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## Hesburgh elected to ABA study; will investigate govt. and dissent

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, has been elected to a 15-member American Bar Association (ABA) Commission on Campus Government and Student Dissent.

ABA President Bernard G. Segal said the commission will draft legal standards and procedural guidelines to help "close the communication gap that has been a factor in campus disorders."

Segal said the commission would recommend the legal standards and guidelines to deal with dissent and to facilitate student participation in campus activities without disrupting the educational process.

## At area schools

# Five blacks are re-admitted

Seven black students were dismissed from Notre Dame for academic reasons after the second semester of last year, and then five were readmitted to area schools after summer meetings between leaders of the Afro-American Society and University officials.

The result of the confrontation may have large import for future relations with the black students.

Arl McFarland, president of the Afro-American Society, referring to the incident as "mass academic," revealed some of the background of the incident yesterday.

"When we started investigating the reasons for the dismissals (in the early summer)," McFarland related, "we found a certain pattern. Most of the freshmen had had trouble with math, science, or philosophy, which is a subject that presents special problems to the black students. There had been little

or no tutoring for many of those guys. Two of the three sophomores that were dismissed had had trouble in their freshman year, and there was no follow-up by anybody. In general the freshman year counseling office was incompetent to handle the special problems that a black freshman faces."

### McFarland returns

McFarland stated he had returned to South Bend around June 14 to assist with the Upward Bound Program. It was then that he found out about the dismissals.

He then went to see Dean William Burke of the Freshmen Year of Studies, Father John Walsh, Vice-President for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Thomas Stewart, an assistant to Father Hesburgh. Stewart, according to McFarland, knew most about the dismissals.

All of the dismissed people were then contacted and asked if they would like to return to Notre Dame. All of them but

one replied that they would. The one who replied in the negative had already arranged to attend school in California.

### Five readmitted

Through the Afro-American Society's efforts five of the seven were then readmitted to area schools. Two of them are attending classes at Holy Cross Junior College while living at Notre Dame. Two of the blacks are still at Notre Dame under an agreement that their work must improve to a certain level. They will be given special counseling and tutoring if necessary. The final dismissed black, presently a junior, is attending classes at the South Bend Campus of Indiana University, formerly known as the South Bend Extension.

Dr. Stewart, Special Assistant to the President for Planning and Analysis, pointed out some of the special problems that face a black student who enrolls in Notre Dame, which is 98% white and 97% Catholic. Only about half of the black students here are of Catholic background.

### "elastic attitude"

"The problem is that we have an elastic attitude in the admissions office, where we admit what we call 'high risk' black freshmen who then run into an inelastic curriculum." There has been no ameliorating factor to cope with the stiff curriculum intended for the white, middle class Catholic," Stewart said.

"We hope to change some things," he continued, "so that these 'high risk' students will go through a 'curve of development' so that, through a less intensive atmosphere they can gradually fit into the mainstream of academics. For example, for some black students, either math or science could be postponed until the sophomore year. Some of these guys haven't had trigonometry and then we throw calculus at them."

### Black counselor

The recent addition of Mr. George C. Seabrooks to the Freshman Counseling Office is expected to improve the counseling service available to the 29 black freshmen. Mr. Seabrooks is a black psychologist with ten years of experience in counseling blacks in the Philadelphia and Washington ghettos.

McFarland had no qualms about expressing his feelings on the issue. "They told some of these guys to think things over for a year," he said. "Well, hell, you can't sit around thinking for a year with Uncle Sam breathing down your neck, unless you want to do your thinking in Saigon. This large number of dismissals is significant when you consider that there were only 66 blacks at Notre Dame at the beginning of last year. Three freshmen were dismissed for academic reasons at the end of the first semester, and one freshman transferred schools in October. When you consider that there were only about 80 dismissals for academic reasons at the end of last year, the fact that seven blacks were going to be dismissed is especially significant."

## O-C directive causes objection by students

by John Shreves

Father Edgar Whalen, C.S.C., Director of Campus Housing, is encountering opposition to a directive concerning off campus living from Bernie Ryan, Off Campus Housing Commissioner.

The directive was sent out last spring stating that if a student desired to live off campus in the fall he should make the fact known to the administration by May 10. It also noted that if a student decided during the summer that he wanted to move off, he would have to find someone to move on campus in his place.

This fall approximately 25 students did decide to move off campus. Some did find replacements but there are currently about 15 now on campus searching for someone to move on in their place.

Father Whalen cited some figures which explained why the administration is taking the position it is. There are 35 empty beds in campus residence halls. Figuring five hundred dollars for each empty bed, he estimated the University's loss at 17,500 dollars. He stated that the University is trying to get off campus residents to move on campus at this time.

Father defended the administration's stand on off campus housing by presenting the fact that a University, as well as any business, has to be run realistically. It must realize that money is scarce, he said. He stated he hoped that students understood this. If the University were to give every student who didn't fulfill the replacement requirement permission to move off campus this fall, it wouldn't be operating in an efficient or realistic manner.

Bernie Ryan commented, "My objection is primarily that the administration has put the perpetuation of the institution

ahead of the individual's development. If a university does this in my way of thinking, it fails to meet its obligation as well as its purpose in society. At some time they have to put people ahead of dollars and cents."

Ryan suggested two ways to alleviate this situation.

He said there are now 129 transfer students, most of whom are forced to live off campus. A transfer student, in Ryan's opinion, is basically like a freshman in that he knows little or nothing about the University's geography or functions.

"Why then couldn't these students, who wish to move on campus, do so in place of the students who wish to move off?" he asked.

The second plan would set up a ten to twenty thousand dollar contingency fund to be put aside from the regular budget. This way the University would lose no money if some students wanted to live off campus, and



Fr. Edgar Whalen

there would be no problem concerning their moving.

As Ryan explained, "Why didn't the administration anticipate that there would be a certain number of students who would decide to move off campus come fall semester and budget accordingly?"

## Faculty senate meets

by Dave Fromm

Recommendations for curriculum change and an explanation of the new University Forum were presented to the Faculty Senate last night at its first monthly meeting in the Center for Continuing Education.

Associate Professor of Biology Joseph A. Tihen, Senate chairman mentioned afterwards that the senate's purpose is "to attempt to determine and express faculty opinion on various issues affecting the University and the faculty and making this opinion known to the proper authorities or bodies."

Rev. John E. Walsh, CSC, Vice President for Academic Affairs, commented on a report drawn up by the University Curriculum Committee which is composed of student, faculty, and administration members.

The report calls for the adoption of a new semester calendar to end before Christmas. It asks that all classes meet only twice a week for seventy-five minutes and that Saturday classes be omitted.

"The committee feels that one can accomplish more in two meetings than in three," Walsh said.

"For one thing, role will only have to be taken two-thirds as many times," he commented facetiously.

Walsh said that the genius of Leo M. Corbaci, University Registrar, has already come up with a workable plan for class re-scheduling.

Also recommended is that

only six hours each of theology and philosophy be required of undergraduates. The present requirement is twelve hours of each. Walsh said that the cut in hours by no means indicates a de-emphasis of theology and philosophy.

"On the contrary, we intend to make these fewer hours among the finest and most exciting the students take," he commented.

These recommendations along with others will be submitted for approval to the Academic Council at its fall meeting in October or November. If approved, they will go into effect in September, 1970.

The University Curriculum Committee will then continue to function even after its report is submitted.

"Curriculum review should be an ongoing process," Walsh said. "We must make an ever-increasing effort for diversity, flexibility, and innovation in program."

Following Walsh's address, Philip J. Faccenda, Special Assistant to the President, discussed the newly initiated University Forum with the senate. The forum was proposed by the Board of Trustees at its May 2, 1969 meeting. It was then made known to students, faculty, administration and alumni in a May letter from University President Theodore M. Hesburgh, CSC.

"An important aspect of the forum is that alumni will be included in it," Faccenda said. "After all, we are known to have

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# The World Today

## Scott is elected

WASHINGTON (UPI) -Senate Republicans shattered decades of conservative domination yesterday by picking Eastern liberal Hugh Scott as their new leader.

The Pennsylvanian defeated Sen. Howard H. Baker Jr., of Tennessee, the conservative backed candidate, 24 to 19 in a secret ballot vote to select a successor to Sen. Everett M. Dirksen as Senate GOP leader.

His Senate colleagues elevated the 68 year old Scott from the post of assistant Republican leader, or whip.

Immediately after the vote, President Nixon telephoned his congratulations to Scott and the new GOP leader assured him the tight, two way race had evoked no bitterness among Senate Republicans.

"No, not at all," Scott told Nixon from the crowded conference room with reporters listening in. "It was all at a high level and good spirits indeed."

Scott got support from liberals, some moderates, conservatives edgy about the 43 year old Baker's lack of experience and youth and senators wanting to succeed Scott as whip.

## Kopechne's petition

WILKES BARRE, Pa. (UPI) The parents of Mary Jo Kopechne filed a seven point petition yesterday in a second attempt to bar an autopsy on the body of their daughter, who was found drowned in Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's submerged car.

Judge Bernard C. Brominski of Luzerne County Court set arguments on the petition for next Monday, prior to hearing one already scheduled on an amended autopsy petition filed by Massachusetts Dist. Atty. Edmund

Dinis.

Dinis' request for an autopsy on the 28 year old blonde secretary was filed with Brominski last Thursday. It differed from one filed five weeks earlier by alleging blood was found on the clothing and in the mouth and nose of Miss Kopechne after her body was removed from the submerged Kennedy car last July 18.

The Kopechne motion, filed by attorney Joseph Flanagan, pleaded for a dismissal of continuance of Dinis' amended petition and requested a bill of particulars, including copies of blood tests and the names of all witnesses.

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## Law students are taking clients

Actual clients are taking the place of books for many University of Notre Dame law students.

As the nation's oldest Catholic Law School celebrates its centennial, its curriculum has been redesigned to put students into a real lawyer's environment, according to Dean William B.

Lawless.

Under a rule passed in July by the Indiana Supreme Court, Indiana law students can now try cases in court under the supervision of a practicing attorney, and many Notre Dame law students are now finding clients in legal aid, public defender and county prosecutor offices.

In addition, Notre Dame law students try both trial and appellate court cases in South Bend courtrooms before realistic panels of judges and juries. Also, courses in areas such as domestic relations, estate planning, corporate law, labor law, and administrative agency practice are conducted on a clinical basis in which students prepare and see through cases exactly as an attorney would.

The Notre Dame Law School's new curriculum is tied to experimentation within the school and to a wide range of elective courses from the University's graduate school offerings. Within the Law School, courses in the areas of international law, anti-trust law, securities regulation, corporate planning, and ad-

vanced tax planning are new, and students are encouraged to explore such areas as psychology, medicine, and modern social problems with Law School credit given for as many as three graduate school courses.

## Faculty meets

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the most active alumni in the U.S."

Also to be represented in the body will be students, administration, faculty and trustees.

"The forum guarantees that all segments of the University will be present to have a voice on the issues raised," Faccenda said. Each segment will be allowed three members to be elected plus one ex-officio member.

Faccenda asked the senate to see that the three faculty members are elected in time for an October 2 meeting. This first meeting will be an organizational one.

The first regular session will be open to the public. Meetings will be approximately every other month.

## Pan - Am Club meets; continue long tradition

One of Notre Dame's lesser known traditions will begin its 61st year Thursday evening in the Student Center.

Little do non-Latin Americans know of the PanAmerican Club, which, having been in continuous existence since at least 1908, is probably among the oldest organizations on campus. In 1908 the grandfathers of today's members formed the "La Raza" club, which soon became ND's forte in soccer and fencing teams. Between games and meets the old timers did their best to liven long Indiana winters with various social activities. But with a membership hailing from widely scattered sectors of an

area twice as large as the U.S. (Alaska included), the club could hardly remain a simple geographis club.

To fulfill its extracurricular function of forming Latin America's elite of the future, the PanAmerican club will this year be concentrating on the idea of hemispheric solidarity. Exhibitions and lectures on the emerging Latin America are being planned. The club will continue to publish its Spanish Literary Magazine "Piranha," organize masses in Spanish, hopefully sponsor a campus radio show featuring soft Latin sounds, and attempt to integrate some activities with CILA.

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There will be a meeting of all those interested in being an Observer photographer this Friday, 6:30, in the Observer office. If you are interested, please be there.

If you can't be at the meeting, contact Phil Bosco at 8661.

# Commissioners approved at SMC

by Jeanne Sweeney

Junior Karen Schultz and sophomore Julie Dwyer were approved by the Student Assembly this week as commissioners to sit on a subordinate board which meets with the Board of Trustees.

The approval took place at the weekly assembly meeting at which the senators also approved five other officers.

Karen Schultz, who is the president of the junior class, will represent the students on the Student Policy Committee of the Board of Trustees and Julie Dwyer will represent the students on the Student Development Committee of the Board of Trustees.

The Board will meet with the students twice officially during the year, but Miss Dwyer hopes

they will be able to meet the board informally at other times "for a freer exchange of ideas."

On the Academic Affairs Council, which is an advisory council to the President, Mary-Niemeyer will represent the student body. This council is involved with any major changes which might take place in academic policy.

Miss Niemeyer was Chairman of the *ad hoc* committee of faculty and students last year which decided to place students on faculty and administration committees of the college.

Eileen Donoghue, a senior, was approved as a member of another academic committee, the Academic Standing Committee.

This Committee is concerned with academic probation, study

days, exam schedules, and possibly pass-fail courses.

On the Community Relations Board, which is largely involved with resolving disputes between students and faculty, or students and administration, is senior Mary Osmanski.

Miss Osmanski, who was sophomore class president and chairman of the Speakers Bureau of the Student Development Committee last year, said that "our aim as a community relations board will be to bring our community together as a better operating and co-operating body in all areas of college life."

Other appointments that were approved were Public Relations Commissioner, Diane Snellgrove, an off-campus junior, and a Student Assembly Secretary, Amy Phimister, who is a junior.

## Notre Dame co-operates in research

Notre Dame is one of 48 universities which have formed a consortium to foster cooperation among universities, other research organizations, and the U.S. government for the advancement of space research.

Purdue and Indiana Universities are also members of the consortium. Notre Dame is the only Catholic university involved.

Called the Universities Space Research Association (USRA), the consortium expects to acquire, plan, construct, and operate laboratories and other facilities for research, development, and education associated with space science and technology. USRA has submitted a proposal to NASA for the management of the Lunar Science Institute in Houston, now under the direction of the National Academy of

Sciences. The existing contract between NASA and the Academy is scheduled to expire this fall.

The Lunar Science Institute is designed, to provide, among other things, conference and study facilities for university scientists visiting Houston to

### Purdue lottery results today

Bob Pehl, Student Union Services Commissioner, has announced that the results of the ticket lottery for the Purdue game will be posted in the Huddle this morning by ID numbers only.

Winners may pick up their tickets today between 1 PM and 4:30 PM in the SUSC office, Room 4-E in the LaFortune Student Center. Winning ID's must be presented by those

work on lunar materials brought back by Apollo astronauts and on other aspects of lunar science. The scientific facilities of the Manned Spacecraft center, including the Lunar Receiving Laboratory, will be available on a cooperative basis for Institute scientists to use for their research.

claiming tickets.

A limited number of bus seats for the Purdue trip will be available for those with game tickets only. Round trip price will be \$7.50.

It was also announced that all of the losers' checks have been voided and destroyed. Pehl explained that the number of losers' checks made sorting and return impossible.

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## Union tickets

The move by Student Union Director Dennis Clark and Associate Director Tito Trevino to release fifty additional tickets for the Purdue lottery which were being held on reserve for Student Union personnel is a bold first step in eradicating basic inequities in Union policy.

In past years the Union's policy in the Social Commission has been prone to financial abuse and misuse of funds both by unscrupulous Union members or by Union members who were just not qualified to handle the amount of funds that go through the Union.

Clark and Trevino have promised to run a tight ship this year. All indications currently point to the fact that they have surrounded themselves with individuals who profess that same philosophy.

The fifty tickets had been set aside for reserve sale to Union members. Rather than have to go through the lottery like the rest of the students, Union members could be assured of a ticket if they wanted to purchase one.

Clark and Trevino felt that such a system was unfair to the rest of the Student Body. We agree with them.

The rationale for the practice of reserving tickets stemmed from the fact that Union personnel are not reimbursed for their work. Preferential ticket sales was one means of compensating them for all the work that they put in.

There is no doubt that Union members should receive some type of compensation for their efforts. However, little or no effort goes into selling tickets for away football games except for the few people who assist in the lottery.

A lot of work, however, goes into the preparation and the scheduling of concerts and other social activities. It has been the Union's practice in the past to give complimentary tickets to certain Union members who had done a lot of work on a concert.

As we understand the practice, the complimentary tickets for the concerts cost the Union nothing because they are supplied free of charge to the Union by the performers.

There was some disappointment in the Union by people who felt that the release of the football tickets hurt the morale of the Union by taking away all compensation for Union work.

We do not feel that is the case. The practice of complimentary tickets for concerts and other social activities if handled fairly can prove just compensation for Union members. Distributing tickets which are given to the Union free of charge for concerts is justifiable. They are the Union's and should be used as the Union sees fit.

But the tickets to away games are sold to the Union by the football ticket office to be sold to students. All students should have equal access to them.

## The shuttle bus

A number of changes have been made in shuttle bus service this year but by no means can they all be labelled beneficial.

The most blatant error in the new bus policy is the charge of ten cents for riders on the bus after 6 p.m. The decision to exact a fare resulted from the fact that costs increased this year with the addition of a second bus.

Tim Collins, Student Union Manager of Transportation has stated that the University was responsible for the decision to rent the buses and also for the decision to charge a fare. The reasoning for the fare, Collins maintains, is that the Administration feels that it does not have to "subsidize the social lives of students."

It must be logical to assume then, that the administration feels that anyone travelling from one campus to another after six o'clock is doing so mainly for social reasons. Such reasoning holds little weight.

In any University which is worth its label as an academic institution, activity during the week centers around its library. Since the Memorial Library was built St. Mary's girls have been traveling to the ND campus regularly to make use of its facilities. They are now justifiably perturbed by the fact that it costs twenty cents a night to do so.

The ten cent fare should be eliminated

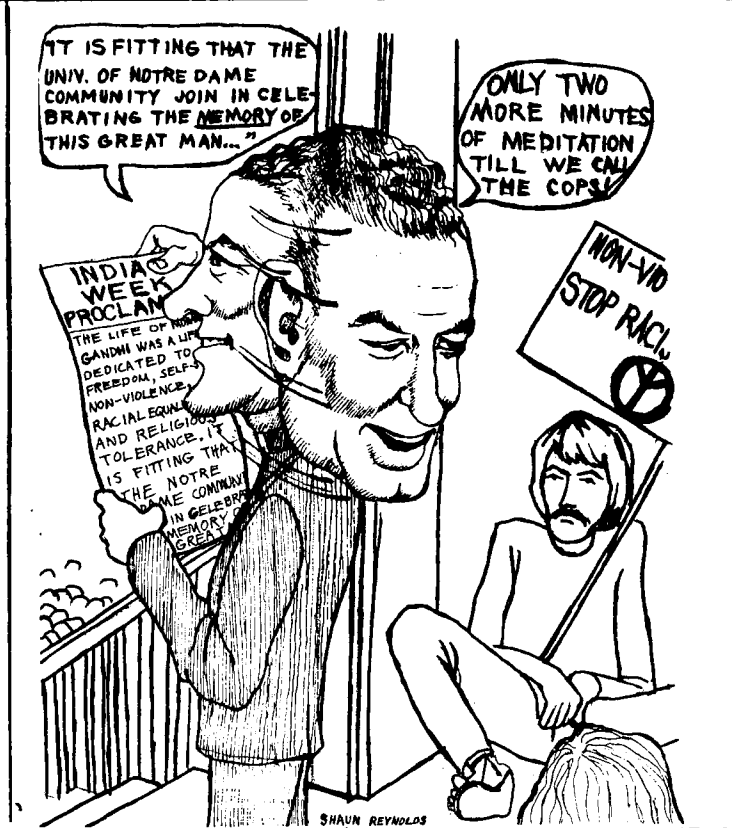
immediately. We support student groups both at St. Mary's and at Notre Dame which are lobbying to see it removed.

The increased service, provided by the addition of another bus was long overdue. But a closer examination reveals that not much foresight was used in planning when the second bus would run. Currently it supplements the first bus only during the day so that there is a bus running between the two campuses every fifteen minutes.

But if the second bus continues to run only during the day service will continue to be plagued by the same problems that it experienced last year. Namely, overcrowding on nights when there is a lecture on one of the campuses and overcrowding on weekends.

Changes should be made to assure service during those peak periods. Perhaps the rental of another bus for only a few nights a week would bring an additional financial burden not commensurate with the service it would provide.

Perhaps there is another solution though. As far as can be determined the bus that was used last year is sitting idle in the maintenance yard at the North end of the ND campus. The bus could be easily put back into service on weekends and on nights when other significant events are going. The additional cost of simply hiring a driver to operate that bus would be small compared to that of renting a bus for those times.



## Tim O'Meilia Lighted walkway

Monday's episode in the continuing, though somewhat boring story of the students' never-ending battle for truth, justice and the American(?) way in the Student Life Council resulted in a clearcut victory for the Good Guys (meaning us, or we, the student-niggers).

Before a huddle of *Scholastic* editors (and there are almost as many of them as there are senators in the Student Senate, and they are almost as effective as that august body), a couple of long-hairs, photographers, *Observer* reporters and a contingent of professors from the English department, the SLC wilted before the devastating onslaught of a splendidly prepared argument on behalf of the *Juggler* by the student members.

In addition, Father Burtchael presented evidence that the several technical reviews sponsored by the University lost considerably more money than the \$102 deficit incurred by the *Juggler*. Others effectively refuted contentions by Father Hesburgh in a September 5 letter that the magazine "seemed to degenerate into a cozy activity of a very few writers and readers" (500 copies of the latest edition were sold and 200 given away to faculty and others) and that it seemed to depend more and more upon four-letter words.

It mattered little that most members of the SLC were probably already favorably disposed toward continuing the *Juggler*. The forces of evil were vanquished by a 17-1 count of the 23 members present, the only whimper of resistance coming from Father Richle.

The Dean of Students argued that a lighted walkway between St. Mary's and Notre Dame should be higher on the priority list for University funds than the *Juggler*. In reply, it has been said that those who frequent that walkway deserve exactly what they receive in the dark.

Father McCarragher noted that the funds for the magazine had only been suspended temporarily although Father Hesburgh's letter gives a different impression. "First of all, I would like to say that the discontinuation of the *Juggler* did not originate with me." At any rate, the magazine's editor, Michael Patrick O'Connor, has not conferred with McCarragher concerning the magazine's future since returning to campus.

The problem could probably have been solved between O'Connor and McCarragher without Council intervention but the SLC's endorsement of the magazine makes it a virtual certainty that the magazine will continue to be published.

Truth will out (if it has more and bigger guns).

The liberal collegian's new magazine, *Esquire*, critically reviewed the Dow-CIA sit-in of last November in its September edition as it noted campus incidents across the nation last year.

As a result of the demonstration *Esquire* says, "Father Hesburgh announces that in future students doing anything he doesn't like will get fifteen minutes to meditate, followed by five minutes to back off or be suspended."

Under the head "Changes," this follows: "Father Hesburgh is named head of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and gets nice letter from President Nixon. One point for Establishment." And finally: "Three hundred American newspapers praise Hesburgh in editorials. Two points for Establishment."

We aren't going to let him shut us out, are we?

Playboy's September edition selected 25 universities across the country for its annual "Campus Action Chart" rating. Guess what school was 25th?

Under "Administration" reads, "Restrictive; no visiting." Campus males are "hale and horny" and there is "a chapel in every dorm." Lastly: "Girls descend for the football games, but after the snows fall, it's every man by himself."

That in a family magazine.

Playboy didn't mention St. Mary's at all in speaking of Notre Dame. I wonder why?

Reading for this month: Two articles (short) in the September *Esquire*: "Listen to the black graduate, you might learn something" and "Listen to the white graduate, you might learn something." Issues should be mailed to all administrators and personally handed to all members of the Academic Council.

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# The Beatles: traveling Abbey Road

by Pat Clinton

The Beatles have a new record.

The album, *Abbey Road*, came to me, by way of WSND, in a plain white envelope, no jacket, no explanation, just a new Beatle album, one disc, eighteen cuts.

It is undoubtedly a comment on our times that I found it nerve wracking to listen to an album with no jacket, hence no pictures and no liner notes. It's very hard to pick up the mood the first time through.

This is really a difficult record all the way through. It proves almost conclusively that the Beatles are geniuses at the craft of rock music and that George Martin's production work is among the most masterful around. The album is interesting, ingenious, clever as all hell, magnificently performed and superbly put together. Unfortunately it has a difficult time getting off the ground.

Much of the trouble comes from the same quality that makes it good: the Beatles are a superb rock group, even if the individual members are often surpassed in personal virtuosity. *Abbey Road* is almost encyclopedic in its use of sound. Everything is there, practically every instrumental and harmonic riff in the medium of rock. The sounds merge and pop out of everywhere. Baroque, electronic, country and western, straight rock, everything comes together, sometimes in striking ways. The attention to sound is overwhelming. Listen especially to the guitar in "You never give me your money," and the way it sounds like chimes; or to the instrumental part of "Because," that seems to hover between harpsichord, electronics, guitar, organ or whatever.

The difficulty is that sometimes all that perfection gets in the way of the song, drains the life out of it. Also, on some of the tracks the music is self-conscious, self-parodying. Parody is pleasant, of course, but eventually you want a bit more substance.



The album starts out with "Come together" a post-McLuhanish voodoo chant with severe chord change problems. The drums in the intro are a joy; the words, about some cat with "feet down below his knees . . . got to be good looking 'cause he's so hard to see" move nicely. But . . .

Harrison's "Something" is one of the best tracks. The structure is fashionably chopped up, but it still hangs together with good vocal stuff working over some movie soundtrack strings. The lead work is dissonant but it grows on you.

"Maxwell's Silver Hammer" is a litting little music

hall murder ditty with all kinds of blood and fun instrumental stuff. It's one of the most enjoyable songs the Beatles have ever done.

"Darling" is straight rock stuff with heavy echo, back up vocals and enough self-consciousness to nearly kill all the excitement. Everything, the vocal, the lead guitar, the back-up, even the way the echo lingers, is too perfectly controlled. I don't mind people doing fifties-rock as a joke, but this song couldn't pull off either the joke or a straight song.



"Octopus's garden" is Ringo's song. It is pleasantly inane. It is regrettable that it has to cope with other pleasantly inane songs on the album.

Side one (which is what all those things you just read about are on) ends with "I want you (She's so heavy)". The song sounds like it should have been recorded in a bar with people clinking their glasses and singing along. The words are inane, but the song clicks. The vocal is Mose Allison-ish, the guitar is relaxed and swinging, and the two work together very nicely. The whole thing slides into a ponderous decelerating fadeout which is very effective but which ends abruptly. The Beatles are still playing jokes even when you think they've gotten down to some good hard unselfconscious music.

Side two does not display quite as much dexterity as side one, but the music is better. The construction of the side is unusual: there are two songs, then it runs together into a loose medley through the end.

Harrison's "Here comes the sun" is probably the best or second best cut on the disc. It is a very un-Beatly song, but like "something" on side one, it transcends its own structural pitfalls and generates a lot of good feeling. Also like "Something" it makes use of the technique of leaving the last line short and filling out with an instrumental run. It works fine twice on this album, but it could get dull if he makes a habit of it.

"Because" reeks. It's a sappy polyphonic nightmare with a portative organ. It is unfortunate the cut was included, because it draws attention to the virtuosity the Beatles are wasting making trash palatable. Not even four-part harmony can redeem the simple-minded tune or words like:

Oh  
Because the world is round  
it turns me on  
Because the world is round  
Oh  
Because the wind is high  
It blows my mind  
Because the wind is high

The same thing is true of "Sinking" later in the side, only here they go a step further and do a verse in Italian. On this one, the instrumental is fairly inappropriate too, and they even manage to work in a verse or two in Italian (which should greatly endear them to the people who hang around supermarkets to listen to the muzak).

"You never give me your money" is five or six decent songs. It starts out well, and then jumps to various other lines which neither create a unity nor especially advance structurally or emotionally anything in any of the other parts.

The short blocks of songs which take up most of the second side are strange to listen to. Usually medleys are of songs. These medleys are the songs. Thus, nothing is totally developed, not even things that deserve it, but the unit of song fragments moves better than almost anything else on the record.

"Mean Mr. Mustard," "Polythene Pam," and "She came in Through the Bathroom Window" are one block. "Mustard" uses "Obla-di" piano and drum work and probably wouldn't stand alone. "Polythene Pam" is a parody of heavy acoustical guitar work and leaves you to sit back while visions of Paul Revere and the



Raiders two step through your head (yeah yeah yeah). Neither of the two is particularly great, but by the time the whole mess swings around to "Bathroom Window" it takes off and flies.

"Golden Slumbers," "You're gonna carry that weight" keeps the life going. "Golden Slumbers" is a lullaby with a few structural problems that mean the vocal switches in tone and technique back and forth from the classical Beatle to the Feliciano chicken soul to the Tom Jones doing Ray Charles blues screaming. It's nice, as a song, but it's as a springboard for "Carry that Weight" that it's best. "Carry" is crude with that "Yellow Submarine" vocal style and life bursting out at the seams.

The record ends a success. "Carry" slips skillfully through a reprise of "You never give me your money" and goes into "The end" a collection of good musical bits including comprehensive catalogue of guitar styles and that damned "Inna Gada da Vida" drum riff. The virtuoso production techniques finally pay off in the last half-side of the album. The end leaves you esthetically satisfied at last.

But then, twenty seconds after everything has ended, friend Beatles make sure you know they're still in there making games with the gramophone:

Her majesty's a good old girl  
And someday I'm gonna  
make her mine

Buy the record, but wait until you can get it for cheap. The wait won't hurt either of you a bit.

## The Ghoulies and the Ghosties

by Steve Tapscott

It was inevitable. The Age of Aquarius and Apollo 11 has popularized so many things in so many different directions: astrology, hair, the quasi-religious adulation of machinery. Sooner or later it was sure to discover its literary counterpart: science fiction. And I, for one, am glad.

The worth of science fiction is far from the bus-station and underground obscurity which appeared (but only appeared) to smother it for so long. At its uncompromising best, good science fiction is good fiction no less. We know no book is real, yet we so often expect fictional characters to behave convincingly by real standards. But science fiction, the art practiced by masters like Asimov, Kornbluth, or Bradbury, suspends the verisimilitude of four-dimensional reality and "realistically" considers other possibilities. The author is freed from gravity and reality. He imagines his own rules and, like Adam's dream, they are real. In such a latitudinarian species, amazing things are possible: science fiction can become pure fantasy, satire, prophecy, and unfortunately also cheap drivel.

The *Andromeda Strain*, by Michael Crichton (Knopf, \$5.95), is an example of twaddle, bunk, and bestseller material.

Too cleverly disguising itself as a Pentagon report, the narrative deals with the world's first biological emergency. American scientists fight against a mutant strain of living space crystals, suffer irrelevant epileptic attacks, accidentally shoot peyote, defuse an atomic bomb, change national policy, and keep the world safe for daytime T.V. Crichton is an M.D. himself and a graduate of Harvard, but even that is no excuse for his annoying fascination with imaginary machines. I am grateful that there was no sex in *Andromeda Strain*. Otherwise we could expect a bad movie version of a poor novel.

But even if pop sci-fi produces such mutant strains as *Andromeda*, it certainly can still create hybrids also. Robert Heinlein's *Stranger in a Strange Land* has been secretly popular for a few years, and it demonstrates that the genre is capable of strong, resonant fiction. The story of Valentine Michael Smith, the man from Mars who comes to our (strange) earth, is fiercely imaginative in its scope and capably satiric in its content. Smith, an earthling raised in the super-civilized society of the Martians, comes involuntarily back to earth and tries to teach men. "Thou art God," begins Lesson One. Smith offers to Earthmen Martian patience, psychic strength, and a technique

of full consciousness ("grokking"). Earthmen in turn teach him of despair, greed, religious intolerance and the uniting power of human sexuality. *Stranger's* end is Christian in a bizarre and terrifying sense, because it is so probable and so inevitable. And Heinlein proves that we must leave ourselves to understand ourselves, even if that means an imaginative trip to Mars and back.

These two recent examples are insufficient to show the real diversity of good science fiction. Its possibilities are limited only by the imagination. And if your imagination runs along these patterns, here is good news from WSND radio. The upcoming Old Radio Festival (starting Sunday, Sept. 28, 11:30 pm) will include *The Shadow* ("who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men?"), *The Green Hornet*, *Suspense*, and the classic radio science-fiction series, *X Minus One*. After the festival WSND-AM and FM will feature old radio serials twice a week. (AM: 11:30 p.m., *The Shadow* always on Monday; FM: 7:00 p.m.) And sometime during the year perhaps on Halloween? the stations have promised us Orson Welle's notorious *War of the Worlds*, the sci-fi program that caused a night of panic and hysteria in 1938 long before Apollo 11.

# Letters to the Editor

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Ed.

## Isolating Questions

Editor:

Mike Kelly's ROTC column in Monday's Observer succeeded, for the most part, in isolating the essential questions the issue raises at Notre Dame, i.e., the implications of Christianity for a Christian university in a militaristic society, and the question of opposing ROTC chiefly because it is a branch of the military.

It is on these two points that Mr. Kelly should be debated. The essential drawback in his defense of ROTC vis-a-vis Notre Dame's Christianity is his

bafling misrepresentation of Christianity itself. The "willingness to allow other human beings to live their lives as they wish without your interference" may indeed be a legitimate philosophy of life for some (though for the soldier, it must be difficult to shoot a man without "interfering" with his life), but it hardly can be presented as the "heart of Christianity." A Christian is not so much interested in letting people alone as he is in bothering them, in helping them to see the truth he has come to see in what he believes.

Similarly, a Christian university must help its students in their search for truth, and must insure that the search is rigorous and diversified. As Mr. Kelly correctly insists, "the advocates of a Christian university should encourage every shade of opinion to express itself." It is just not reasonable, though, to equate support for free expression of all opinions with support for such particular, and theologically shaky, opinions as the ones reconciling Christianity with the violence performed by the military.

Many of those who link the

terms Christian and soldier probably do so because they regard the combination, as they do war, as a necessary evil. Is it by political or spiritual criteria that the Christian's participation in war is regarded as "necessary"? Is a man called to live the Christian life only when his life or his country are not at stake?

Mr. Kelly is not alone in contending that "ROTC-trained officers have traditionally been a liberalizing and intellectually-uplifting force within the military." It would be presumptuous and unfair to question the sincerity of the advocates of this view, but it would be wise to challenge their judgment.

For as liberalizing and as intellectually uplifting as all the civilian college ROTC graduates may attempt to be, their oath of allegiance marks them as members of the military willing to participate in war. And as much as wars are rationalized or perhaps justified, they are conducted by killing people, an activity which neither can be liberalized nor intellectually uplifted.

Sooner or later, the leaders of this university must face the question of ROTC and Notre Dame in light of ROTC's link with this reality. For a whole lot of reasons, it might as well be sooner.

Bill Mitchell

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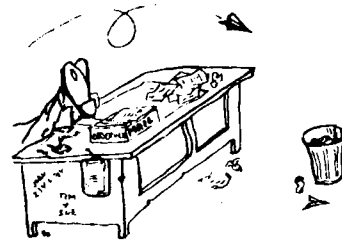
## Interesting Statements

Editor:

Mike Kelly's column in Monday's Observer contained a few interesting statements.

1) "the heart of Christianity is a willingness to allow other human beings to live their lives

as they wish without your interference" I agree! Therefore I wish the government would stop interfering with the lives of millions of Christian men by forcing them to serve in the



military.

2) "The leftists on this campus have no moral privileges that allow them to take this alternative (ROTC) to regular enlistment away from their fellow students" I agree again! CPA never asked that ROTC be thrown off campus. All we asked was that students take a longer and harder look at ROTC. We did this because we felt that the presentation of ROTC has usually been one-sided and that there were alternatives available to those students who wished to wait. We also did this because some of us are personal friends with people who have tried to get out of ROTC and have not been able to do so. These are people who have changed their minds about serving in the armed forces but are required to stay in because of contractual stipulations.

3) If the gist of the entire column was the fact that individuals should not be coerced into accepting another's viewpoint then again I agree! However in May 1969 there were at least two men in Leavenworth prison, Daniel Amick and Kenneth Stottle, Jr., who were imprisoned because as

members of the Armed Forces they made public or private statements against the war. Does this sound like an institution which respects the personal decision of an individual?

I make no pretensions that the Army can be run efficiently if in every situation each individual makes his own decision. All I ask is that each individual understand that by serving in the military he is very possibly giving up his right to decide (to another person) about whether or not he should kill other human beings. Myself and many others feel we cannot give up this right.

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## Student Union

Editor:

Last night at Freshman Activities Night the Student Union displayed a lack of organization that has become almost typical during my residence at Notre Dame. However, it was not the lack of organization that I found offensive last night, instead, it was the one part of the program that appeared all too well planned.

Mr. Jones, last night you alienated every political organization when that CPA member began to read verbatim from the paper in his hand, and calling for the Young Republicans to close their booth so everyone could listen to the CPA propaganda was more than I could stomach. I've never felt this way before, but possibly it was for the better that John Mroz lost last year. Although I may not agree with him, I've always found Fred Dedrick to be a politically fair person.

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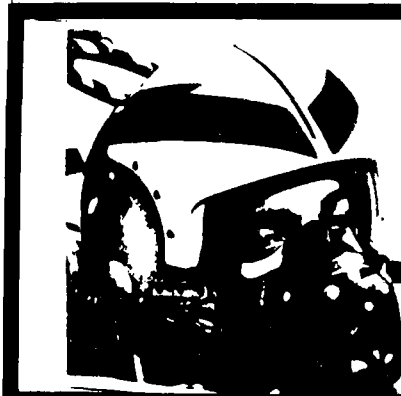
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# Shaffer is appointed to revision committee

by Mike Mooney

Updating the constitution of an increasingly urban Indiana will be the goal of Dr. Thomas L. Shaffer, associate dean of the Notre Dame Law School, who was appointed to the Indiana Constitutional Revision Commission. State Senator Allan Bloom, President pro tempore of the state senate and Indiana House Speaker Otis Bowen made the appointment in August.

The Constitutional Revision Commission, comprised of representatives of Indiana's courts, industry, universities and county officials, will examine the state's 117-year-old constitution for possible modernizing revisions.

The Revision Commission is currently in its opening stages.

Its proposals, once formulated, will be studied by the legislative general assembly and submitted to the people of Indiana for final approval.

Dr. Shaffer sees problems with the constitution on both the state-wide and local levels.

"The constitution builds on the supposition that a weak state government is a good thing," said the associate dean.

"For example, the governor cannot succeed himself; he has too little power for a modern government. The legislature only meets every two years for sixty days," he continued.

The constitutional problems on the local level center on an indecisive legislative policy regarding the cities.

"The constitution was written for a frontier, agrarian society—and simply doesn't work for a modern, urban state," Shaffer commented.

"The statutes of local governments build on an agrarian base; there are really no adequate provisions for a city, no contemplation of a modern metropolitan government."

The county and township are the dominant divisions of government in Indiana, both rurally oriented and both with few considerations for the place of the city in local government.

"There is no contemplation of modern urban government that crosses county lines and supplants county government," he added.

Dr. Shaffer estimated that currently Indiana is divided about "half-and-half" between urban and rural populations, a fact which may surprise many ND - SMC students. Currently the state lists four major population areas: Indianapolis, Gary, Evansville and South Bend.

One area Shaffer would rather see the state stay away from is Indiana's colleges and universities. He is not in favor of any legislation aimed at punishing schools for campus violence, preferring that state governments follow a "hands-off" policy towards colleges. The associate dean added that most of the pressure applied to universities comes mainly from federal not state sources.

Dr. Shaffer did not feel that the position on the Commission would drastically curtail his activity at Notre Dame. "I foresee full Commission meetings every two months," he said.

As an appointee to the revisional body, Dr. Shaffer represents the universities of Indiana. As a lawyer and educator, he is well suited to the task. Shaffer has taught at Notre Dame since 1963. From 1961-1963, he served as a lawyer with Barnes, Hicham, Pantzer & Boyd in Indianapolis.

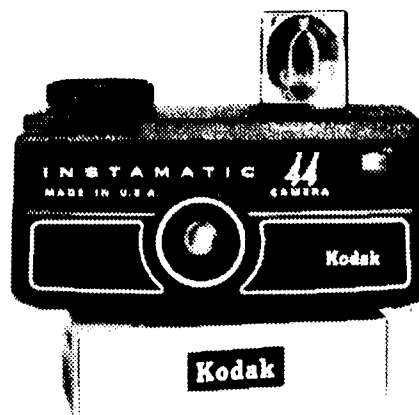
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# Veterans provide Autumn strength for clubs

## Lacrosse

Coming off a strong season's finish last spring which carried them to the Mid-west Club Association championship, Notre Dame's Lacrosse Club opens its fall season of practice eyeing betterment of last year's 4-5 record (4-0 in league play). This year's fall practice will differ greatly from previous workouts which tended to overlook the eager but inexperienced members of the squad. Senior Captain Tim McHugh plans instead to initiate a "Lacrosse Clinic" for Freshman and Sophomore stickmen. McHugh says that the emphasis of the clinic will be on fundamentals in order that those unfamiliar with the game but willing to play might benefit the club. "If we can build a potent offense around the Freshmen and Sophomores to back an already defensive-minded squad," declared McHugh, "then the prospect for a highly successful spring season looks good. This will depend mainly on the turnout we get at the Clinic." In line with the clinic concept, the Lacrosse Club has tentatively scheduled a Nov. 1 game with Michigan for the Frosh-Soph at Notre Dame.

More details for those interested in participating in La-

crosse will be forthcoming at next Monday's (Sept. 29) organizational meeting to be held at 7:00 in room 107 O'Shaughnessy Hall. The Clinic itself is scheduled to begin workouts on Wednesday, October 1.

## Rugby

The return of a number of veterans, headed by high scoring Bill Monahan, installs the Notre Dame Rugby Club as odds-on favorites to win their season opening battle with John Carroll College in Cleveland Saturday.

Captain and club president, Mike Paterni, in summing up prospects for the coming season, expects "a definite improvement over our 8-6 record of last spring. All 15 starters this year are juniors or seniors and their experience should prove a valuable asset to the club."

While Monahan is considered to be Notre Dame's top offensive threat, Tom Hurlehy, a junior, and senior Sal Bommaritto will also give Irish opponents many anxious moments.

In addition to Paterni, Monahan, and Bommaritto, seniors Dave Fleming, Skip Gilmartin, Gary Gleason, Jim Butler, and Paul Rogers should be in the starting lineup Saturday, as well as juniors Hurlehy, Bill Berry, Charlie Blum, Chuck Petrowski,

Phil Krause, Mike Morrisson, and John Haagenbarth.

St. Louis University will meet the Irish in the season's first home game, October 4th. The matches are played behind Stepan Center, with a "B" game beginning at 10:30 and the "A" game immediately following the first contest.

## Soccer

Eager and optimistic, that's the best way to describe the 1969 edition of the Notre Dame Soccer Club as they await their opening contest this Saturday against the Boilermakers of Purdue. (The game will precede the football game.)

When asked what type of season the team should have this year Captain Greg Abrams stated without hesitation, "Ten and two, anything less will be a disappointment."

There is little doubt why Abrams thinks so highly of this squad. Virtually all of last year's team returns to give the Irish booters scoring punch and a stingy defense. Everyone on the front line is comparable to a letterman on a varsity scale.

John Amato and Tim Patton man the right and left wings, respectively. At the inside forwards are Jim Schweitzer and Fred Rohol. Teaming next to

them is John Pedrotti at center thus providing experienced goal-producing power. The backfield is almost as veteran as the line with Abrams and Jack Goldkamp at the halfback slots and Rick Coleman at right full. Only Ken Foley, a new man, and Jim Patton, who was injured last year, are lacking game experience. Meanwhile the battle for the all important goalie slot may go any one of four ways. Last season's starter Rob McAleer and Maury Bric seem to have the

inside track with a nod going to Bric for the Purdue opener. Other candidates are Sergio Bendixen and Tom Makielski.

Despite the apparent success of the team most members elect to remain a club sport rather than make the transition to varsity status. Abrams, who is a walk-on himself, feels that this way everyone has more of a chance to make the team. No one should argue, not even the football team would call a 10-2 record a failure.



## THE sports parade

By Milt Richman, UPI sports columnist

### It's that time of year

NEW YORK (UPI) The Boston Red Sox didn't bother using any of the old household standards.

No soft soap, no simple syrup, no sugar coating.

They gave it to Dick Williams straight. That's usually the best way anyway.

If Dick Williams doesn't know you he'll tell you his firing by the Red Sox didn't hurt that much. He's fibbing. It hurt. It always does.

It hurt Dick Williams the same way it's going to hurt Larry Shepard when they tell him any day now they have plans for somebody else, probably Don Hoak, to pilot Pittsburgh next year.

It hurt Dick Williams the same way it's going to hurt Dave Bristol when he gets the sad news, too, unless Cincinnati negotiates some miracle turnaround in the next few days.

Williams got the unhappy tidings suddenly Monday during the middle of his working day at Fenway Park.

He had made out his lineup for the game with the Yankees that night and now there were a few other details he wanted to check with Dick O'Connell, the club's executive vice-president and general manager, so he went upstairs to O'Connell's office.

The two men chatted a few minutes, and then Williams, who had been talking about his coaches, asked O'Connell:

"How about our status for next year? I mean for the coaches and myself. Will we be coming back?"

"Dick, I'm afraid not," O'Connell said.

And that, of course, was that.

The reason O'Connell gave Williams for his dismissal was "lack of communication with the players." It is an old read but it was true.

Dick Williams didn't have all the tools in the world as a ballplayer. He had to make it the hard way to the majors and after he did it still took all he had to hang on 14 seasons.

All this looks fine in the record book but few of the Red Sox players cared about that. Then was then; now is now.

Soon, a small breach developed between them and Williams. Gradually it became a little wider. It wasn't anything you could really put your finger on but it was there. The same as exists on some other clubs, the same as it'll cost some other managers their jobs.

Nobody can rightly say who is more to blame for this condition, the manager or the players. Possibly both are, but if anyone has come up with some solution he's keeping it a big secret.

Only a few days ago I asked Dick Williams how things looked for him for the next year.

"I think I'm coming back," he said. "I still have another year to go on my contract. At least I've been given to understand I'm coming back. Here, take a look at this!"

It was the Red Sox statistic sheet and Dick Williams was pointing to the club's total home attendance which was already more than 1,600,000.

"This has to mean something to them," he said.

It did, but obviously not enough for them to bring Williams back again next year.

At 40, he is not ready to retire yet by any means. He's still the same guy who guided the 100 to 1 shot Red Sox home in front only two years ago and he's a cinch to wind up with another baseball job.

Now the Red Sox have to hire themselves a new manager.

I imagine it'll be Eddie Kasko, or maybe Sam Mele. Kasko is the quiet little guy who used to play the infield for the Cardinals, Reds, Astros and Red Sox. He's the top candidate now because he helped develop such kids as Billy Conigliaro, Luis Alvarado, Ken Brett and Tony Muser at Louisville this year and the word is he gets along well with young players.

No matter who the new Red Sox manager is, Dick Williams wishes him well.

"I sincerely do," he says. "I have no bitterness toward the Red Sox. I thank them for the opportunity they gave me, and I'm proud of my efforts in the three years I've been with them. Of course, you sorta hate to leave..."

It always hurts when they say you have to.

## Olson wins defensive honors

Besides Bob Olson, Mike McCoy also won honors for his defensive play against Northwestern. *Sports Illustrated* named McCoy "lineman of the week."



Irish co-captain Bob Olson was one of two Irish linemen to win honors for last week's play.

CHICAGO (UPI) Notre Dame linebacker Bob Olson contributes more than just his ability to tackle to the football success of the Fighting Irish.

This week his "other" abilities were as important as his tackling in making him UPI Midwest lineman of the week.

"He displayed great leadership in a very tough situation, after we were behind 10-0," Irish coach Ara Parseghian said. "In getting the defense together and stopping Northwestern. After they got that lead, they couldn't score again."

Olson, a 230-pound 6-footer from Superior, Wis., playing his third varsity season for Notre Dame, was one of the main cogs in physically stopping the Wildcats.

"His blitz in the passing situations was extremely effective," Parseghian said. "He's very strong against the run, too, and he's so hard to block that he has leverage on the ball carrier. He was very instrumental in our goal-line stands when Northwestern had several chances to score."

Statistically, Olson wound up with eight solo tackles and assisted on four others, more than any other Irish defender. In addition, he intercepted one pass and returned 15 yards.

Where he stood out most brightly, though, was when Northwestern quarterback Dave Shelbourne went back to pass. Twelve times the Irish forwards broke through and tossed him for losses of 90 yards.

Three times Olson alone nailed Shelbourne for his biggest losses and on those three tackles Shelbourne lost 30 yards.

"It really wasn't me," Olson said. "It was the support I got from the other fellows in the line. We had three young kids in there and they were very aggressive, and gave me the chances. It wasn't me alone."

## Mets clinch flag

### Stop Cards, 6 - 0