



February may be getting to you by now, but surely it can't be this bad. After all, Spring Break is only six weeks away ... On second thought, maybe it is this bad ....

# InPIRG reports good response to petition

#### by Larry Dailey

Co-Coordinators John Bachmann and Tom Kelly of the Notre Dame INPIRG organization announced Tuesday afternoon that approximately 28 per cent of the student body has signed the INPIRG petition.

Tom Kelly commented, "We are very happy with Monday night's results and are cautiously optimistic about the final outcome."

The INPIRG drive for signatures started Monday night when the representatives of each hall on campus began contacting students in their respective halls. The campaign is attempting to obtain from 60 to 80 percent of the student body's signatures to a petition assessing a \$3.00 yearly fee on the students to fund a public interest research group.

Bachmann conceded, "Our biggest problem is attempting to contact everyone. We realize it is difficult to get in touch with off-campus students so our drive must rely heavily upon support from the halls. Our hall representatives have experienced a relatively low failure rate. Less than 7 percent of the people we have already contacted refused to sign it so we figure if we contacted everyone on campus, 93 percent would give their signature."

# Dziedzic joins race; pledges 'challenge'

#### by T.C. Treanor Observer Assistant Editor

Student Government Ombudsman Paul Dziedzic last night became the year's second announced candidate for Student Body President.

In a brief meeting before supporters and press in Lafortune Student Center's Fiesta Lounge, Dziedzic and running mate Mike Sherrod pledged to "redefine student government" and to "challange individuals to stop accepting paternalistic-direction."

Dziedzic, a Grace Hall Junior majoring in Government, is a member of St. Mary's College Student Assembly as well as Omsbudsman. Sherrod, from Flanner Hall, is Sophomore Class President and Chairman of the Academic Grievences Board.

#### a 'commitment' to st. mary's

Dziedzic, from Lacey, Washington, said he had a "commitment. to the women of St. Mary's College...no way diminished by the problems that the two administrations are having," but he refused to endorse any specific program at this time.

Dziedzic described his mood as "frustrated...if I had communicated this six months ago it would have been respected. The campaign cheapens the effect."

The Student Government Omsbudsman said that he hoped "to change not only the student body president but student government as well."

Dziedzic promised to "redefine" student government "so that its energy and attention stay glued on its reason for existing: the student and his concerns."

He refused, however, to criticize current SBP John Barkett, contending that "the problem has been with us for sixteen-eighteen years.

"Student Government has always spent effort on opening channels between itself and the Administration. On important questions, though, the Administration doesn't listen to Student Government. I would concentrate on opening channels between the student body and student government so that we can confront the administration with the collective 'we' rather than the 'I', " Dziedzic said.

#### 'challenge the student body'

According to the Omsbudsman, "Student Government must strip itself of the confines of the past. It must challenge the Student Body to contribute its answers to improve the present and insure the future of Notre Dame."

Dziedzic called this the "challenge of a new beginning."

"We must take charge of our future," the

Omsbudsman said.



Dziedzic: A "commitment to the women of St. Mary's " to merge



Sherrod: "Students will be electing the idea and not the candidate"

post when SBP John Barkett assumed office last April. He was elected to one of the five at-large seats in the St. Mary's Assembly last October.

His running mate, Sherrod, was elected Sophomore Class President last year on a writein vote. He also ran against SBP candidate Floyd Kezele for the Tower's SLC post in a special election in November of 1970, but lost.

According to Sherrod, "Our (his and Dziedzic's) philosophies on Student Government are extremely similar. Students will be electing the idea and not the candidate."

Unfortunately, Bachmann has not yet been notified as to what percentage of the student body is necessary for the petition's approval.

"It is the Administration's decision, although they probably won't ask for less than 60 percent or more than 80 percent."

Bachmann is also unsure of the manner in which the fee will be handled if it is passed. "It might be listed on the tuition bill as an optional fee similar to The Observer. If it isn't listed as an option, then we will give refunds in cash to those students requesting them during the third week of the semester."

Kelly added that those off-campus students desirous of signing the petition could find sign-up tables located in the INPIRG office, the Off-Campus office, the Huddle, or the library lobby. In addition, petitions will also be available at the Ralph Nader speech this Thursday night. According to Dziedzic, he has specific plans for "new structures" in student government, but he declined to reveal them at the present time. Dziedzic was appointed to his Omsbudsman's

Dziedzic's campaign will be managed by Sophomore Rod Braye, a Dome editor.

# Saul Bellow criticizes contemporary fiction

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#### THE OBSERVER

# Bellow hits 'amusement society'

#### by Dan Hopfer

In a lecture highlighted by comments on contemporary American culture, Saul Bellow, attacked the superfluity of scientific details in present fiction, while stressing a need for a return to simplicity in what he termed the "amusement" oriented American society.

Bellow spoke last night at Stepan Center. Bellow, noted author of Herzog and The Dangling Man, and recipient of the National Book Award for his The Adventures of Augie March, recited a paper for the crowd of nearly 500 which he had titled, "Who's Got the Story? or What has happened to the art of fiction in the last 150 years."

Bellow began, "If I Can't release a certain amount of aggression (in my talk) then the evening has not been successful."

Among those to whom the author directed his aggressive criticisms were Leonard Trilling, Professor at Columbia University, other contemporary American writers, and the mass media.

An article written by Trilling was discussed at length by Bellow, during which he utilized James Joyce's Ulysses to discuss much of what Trilling said.

Attacking Trilling's concept that literature is "inauthentic" because it captures the readers mind, thus "spellbinding" him, Bellow commented that Homer, Shakespeare and Cervantes are all spellbinders, so therefore they must be, according to Trilling, unreadable.

be, according to Trilling, unreadable. The concept of the "story" in fiction is becoming less and less prevalent and is giving way to supperfluous details; when speaking about Ulysses, Bellow termed these details "psychic junk".

The greatest source of these details is the news media, he ssid. "There is too much great noise...Discourse is winning out over expression." He called the media a great threat to the survival of art.

Bellow went on to say that we are living in an "amusement society." Such authors as Norman Mailer and Gore Vidal, appearing on television and offering themselves "body and soul to the American public," he added, "this gladiatorial activity is amusing to the people...I think it's rather sad."



Bellow: American fiction needs a return to simplicity

# Of Campus Interest . .

#### **Grad Student Talk**

A veteran political worker in Mishawaka, Henry Farrettie, will discuss "Political Processes" in a talk to graduate students in the College of Business Administration at the University of Notre Dame at 11am Wednesday(February 16).

Mrs. Genevieve Block Joyce, the mother of Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., executive vice president of the University of NotreDame, died Saturday at St. Anne Hospice, Winona, Minn., following an extended illness. She was 82 years old.

was 82 years old. Burial will be Thursday from St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in her native Spartanburg, S.C. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Floyd Mortuary in Spartanburg. The program is one of a series arranged by Dr. Salvatore J. Bella, chairman of the department of management.

In his talk Ferrettie will discuss the factors having an influence on local politics, the powers involved, and the importance for citizens to become active participants in the field of politics.

Ferrettie, former chairman of the Mishawaka-Penn Democratic club, was an unsuccessful candidate for mayor in the November Mishawaka election. He has been active in conservation work, served five terms as president of the DeAmicos Club, and participated in the St. Joseph Hospital expansion campaign.

Humanities Endowment Young people interested in translating "their education and ethical concerns into concrete projects" are being offered funds under a new program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The grants are expected to range from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Officials indicated that the projects could include student-designed black studies courses, studies of folk traditions, and historical studies related to youth involvement in the peace movement.

Citing that Edgar Allen Poe died drunk in a gutter, the author thought that American society "crushes its finest spirits."

When speaking of Joyce's novel, Bellow said, "Without a story, we are at the mercy of randomness". Bellow felt that this "great noise" and "overabundance of discourse" was reaching a dangerous level.

If it continues, he added, we are to become as Leopold Bloom, hero of Ulysses, namely, "at hard labor in the prison of peripheral consciousness." Bellow entertained questions at the end of the session concerning:

--French writers: "The French have a passion for literature which like ours for baseball."

--his favorite author: John Ellison, John Cheever, and Donlevy.

After the formal session, Bellow had still another question period with admiring hangers-on.

The lecture was sponsored by the Cultural Arts Commission.



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Washington-- Defense Secretary Laird told Congress Tuesday that the United States would resume construction of Polaris Millile submarines unless the Soviet Union either agrees to a mutual halt in the construction of missile submarines or unilaterally halts building them when it reaches parity with the United States fleet.

Paris-- Jacques Chaban-Delmas, the French Premier, went on television to deny reports that he had evaded taxes for four years and had hidden his wealth. He accused his critics of attempting to keep him from continuing in office and said that he would continue. He also indicated that he had the full support of President Pompidou.

Washington-- Attorney General John N. Mitchell resigned in order to head the re-election campaign of President Nixon, who immediately nominated deputy attorney General Richard N. Kleindienst as Mitchell's replacement. The nomination is likely to spark another senate confirmation battle.

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briefs

Sarasota, Fla.-- Busing to achieve racial integration became the central issue of the Florida Primary when Gov. Reuben Askew, an opponent of busing, said he would not veto a bill passed by the legislature that placed a non-binding anti-busing referendum on the primary ballot.

### 'Strong possibility'

# **Block plans studied**

#### by Jerry Lutkus

Moving dislocated Badin and Walsh residents in blocks is now "a very strong possibility" according to an ad hode housing committee chaired by Fr. Thomas Chambers, housing director. Chambers assured the residents of Walsh and Badin at Monday night's meeting that they are "our great concern. Right now, they are our top priority."

The purpose of the meeting and the committee, according to Chambers, is to facilitate the transfer of the residents of Walsh

The following is a proposal forwarded by two extremely concerned residents of Walsh and Badin Halls. We are requesting a great deal of cooperation; perhaps in the minds of a few, too much. But we would hope that all concerned would bear in mind that their classmates in these two halls are being asked to carry the burden of inconvenience in Notre Dame's transition to coeducation. This community has always held a special bond that has brought diverse men and ideas to a common ground of understanding. We would hope that in this hour of need, our entire community would reaffirm its belief in this tradition of ideals that is Notre Dame.

I. We would strongly recommend that each hall council reexamine their room selection procedure in light of necessary acceptance of displaced upperclassmen. In particualar, those halls that allow room freezes would be placing those displaced at a decided disadvantage over residents already living in the hall.

II. We would further ask that each hall set aside sections of 10 to 15 beds in one section of their hall for those displaced so that they might retain close friendships and perhaps a very small portion of the spirit they worked so hard to build in their former residence hall.

III. We would recommend that every hall allow any individual choosing a room to do so on an equal basis as those previously residing within the community. Where applicable, we see no reason why time on campus not be regarded as time in hall in the cases of those displaced. IV. In the cases of groups moving in numbers of 10 to 15, we would ask that each hall compile a listing of what section will be available and your individual hall's policy of room selection. We, on the other hand, shall determine, in a manner to yet be determined, the priorities and preferences of individuals. From this information, a moving group's priority will be determined by the average of all the numbers of those involved.

Thank you,

and Badin.

The committe was selected by the Hall Presidents Council which Chambers intends to use as an advisory council. The members are Carmen Maciariello, Dave Fromm, Buz Imhoff, Bob Ryan, Denis O'Leary and Joe Markosek.

The group is studying the feasibility of the hall presidents reserving blocks of rooms. Imhoff and Fromm, presidents of the two deposed halls, have made public the resoltion concerning the moving of sections. The proposal, in its present form, was not presented to the Committee.

The Imhoff- Fromm proposal calls for each hall to set aside 10 to 15 beds in one section for the residents of Walsh and Badin. They also hope that the halls will allow the exiles to pick as if presently members of the halls.

Chambers spoke confidently of the proposal and claimed that he was "very anxious" to see it implemented. He added though, that a decision will not be made until Fromm and Imhoff can present some definite figures on the numbers of residents that wish to stay on campus.

The decision is technically in Chambers' hands, but he says it will be a "sharing type of committe." The committe and the HPC will advise Chambers on the final verdict.

Chambers also offered another possibility for Badin and Walsh residents. He said that presently there are openings in other halls and the residents could begin moving now if they wish.



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on campus today

8:30--drama, judas christ, o'laughlin auditorium.

9:00--meeting, inpirg, regina south lounge.

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All successful newspapers are ceaselessly querulous and bellicose. They never defend anyone or anything if they can help it; if the job is forced upon them, they tackle it by denouncing someone or something else. H.L. Mencken Assistant Editor John Abowd

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# The Right Man

The Student Body President Campaign is just starting to crank up. Two candidates have announced so far and at least two to three more are expected. The rhetoric has been in rather low profile so far, though one candidate scored the present administration for inaction in various areas of student life.

At this time last year the Observer editorial page regularly carried verbal assaults upon the Krashna administration-assaults it richly deserved. Inaction, hesitation, and sheer ineptitude, not seen since the days of Chris Murphy, were its trademarks.

The students elected John Barkett in the hopes that his administration would not make mistakes. He was elected in the hopes that the tasks student government elected to carry out, would be done without tremendous fuss and bother. They did not mean to elect an administration that would choose to carry out nothing.

To say that the John Barkett administration has done nothing during it's tenure is a bit harsh, perhaps. We do have a do-ex dining plan. We do have a vague commitment from the trustees to improve hall life and to renovate the student center. We did not have parietal and drinking rights revoked.

To say that the John Barkett administration has done little that is worthy of merit, is close to the absolute truth, if there ever was such a thing.

This past year has seen a student government bureaucracy do little. This past year has seen the student government stand aside, quietly, while student rights were threatened and while the unification nearly dissolved.

John Barkett was elected last year to return a touch of sanity to student government. John Barkett was elected to tone down the harsh rhetoric and concentrate on producing visible results. John Barkett was elected to further the rights and interests of the students.

John Barkett was not elected to throttle the voice of student government, till it became a choked whisper. He was not elected to allow his administration to lay dormant for most of the year and toady to the administration for the rest of it.

This year's student government, in short, has been a failure. It has been a failure because it carried the policy of quietude to an extreme. And that quietude has contributed to the morgue like atmosphere that has hung over the campus this year.

The winner of this year's Student Body Presidential election must be a man who is willing to speak out against the administration in the interests of the students. He must be a man who is willing to stir up trouble if student rights are threatened. In short he must be a man unafraid, a man who will scorn the easy marshmallow stand and strike, and strike hard. We think the student body will be able to find such a man among the candidates and we trust they will elect him.



"I bought my kid sister a present, but the rector saw it and I got fined 30 dollars."

# The New Season Begins

T.C.Treanor

Observe the Vice-Presidential Candidate. Milt Jones - massive, slowly articulate, sedate. Mike Sherrod - bearded, reflective, quiet. A Vice-President, like political power, often grows out of the barrel of a gun. He is - more often than not - the product of a thousand tiny deficiencies in his running - mate's makeup; he often meets his running - mate for the first time during the month prior to the election; he usually wafts through the campaign uncertain of his precise position; he customarily carries that uncertainty into his first month of office until he, scrambling and confused, either finds a place in the new administration or discovers, to his horror, that he's run with the wrong man.

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Student Power's patron Saint, Rich Rossi, had reduced Vice-President picking to a fine, if unsubtle, art. He simploy looked up his toughest opponent and offered him the job. Then to make things even easier, he looked up his second toughest opponent and made him Student Union Director. Rossi won by 1890 votes. A folk singer who had gotten into the race just a few days before the election came in second.

Despite the haphazard selection process, Rossi and his running mate, Chuck Nau, got along pretty well with each other through the year - until the next year's SBP election rolled around. Nau supported Mroz; Rossi supported McKenna; and they were at each other's throats all election week. A little rough on them, since they were roommates in Farley Hall. So it goes.

Things got a little more sophisticated the next year. HPC Chairman Phil McKenna had backing for his bid, but he needed a running - mate who was more preposessing in public than he; that is to say more forceful than a rose cabbage in salt water.

He ran with Morrissey Senator Fred Dedrick, who had a personality more forceful than Krackatowa. Fred would roast the rabble, and Phil would come around later and pick up the pieces. McKenna started from a tremendous underdog position, but was the narrow victor in a runoff.

Of course, a Union like this was not bound to long last. Dedrick took as much of McKenna's mumbled pieties as he could, and then deserted the office for long stretches of time.

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#### the staff

Nite Editor: Joe Abell

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(here at campaign central)

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I. thanx, maria

2. do you ever have a staff, jim?

3. satisfied, f-line?

More recent attempts at the Classically Balanced Ticket have been less successful. When Stay Senator Tom Thrasher announced his candidacy in 1970, everyone knew he was a member of the Conservative Young Americans for Freedom and many actually suspected him of eating live war babies for breakfast. (he didn't). Thus, for the week before his announcement the whole camp was in a tizzy looking for a Right On Running Mate. The search for the lost liberal failed, and Thrasher took the pipe big a month later.

Last year, popular campus personality Don Mooney was in real trouble. He wanted to run - he had organizational backing - but he was short a vice-president. The petition's deadline date was drawing near; his canvassers were growing desperate. One of the caught Dan Sherry waltzing into the SG office and badgered him for an hour. It turned out that though Sherry had no Student Government experience it seemed as though he knew everyone on campus on a first - name basis. So Mooney glued himself to Sherry; Dan did some dandy introductions. Unfortunately for Don and Dan, it didn't work.

Mind you, none of the current candidates will admit the real reasons their running-mates were chosen. Platitudes will mask the true motives; platitudes will mask them throughout the campaign. But nail the candidates eight or nine months later, Stroh's in hand and footsies near the fire, and they will tell you stories to make your eyes bug out.

# Letters

## . on abortions, gsu, gays, and exiled sections

#### **Gastronomy and Abortion**

#### Editor,

I would like to offer some comments on the open letter to the Knights of Columbus printed in yesterday's (2-8-72) Observer. The authors of that letter took issue with the anti-abortion ad sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

First, as concerns gastronomy. I believe it relatively safe to assert that the general tenor of the Observer (e.g., obscene movie ads, wretched typing, and editorials so insipid they would have given Gutenberg second thoughts about the wisdom of his invention) has more than adequately inured the student body against any gastronomical scruples they may yet possess. Furthermore, the equation of butchered fetuses with "graphic descriptions of appendectomies or squashed frogs" provokes disquieting (not to say revolting) thoughts regarding the level of moral argument on which the protesters operate. Their lack of discrimination is itself no aid to digestion.

I wish, however, to make a second -- less whimsical -- ob-servation. The crux of the signatories' error lies in their assertion that abortion constitutes a "complex moral question in this intelectual community." It does not . No amount of perfumed sophistry about " a moral question which must be answered by the individual" can make it a complex question, irrespective of how much such moral myopia represents the current coin of the intellectual marketplace. "It is no use," C. S. Lewis remarked, "trying to 'see through' first principles." All one can do is befog first principles in a cloud of pseudo-complexity. In this the authors of the open letter have succeeded admirably.

When opposing such an attempt to "see through" first principles, one cannot give reasons. To attack first principles is to deny the very role of reason and argument. The only alternative lies in showing the effects of such sickness of soul when translated into action in the world. This the Knights of Columbus attempted to do. Obviously, their tactics were not without effect.

#### Ted Marciniak

P.S. I am by no means some sort of official apologist for the Knights of Columbus. About the only connection between us was my attendance at one of their movies some time ago. It stunk.

human life is extremely valuable. We are exposed to so much death that we often lose sight of this fact. We measure the magnitude of a disaster by the monetary loss and the number of deaths - when even one death is a disaster to that person's family and friends. Human life and human intelligence are miracles which no one fully understands. A lost life is gone, atleast from this world,

forever Abortion is only one of the issues which points out how little many peiople care about the lives of others. We go on continually hurting each other, and failing to realize that most of the hurt could be avoided with the slightest amount of thought or effort. I think often of Christ's words, "Love thy neighbor." I do not say that if everyone did, all our problems would be solved. But I think the time we now spend fighting could be used to try to solve the problems that would be left.

I do not expect to see a change on this campus or in the world because of what I've written. After all, my basic point was stated 2000 years ago. But if only one person thinks my ideas are worthwhile, I'll be satisfied. Even one life is worth a great deal.

Kenneth L. Bean Stanford 219

#### More Morals and Abortion

#### Editor:

As a signer of the "Open Letter to the Knights of Columbus", I would like to react to Ms. Ostric's reply in Wednesday's letters column. As the letter specifically stated, not all the signers were pro-abortion, or anti-abortion. I must confess that I am just sitting on the fence, but I have developed my personal morality to a point where such campaigns, and such attitudes as Ms. Ostric exemplifies, anger me.

Ms. Ostric states that she doesn't fully understand what we meant "egotistical by hypocrisy". Believe me, the letter left no doubt on that point! Ms. Ostric's letter shows the attitude of a pitiable group of people who, I am afraid, seem to make up a large proportion of American Catholics, torn between the First Amendment guarantee of religious freedom, and the self-righteous totalitarian zeal of the Church.

I happen to believe

real impression on me is that Church has done since it met up with concept of freedom is equivocate its doctrines and erode its positions. Why don't you just admit that the Church is totalitarian and get it on? But not at my expense: 'I do not serve the Bishop of Rome, but Christ.

> Yes, Ms. Ostric, I am a Christian, hard as you may find that to believe. I don't believe in self-righteousness, a form of Pride Jesus condemned in the Pharissees. Please, Ms. Ostric, stop trying to cram your beliefs down my throat. And, in the name of my Catholic friends, please don't speak up on theological issues unless you have something to say that is of interest. Your blind-sheep attitude must be an acute source of embarrassment for thinking Catholics. It even embarrasses me, merely as a fellow student. Please, Ms. Ostric, think about what you believe. Read the Bible, read Thomas Aquinas, read Augustine, read Anselm. Read some Protestants, read the Kabbala, read Lao-Tzu. If your religion is as self-evidently righteous as you believe, you will end up a more devout Catholic. But be careful. I tried it and ended up just a more religious person.

#### Yours truly. Michael E. Petami

#### **Still More Abortions**

#### Editor:

Having cut through the turbid prose and twisted reasoning of a recent letter protesting the K of C anti-abortion campaign, I feel compelled to disagree with the sentiments of its authors. I believe the K of C should be lauded, not condemned, for painting the abortion picture as it really is. Intellectual appeals to students' moral sensibilities obviously are ineffectual at Notre Dame (as evidenced by the dismal failure of the Pakistan Relief Drive). The Observer ads were intended to shock the average student out of a miasma of moral apathy. Despite attempts by some to theologize abortion into a social virtue (or at least render it more palatable through introduction of antiseptic methods and euphemistic terminology), the K of C has shown that abortion remains a sickening reality Furthermore, the K of C effort hardly represents a "tasteless" or "archaic approach" to a "complex" moral problem. Although the intellectual and biological analysis of abortion may be complex, its moral implication is simple and clear: to rip a baby from its mother's womb is murder. Abortion is an immoral, barbarian practice unworthy of a civilized people. As a result, the Church has condemned it. The K of C and Observer (organizations sanctioned by a Catholic university) are therefore morally obligated to oppose abortion. Finally, I'm sorry the signatories of Tuesday's letter reacted as they did to the K of C ad. But I'm even sorrier they could compare human beings

destroyed in a fetal state of development to "appendectomies or squashed frogs." That invidious comparison stands as the most compelling indictment against their entire argument.

Richard J. Wall, ir. 364 Cavanaugh

#### And a Reply From KC Editor:

In today's Observer there was a letter concerning our recent anti-abortion advertisements and I will admit there are certain deficiencies which should be corrected. I will grant that the ads have not been intellectually enlightening but none the less our graphic depictions of abortions in the past few weeks were meant to awaken the student body to the horrible reality that is currently condoned by so many I would like to state as to why the ads were placed.

In recent years a broad coalition of anti-life forces have pushed for liberalized abortion, to help some people determine for themselves where they stand the opposite side must be shown and the Knights have taken this role. I would like to briefly state the Knight's position. The pictures shown were babies and abortions kill. This is a matter of fact that can not be denied. So often you hear of abortions described in terms such as "termination of pregnancy," "a simple surgical procedure," and "a loving act of social concern." This does not deny the fact that an innocent fetus, a human life is involved. Most reputable scientists who are experts in the field of genetics, embryology and fetology state that the child's life begins at conception. If we are to attack the fetus, eventually the sacred right to live on other fronts will be threatened as well.

I apologize over the discomfort some people have felt at lunch while looking at the ads, but I have no control over the Observer's circulation practices. I might also say that at no time will I decline a public debate.

#### John J. Walker Grand Knight Council 1477

**GSU Griefs** Editor:

I noted with interest the article on the Graduate Student Union. titled "GSU Plans Grief Code." I should like to set the record straight on one point. Mr. Minnicks is quoted as saying the GSU hopes to present a proposal to the Trustees for a grievance proceedure "in the Spring." As a matter of fact, and of record, last year (December, 1970 to be exact) the GSU presented such a proposal to the Trustees. Their response was to ignore the proposal entirely, and to have the administration, under the direction of Fr. Burtchaell, set up a new "Committee"--the Advanced Student Affairs Committee. We were told at that time that this group "elected" from among groups made up in many cases of students handpicked by the department chairmen was to be empowered to discuss grievances. This group has failed in every case to act,

even to define the reason for its own existence. This is understandable, since both Fr. Hesburgh and Fr. Burtchaell have denied the existence of any graduate student grievances.

What is not understandable is the failure of the GSU to take any firm action on grievance proceedures, other than to submit yet another proposal to the same group which has ignored it. Low profiles are nice, but the GSU's is so low that one wonders where it is hiding. When the current officers realize that the standard administration attitude is to stall (on the theory that we will all be gone soon), maybe they will begin the kind of action which managed to get graduate students the few of their rights they have received as a result of action, not talking.

#### Sincerely. J.H. Sweetland Dep't of History

#### On Gays at ND

#### Editor:

I am gay, but not very happy. Why? Because I can't find someone else who I can really relate to. Someone who could be around when I need him. Someone who shares the same interests I do. Someone to care.

The situation here on campus isn't helpikng me any. When I came here I was sure that I would be able to find one guy out of the 7,000 that go here. But it is exactly the opposite. Notre Dame has this image of being superstraight. Guys here who I think would be able to help me out are impossible to reach. They think that being gay is some sort of disease. Once they find out that you're gay, you're black-balled. If people could only stop and think about what a gay person has to go through, living a lonely life of constant hiding, unable to express his true feelings for his fellow man, a lot of things might be different . Homosexuals would not be haunted by the laws, subject to social pressures, and I would have a lover. Signed

Lonely.

#### Sections in Exile Editor:

The residents of Badin Hall are correct when they say that the hardships involved in bringing girls on to this campus should be born by all. As the situation now stands, the residents of Badin and Walsh will be the only ones who suffer.

A possible solution for sharing

#### Morals and Abortion

#### Editor:

This afternoon I read a letter in the Observer denouncing the Notre Dame Knights of Columbus for printing an ad against abortion. Later, in the Chicago Tribune, I saw that the American Bar Assn, had voted to support a resolution allowing abortions in all 50 states, up to the twentieth week of pregnancy.

I do not object to these actions in themselves. Maybe the K.C.'s approach was "archaic." Maybe the non-uniformity of present abortion laws is unfair.

But no matter how many "just" claims any person makes about abortion (e.g., the burden of a child on a young mother, or on the state; an unhappy marriage that might result, etc.), the only point that makes any

existence precedes essence, Ms. Ostric. If you need scripture, read Genesis, where God formed Adam from dust and then breathed life into him. Check the various meanings of the word "inspiration". Check the various translations of the first sentence of the Book of John (In the beginning, there was a Great Wind...). However, whatever my reasons for my belief, in this country, I have a right to expect that no religion will be favoured above me in law. And to paraphrase the bumper sticker, If you don't like it here, why don't you go back to Rome? Italy has some nice, Catholic laws. So does Ireland. If you can't take religious freedom, why stick around here? All the Catholic

this inconvenience would be to open entire sections in other halls so that sections from Badin and Walsh halls could move "en mass". Certainly this would not eliminate all the problems involved in the destruction of an entire hall community. It would, however, enable close friends that usually live in sections to remain together.

Student government should be concerned with this problem and push for a rapid solution. As of yet, I have not heard a viable solution proposed from our student leaders. Obviously, student power is limited in this situation, but recommending action by our student leaders at the Senate meeting tonight will be a step. More than this, initiative and pressure, will have to come from the Barkett administration.

**Charles Luken** 

#### THE OBSERVER

# Page 6 Mitchell resigns cabinet post

#### by Fred P. Graham

(C) 1972 New York Times

Washington, Feb. 15--Attorney General John N. Mitchell resigned today to direct the President's re-election campaign, Nixon immediately and nominated Deputy Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst to succeed him.

The nomination of Kleindienst, a controversial law-and-order conservative, set the stage for another lively Senate confirmation battle. Mitchell's resignation is effective March 1.

A repetition of a now-familiar Senate judiciary committee drama, with liberal democrats questioning a Nixon nominee closely about his views of civil liberties and federal power, is expected to unfold when the confirmation hearings begin on Tuesday. by

Initial statements Democratic Senators indicated, however, that a diehard struggle similar to the earlier ones over Nixon's supreme court nominees is not likely. They stressed that the President must be given wide latitude in selecting his cabinet.

#### Louis Parrick Gray 3D, an Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Justice Department's civil division, was named by Nixon to succeedd Kleindienst as Deputy Attorney General. The judiciary committee will hold joint hearings on the two nominees, commencing at 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 22.

Shortly after the White House announced Mitchell's resignation this morning, he issued a statement explaining that he hac quit "to be able to participate in the campaign for the re-election of the president." He added that "I sincerely believe that whatever abilities I possess should be dedicated to the undertaking that will be most beneficial to the American people this year-namely the re-election of President Nixon."

Four years ago Mitchell similarly withdrew from his wall street law firm, where he had been a law partner of Nixon's, to direct his successful election campaign. In recent weeks republicans across the country began to clamor for a return of decisive Mitchell's and authoritative campaign leadership.

His resignation was reportedly delayed by a dispute within the Nixon administration over Kleindienst.

Some of Nixon's advisers argued that because Kleindienst had been an outspoken proponent of the justice department's hardline prosecutorial approach, his Senate hearings would be an occasion for an election-year rehashing of some of the Nixon administration's most controversial policies. Mitchell urged Kleindienst's nomination.

Kleindienst was quoted as saying that he would resign if someone else were given the top Justice Department position. There were also reports that he told Nixon that he would not avoid the Senate struggle by functioning as acting Attorney General until after the elections. Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., who has been in the forefront of the earlier confirmation disputes, suggested today some of the issues that will be raised against Kleindienst. The Senator listed "his very callous attitude in the thing about law and order requiring Bugging and spying on citizens.

He is also expected to be questioned about his decision not to oppose the merger of the Warner-Lambert Company - a client of Mixon and Mitchell's former law firm-- with another giant drug company, Parke, Davis & Co; his failure to report promptly a \$100,000 campaign

contribution offer from a man later convicted of bribery; and his role in the government's hostile reaction to some protest demonstrations here.

Bayh said, however, that the scrutiny need not be as close as in the case of a lifetime judgeship.

Sen. Philip A. Hart, D-Mich., who was also opposed recent Supreme court nominations, said "If the President says he needs him, the Senate should go along with it unless the nominee has a moral defect." He added that he \_campaign in 1964.

knew of no moral defect in Kleindienst.

Sen. Jacob K. Javits of New York, a republican who has voted against three of Nixon's supreme Court nominations, commented that he would "give the nominee, whom I know well, every consideration."

Kleindienst, a 48-year-old native of Arizona, first appeared on the national political scene as campaign director for Sen. Barry Goldwater's Presidential

# Gibbs School offers five \$800 scholarships

#### by Bill Sohn

The Katherine Gibbs School is offering five scholarships for women with at least two years of junior or senior college credit. The Katherine Gibbs Memorial Scholarships, established in memory of the school's founder, are for \$800 each and may be applied to the tuition at any of the

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### Ash Wednesday Services

A special Ash Wednesday mass will be concelebrated this evening at 10:30 in Regina Chapel at SMC.

According to Rev. Roger Cormier, a member of the SMC campus ministry team, its purpose will be to offer a "communion celebration of our calling to a conversion to justice, truth, love, and mercy."

An adapted liturgy of the Word will be used in the mass, featuring the burning of material objects, which Fr. Cormier noted as "symbolic of what we need to see turn to ashes." Concelebrants with Fr. Cormier will be Revs. Ned Reidy and Walter Higgins.

"We see this as an important opportunity for the community to take a serious look at itself and grow towards further humanity," Fr. Cormier said.

As only one evening service will be held, everyone is invited and urged to participate. In addition to the 10:30 service, ashes will also be distributed at 11:10 am in LeMans chapel and at 4:15 in Regina,

## Britain seeks coal strike settlement by weekend

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London, Feb. 15-- About 400,000 more workers were laid off today because of power cuts as a Court of Inquiry opened hearings in an effort to find a settlement in the national coal strike by the end of the week

Official spokesmen estimated that about 1,200,000 employees, most of them in major industries, were idle today as more industries suspended operations. The figure includes the 800,000 reported jobless yesterday when the government's orders limiting the industrial use of power went into effect.

Even with the power reductions. Britain has only enough coal at power plants for two more weeks' operation. But many here now expect a settlement to be reached, perhaps by this weekend, based on the report of the Court of Inquiry.

The three-man court, similar to a fact-finding board in the United States, has no power to dictate the settlement terms. Its recommendations, however, are expected to be tempting enough to be accepted by the miners, now in the 37th day of their national strike.

The miners who now earn a basic wage of \$47 for surface. workers and \$78 for those underground, are demanding increases ranging from \$10.40 to \$18.20 a week more. The government has rejected such demands as inflationary.

### Harvard hosts anti-racists

Over 1000 students dedicated to launching a national anti-racist campaign are expected to converge at Harvard University during Easter Vacation.

Harvard's Lowell Hall will house the SDS National Convention against Racism March 30 to April 2.

According to Jeffery Mayersohn, Harvard SDS president, the convention will launch a massive campaign against racism on campus, "be it racist textbooks, professors, or administrators and their policies."

Harvard at first refused SDS the use of the University facilities, but reconsidered when the group launched a petition campaign.

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# joseph abell f-line: dining hall madness

Ever wonder what happens to that wonderful china and sterling stainlessware at the dining halls after you've finished with them? Who appreciates the architectural masterpieces of stacked dishes you've created? Who marvels at the lavacious gardens of food landscaped on your tray? Who ultimately peruses the various obscenities written in alphabet soup?

Well, if you look closely after you place your tray in those nifty silver boxes (or if you're a bastard and leave it on the table), you'll see a small, white-clad student scurry out of a hidden door, quickly grasp the cart, and slip in back into a black hole to some other white-clad students waiting.

These are your faithful servants, the dining hall workers. I happen to belong to that honorable fraternity - to be more specific, the North Dining Hall branch, and work in a rather nebulous termed "Fline''

F-Line is a special place; a group of four of us are its permanet inhabitants, each of us is as unique as the positions we hold.

Unoffical leader is a senior, Dave Goebel. Oftentimes bartender (and frequent customer) of the Senior Bar, Dave is in charge of "wheeling" (he's the guy you see outside) and silverware. Next is John Kilfoyle, also a senior, in charge of glasses. We call him Collis because a wellknow basketball player lived in his room before he did, and he's always complaining about getting jock mail. Frank Walsh, a third senior and resident freak, is the "key" to F-Line - he's had the most experience and does his best to hide it. He's like me: a "slopper" (in otherwords, the guy who's got to destroy all the works of art designed by students). We all trade jobs around occasionally, but that's how we're set up most of the time.

But enough of this preparatory material; here's a typical F-Line work-

day: 5:15 p.m.: punch-in-time, and visit to the zoo time. Everybody gathers around the time-clock so they won't miss a minute of pay. F-Line punches in and waits for the abitually late Key. We set up the work table and wait for a habitually

cart to fill up. Key munches on an orange while waiting. He notices a patch of dry skin on his hand where he's holding the orange. "Sure hope this is the orange; or else I'm getting scurvy," he mumbles. I yawn and stretch; it was a long night last

night. Collis settles down in a chair with a glass of applejuice. cident while Collis grins fiendishly. "Heh, heh, heh," his grin widens. I grin

"Okay, you guys; lets get to work," Bill Buckland, a dining hall manager, mumbles.

"Aw, Bill, not now," complains Dave but complies and rises slowly to retrieve the first full cart.

We all tiredly drag ourselves to the worktable as Dave bowls over three guys while pushing the cart in.

"I don't feel like working," Dave moans, reaching for the first tray.

"When do we get a break?" demands Collis, as he accidentally tips a glass of milk over my arm. Key ignores the in-

back, imitating his laugh while wiping the milk from my arm. Suddenly he ducks, just in time to avoid the "accidental" pray of corn that shoots out toward him.

But that turns out to be my mistake. While watching the double "accident", I had neglected my slopping, and (oh, my God!) a dish had fallen into the garbage can. I look over at Key and point off in the distance.

"Look!" I say, scrabbling for the dish as he looks away, but I'm too slow. I look up, my hand still searching for the dish, to see him poised above me, a plate of spaghetti



I'LL HAVE A LITTLE RANCID PORK, SOME OF THAT BOTULENT SOUP, AND ... OH YEH, ANY MORE OF THAT TWO WEEK OLD JELLO CUT INTO THOSE RIOT SIZED CUBES?

in his hand, all ready to push it in the can. "Hi, Frank," I grin feebly at him as his leer becomes more pronounced.

But salvation was at hand- in the form of (always wandering) student manager Doug Jessup, I grabbed the dish when Key distracted. is

"Where's your hat, Dave?" Doug demands. It's in the Dining Hall Employee's Bible that we have to wear Greasy Spoon waiter hats (with witty sayings like "Safety Pays"). Dave snaps his fingers.

"Ae, geez, Doug; I forgot again," he said. "Tell you what; I'll get it next time, okay?" He pushed the now empty cart back outside.

"Break!" his head appeared in the doorway and out again. Key took off his slopping gloves and joined him.

'You'd better get that hat now," Doug

yells over his shoulder as he walks away. "I'll tell him, Doug." Collis offers, picking up one of Key's gloves and depositing a handful of mashed potatoes and gravy inside. He and I then join the others.

Dave and Key were involved in a tense game of Push-TheSalt-Shaker-And-Get- It-To-Hang-On-The -Edge-Of-The-Table.

"Betch can't guess the name of that song," Dave challenges Collis indicating

the music playing. "You're right," Collis agrees, after listening a while. "I could do it if they'd plug in both channels of the stereo." Yeah.'

"I've got a joke," Key declares.

"We don't want to hear it," the rest of us return in unison. But that doesn't stop Kay. At the end of his joke we're still waiting.

"What's the punchline?" Collis asks. "Let's do that last cart," Key says.

End of day, and today that means Food War Time. A spray of ice comes flying out at Collis when Key discovers his gloveful. Collis returns in like fashion and soon all four of us are involved. Food and ice and littler the area when Dave calls a halt with the warning "Student manager coming!" In three seconds, F-Line is spotless, and no one is the wiser.

"Food war, huh?" the mamager, John Schneeberger muses, eyeing our aprongs. "Who, us, John?" Key decries. "Never!

F-Line is always well-behaved. That's what makes us the best."

And as John warns away, shaking me head, we all agree, the grins widening on our faces.

# judas christ- nd grad's award-winner debuts



The Notre Dame - Saint Mary's Theatre will present Judas Christ, a new play by Michael Rehak, February 18, 19, 24, 25 and 26 at 8:30 p.m. in Washington Hall.

The play, written over two years ago by a 1971 graduate of the University of Notre Dame in Speech and Drama, is about the Apostles during the final days of Christ's life. The play attempts to humanize the Apostles, their relationships to each other, and their own personal struggles during these days prior to the crucifixion of





Mark Genero portrays the leading role of Judas in the up coming production, Judas Christ.

Christ.

However, this is not Rehak's first production staged. As a University student, he has written several one-act plays used in directing finals and laboratory theatre, such as "That Nice Homey Stuff," "Remember the Sundays," and "The Only Good Injun...'

Directed by Reginald Bain, the company of Judas Christ includes Mark Genero, as Judas, James H. Hawthorne as Peter, Robert J. Rossi as Andrew, James Fox as John, Thomas C. Broderick as Joseph, Pauline Petretti as Mary, and Grace Hartigan and Mary Magdalene.

Set and lighting has been designed by Richard Bergman, technical director for the ND-SMC Theatre Costumes have been designed by Patricia D. Gruska, costumer for the theatre.

Tickets are \$2, and \$1.50 for Notre Dame-Saint Mary's staff, faculty and students. Information concerning ticket reservations may be received by calling 283-7054 or 284-4141.

From left to right is Christopher Ceraso, as Bartl Mark Genero, as Judas, and Mark Swiney, as Matthew.

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# Bracelets recall POW's

#### by Dan Barrett

The Notre Dame community is being asked to show its support for the 1700 US men missing in Viet Nam by wearing a bracelet inscribed with a POW's name until the man's release is assured.

The program, organized on campus by Chuck Leader, is part of a national campaign to show the Viet Cong that the US people are seriously concerned over their refusal to uphold the Geneva Convention which they

### Voter sample to be taken

by Andy Winiarczyk

Pat Coyle, director of the Campus Voter registration Drive, announced yesterday that his group will conduct a second polling of students to determine how many ND-SMC students have registered to vote. Coyle will use the poll to guage the success of his group.

Coyle noted that "before Christmas, we took a poll of 200 students from Notre Dame and St. Mary's to find out how many of them were registered to vote. The survey showed 55 per cent of the students had signed up to vote."

Within the next week, Coyle's group will conduct a second poll. This time, they hope to contact 300 students to get a more accurate sampling of the student body.

The Voter Registration Drive in recent weeks has set up tables in ND-SMC Dining Halls to hand out information on Absentee Voting Registration. Coyle noted that it is possible to register in mail in 25 states and the District of Columbia.

ratified in 1957

Leader said he wished to emphasize the positive value of protesting for the release of living men rather than protesting by emphasizing those who have died.

Each member of the community will be asked to buy a bracelet and wear it as an expression of his concern for the

The SLC will not meet tomorrow. Instead it will meet February 24 at 4:30 in the CCE.

missing man whose name it carries. The \$2.50 charge for the bracelet will be used to support the needy families of the POW's, to offer a scholarship to the children of the missing men, and to organize a non-political lobby for the quick return of the POW's.

The program will be run in the halls by the ROTC programs on campus, with each branch of the service taking care of one third of the halls. Every hall will have a representative who will make the bracelets available and explain the program to the students. According to Leader, "It is up to the student body to determine how far the program goes.'

The program, passed with only two dissenting votes by the Student Senate, has been given the full and vigorous support of SBP John Barkett.

### Burrell wins in Badin; last male president

Roger Burrell, a junior General Program major from Phoenix, Arizona will be the last male president of Badin Hall. Burrell won his hall's presidency by 78-55 over Kevin McEvily, a sophomore.

Present Badin president Buz Imhoff claimed that it "is essential that at this time we have a new president." Imhoff expressed his concern over his own objectivity and he stressed that someone was needed who was directly affected by the program.

Junior Joe Butler won the Hall secretary post by an overwhelming margin and runoffs will be held for the positions of Vice-President and Treasurer. In the Vice-Presidential contest,

Sophmore Chris Page notched 45. The run-off for Treasurer will match Frank Chartier(54 votes) and Dan Thornton(52 votes)

Present Badin president Buz Imhoff claimed that it "is in a critical period. "If there are any arguments to be made for relocation or reversal, it is better done by someone who is subjective. But I will still be around to aid the new president. I don't

intend to leave the hall." President of Walsh Hall, Dave Fromm, told The Observer last night that Walsh will not have elections for new officers. The hall residents, he said, decided that it made "no real sense to have a six week term." Fromm said his constitutents feel it is in the best interest of the hall that he stays on for the sake of con-



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