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Gassman-Casey elected SBP-SVBP

by Ken Bradford
Copy Editor

Mike Gassman and Mike Casey overwhelmed their two opposing tickets yesterday and secured a resounding victory in the student body elections.

Gassman and Casey received 2,062 votes, well over the simple majority necessary to avoid a run-off election. Tim Boyle and Peter Gaa placed second with 590 votes and Mike Sweigert and Bill Walsh received 535 votes.

In getting over 64 per cent of the total vote, Gassman carried every hall except Grace and St. Edward's halls. The Gassman ticket also won a simple majority of the votes in 18 of the 22 voting districts.

Gassman's greatest support came from his home hall, Stanford, where he received 231 votes, 92 per cent of the hall's total. Pangborn, Casey's home hall, provided the winners with 160 votes. Four other halls chose the Gassman ticket by near - 80 per cent margins.

Voter turnout was also best in Stanford and Pangborn -- both halls had 88 per cent of their residents vote. Alumni Hall's participation was 80 per cent.

Only 141 off-campus students voted -- about ten per cent voter participation. Overall voter participation 49 per cent.

The Boyle-Gaa ticket showed surprising strength in winning in St. Edward's and Grace, Gaa's home hall. Sweigert and Walsh also did their best in Grace but were unable to win any halls.

Gassman, a junior, was a candidate in last year's student body elections but his ticket was eliminated in the primary. In that election, he finished third among eight candidates but carried four halls.

Casey, also a junior, was not a candidate in last year's elections but served as Pangborn Hall president this year.

Gassman and Casey attributed their victory to a superior campaign organization and to the hard work of their campaign workers. Gassman said he had over 90 people working for him in the dormitories and had influential hall leaders -- like hall presidents -- spreading his name around.

Gassman said his platform was based on their experience in campus government, and he said this was the only real issue in the campaign. Gassman received most of his name-recognition from his leadership in a struggle with the University administration over the

calendar issue.

Casey agreed that the key to the election was in "getting the right people to work their tails off for us."

Casey added that the Observer endorsement may have helped in increasing their margin of victory. "The endorsement helped by getting our some of the people who normally might not vote," he said.

The losing candidates agreed that it was the Gassman-Casey campaign organization which decided the election.

"The Observer endorsement could not have made much difference in the election," Sweigert stated. "Gassman was just too well organized."

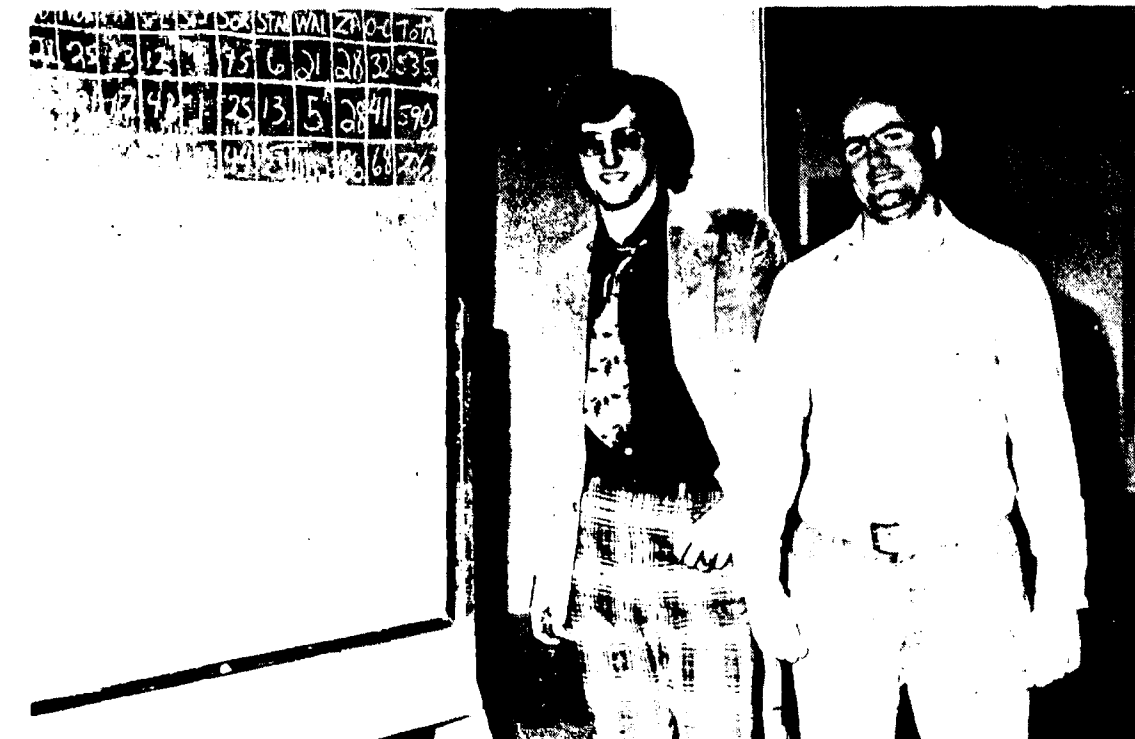
Walsh said his defeat in the election did not represent a rejection of his ticket's platform. "There really wasn't any difference in the platforms," Walsh said. "Mr. Gassman succeeded in establishing one issue -- his experience in Student Government."

Only time will tell if "experience in leadership" is a valid criterion for selecting a student body president, Walsh said.

Boyle, who campaigned with the slogan "I may be crazy but I'm not stupid", said he was pleased with his showing in the election. "This proves that everybody here is not as straight-laced as most people think."

The voting statistics:

HALL	Gassman Casey	Boyle Gaa	Sweigert Walsh	HALL TOTALS
AL	105	44	76	225
BP	99	8	20	127
CA	75	21	6	102
DI	113	28	18	159
FA	99	14	12	125
FI	75	7	7	89
FL	137	52	20	209
GR	88	102	91	281
HC	48	21	24	93
HO	84	24	19	127
KE	147	44	26	217
LE	111	23	35	169
LY	58	10	28	96
MO	93	19	25	137
PA	160	17	13	190
SE	39	43	12	94
SJ	10	1	1	12
SO	44	25	15	84
ST	231	13	6	250
WA	102	5	21	128
ZA	76	28	28	132
OC	68	41	32	141
Total	2062	590	535	3187



Mike Gassman and Mike Casey received 64 per cent of the total vote yesterday to become the

1976-77 SBP and SBVP. This firm majority eliminated the need for a run-off.

(photo by Mike Kron)

At SMC commencement

Brademas to deliver speech

by Marti Hogan
Asst. St. Mary's Editor

Indiana Congressman John Brademas has been invited to deliver the 1976 Commencement Address at St. Mary's College on Saturday, May 15.

"Congressman Brademas is a felicitous selection for our commencement speaker," said St. Mary's President John M. Duggan.

"During his years on the House Education and Labor Committee, Congressman Brademas has played a principal role in helping to write most of the major legislation concerning elementary and secondary education, higher education and vocational education," Duggan commented.

"It is appropriate that we, an institution of higher learning should honor a man who has been such an ardent supporter of education," Duggan added.

The decision to invite Brademas, however, has met with considerable criticism from St. Mary's seniors who pointed out that Brademas was not on the list of

suggested speakers that the seniors voted on last September.

"We just got a newsletter saying Congressman Brademas was going to be our commencement speaker," said Mary Egan, a St. Mary's senior. "They didn't explain it to us."

According to several seniors it was rumored that Brademas had asked to be the speaker for political reasons.

However, it was the decision of the Academic Affairs Council to invite Brademas, explained Gail Mandell, assistant to the vice-president of Academic Affairs.

"We approached him. He didn't ask us," Joan McDermott, student representative to the Academic Affairs Council, said. "We chose Brademas because our chances of getting him were pretty good."

According to McDermott the three people on the list who had received the most votes were unable to attend because of prior commitments. The remaining choices had received such a low

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BRADEMAS

Academic Council changes CAP appointment, promotion methods

by Terry Keeney
Editor-in-Chief

The Academic Council voted yesterday to require formal consultation among a dean, department chairman and a departmental committee on appointments and promotions (CAP) in cases where there is disagreement over a CAP recommendation.

The Council rejected a proposal to establish an appeals procedure to handle cases of differences between a departmental CAP and the president or provost.

The Council action revises the Academic Manual provisions for all faculty appointments, promotions and tenure. Under current procedures, all departments have a committee on appointments and promotions which makes recom-

mendations to the department chairman. Both the CAP and the chairman report to the dean on appointment and promotions matters.

Under current procedures the CAP may not know whether the chairman or dean agrees with its recommendations. The revisions passed by the Council assure that the CAP formally consults with the dean and the chairman when they disagree.

"The purpose of the revision was to give the CAP a greater voice in the whole tenure and promotion process", said Paul Conway, chairman of the Faculty Senate which proposed the revisions.

Conway believes the changes make the deans and chairman more accountable to the CAP. "Departmental committees should know

better than anyone else who should be promoted," he said.

Fr. James Burtchael, University provost, believes the major purpose of the Faculty Senate proposal was to weaken the authority of the administration in appointments, promotions and tenure matters.

"The purpose was really to weaken the Administration, meaning to include the deans, the provost and the president," Burtchael said.

During the Council meeting, Burtchael released figures from academic year 1974-75 which noted that 97 per cent of the CAP recommendations were approved by the department chairmen, deans and provost. In only ten cases were CAP recommendations on ap-

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South Bend's historic Leeper Park still shows traces of snow. Will Spring never come? (photo by Mike Kron)

On Campus Today

- 10 a.m. --panel discussion, "america: a radical future?," by harvey cox, sheldon gellar, carl estabrook, lib. aud.
- 11:15 a.m. --lecture, "a technical fore front of exploration," all majors without conflicts are requested to attend, rm 101, geo bldg.
- 2 p.m. --panel discussion, "college to career," rm 243 madeleva.
- 2:45 p.m. --lecture, "offshore drilling for oil: it's past history and future potential," rm 127 nieuwwland
- 3:30 p.m. --computer course, "cobol," rm. 115 comp. ctr.
- 4:30 p.m. --lecture, "income inequality: causes and cures," by lester thruow, lib. aud.
- 4:30 p.m. --music forum, "ives' symphony #4," by jose serabrier, little theater
- 4:30 p.m. --seminar, "insect viruses," by dr. john paschke, rm. 278 gal. aud.
- 7 p.m. --meeting, geology majors, discussion of job possibilities, rm. 127 nieuwwland
- 7 p.m. --meeting, photo club, 121 o'shaugh., new members invited
- 7:30 p.m. --meeting, charismatic prayer, lafortune rathskeller
- 7:30 p.m. --lecture, "transcendental meditation, an introduction," spons. by students international meditation society, lib. lounge
- 8 p.m. --boxing, bengal bouts, acc arena
- 8 p.m. --lecture, "american women in history," by prof. carole moore, lib. aud.
- film, jules and jim, eng. aud., \$1
- 10 p.m. --pep rally, for nd-smc women's basketball game, farley basement

Seniors surprised by Brademas as speaker

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number of votes that they didn't warrant being considered, McDermott added.

"We literally had no choice," commented Terry Kerley, another senior. "Even our senior class officers didn't know of the decision until a little note appeared outside of Dr. Duggan's office."

"Time was close and a decision had to be made," McDermott said, explaining why seniors were not involved with or informed of the decision.

Brademas, in his ninth term as third district representative, is a member of the Board of Regents at St. Mary's and he was formerly an assistant professor of political science at the college. He now serves as Chief Deputy Majority Whip on the House Education and Labor Committee, where he is chairman of the Select Education Subcommit-

tee on Postsecondary Education.

Although McDermott stated that she is sure that Brademas will not make a political speech, Egan, along with many other seniors still believes "They should have asked us."

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Tourney to begin on Tues., Mar. 2

The CAUSE (Cooperative Activities Uniting Students and Elderly) sponsored arm wrestling tournament will begin Tuesday, March 2. The purpose of the tournament is to raise funds for the painting and renovation of housing for those elderly living alone and for various nursing homes. Proceeds will also go towards a White Sox game this spring for both the aged and students.

Hall recreation directors will begin accepting sign-ups today until the tournament begins. There is a one dollar entry fee.

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SLC finals tomorrow

by Ken Bradford
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Elections will be necessary in all three voting districts of the Student Life Council (SLC) after no candidate received a majority vote in yesterday's primary.

Jeff Simnick and Peter Haley will battle for the South Quad seat and Len Moty and John Steinman will vie for the Off-Campus seat. Mary Charchut and Ed Van Tassel reached the Wednesday election without opposition for the North Quad seat.

Simnick and Haley eliminated Pat Russell from the South Quad race by collecting 42 and 32 per cent of the quad vote, respectively.

Simnick carried nine of the 14 halls on his quad in receiving his 614 votes. Haley carried only three

halls but received 102 of his 469 votes in Alumni, his home hall. Russell carries two halls, including his home hall of Dillon, but finished well out of the race with 364 votes.

In the off-campus elections, Moty and Steinman moved to the run-offs by defeating Tom Digan and John Kinney. Steinman collected 51 votes, Moty got 48, Digan got 24 and Kinney got 13.

No off-campus candidate received more than four per cent of the total off-campus contingent.

Elections chairman Peter Gottsacker said the SLC run-offs will be Wednesday at the same times and locations as the primary balloting.

Gottsacker added that his committee's attempts to increase off-campus student participation in the elections have proved fruitless. The committee had extended off-

campus voting hours, but the turnout did not improve. "The off-campus delegate seat in the SLC may be in danger if the off-campus students don't show a greater interest," he warned.

This year's election proceeded without any major complaints from candidates about campaigning violations, Gottsacker said. He credited the Ombudsman Office, the hall co-ordinators and committee members Margo Pallardy, Tim O'Connell and Tim Cawley with doing an extremely efficient job in the ballot handling this time.

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ND marriages termed 'remarkably stable'

Despite a rising national divorce rate, the marriages of Notre Dame alumni are remarkably stable, according to a recent survey of the University's graduates.

The average divorce-separation rate for Notre Dame's undergraduate alumni is only 5.6 per cent. Ninety-three per cent of Notre Dame's graduates are still living with their first spouse, and slightly more than 1 per cent are living alone or have remarried after the death of their first spouse.

The divorce-separation rate is the lowest for the marriages of two Notre Dame alumni--3.3 per cent--and only slightly higher for marriages between Notre Dame alumni and graduates of nearby Saint Mary's College--3.8 per cent. Eight per cent of alumni first marriages to spouses without a college education have been founded, compared to 4.9 per cent of those to spouses graduated from institutions other than Notre Dame and St. Mary's.

In terms of religious affiliation, the divorce-separation rate is lowest--4.4 per cent--for Catholic alumni of Notre Dame and higher for alumni having other religious affiliations or none.

Some 3,800 persons, about 66 per cent of a scientifically constructed sample of Notre Dame's 44,000 undergraduate alumni, responded to the survey questionnaire, and complete results will be published in the June Notre Dame Magazine.

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Harvey Cox, speaking in the first of the American Radicalism lectures.
(Photo by Mike Kron)

Bicentennial lecturer foresees changes in American religion

by Terry Keeney
Editor-in-Chief

Popular religious movements in the 1970's have failed to provide a radical critique of American political and economic structures, Harvey Cox, Harvard University theologian, said last night.

These popular movements, based on oriental religions and conservative evangelism, are "the opiate of the masses" and suffer "almost complete political blindness", Cox said.

"The thing that seems to be missing from most of these groups is any sense of crisis that exists in America," Cox told an audience of 150 in Washington Hall.

He cited the Biblical tradition of the prophets who often called into question the political power of the monarch or emperor. This tradition of involvement in political affairs is missing in the more inner-directed neo-Oriental religions and in evangelism.

Cox opened the three-day lecture series "The American Future: A Radical Perspective", which commemorates the national Bicentennial.

According to Cox, Christianity

may be incompatible with capitalism. Christian doctrine, along with the fast growth of Christianity in the Third World, especially in Africa, may produce stresses with capitalistic structures and bring about radical changes.

Cox defined the choice American Christianity must now face. "Will we move even more toward more privatistic, even escapist, form of religion?" he asked. "Or will we move in a direction in which the Church provides a core in which we call into question capitalism, profit, imperial domination and the other directions America has come in?"

Cox said that religious movements in America's past have provided prophetic challenges to the political system. He cited the abolitionists "who confronted people with the moral impossibility of being Christian and a slaveholder" and the 19th century idealists who established alternative communities, such as Robert Owen's New Harmony, Indiana.

Cox argued that hundreds of thousands of Americans have turned to neo-oriental or evangelical faiths because they offer experiential values not found in churches or

synagogues. These movements provide greater community, greater discipline, and a clearer concept of authority than conventional religion.

Cox blames the American adaptation of Oriental religious beliefs, and not the beliefs themselves, for the lack of political concern among their followers today. For example, American versions of Buddhism accept the Oriental Buddhist notion of detachment, but reject the notion that the self or ego does not exist.

"When the Buddhist vision becomes imported to the United States, something happens which makes it the opiate of the people," Cox said. American neo-Oriental followers are thus "transmuted by the American capitalistic society."

Neo-Oriental religions have great potential for providing an alternative to the American economic system, Cox said. For example, the Buddhist view work not as the means to generate income in a capitalistic society, but as a value in itself.

Protestant evangelism has also produced some radical critiques of American society.

Reporter suspended for release of secret reports

NEW YORK AP --CBS newsman Daniel Schorr, who has admitted releasing a secret House intelligence report to a weekly newspaper, was indefinitely suspended from reporting duties by the network on Monday.

Schorr admitted releasing the report prepared by the House committee on intelligence operations of the government to the Village Voice, a weekly published in New York's Greenwich Village.

CBS, in a statement released by President Richard Salant, noted that government investigations have been called for to see if Schorr can be prosecuted for releasing the secret report.

"In view of the adversary situations in which Dan Schorr is placed in pending government investigations, he has agreed with CBS that he will be relieved of all reporting duties for an indefinite period," Salant's statement said.

"Schorr was not immediately available for comment."

It said the network would provide legal counsel to Schorr "insofar as investigations relating to his CBS news activities are concerned" and said the network "will fully support Mr. Schorr against attempts to require him to reveal the source through which he obtained the report. These aspects of the matter involve fundamental issues of press freedom."

The House has ordered its Ethics Committee to investigate the leak of its report and determine if any action should be taken against Schorr. The Justice Department indicated it was also considering a probe.

Moore to talk on women in history

Dr. Carole Moore, an assistant professor of History at Notre Dame will speak on "Women in American History" tonight at 8 p.m. in the Library Auditorium. This talk is the second in a series of presentations sponsored by the Notre Dame Advisory Council of Women Students.

The purpose of these presentations is to provide an opportunity for the students, faculty and administrators to gain exposure to the talents, educational backgrounds and experiences of various prominent women at Notre Dame.

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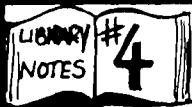
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Outside Radicals

This week there is a group of outside agitators on campus. They are radicals from around the country who have come here to push their radical ideas in celebration of a violent revolution. They should be welcome.

These radicals are speaking here as part of a conference devoted to "The American Future: A Radical Perspective" which is an unofficial part of Notre Dame's celebration of the Bicentennial of the Revolution. Among them are theologian Harvey Cox, political scientist Finley Campbell (a colleague of Angela Davis on the National Committee Against Racism) and economist Lester Thurow (one of McGovern's 1972 economic advisors).

The term "radical" is derived from the Latin for "root" and these radicals are questioning

the root assumptions of the status quo. This is valuable for those of us who are inclined to go along with the ways things are, not thinking about underlying principles by which we guide our lives. Radicals can challenge us to re-examine our usual thinking.

If our assumptions turn out to be wrong then we can correct them. If they turn out to be right then by affirming them as our own carefully considered beliefs we will not be ape-like imitators of those around us but free and conscious human beings.

Times and places for the radical speakers are posted around campus. Go listen to some of those outside agitators, especially if you are confident of your beliefs and know the agitators will anger you. Dare to be disturbed.

P.O. Box Q

Fathers of the Dorms

Dear Editor:

This letter is not meant to insult or degrade, blaspheme any religious figures on campus; we merely wish to point out an exceptionally ludicrous assumption on their part. We are referring to the "I am Godly, what I say is the Word" syndrome which unfortunately has victimized some of the priests, in particular the hall rectors on this campus. Several incidents have come to our attention this past academic year where conflicts of lifestyles between students and rectors has impelled some rectors to decisions capable of inducing vomit.

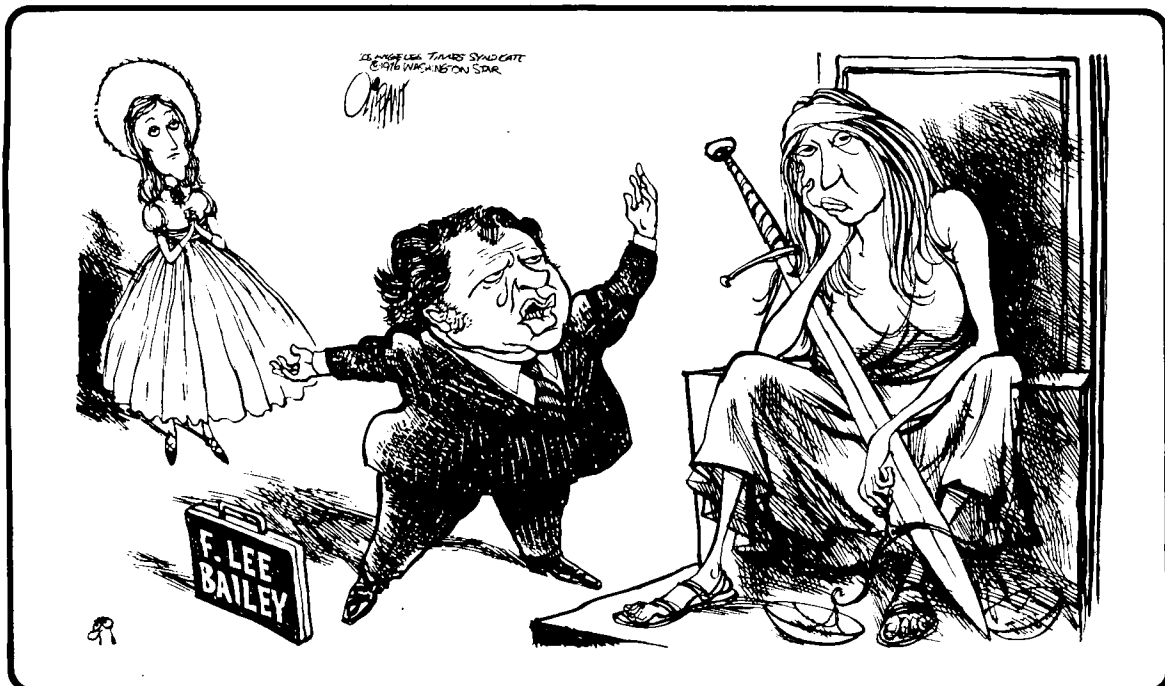
To give an example, one rector in mind decided to assert his first show of power by expelling from "His" hall a student on grounds of numerous parietal violations and miscellaneous accusations of "deviant" behavior that literally insulted the intelligence of the accused. How can someone acting in the name of God possibly make such a thoughtless decision as that? . . . and on a rumor basis! Maybe that rector should take a good look at himself before he so eagerly passes false witness on his neighbor.

We might also point out another case of equally appalling behavior which had much more serious consequences. The victim in question here was not merely expelled from his living quarters, but was given an involuntary leave of absence from our entire community. This too was the result of rumored misbehavior, similar in nature to that of our other victim described above.

Fathers of the dorms! . . . do you even realize what you have done? . . . trying to change the lifestyles of these young men! . . . Do you really believe that these imposed changes are for their better? . . . or are you voluntarily blind to their ways of life with yours--due to your pact with its many virtuous abstentions.

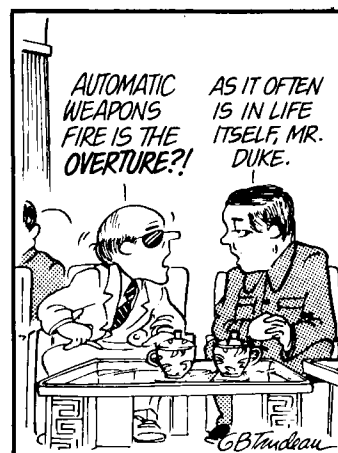
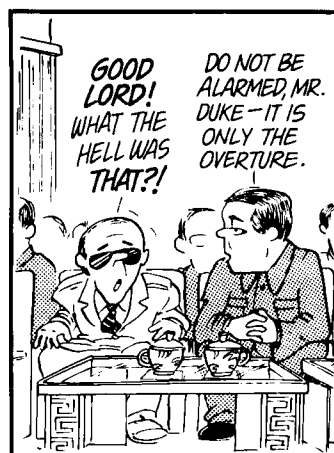
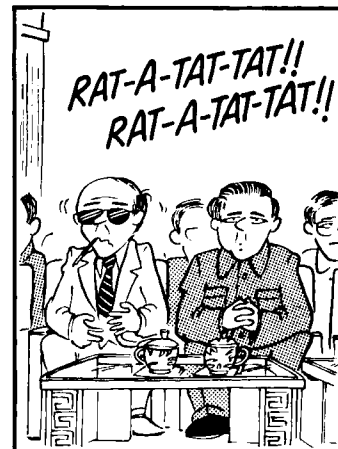
But we know where we stand, don't we? As mere students at this university we have absolutely no say relative to these matters, nor any chance of asserting ourselves over a rector. Therefore, we can only review these sad incidents, finding ourselves defenseless against the authoritative measures imposed. Let's be realistic about this now--we're dealing with an entity vs. identity problem. We think more attention should be focused on this aspect of on-campus life. This is the purpose of our letter to the editor . . . we're bummed.

R.C. DiLeo
K. J. Lynch



DOONESBURY

by Garry Trudeau



seriously, folks

Lockheed Kickback 1100

art buchwald

Washington- Lockheed Aircraft has just developed a new supersonic Bribe that can fly two times the speed of sound. The Bribe, which took 10 years to get off the drawing board, is called the Kickback 1100. Lockheed salespeople are claiming it is the most modern, versatile Bribe vehicle of its kind.

One of the people involved in the project told me in strictest confidence the Kickback 1100 can carry a payload of up to \$10 million to any corrupt official in the world.

"Northrop Corp. doesn't have anything to compare with it," he said proudly.

"How does it differ from the Bribe vehicles of the past?"

"Speed for one thing," he said. "We can now Bribe an Italian general in three and a half hours, whereas it took us seven hours to get the bag to him in the past."

"Boy, what will you space people think of next?" I said.

"The Kickback also has special navigational equipment which is so accurate it can land \$1 million on a Swiss bank vault with less than a 10-foot ceiling."

"You say it, but can you do it?"

"We did the other day. An African high government official asked us for \$1 million to okay a contract for several of our air buses. He gave us the name and the number of a Swiss bank account. The Kickback 1100 took off from Nassau and landed in Geneva in a safe at three o'clock the next morning. The African official was so pleased he ordered the Kickback for his brother."

My informant who had too many drinks or he never would have talked so much said, "The old defense Bribes were too noisy. Everyone heard about them. We told our engineers to completely redesign the Bribe so no one would recognize it. We wanted a model that would be smooth, fast, safe and so quiet that nobody in Congress could complain about the sound. It also had no odor. The worst thing about a Bribe is that it eventually smells fishy."

"That must have been a tall order for the research and development people."

"We underestimated the cost of what it would take to develop a new Kickback by \$40 million."

"How did you get the money to make up for the overrun?"

"We took several people from the Pentagon to our duck hunting club and explained the problem."

"That was good thinking. It's hard for a guy in a duck blind to say no to someone who has an overrun."

"Anyhow, we now have all the bugs out of the Kickback 1100 and we predict it will be the Bribe of the future. Everyone wants one. We have an order for three from a Japanese war criminal in Tokyo. He wants his painted gold. A South American president has asked for one decorated in German marks, and a member of a European royal family wants his covered with Dutch guilders."

"Some senators have complained about the dangers of the Kickback particularly as it's related to the ozone level. Are you certain the new Lockheed Bribe can stand an environmental study?" I asked.

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the search for god leads to a retreat

christie herlihy

Within each one of us is a yearning for celebration. The urge to "grab all the gusto you can," goes back to our caveman ancestors. Though in these sophisticated times we may not dance around the campfire in bear skins after a victorious hunt, we do the next best thing—swarm onto the basketball floor, screaming, yelling with toilet paper flying, to cut down the nets. We measure our lives by blowing out candles, drinking toasts, passing out cigars, serving the turkey and the dressing.

When there is a party in the air, we are sparked with anticipation. Work becomes less burdensome for soon we will have some mental relief. We look forward to being with friends and our minds wonder, considering who we'll meet, what we'll talk about, and the food and drink that we'll pass around together.

What makes a good party? No doubt some morning after you have kicked this

around with your roommate and discovered that the night before was an experience shared with others; you recall a certain warmth, a fraternity the next morning and when you see those friends again.

In just this same intimate way, the Partners-In-Dialogue retreat at Old College, Jan. 25 became a sharing experience.

It was a celebration which sprang from reflecting on the Eucharist as a celebration. Father John Gallen and his staff from the Murphy Center of Liturgical Research, as well as Sr. Jane Pitz' campus ministry staff gathered with interested students early Sunday morning downstairs in the kitchen.

Entering Old College is like going back home, coming in from the snow and cold and then twisting down the narrow staircase to the warm kitchen below to where all the laughter is. But when I entered the kitchen, and saw people in

sweaters clustered around the coffee urn, gathered around the yellow contact papered table, munching powdered doughnuts, sipping coffee, laughing, and talking, I felt uneasy... (I don't know anyone here, is this the right place?) I got a cup of coffee and then recognized faces from the dining hall, my theology class, Father Toohey, and good old Sister Jean. We carried our coffee upstairs and sat in a large circle, leaning our backs against the wood paneled walls or propping ourselves on pillows. Father Gallen introduced the discussion by defining what is meant by "celebration". How gathering for a reason gives an inner meaning which carries on after the party's over. He then read off lists of names, separating us into small groups and I was disappointed that I was not with the only two people I knew.

As the others left for different rooms, my group materialized. Sr. Cathline Hughes welcomed us and said that we would learn each others names in the course of the

discussion. But then she asked a very intimate question: Have you ever experienced a time when you felt the presence of God in your life? She assured us there was no expected response. Some may have "been to the mountain", others unsure if their experience was divinely inspired. We reflected on this a while, supplied with white tablets and pencils in case we wanted to jot down our thoughts.

My pad was blank. When had I ever felt God in my life? I had heard no voices from the depths of my study carrel that I could liken to "Here Samuel!" so that I could respond with, "Here I am Oh, Lord!". I had stayed in many Saturday nights but felt no urge to "take up and read" a biblical passage like St. Augustine.

But yet I do feel closer to God somehow. I've noticed more and more that I can almost say that I love Him, in some mysterious way love someone I can't see. But how has this come about?

I know that since my childhood I've loved to be out-of-doors. Although I'm a retired treehouse builder and sculptor of mud, I'm still inspired by sunsets. Driving back from a day of sailing with a summer sunset in my rear view mirror has caused many potential accidents. I love to take leisurely walks watching the sunset over frozen St. Mary's lake. Then I turn to admire the way snow nestles in the furrows and powders the rocks of the grotto, the beeswax candles flickering with crisp light. And when I see this beauty which gives such simple joy to my senses I feel very naked, unworthy to behold these manifestations of some divine lover. Now I could understand the "leap of faith" which the Danish philosopher Kierkegaard spoke about, the bursting joy described in the Old Testament—pouring wine into an old wine skin.

I kept staring at my blank pad. My eyes wandered around the room as I noticed my fellow students seated in the circle, writing gazing up at the ceiling. How had they experienced God? Was my experi-

"I could talk to someone

about God.

Break down the barriers,

looking into their eyes."

ence like theirs? How will they receive me when I narrate mine. One student, Mike, broke the silence finally as he described the joy he experienced at an intimate Mass with some friends. He finished. I felt it my turn. I blurted out my thoughts feeling my face redden as I noticed some staring at me, others shifting on pillows, but it was soon over. I felt so relieved. But for all of my false starts and redness, I discovered that others had shared similar experiences—Jim, camping in the Rocky mountains, Cathy, walking back from the library in the snow. I felt so relieved. I could talk to someone about God. Breaking down the barriers, looking into their eyes.

Although we talked excitedly and got to know ourselves better, the aroma of melted cheese and ham submarines became too much too much and we went downstairs to share lunch together. There was much Polish joke bantering going around. I fell for the Pollock of the Year award, a joke trick which didn't fool Father Gallen. It was great to be back together again and to share what other groups had discussed.

The lightheartedness at lunch contrasted with the solemn private reflection which followed. Some played the guitar, others, like me, took a walk in the snow, but all of us concentrated on a gospel passage from St. Mark, the one in which Jesus says "Come after me; I will make you fishers of men."

Once reunited we discussed what makes a Mass meaningful, joyful, one of celebration. And with these thoughts in mind we created our own Mass. Father Gallen led us in a discussion of the gospel reading, we shared the sign of peace, and then hurried through the snow, carefully carrying the wine and protecting the loaf of bread, to the log chapel. Father Gallen said the consecration and then he, who had been with us all day, eating, joking and discussing broke the bread and gave it to each one of us. We passed the cup around with those to whom we had confessed very intimate thoughts. We felt the warmth of the wine. We felt bonded together. We experienced the Eucharist together. We celebrated.

records

the tufano and giammarese band:

-----who are these guys?

gregg b. bangs

Like most other papers, the OBSERVER procures the records it reviews from a variety of sources. This year, the most common source has been several local record dealers who give us access to new releases in exchange for some sort of recognition in the article. Quite often, the reviewer will just get a record on his won out of personal interest. This is the second most common source.

Record companies also supply us with promotional copies, not unlike they do a radio station. Unfortunately, they usually seem to send all the good albums to WSND and supply us with nothing worthwhile. At least, that's the way it usually is. This year the OBSERVER has been proud to pick up such classics as *Bible Music of the Old Testament, The Greatest Hits of Shock and Musical Themes of the Late Fifties*.

Sometimes we get lucky—somebody must have made a mistake when they sent us Carole King's *Thoroughbred*. Or very rarely, one of the new "artists" they send you will turn out to be more than a burnt out politician, ex-football player or Indian snake charmer. This did not originally seem to be the case when an album titled *The Tufano and Giammarese Band* showed up. The album was recorded in Canada and the band looks very streetwise in the album shots so it looked like we were dealing with a bunch of Canadian hit men or the Italian Doobie Brothers.

However, the album got more than the usual once over, probably because it came in the same packet as Carole King's album and Joan Baez's newest release. For the sake of these two artists, it is safe to say they would not be embarrassed by the presence of the Tufano and Giammarese Band (TGB)—as a matter of fact, they might be quite pleased for this group offers a very listenable, pleasant brand of music.

To answer the obvious question of "Who are these guys?", the TGB is a five man band if you go by the album shot and a six man group if you read the credits. All discrepancies aside, they are led by lead guitarist and vocalist Carl Giammarese and Dennis Tufano, who also sings lead vocals in addition to playing guitar and keyboards. These two also write all of the groups original material. They co-authored every song on the album except for a pleasant redoing of J. Holvay's "Kind Of A Drag."

Tufano and Giammarese write songs that accent their vocal harmonies. The instrumentation is geared to compliment the vocals and act as filler between the singing. It is never meant to be overbearing. However, Jack Richardson's production work is so flawless, that one finds himself (herself) admiring the overall sound of the songs instead of concentrating

on one aspect. This tends to make each song flow into the next and seems to make the album's playing time fly by. This might be one reason why the production work can be called "too slick," for it seems concentrated on overall presentation instead of catering to the individual cuts. This concept is really quite welcome, for so many first albums are a collection of possible singles with garbage inbetween.

This is not to say that there aren't any standout songs on the disc for the TGB offers quite a few different types of songs within their basic framework. The opening cut, "Let in the Light," starts with an Italian sounding guitar that provides a quick pace for Tufano's throaty vocal. The song actually sounds a little schmaltzy when orchestration is added at the end. Regardless, the song starts the album off on an upbeat.

"Heartbreak" sounds like its off the Doobie Brother album *Stampede*. Tufano plays a Billy Payne ragtime piano throughout and it blends perfectly with Giammarese's background guitar solos to produce a hard driving song.

"Gone like the Wind" is the antithesis of "heartbreak". It is a regular old-fashioned



love song with lyrics like:

IT MAY BE A DAY
IT MAY BE A YEAR
BUT I KNOW THAT I'LL SEE YOU
AGAIN

Giammarese's lead singing and Tufano's harmony sound so sincere that the orthodox lyrics come to life and make you feel for the singer. This mood is helped and promoted by some very pretty synthesizer work which seems to underline the sincerity of the singers. Tufano and Marty Grebb combine on keyboards throughout the album and are more of a force than Giammarese's guitar. This makes sense because keyboards always seem to compliment vocals better than guitars. Since this is what the TGB is after, one can see

why the guitar is not the main instrument in most songs.

The two songs where the guitar is featured depend on it enormously. "Honest Man" is a common man's complaint against the rigors of society. Giammarese's cutting, blaring solos seem to represent the anger held against society. It is responsible for the bitter quality of the song. A completely different kind of solo predominates "Summer Night." The song is an excellent dance song that is moved along by an Isaac Hayes guitar solo off of "Shaft." This mixes with an acoustic guitar and orchestration to produce what sounds like a lavishly produced disco sound.

The only cut not written by T & G is "Kind of a Drag." The pace is slowed down, orchestration is added along with a very effective sax solo and Giammarese sings yet another emotional, but believable vocal. The song was once relegated to the classic pop list—this version makes it to the classy pop list.

The best two songs are both on side two and they also happen to be the best produced. "Times Change" is once again based on the vocal harmonies of T & G which are, once again, excellent. However, the highlight of the song is the way the instrumentation is perfectly coordinated so all the parts complement each other. Both an acoustic and electric guitar are featured and they mix perfectly with Grebb's sax solo and the congas of Darryl Wilson. This is all backed by orchestration and Tufano's synthesizer. Each is heard, but none takes away from the other. It is perfectly mixed.

"Hypnotizen-love" is sung by a man who professes to be in a daze when he is not with his lover. Therefore, the lyrics sound somewhat at a distance except at the chorus which is clear because he sees his lover at that moment. An excellent guitar solo ensues because it intensifies the mood of the song by remaining distant and removed. A variety of percussion instruments are used to also keep this mood: a sandpaper block gives the impression that someone is sleeping. Once again, fine arrangements make this song.

Perhaps this group does have a few things going against it. It is very unknown and the lack of promo material sent along with the disc isn't going to help any. Whatever, with a name like the Tufano & Giammarese Band and the brand of fine music they play, this group could become something. They deserve to.

Well, back to the second volume of *Bible Music of the Old Testament*.

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'Making it' favored in COUL report

The program formerly known as the **Hospitality and Intimacy** experiment, received a favorable recommendation from the COUL report. Members of the group will meet tonight in Farley Hall for the third in a five-program series from Feb. 10 through March 2.

The student-oriented program is named "Making It Without the Games."

Brother Mike McGinnis, assistant rector of Grace hall, states that the program presents an opportunity to meet people outside of the dating or party situation; in other words, in situations "without the games."

Organized in small groups of 12 students and one couple from the area, the entire program now numbers 86 students from Grace, Farley and Breen-Phillips halls and 6 couples from South Bend. They meet in residence halls and in the homes of the couples.

In the May 1975 COUL report, the group, then known as the Hospitality and Intimacy Experiment, received favorable recommendation: "We feel that the opportunity for this type of discussion at Notre Dame is far too limited. We would like to see this experience offered on a large scale to those students who are interested because this type of sharing of mutual problems and concerns will promote understanding and growth in areas where it has heretofore been seriously lacking."

The program was thus expanded this year, explained Mary Claire McCabe, Director of Student Development. Students Jack Kasel, Sue LeFevre and Chris Datzman revamped the format making the atmosphere less formal and the talk more spontaneous.

"The students do not feel threatened by the authority of parents or faculty or by a situation set up by a boy-girl encounter," McCabe said. McCabe found a surprisingly large number of students who never visit the people in town.

"There is another side to the program which students and staff members aren't completely aware of, and that is the attitude of the couples. Many of them never get the chance to sit down and talk with a Notre Dame student. They enjoy the experience as much as the student," she said.

Although the project might appear superficial at first glance, McGinnis reported that the hall governments and the staffs of the sponsoring halls believe the program deals with two main problems faced by students: the prevailing patterns of male-female interac-

tion, and the relative isolation of campus and dorm life.

"This isolation and loneliness is felt by many young married couples in the South Bend area," remarked Mollie Crome. "When we moved here a few years ago, I thought Notre Dame was the real center of the town, the heart of everything. The one way we as a family could share the ND student life was through the hospitality group."

"We were lonely," she conti-

nued. "We had no family surrounding us. So my husband and I find our extended family is within the ND community."

Joan and Jim Stark, another participating couple, share much the same experience.

Ken Grebliunas, a junior from Evergreen Park, Illinois, hosted the first meeting in his room at Grace hall. As a second year member, Grebliunas thinks this year's program is much less formal: "We really have a rap session going

now. Getting into a family situation where you have room to stretch out and play with the kids makes it easier to talk than in the halls on campus or being cramped in one of our small rooms."

"Sharing an evening with a young married couple with young children who are not that much older than you is a rewarding experience," concluded Grebliunas.

Marie Daugherty, a junior living in Farley, found new friends and new ideas. "If the program were

more structured, I think you would lose the atmosphere it needs in order to succeed -- the casual homelike spontaneity among varied age groups. Tom and Diane Majors shared their home with us last week," Daugherty continued. "I like to see how a young family decorates the house, plans a dinner and how they deal with young children."

Unlike the classroom, she thinks the exchange is probably more honest.

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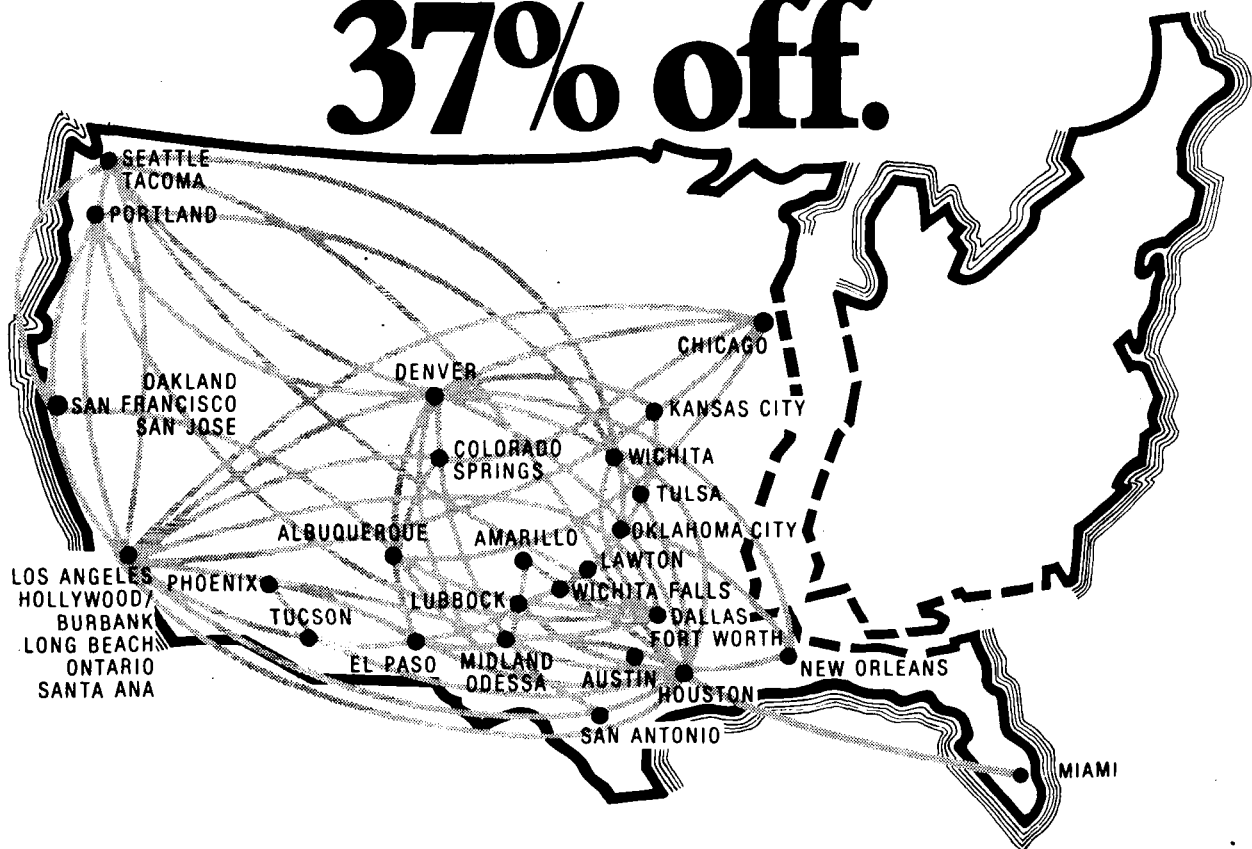
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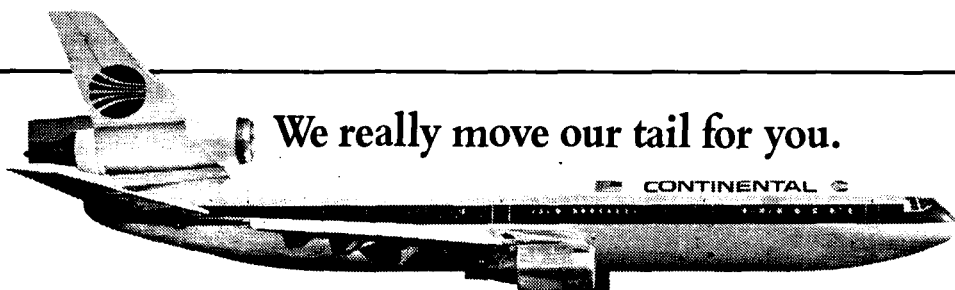
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Film critic evaluates '75 films

by Barb Breitenstein
Staff Reporter

"Movies have gotten too efficient at getting big audiences," Roger Ebert, Chicago *Sun-Times* film critic, said in an "informal" lecture last night. "They are making blockbusters and taking the action away from where it belongs in American films."

Ebert, the first film critic to receive a Pulitzer Prize, spoke before a crowd of about 200 people in the library auditorium on "Extremes in American Films: *Jaws* and *Nashville*," using the two film as a "starting point" for his critique of American film of 1975.

"Nineteen Seventy-five was an indistinguishable year for film," Ebert commented. "American movies are afraid to take a chance. *Nashville* was a movie that touched us, that was ambitious. It was the kind of movie you could be proud of. But *Jaws* was the movie everyone went to see instead of *Nashville*," Ebert said.

The audience's laughter in response to Ebert's many witty comments and stories drew more people into the audience as the talk progressed.

Drawing a contrast between "art movies which enlarge our experience" and "commercial movies which enhance our experience," Ebert commented on the direction of American films as "efficient money-making machines."

"*Nashville* was an artistic extreme," he explained. "On the other hand, *Jaws* was the mass communal experience of the century. It was so planned out that by the time the people went into the theatres, they were simply plugs. An art film tries to speak to us more personally."

"It's all based on money rather than art now," Ebert continued, "because it's easier to see. In this country, it's the money and where it comes from that determines what will go before the public."

Ebert commented on the current trend of "disaster movies," and

their inevitable sequels, suggesting a sequel to *Airport-Carport*, a low budget movie about a minibus caught on a downramp."

"*Jaws* was great trash and *Nashville* was great art," Ebert concluded, "and Americans have cast their vote. It was a very bad year for movies and yet more people went to see more movies in 1975 than in any year since TV was popularized. And what finally got them out of the house was trash."

In a question and answer period which followed the lecture, Ebert commented on the role of the film critic, saying that critics do not want to influence people as much as "have a voice in the dialogue." "They want movies to get the audience they deserve," he said.

Ebert also expanded on the lack of females in the movie-making business. "I don't know why we don't see better roles for women," he said. "The studios are all run by men and they just won't risk the money."



Film critic Roger Ebert.

(Photo by Mike Kron)

Meeting nixes appeals for rejects from CAP

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pointments, tenure and promotion overturned.

Burtchell noted that these statistics show that nearly all recommendations of the CAP are upheld by the Administration. He said that in most cases where the administration disagreed with the CAP it was trying "to raise the standards of the departments."

Conway said that any case of an unjust decision is significant.

"I think one case would be important," Conway said. "I think it's a question of any case that might have been an injustice is important."

The revisions passed by the Council would also require the president or provost to convey to a CAP through the college dean reasons for disagreement with a recommendation of the CAP.

The proposal for an appeals procedure when CAP recommendations disagree with the provost or president was defeated 15 to 35,

with three abstentions. The proposal called for a three-member ad hoc panel of disinterested parties to hear a case referred by a departmental CAP.

Conway said that the proposal would be re-considered by the Faculty Senate and may be returned to the Academic Council. "I'm not sure it's a closed issue," he said. "I think the Senate may approach it from a different perspective."

Burtchell noted that the Council passed proposals which retained Administration power and rejected those which took away such discretion.

In other action the Council formed a search committee to replace Emil T. Hofman as dean of the Freshman Year. It consists of five elected faculty members and one student Council member.

The Council also heard the annual report of the provost on academic affairs. The report will be published in a future issue of *Notre Dame Report*.

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One of the most talented fields ever highlights annual spectacle; 26 fights tonight

by Rich Odioso

Riddle: What has more hooks than a Maine fishing village, more crosses than St. Peter's Square on Easter Sunday and more punches than Notre Dame ID's on steak night? Answer: the 45th Annual Bengal Bouts' opening night program tonight which features 26 match-ups. Action gets underway at 8 in the ACC Main Arena with all proceeds going to the Bangladesh missions.

The hard, clean and spirited competition figures to be just the tonic for those fight fans jaded by Friday's Ali-Coopman farce. One of the more refreshing aspects of the Bengals is the enthusiasm of the fighters in comparison to their professional counterparts.

Another advantage to the Bengals over pro boxing is the wide variety of styles from science to slugging that are sure to be displayed from fight to fight.

Most of the football players will not see action tonight but four of the six returning champions put their crowns on the line including two-time titleholder Phil Harbert.

Harbert will go into action in the Bouts best-balanced division the

155-pound weight class. In addition to Harbert there are a total of five veterans, four seniors and three defending champions.

Harbert who has scored three knockouts in five previous Bengal matches opens up his defense against Kevin Murphy, a junior from Chicago. Of the other defending champions, Mike Albers, a winner at 145 last year, battles junior Mike Orlando from Fort Lauderdale and Matt McGrath who won at 150 takes on Marty Fahey. Mike Shaw, whose fine efforts in three previous Bengals have yet to net him a title, starts his quest to rectify that against Joe Cooler, who fought well as a freshman last year.

Two other returning titlists are in the 135 division. Dave Reyna and Dave Tezza were both winners a year ago. Tezza will fight tonight against Pat DeMay.

The 160 class should also be competitive with veterans Mike Thomas, John Tartaglione and Kevin Smith competing. Thomas and Tartaglione square off in one of the bouts tonight. Also in the division is football player Kerry Moriarity who meets Peter Cannon.

Another football player makes

his debut tonight in the 165 division when Randy Payne takes on ex-Irish wrestler Pat Concannon. Veteran John Ricotta is the man to watch in the division. He takes on sophomore Brian Temme.

There are three bouts slated for the 175-pound class with the Ruetty Ruettinger-Thunder Thornton match-up figuring to capture most of the attention. The popular Ruettinger will have his mettle tested by the hard-hitting veteran Thornton. Two more veterans, Tom Plouff and Gus Cifelli, go at it in another 175 bout.

The 125, 145 and 150 weight classes are mostly composed of newcomers but no doubt a number of Bengal stars of tomorrow will emerge from these divisions.

TONIGHT'S CARD: 125--Tom Thanes vs. Terry Philban;

135--Bob Speer vs. Brian Diamond, Pat DeMay vs. Dave Tezza; 145--Mike Mullin vs. Greg Bachman, John Talbot vs. Pat O'Connell, Joe Ferrara vs. Mike Murphy, Bob Jeanguenat vs. Jack D'Aurora;

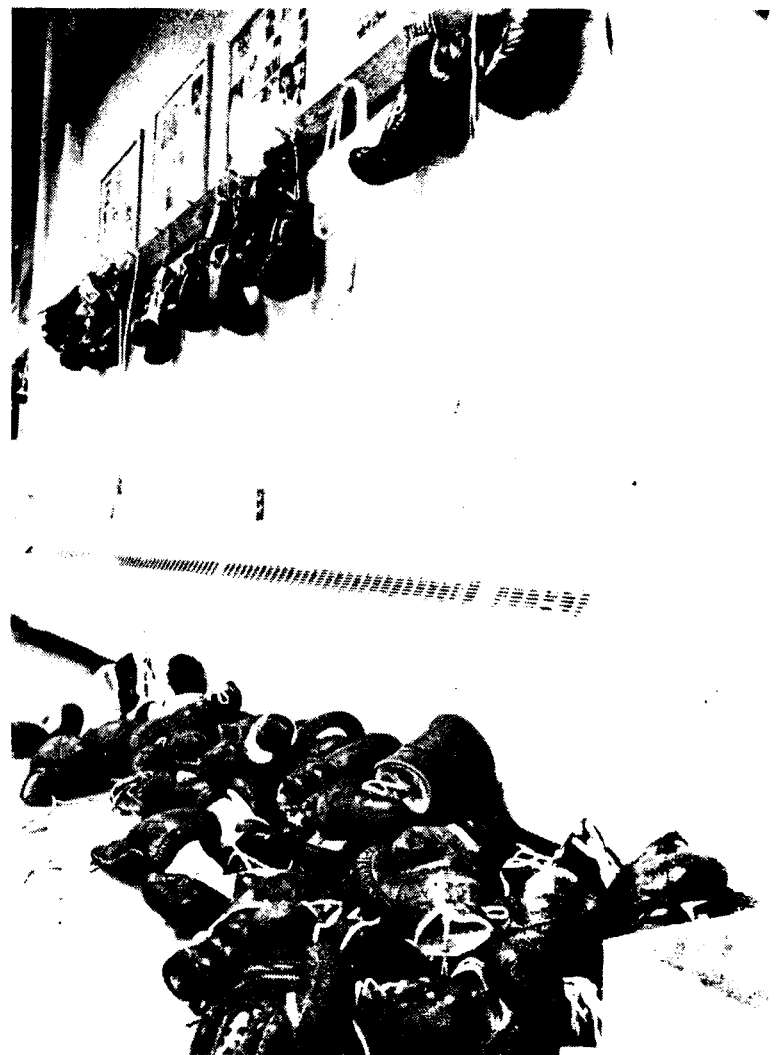
150--Jim Quinn vs. George Nalley, Bob Walls vs. Pat Landfried, Bill Dwyer vs. Rick Bis, Dan Lackner vs. Kevin Ricotta;

155--Phil Harbert vs. Kevin Murphy, John Albers vs. Mike Orlando, Mike Shaw vs. Joe Cooler, Matt McGrath vs. Marty Fahey;

150--Tom Brennan vs. Chris McCusker, Dave Saunders vs. Kevin Smith, Pete Cannon vs. Kerry Moriarity, Mike Thomas vs. John Tartaglione;

165--Randy Payne vs. Pat Concannon, Matt Ratterman vs. Mike Corcoran, Tom Kelly vs. Jim Harig, Brian Temme vs. John Ricotta;

175--Casey Land vs. Chip Brink, John Thornton vs. Ruetty Ruettinger, Gus Cifelli vs. Tom Plouff.



Twenty-six boxers will hang their gloves up for good after tonight's opening round of the 45th annual Bengal Bouts. But the winners will move onto the next round Thursday night. (Photo by Mike Kron).

Playoff spots still at stake as I-H season finishes up

The Interhall Basketball regular season comes to an end this week with many teams jockeying for a playoff spot in Division I and Division II play.

DIVISION I

Fisher I defeated Howard I 66-57 to extend their undefeated streak to seven games and clinch a playoff spot in League I. Tim Spangler, Luther Bradley and Jerome heavens scored 17, 14 and 14 points respectively to lead the way for Fisher. Bill Guappone poured in 17 points for the losers.

Morrissey I clinched their playoff spot by downing Grace I. That upped their record to 7-1 giving them sole possession of second place one half a game behind the league leader. Dillon II owns the third playoff spot. They remained 6-2 on the season as they didn't see action this week. Alumni I, with a 5-3 record, is in the best shape of the remaining teams that are competing for the fourth playoff spot. A win over Holy Cross this week will sew it up for them.

Off-Campus III continued to dominate League II as they turned back Zahm I 63-54. O.C. III held a slim 35-33 halftime lead but blew it open in the third quarter. Team high scorer, Tom Monaghan, led the way with 21 points a piece. Mark Meyer took game scoring honors with 23 points in a losing cause. O.C. III is now 8-0 and is the only team in League II that has clinched a playoff spot.

Keenan I, St. Ed's I and Grace II are all 6-2 and are vying for the three remaining playoff spots. Keenan I romped over Flanner II 62-31 behind a stellar performance from Jay Ball (23 points). St. Ed's I also won easily over Pangborn I by a score of 48-33. Dave Schlichting and John Dziminski led the way with 17 and 14 points respectively.

Grace II stayed at the top by trouncing Morrissey II by a score of 82-60. Randy Harrison played brilliantly, scoring 25 points, while

Jim Weiler scored 20 points in a losing cause. Dillon II had to hold off a late fourth quarter surge by Stanford I to hold onto their 46-45 win. Keenan I and St. Ed's I meet in an all important game this week.

Flanner III made it eight in a row by trouncing Off-Campus IV by a score of 52-41. This earned them the first playoff spot in League III. Steve Dover scored 17 points and Mike Schuff added 14 points for the winners. The loss for O.C. IV virtually eliminates their chance for a playoff spot.

Dillon II scored the only major upset of the week by rolling over previously unbeaten Cavanaugh I. Ed Condon led the way with 18 points while Pat Kennedy took game honors with 23 points for Cavanaugh I. Both teams now own a playoff spot. Sorin I must defeat Dillon III this week to take the remaining spot. Otherwise off-Campus VI and Grace III have the outside shot.

DIVISION II

There were no games played in League IV this week. Alumni II (9-0) owns the first playoff spot. Off-Campus VI and Flanner IV are both 7-2 and claim the second and third spots. Keenan III is one game back at 6-3 and is presently in the best shape for the remaining playoff spot, but they must go up against Flanner IV this week. This gives Sorin I an outside shot at the playoff birth.

Cavanaugh I and Pangborn II both remained tied for first place in League V with 8-1 records as neither team saw action this week. They're both assured of a playoff spot. Grace V is 7-2 and a game ahead of the rest of the team in League V, but they must face Cavanaugh I later this week.

Off-Campus VII and Stanford III are both 6-3 and are competing for the last playoff birth. Stanford will determine its own fate when they go up against Flanner V while O.C. VII will sti back and wait for the results.

Observer Sports

Varsity Sports Summary

Fencers extend streak

by Paul Stevenson

The Notre Dame fencing team, the number one rated team in the country, returned from Ohio St. this weekend after chalking up their sixteenth and seventeenth wins of the season.

In their first contest, Notre Dame downed Ohio St. 18-9. The Irish fencers won foil and sabre 7-2, while bowing to their hosts 5-4 in epee.

After defeating Ohio St., the Irish then out-dualed Michigan St. 21-6, winning sabre (8-1), foil (7-2) and epee (6-3).

Coach Mike DeCicco was extremely happy with his team's performance. "Ohio St. has been a snake pit in recent years for us," DeCicco remarked. "I can recall twice in the last five years when they've spoiled our undefeated season."

Individual stand-outs were Mike McCahey and Pat Gerard who were both 4-0 for the weekend with the foil, Sam Difiglio and Mike Sullivan who were 5-0 with the sabre, and Tim Glass who was 4-0 with the epee. Sullivan's five wins over the weekend upped his season's record to 38-1, as he continues to lead the unbeaten Irish.

DeCicco believes his team is fencing exceptionally well. "We have leadership and depth in every position," he stated. "To my knowledge of Notre Dame fencers, which dates back to 1945, we have never had nine starters that were so productive and consistent."

The Irish are now 17-0 and have accumulated 35 straight victories. With just over one month until the NCAA tournament, DeCicco is confident in his team's ability to capture their first undefeated sea-

son since 1967.

This weekend the Irish take on the University of Wisconsin and the University of Illinois at home.

The matches will be held in the auxiliary gym of the ACC beginning at 9 a.m. The contest is open to the public free of charge.

Swimmers drop 2

Notre Dame's varsity swimmers found the going tough this weekend as they dropped two meets to Illinois State and Purdue by scores of 70-43 and 72-51, respectively.

The tankers will close out their dual meet season at the Rockne Memorial on Friday when they host Bradley at 7:00 p.m.

On Friday the Irish received fine performances from Bob Ebel and Mark Foster in the diving as well as a first place in the 50-yard freestyle.

Ed Fitzsimmons continued his fine swimming as he captured two first in another losing effort, Saturday, this time adding the 100-yard freestyle to his list of firsts. Freshman Paul Hesse also starred as he won the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:24.0.

Friday's meet will begin at 7:00 p.m. with admission free and open to the public.

Wrestlers bow

The Notre Dame matmen of Coach Ray Sepeta closed their dual meet season last week with a disappointing 24-11 defeat at the hands of reigning National Catholic Champion John Carroll University. The loss dropped the Irish's record to a dismal 5-16, the greatest

number of dual meet defeats in Irish wrestling history.

But, with a strong showing in the National Catholic Championships three weeks ago, several Irish wrestlers are looking toward the upcoming regionals with confidence. NCAA qualifier of a year ago, Pat McKillen, leads the Notre Dame contingent to Cleveland State for the regionals to be held Friday, February 27th. McKillen carries a 16-3-2 slate with him to the tournament.

Bob Golic, National Catholic Champ at heavyweight, will take a 12-0-1 to the regionals in his quest to make it to the Nationals in his first try.

After the regionals at Cleveland State, there will be a two-week rest for the qualifiers, as the Nationals, held at the University of Arizona will begin March 11th and last through to the 13th.

Tracksters 12th

The Notre Dame track team placed 12th out of a field of 18 of the strongest teams in the country in the Central Collegiate Conference Championships held at Eastern Michigan this past weekend. Pre-meet favorite Michigan took team honors followed by Penn State in second place.

For the second week in a row, an outstanding performance from freshman runner Jay Miranda highlighted the showing by Irish thinclads. Miranda covered the 1,000 yard run in a time of 2:11.3 to finish third behind winner Andy Johnson of Michigan who established a meet record of 2:08.5 in the process. Other notable performances for the Irish were turned in by Jim O'Brien who placed sixth in the 600 in a time of 1:12.9 while Bill Allmendinger ran the 880 in 1:54.9 to come in fifth.