona can get past a problem—they’ve won four in a row and beat Arizona. It should be close, but we’ll give ASU by 3.

Rice at Arkansas: A major upset here. Arkansas will lose any chance of winning the SWC by losing to the Rice Owls tomorrow. Rice by 1. Lawlor: Arkansas by 3.

Air Force at Army: Besides Northwestern-Indiana this is the greatest contest in the country today. The Thunderbirds have had some problems. They have lost their last three games. The Cadets are terrible. Army probably is worse, even at home. Air Force by 7. Lawlor: Air Force by 14.

Colorado at Arizona: Both the Jayhawks and the Buffaloes have lost three in a row. The game is a tossup. It also doesn’t matter much. Kansas by 6. Lawlor: Colorado by 10.


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