Stereo stolen

Sorinthes fall prey to another robbery

By LAURA LAMORRE

Stereo equipment valued at over $1000 was reported stolen from two rooms in Sorn Hall during the recent semester break, despite what hall officials termed "an excellent job by Security." The items were discovered missing when residents returned on Monday, Jan. 12. Dr. David Potterfield, rector of Sorn, appeared baffled by the incident. "Security noted doors locked on Sunday. Monday would then be open Wednesday," he said. In addition to Potterfield and an assistant rector/Fr. Edward Malloy, part of a high school basketball team, stayed in the hall over the vacation. According to Potterfield, seven team members, their coach, and a priest were allowed to use student rooms for several days, without the students' prior knowledge.

The priest was a good friend of mine," Potterfield remarked. "The students they wished had been contacted, but they probably wouldn't have cared if nothing had been missing." The rooms burglarized were among those occupied by team members.

Paul Korzenek, one of the theft victims, noted that record albums and a hat were left in his room. "I don't know whose they are," he said. "The door was locked when I came back Monday afternoon. They cut the cords and the plug from my turntable, but left the speakers and the reel to reel." Security is continuing its investigation.

Masked gunman rapes ND student

A female Notre Dame student was raped at gunpoint late Friday afternoon near the east perimeter of the Lake Kline baseball field in an incident that ND security personnel is related to a similar assault last Thursday.

According to the county sheriff's office, the student was walking home alone to her apartment when she was confronted by a black man wearing an orange ski mask, light blue bell-bottom trousers, a blue nylon jacket and carrying a green blanket. He dragged her into a nearby wooded area at pistolpoint and then raped her.

The victim was treated at Saint Joseph's Hospital and released a few hours later. ND security, working in conjunction with the county sheriff's office, theorizes that the rapist is the same person who was responsible for an incident Thursday in the same area when a lone female student was harassed at gunpoint while crossing country skiing.

A White House official said Sunday evening that the signatures awaited the final translation of the terms into three languages—English, French for the Algerian inter­mediaries, and Farsi, the language of Iran.

The Parsons report, dated early Mon­day Teheran time, stated yesterday, "The hostages are in a central bank of a third country have been so deposited the terms had been settled."

A maskcurn scepter was also asked whether now anyone was allowing the hostages to be released in the near future.

"Yes, of course," he reportedly replied. "On the basis of the agree­ment reached after the statement has been signed by both sides and the Algerian government it is decided to announce that hostages will be released in the near future."
News Briefs

Dolls, dope and porn are courses of study at various colleges and universities around the United States. A health sciences department is offering "Marijuana and Man," a course which examines the history of the drug and its sociological and psychological impact. The purpose of the course, according to instructor Linda C. McDonald of MacMurray College in St. Paul, Minn., is to provide students with the facts needed to make a "sound, intelligent judgment" about marijuana use. At MacAlister College in St. Paul, Minn., a number of female professors and administrators are objecting to a psychology class that will focus on pornography, because they believe that pornography is degrading to women. According to Jean King Torres, a department chair there, the course is being continued because her final thesis on the phenomenal success of the Barbie Doll and the changes the doll has undergone since her introduction in 1959. - College Healthline

Adult bookstores and movie theaters in Atlanta have agreed to close in return for dismissal of charges against their employees, and a prosecutor hailed the bargain as proof that "law enforcement will not stand on the sidelines" against pornography. "If you need a dirty book, you'll have to leave Atlanta to get it," said Glenn Zell, an attorney for the stores. Zell said owners of at least 15 adult bookstores agreed Friday to close their doors on condition that anti-pornography crusader Fulton County Solicitor General Hinson MacAlister drop all charges pending against the employees. Solicitor General Leonard Rhodes said that would leave one adult bookstore, three adult theaters and one prep-show still operating in Atlanta. "We're tired of fighting. We're getting out of here," one bookstore employer said. Zell blamed "inflation" for the bookstore closures. (AP)

The Observer, a student publication, has offered a $1000 prize to the writer of the best essay on the theme of the Romantic poets. The winners will be announced on Friday, Jan. 21. The theme is "What was the major theme of the Romantic poets?"

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Comps? What are comps?

"Quick! Someone tell me who was the mother of Oedipus? You know, the one he married?"
"Shakespeare made famous?"
"What was the major theme of the Romantic poets?"

These are just some of the questions senior English majors will be stumbling back and forth for the next two weeks until their comprehensive exams are over. This panic is not unique to English majors, for within the next few months, all the departments at Saint Mary's will be conducting comprehensive exams that seniors are required to pass or face the consequences (as yet unknown).

Comps is an almost dirty word on campus. We heard rumors about them during our freshmen year. When we declared our majors in sophomore year we asked them about us, but then, it was still too early to worry about. Last year we watched in horror as one senior friends crammed and cried until the exams were over. Then it was real and anyone who was unknown enough not to save their notes for every class during their four years, probably spent the summer copying over notebooks.

To make people at ND, (and probably the yet unformed freshmen at SMC) the comps are the unknown phenomenon. Comprehensive exams are an archaic, academic torture created to give seniors their final nervous breakdown during their academic lifecycle. Depending on what department, the comprehensive can take the form of a ten-page essay, a two-page paper or year-long project. As the weeks dwindle down to the final moment of presentation, panic sets in. The panic lasts until the exams, of course, is to pull together a year's worth of academic, deductive logic, and knowledge to try to make some sense of it all. Being a senior English major, I have wanted to sit down and pull out my blue books for weeks. When I think about it, it seems kind of silly. After all, I spent 3 years of my life reading the Bard and whining about his plays and my professor understanding only the most coherent and intelligent student would understand the plays. But this is true only for the people who are actually going to take the test. Those who have read Hamlet a dozen times, Oedipus Rex eight times, and much more, will probably just breeze through the comprehensive exams. There are four seniors at our school who are taking the comp and two seniors who are majoring in English. They all say that the exams are never as intimidating as they imagine they will be. (Senior friends, you are not alone.)

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Placement Bureau controversy

DAVID SARPIHE

The Notre Dame Placement Bureau has become a center of controversy among students and administrators due to recent changes in procedures.

Over Christmas break, the Bureau altered the time and place for the scheduling of interviews, causing an uproar among many seniors. Under the changes, scheduling begins on Tuesdays at noon in the LaFortune Student Center, instead of Monday mornings in the Administration Building.

Perceiving this new procedure as a tremendous inconvenience, students have reacted negatively. Some must miss their required classes on Tuesday mornings. In the past, waiting lines have begun to form several hours prior to the opening of the placement offices.

"This is absurd," remarked one outraged senior. "They didn't consult us once about our feelings."

The changes were necessitated by increased security precautions in the Administration Building. The hazard of fire in the old building and the administration's reluctance to keep the building unlocked over weekends were instrumental in the decision.

According to Placement Director Richard Willemin, the administration also took into consideration the needs of the seniors.

"We were really choosing between the lesser of two evils," he explained. "We felt that there were fewer classes to be missed on Tuesdays than on Mondays."

Willemin said the new hours would also alleviate the problems of early morning waiting lines which cost many seniors their sleep. "I think the new hours will cause much less inconvenience."

Willemin hesitated to say if the new arrangements would be permanent. A meeting of those affected was scheduled for this morning. He was optimistic that the discussion would relieve the tension caused by the changes.

"We're going to look at it carefully and do what's best for all involved," he noted. Willemin said that the current problems of manual scheduling will be alleviated next year, when the Placement Bureau employs a computer to do the job. "The machine will make waiting lines obsolete," he predicted.
Advancement Does Not Require An Advanced Degree

You can spend another two to three years in graduate school or you can turn four years of liberal arts education into a practical, challenging and rewarding career in just three months—as an Employee Benefit Specialist.

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Macer admires some of art's more recent products. (Photo by John Macer)

ND participation
College Bowl sponsors competitions

By ANN JANE DREGALLA
Staff Reporter

Junior Parents Weekend set

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On Christmas Eve, I listened patiently as you told me that God had breathed on your hearts, or maybe you have only been surcharged, to notice the beliefs that Catholics say. "It is embarrassing if you are sophisticated, to notice the beliefs that Catholics say." We laughed as we imagined ourselves saying rosaries and lightening holy candles, as grandmothers are required to do.

"You see, I am Christian after all." Words reflect faith; I said. "Actions reflect faith even more honestly than words do." I've been very honest in loving a woman," he said. "I want to be with her for the rest of my life. Am I being dishonest in the name of faith, expect me to bank my lustiness in a mystical fog?" I thought the Church has more in mind for you than that should you have a good thing going on for you," I said. "Of course, what the Church has in mind may not be your cup of tea."

"The Church undoubtedly has in mind that we should be married," he said. "As poetry," he said, "it's very nice. It's more than a metaphor." I said. "It's a pattern for Christian husbands, "..."Catholics, of course, believe more of God's love. Married love, the Church especially represents the way God loves the world as a Bridegroom. That is why sexual love among Christians is in some ways expressed between husband and wife."

"Give me hell for sleeping with a girl," he said, "though I don't know why you should want to. But don't do it in the name of faith, expect me to bank my lustiness in a mystical fog." "How silly, of course, I'm being mystical," I said. "What a fool you must think me for supposing that your sex life has anything to do with the birthday or death of the Son of God." I knew it wouldn't be my cup of tea. Like everybody else, he only wanted the comfort of Christmas, without making a commitment to the Cross or the Crib.

No playing booky in life

The Class could be frightening at first, with no syllabus, and with the Professor not really explaining what He expected of us. And unless we had already heard about the Class from someone else (which is doubtful), it's a wonder that we wouldn't run to the Divine Registrar and drop life after the first day.

But then again, being impressionable freshmen, we'd decide to stick it out. Life could be taken many ways. Most of us might take it pass/fail, although some would just as soon audit it. Even life would have it's holy roller grace throats, wrecking the salvation curve for the rest of us.

And some, of course, would want to handle Life on their own, as an independent entity. Not content to work at everyone else's pace, they would go off and study on their own. Albert Camus and Ayatollah Khomeini are obvious examples.

What if the great Professor would call on us and we would be abed with God. We could blow off Class on the day He took attendance! Or even worse, what if we walked into Class and discovered we'd forgotten to do the day's assignment? Life would also have additional expenses at mid-semester which we hadn't counted on. There would be plenty of time to drop life, but where can we tranquilize life? It doesn't have any classes.

Many of us are stuck in classes we aren't too wild about. Life, some are destined to be banished together and share the final like it's an eternal Emil. Others might sit back and watch Life flash by in an unnamable version of Art Trads, knowing Life is pass/fail and that they can work hard early and take it easy when the final comes.

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A third group of students would be in a perpetual Accounting class, analyzing, graphing, and evaluating anything they can debit and credit, looking at their final as one big CPA exam in the sky. Still other students prefer to talk their way through Life as a non-stop seminar Class, an all-encompassing core Course. They could fit their way out of every test, and probably end up as salesmen, sportswriters, or U.S. Presidents.

And there would be those caught up in a lifelong philosophy course. Although no better off than anyone else, these people would at least have a sense of security in that they can rationalize where they are (but in relation to what?)

When God graded our finals, we'd find out our faces. If we passed Life, we'd go to heaven (or Eternal Life 101. Borderline cases would be sent to purgatory, a kind of God's love especially represents the way God loves the world as a Bridegroom. That is why sexual love among Christians is in some ways expressed between husband and wife.

I wonder if God accepts extra credit...
**Peanuts**

*The next day, John was at the river again with two of his disciples. As he watched Jesus walk by, he said, Look, There is the Lamb of God!* The two disciples heard what he said, and followed Jesus. When Jesus turned around and noticed them following him, he asked them, *What are you looking for?* They said to him, *Rabbi, where do you stay?* Jesus answered, *Come and see.*

**The Daily Crossword**

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**ND Choir holds auditions**

The Notre Dame Chapel Choir will hold auditions to fill several spaces in the second-semester choir. Both male and female voices are needed. Interested persons should contact the choir director, Professor Sue Seid Martin at 277-5181.

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**Sports Briefs**

by The Observer and The Associated Press

The Water Polo Club will hold a mandatory meeting tomorrow at 7 p.m. in the small auditorium of LaFortune for anyone interested in playing water polo this spring. Elections for officers will also be held. Contact Pat McVitie at 850/50 or Mike Giococeni at 8603 for more information.

Bjorn Borg, the master craftsman from Sweden, threshed Czechoslovakia's Ivan Lendl 6-4, 6-2, 6-2, yesterday to win his second consecutive singles championship. Borg's victory in New York's Madison Square Garden avenged two straight losses to Lendl. It was the first trip for Lendl to the right man, round-robin tournament that climaxed the $2% million Volvo Grand Prix circuit. The 20-year-old Czech was the top junior player in the world in 1978 and has risen quickly to the top of the professional ranks. The victory was worth $100,000 and a new Volvo for Borg. Lendl received $64,000.—AP

The Rugby Club will hold a meeting on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Lafayette Room. New members are welcome.

The Notre Dame and St. Mary's Holy Cross seniors all relished success this weekend, posting three team victories apiece.

The Irish men rolled past Tri-State (22-5), Purdue (22-5) and Wisconsin Parkside (26-1). Marcus De Jong, Jim Thompson, Tom Lansford, Dave Anthony, Jimmy Capito and Joe Gammaro all went 5-0 in the dual competition. In the epee, Rich Daly went 5-0 in his dual, while Mike Dalmendy went 3-0. Greg Arm, Tom Lansford and Sal Musso went 2-0 in the saber. The Notre Dame women beat the same three opponents by 14-2, 5-4 and 9-0, respectively. Marcella Lansford (Tom's sister) went 8-0 with the foil. St. Mary's turned back the same trio by 14-2, 5-4 and 9-0 counts. Twila Kuchel led the Bellies' going 7-0 in the foil. These were the first matches of the season for all three teams.

The women's team, which is composed of all of the teams in the country, perfect in their competitions is encouraged to attend. Be prepared to see some outstanding fencing. For more information contact Cindy McNally at 8512 or Rosanne Bellov at 8696.

DePaul forward Mark Aguirre shattered the Blue Demons all-time scoring record of 1,696 points with a 25-point performance yesterday to lead the fourth-ranked Blue Demons, now 15-1, to a 90.57 victory over Wagner. Aguirre, a 6-foot-7 junior, surpassed the mark of former DePaul center Dave Corzine, who amassed 1,696 points from 1974-78. Aguirre, who now has 1,602 points in less than three years, set the mark when he converted a slam dunk with 11:11 remaining.

Practice for Bengal Bouts will be held at 4 p.m. in the boxing room. The Bengal Bouts are scheduled for March 1 and 4.

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Eagles

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Women drop two

By DONNA WITZLEBEN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's women's basketball team managed to keep the tears at bay for two weeks all winter, but on Monday night they finally gave in. The Irish had been falling to the Buckeyes for the last 10 months. The world of professional basketball seemed to be watching over their shoulder. That would bring the title game to Philadelphia instead of making their "Toggles" go to Atlanta. On Thanksgiving, the Irish met two tough teams in the Big Ten. Despite the pleas of coach Dick Vermeil, the coaches refused to name Notre Dame as one of the top teams in the country. The Irish had a 1-0 inter-conference record and a 10-7 overall record.

For Eagle vets

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