Mike Gassman, SBP, converses with Vince Moschella during the Student Body Congress meeting. Gassman spoke on the goals of student government before the assembly. (Photo by Chris Smith)

Gassman sketches future
Student Congress held

by Karen Sikorski
Staff Reporter

Coordination and cooperation are the objectives of the new Student Body Congress, according to Mike Gassman, Student Body president. Gassman addressed last night’s introductory meeting of the congress in the LaFortune amphitheater. Vince Moschella, executive coordinator of Student Government, presided over the meeting. The purpose of the assembly, Gassman said, is to bring together the various student government organizations in one group, “where all the factions can work together toward their goals.”

The SBP outlined several specific objectives of student government in the coming year:

- Continued work by the SLC on the Committee on Undergraduate Life (COUL) reports.
- Improved relations with the faculty through the student representative on academic and college councils.
- Establishment of a strong student lobby in the state legislature to work toward lowering the drinking age in Indiana. Gassman pointed out that this lobby will develop a relationship with legislators which could be used to influence voting on other issues affecting the University.
- Further attempts to change parole, tax, and alcohol policies. One plan, Gassman said, calls for bringing alcohol rules to the hall level rather than the University level.
- Improved cooperation between student government and the alumni and board of trustees.

A cabinet will be formed within the congress made up of representatives from student government groups, plus members with special duties such as a press secretary and a representative of the Om-budsman.

Past SBP Ed Byrne spoke about the progress of the Student Life Council and its potential for the coming year. The most important accomplishment by SBM members, Byrne noted, was increasing the effectiveness of the group itself. “We redefined the SLC and added to its legislative ability, which is, of course, tempered by Father Herschberg’s hand,” he said.

Byrne named several activities of the SLC, including the LaFortune remodeling and the student life survey. He said that the SLC was chosen to follow up the COUL reports because the original committee got a disappointing response from the trustees. “The COUL reports have been delimited,” claimed Byrne, a former COUL member. “They fell short of our expectations.”

The trustees told COUL members to take their recommendations to the administration, and it was decided to have the entire SLC deal with proposals in the reports.

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Freyer talks on Irish; focuses on literature

by Paul Hess
Staff Reporter

On saithetical from the land of the real Fighting Irish, Dr. Gururan Freyer delighted his Haggar Hall audience last night with his lecture, “Literature and Violence in 20th Century Ireland.”

Adding yet another American university to a list of more than fifty at which he has spoken, Freyer, sporting a silver-gray beard, offered a rare insight into the troubles that have beset his native land throughout the present century. His method of doing so was through studying a handful of Ireland’s most prolific twentieth-century writers because, as he put it, “most of them have been closely related to our history.”

Irish history, particularly in the last one hundred years, has been turbulent, as Freyer was quick to point out. “The endless struggle for independence has been a constant source of themes for Irish writers,” he said, “and such writings have had a great effect on the Irish people.” The people of Ireland have seemed to accept the works of such authors with a religious-like fervor, and this was one of the lecturer’s most interesting topics.

Starting with the poetry of William Butler Yeats, Freyer proceeded to demonstrate how violence and rebellion are as much an integral part of the heritage of Ireland as any other country on the face of the planet. “Our political life, like American political life,” he said, “had to point out, "has been an extremely volatile one."

Another Irish writer, the playwright Sean O’Casey, was also cited as an example of the close ties between violence and the writer. “He’s seen the suffering,” Freyer noted, “and his resultant intense compassion for the human condition is manifest in his writings.”

So profound was this compassion for those people whose lives were in some way or another marred by the never-ending strife that Freyer described O’Casey as “an Irish Dickens.” He concluded that “it’s almost too bad he was a playwright,” suggesting that the literary world was deprived of a great novel.

But what most pleased the crowd was Freyer’s account of what he termed the “black humor” of modern Irish literature. In the besieged world that so many Irish now find themselves trapped, one outlet for their frustration has been the appearance of “a rather sick sort of humor,” as the Irish speaker put it. Freyer gave examples of such humor to his unsuspecting listeners, who in turn chickled.

Although detached and witty at times, the noted lecturer’s face reddened and voice quivered as he read the following quote from O’Casey’s June and the Paycock: “No man can do enough for Ireland.”

Brian Inglis, well-known Irish historian and television commentator, will conclude the two-day series tonight with a lecture entitled “In the Shadow of the Gunmen: The American Irish and Northern Ireland,” at 8:00 p.m. in the Law Building, Room 101.

Griffin celebrates May Mass in Grotto

Fr. Robert Griffin, University chaplain, will be celebrating his annual May Mass in the Grotto this Sunday, May 2, at 5:00 p.m. Members of the Glee Club will be present to sing. In previous years Griffin has celebrated the Mass on May 1 but he has decided this year to shift it to Sunday the second this year. All members of the University community are invited.

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**Sex Morals Subjective**

**Peter Korth**

In a recent article published in *The Observer*, Charles E. Rice dealt with the issue of homosexuality, attempting to make a distinction between the objective and subjective orders. The “distinction between the objective and subjective orders” is a central theme in the article, as Rice examines the nature of homosexuality and its implications for society. He explores the idea that the subjective order is a ‘wrongness’ that arises from a misunderstanding of the objective order.

Rice states that the objective order is a higher, more fundamental reality that governs human behavior. He argues that the subjective order is a distortion of the objective order, and that it is important to distinguish between the two in order to understand the nature of homosexuality. He suggests that the subjective order is a ‘wrongness’ that arises from a misunderstanding of the objective order.

Rice also cites the work of Divine Saint Thomas, the pope, in his discussion of the nature of homosexuality. He notes that Saint Thomas argued that sexuality is a natural, normal part of human nature, and that it is important to recognize this in order to understand the nature of homosexuality. Rice argues that the subjective order is a ‘wrongness’ that arises from a misunderstanding of the objective order.

Overall, Rice’s article provides a thoughtful and nuanced examination of the nature of homosexuality, and offers a perspective that is both objective and subjective. He argues that the subjective order is a ‘wrongness’ that arises from a misunderstanding of the objective order, and that it is important to distinguish between the two in order to understand the nature of homosexuality.

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**Notes On A Pig Farmer**

**Don Brittnacher**

A friend of mine raises pigs up in northeastern Wisconsin. He has two long sheds divided into family stalls and a wide, fenced-in pigyard. He feeds his pigs twice a day, and they are watered automatically through a water pump mechanism. The sheds are cleaned twice monthly by hand, while the pigyard is automatically watered.

Prices are sometimes fickle, but my friend has learned to weather the ups and downs of his farm. He attends meetings regularly and values the advice of those who know about pigs. He likes his place and spreads happiness to his family and neighbors. He is content only when he has to.

Neighbors are fed of this pigman because his actions are honest and his intentions pure. He has a grandeur within and tug softly in the back of his mind, yet succumb to the hard realities of farm and family. He temters these visions with minor miracles—a new silo, the marriage of a daughter, his wife’s election to the school board. Prestation brings down his wrath; this farmer has no room for fat congressmen or baroque architecture.

My friend hates Indians and Blacks. He hates Indians because he has to give money to the Indian missions on Sunday, and the Indians on the reservation just to the north of his pigfarms are always present, and he knows he can’t do without. He hates Blacks because he’s never met one.

I have learned two lessons from this man: a) ‘sacred’ is a word to be used with caution, and b) the meaning plays games with the unknown, breaching strange and distorted connections from air and hearay. The truth is hidden from view, rendering possibly fruitful encounters sterile.

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**Defend Rome Future**

**Brother Don Fleischhacker, C.S.C.**

Defend Rome is a program to promote the study of the Catholic Church and to educate people about its teachings. The program is used in schools and universities, and it is also available to the general public. Defend Rome Future is the new edition of the program, and it contains new material and updated information.

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**Student Life survey results: we want co-ed housing**

by John O'Donnell  
Staff Reporter

Results from the Student Life Council's survey revealed a strong majority of students in favor of co-ed living.

According to Ed Van Tassel, chairman of the Co-Housing Committee, nearly 80 percent of the 200 people surveyed favored some kind of co-ed living arrangement. The males showed a more liberal preference in the co-ed breakdowns, with their primary preference being a room by room arrangement among co-eds. Females were more in favor of a floor-by-floor arrangement.

**Most favor co-ed living**

Overall, 79 percent of those surveyed would choose to live in a co-ed dorm. Nearly 25 percent of the freshmen males and 33 percent of the freshmen females refused co-ed living, while only 9 percent of the senior males and 15 percent of the senior females refused. In 1975, a similar survey revealed that 85 percent of the students supported co-ed dorms. The negative response was due to a misunderstanding of what co-ed living would be. Ed Van Tassel observed, "That of the 45 percent who were against it, 30 percent were for it, which shows that co-ed dorms would provide a more natural living situation.

Concerning the religious aspect, approximately one-third of the freshmen stated that co-ed dorms would be more acceptable with the Notre Dame Catholic ethic. However, 60 percent of the freshmen felt they would enjoy greater personal safety. In addition, 69 percent of the freshmen felt that damage would decrease and male-female relations be improved by co-ed living conditions.

Three-fourths of those surveyed admitted that parents would be opposed to co-ed living. Concerning other items, 65 percent felt that Notre Dame should have a wide variety of choices of rooms and how to live. Nearly 80 percent approved a twenty-four hour visiting schedule between sexes. In addition, 63 percent said they would like to have a roommate and live with individuals who respected others as equals of honor.

**Drinking results**

Nearly 64 percent of the students who were surveyed drank less than five cans of beer per week. The breakdown of the beer-drinking group was as follows: 29 percent never drink during the week, 35 percent drink between one and four cans per week, 15 percent drink 5-8 cans per week; 10 percent consume eight to twelve cans of beer and 5 percent drink from sixteen to twenty cans per week. "Another 5 percent," Van Tassel points out, "are fish. They do not drink in college. Of those who do drink, the majority drinks in small, mixed groups."

Where do you find these beer drinkers? The majority claim that they drink mainly in their own dorms. For this reason, co-eds occasionally find a friend in a dorm, while 40 percent drink in the library. Thirty-seven percent of the freshmen drink in their dorm rooms while 30 percent of the seniors never try drinking.

Concerning the religious aspect, 40 percent said that the church and Notre Dame. Nevertheless, 80 percent agree that the Notre Dame students place a high value on drinking.

**Social atmosphere**

The results indicate that many two of the freshmen are more satisfied with the social environment. Forty-three percent of the men agree that Notre Dame offers a beneficial environment. Furthermore, the freshmen are more favorable to the social environment than the upperclassmen.

The results from the SLV survey will be handed over to members of the Administration. Van Tassel mentions that the conclusions reached from this survey could change plans for future consideration of co-ed dormitories.

**Andrei Grechko**

**Soviet Defense Minister dead**

Moscow AP—Defense Minister Andrei A. Grechko, reputed to have first proposed and then opposed the idea of a Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968, died in Moscow yesterday, Tass reported.

In 1953, as commander of Soviet forces in East Germany, he was believed to have engineered the suppression of the revolt of East Germans.

The death of the 72-year-old marshal, apparently due to a heart attack, left vacancies in both the Soviet military and political establishment. No successors were immediately named.

Grechko was a member of the all-powerful Communist party politburo. Just four days ago, General G. Kulikov, 54, chief of the Soviet air force, died in Moscow.

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Bill to expand Dunes

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Democrats campaign

PHILADELPHIA—Rival Democrats Jimmy Carter, Henry M. Jackson and Morris K. Udall wooed Pennsylvania voters at subway stops, factory gates, the lunch table and the Liberty Bell yesterday, counter to political instability threatened by the results of Sunday's vote and all major parties rejected any coalition with the Communists.

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Academic Council votes to end graduate education department

The University has discontinued the Department of Graduate Studies in Education effective August 31, 1977.

The Academic Council's decision was made last night along with a decision to transfer the department's counseling psychology program to the Department of Psychology.

The merger of the counseling psychology program with the Department of Psychology has been under discussion since March 1974. The merger will locate all psychology programs in a single department. It will provide "for the retention and academic strengthening of a doctoral program in counseling psychology that has been approved by the American Psychological Association." Professor Robert E. Gordon, vice-president of the academic council, commented, "In many respects, the situation that led to the department's discontinuance was regrettable. However, the council's decision was in the best interests of the University."

Advocating the dismissal was Dr. Isabel Clark, dean of the College of Arts and Letters. "Any alternative to re-establish the Department of Graduate Studies in Education would be too costly for the academic council to advocate," Charles said.

She further cited that the theological department could be relied on to enhance and develop the Catholic character of the University as it was done in the education department.

The University said that students now completing M.A.'s and Ph.D.'s in the department will be able to finish their degree work. The faculty of the dismissed department will be absorbed into the Department of Psychology except for Professor James N. Lee who will be on terminal leave from the University for one year. Lee was not available for comment.

With the department's dismissal came the suspension of its publication, The Notre Dame Journal of Education.

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Rubberworkers vs. 'Big Four': checkmate

CLEVELAND (AP) — Negotiators resumed talks yesterday after a weekend recess in efforts to end a six-day strike by 60,000 rubber workers against the nation's big four tiremakers.

But union officials said no immediate settlement was in sight and the two sides were far apart on wage issues and a cost-of-living adjustment based on inflation.

Jake Miller, chief negotiator for Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., section of the United Rubber Workers, said the company would offer some revisions and new proposals on pensions, insurance and hospitalization.

But Miller added that "we're still a long way off." on the $1.65 an hour plus $3.55 in fringe benefits increase the URW has demanded in the first year of the contract and the $1.15 increase Firestone had offered over a three-year pact. The URW selected Firestone as the target for obtaining an industrywide settlement.

URW wages average $5.50 an hour plus $3.55 in fringe benefits for a total of $9.05. The URW has asked that the package be increased by 42 percent.

Talks resumed for the first time without the presence of Peter Bittman, international URW president, who was in Geneva, Switzerland, for a conference with the International Federation of Chemical and General Workers Union (IFC).

That organization was mapping worldwide strategy in support of the strike against Firestone, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., B.F. Goodrich Co. and Uniroyal Inc.

Under discussion at the two-day meeting was a two-pronged plan that includes an immediate end to overtime work and measures to prevent replenishment of U.S. stockpiles from abroad, said ICF Secretary General Charles Levinson.

Levinson said the international labor group also planned boycotts of the Big Four's products in some countries.

Levinson said Brazil, Mexico and Australia affiliates of the six million-member organization already committed themselves to whatever action might be decided formally at the meeting.

The affiliate in Brazil, he said, already has complained about a sudden increase in overtime in subsidiary plants of Firestone, Goodyear and Uniroyal, which he said was "obviously for the purpose of stockpiling."

In Tokyo, about 40,000 Japanese rubber workers planned to strike today for higher wages in a move a spokesman said was unrelated to the U.S. strike.

As the negotiations resumed, Firestone and Goodyear, in what was described as an unprecedented move to put economic pressure on the union, announced they had suspended Supplemental Unemployment Benefit payments to about 1,400 rubber workers who were laid off before the strike began at midnight on April 20.

"This is a pressure tactic, we aren't denying that," said Mort Leggett, a spokesman for Goodrich.

Meanwhile, automakers said they still have two to three weeks' supply of tires and other rubber components.

"If we do run out of certain rubber parts, it will won't shut us down," a Ford Motor Co. spokesman said. "We have the flexibility to juggle operations."

But a prolonged strike was expected to force the carmakers to curtail production at some point as a result of the industry's sales are booming and the economy in general is recovering from a recession year.

Goodyear announced yesterday its sales set a record in the first quarter and produced about twice the profits of the first three months of 1975. It said earnings totaled $43.7 million or 60 cents per share on sales of $1.45 billion, compared with 1975's first-quarter earnings of $22.1 million or 31 cents per share on sales of nearly $1.24 billion, the previous record.

The URW said earlier it expected strong first-quarter results and it felt the companies could afford the cost-of-living adjustment the union failed to win because of the federal wage-price controls in effect during the 1973 negotiations.

Goodrich, which announced its results the day before the strike began, reported the past first quarter earnings nearly tripled those of 1975.

While talks centered on Firestone, the No. 3 U.S. tire producer, negotiations continued with Goodrich in Columbus and Uniroyal in New York.

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Sociology Dept. hold awards banquet

by John Pandoll
Staff reporter

The first annual Sociology and Anthropology Banquet was held last night at Morrison’s Restaurant in Mishawaka.

Dr. Singer, president of the Sociology Club which sponsored the banquet, acted as master of ceremonies for the evening. The first guest speaker was Dr. Lee Despres, chairman of the Sociology-Anthropology department. Despres commented on the responsibilities for Sociology and Anthropology majors. His talk emphasized the necessity of a college education for the social sciences field. "Not only does a degree open the way for job market opportunities," he said, "but it also provides a strong basis for knowledge in the specific career one wishes to enter." He also stated that the opportunity market is becoming increasingly competitive.

Despres further commented on the lack of guidance afforded Sociology majors at the present time. He added that students should be taught to pursue opportunities which exist in the job market.

Following Despres’ speech, Dr. Isabel Charles, Dean of the College of Arts and Letters and Professor Donald Barrett, undergraduate director of the Sociology Department, presented Ed Singer and 10 other students with Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society certificates. They also named Katherine Blaz as the outstanding Sociology undergraduate student and Michael Laker as the outstanding Anthropology undergraduate student.

After the presentation of these awards, Singer made a special presentation to Barrett for his help and encouragement in the formation of the Sociology Club.

Student Congress holds first meeting

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At the end of Byrnes’ talk, which has been described as "tremendously instructive," he thanked student government representatives for getting involved. "If you can understand the system, you can change it," he said.

J.P. Russell, chairman of the HPC, said the panel when it releases a separate report on domestic intelligence operations, saying instead the United States is spending billions on covert action projects around the world since 1961; has been responsible for the creation of new executive positions, including university officials.

Some of the recommendations, such as creation of new executive branch committees to oversee intelligence operations and formally approve all sensitive activities, have already been put into effect as part of President Ford’s intelligence reorganization plan.

The committee also recommended passing laws barring CIA use of American journalists and clergymen and argued that no scholars be used for intelligence purposes without the knowledge of junior university officials.

The panel stopped short of recommending a ban on all covert operations, saying instead the United States needed to maintain such a capability for use in the event of grave threat to national security.

Ninety-seven additional recommendations are to be issued by the panel when it releases a separate report on domestic intelligence operations later this week.
Irving Bluestone, Vice President of the United Auto Workers International, will speak on "The Design of Humanistic Work" in room 122 of the Health Center at 7:00 p.m. on May 3. Call 232-7946 or 288-8490.

The address is open to the public.

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**NOTRE DAME BOOKSTORE**
Robert Cahill retires as ND's athletic business manager

by Paul Stevenson

Notre Dame Stadium did not exist when Martin Robert Cahill, retiring business manager of athletics, arrived in South Bend. That was 48 years ago when Cahill enrolled at Notre Dame as a pre-accounting major on the Bread tender.

Cahill came to Notre Dame in July of 1928, just having graduated from high school in Dixon, Illinois at the age of 16. He hoped to fill a summer job at the University before entering that fall, at the end of the summer term.

That summer job materialized into two full years working as a secretary to the registrar. "I was very lucky to have been on scholarship, being in school during the depression," Cahill reflected. "I still had to work part-time, but that was able to pay for school, and that was what was important. My parents could not afford to support me, so the money I received from my part-time employment I sent home to help them."

Cahill's track days ended at his stay at Notre Dame. "We had to change halls, because we were put into a different housing area," Cahill mentioned. "I enjoyed living in a different atmosphere, meeting new people all the time."

The familiarity Cahill gained in his Notre Dame days proved beneficial in his final semester of his senior year. His chance came in 1934 when Elmer Layden replaced Hank Anderson as head football coach. Cahill became Notre Dame's first athletic business manager at that time, a position that he held for 39 years. Then, in 1969, when Jones was offered the opportunity to resign as athletic manager, Cahill accepted the void that Jones had left open as his assistant.

Although Cahill decided to remain at Notre Dame, he did so for a brief stay in the service. Cahill served in the Navy as a 2nd lieutenant from November of 1942 to October of 1945, starting as a lieutenant junior grade and going on to become the only first lieutenant before being discharged.

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As business manager, Cahill is responsible for athletic activities with regards to accommodations, travel, etc.

Since 1969, Cahill has been serving as business manager and has been an asset to the development of the Notre Dame community. His name is synonymous with Notre Dame retirement. Cahill is also preparing for this fall's Notre Dame season. "I am retired, but I still have the same responsibilities as a retired man. I must still do all of the things I did in my duties that will have to be found."

Robert Cahill will be hard to replace, a man that has done a lot for Notre Dame. He is a past member of the College Athletic Business Managers Association, the President of the Association of the Year, the highest honor bestowed by the organization, in January, the same year he was also a past president of the Notre Dame Athletic Association. "I was able to get out of the Valley and was selected by this group as the President of the Year," he received the same honor in 1971 by the Notre Dame Rock and Rollers.

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by Tom Pavone

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