

THE WORLD TODAY

Debate Measure Stalled

WASHINGTON (UPI) — House Republicans stalemated the House yesterday with a parliamentary filibuster against a bill to allow televised presidential debates. Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey demanded that his GOP rival, Richard M. Nixon, intervene to end the stalling.

Humphrey appeared on the House side of the Capitol as a bloc of Republicans led by Rep. Donald Rumsfeld, R Ill., brought proceedings to a standstill by a series of time consuming quorum calls.

The slow down forced Speaker John W. McCormack to order a lock up of members in the chamber in an effort to keep a quorum on hand. The first three efforts by McCormack proved unsuccessful as Republicans answered the roll call, then left the chamber immediately along with some Democrats.

McCormack's order that the doors be locked was unprecedented in the memory of congressional observers of the past quarter century.

Humphrey, who has been prodding Nixon to debate with him face to face on television, turned up in McCormack's office to condemn the Republicans and challenge Nixon to instruct the GOP members to end their filibuster tactics.

"One simple phone call" from Nixon would do the trick, the Democratic nominee declared.

Gun Control-Almost

WASHINGTON (UPI) — House and Senate conferees approved gun control legislation yesterday banning interstate sales of rifles, shotguns and all kinds of ammunition.

The measure now goes back to both houses for final action before it is sent to President Johnson to be signed into law.

The measure contains no provision for registration of firearms or licensing of their owners, which is a key objective of most congressional gun control proponents.

It prohibits the sale of all firearms and ammunition to persons under 18 and all except shotguns, rifles or ammunition to persons under 21.

Its key features would prevent gun buyers from ordering weapons out of catalogues for interstate shipment through the mail or from buying a weapon in one state and transporting it to another, unless the states are next to each other.

New Mexican Tactics

MEXICO CITY (UPI) — Leaders of the student rebellion which has taken nearly 100 lives announced yesterday they would change their tactics to a "constitutional struggle" against the government.

They said the new phase of their campaign could take a long time but that it was preferable to mass confrontations and clashes.

Nearly 100 persons have died since July in frequent bloody clashes between rebellious students and riot police and army troops. At least 33 persons died a week ago Wednesday when troops broke up a student rally in the Tlatelolco apartment complex.

Czechs To Purge

PRAGUE (UPI) — The ruling Presidium of the Czechoslovak Communist party yesterday conceded "antisocialist forces" exist in Czechoslovakia and said they would be purged. Its communique appeared to concede a major point of harsh new Kremlin "normalizations" over which top reform leaders may resign in protest.

The 21 man Presidium issued the communique, including its tough stance toward antisocialist "parasites," after its first briefing by Alexander Dubcek and other national leaders on the results of their talks with Kremlin leaders last week.

The communique was guarded as to its opinion of the substance of those talks, which included Soviet demands for stiff censorship, purges of officials distrusted by Moscow and long range posting of troops on Czechoslovak soil.

Smoke Gets In Your Eyes

CHICAGO (UPI) — The news director of television station WBBM yesterday assumed full responsibility for the filming of a "pot party" at Northwestern University and said that he thought it was "our responsibility to do so."

Ferrante denied that the controversial show, called "Pot Party at a University" aired last Nov. 1, 2, and third was staged.

"We had not expected to get permission from people smoking marijuana to film them while they smoked it," Ferrante said. "I didn't think the participants would give us permission." Ferrante said a reporter and a former Northwestern student were invited to a party and the participants agreed to be filmed if they were not identified.

The FCC has delayed renewal of WBBM TV's license pending the outcome of the investigation. Renewal was due in December. The university officials have charged that the television station solicited the participants for the "party" and staged the airing.

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Flexible SMC Sign-Out?

The St. Mary's Judicial Board proposed Monday night to abolish mandatory signout for upperclassmen and replace it with a more flexible policy on off campus permissions. The proposal will be presented to the campus legislature tonight in the presence of the Executive and Judicial boards.

The proposal in effect calls for the abolition of hours for upperclassmen. Under the amendment dormitories would close every night at 2 a.m. However if a student intended to remain out after closing hours, she would notify the desk of her approximate arrival time. The security guard would then be posted at the door to admit all students after closing hours.

Sign out regulations for

freshmen would not be radically altered by the resolution. As it stands, Freshmen would have 12:00 curfews for the first quarter, and 1:00 weekend curfews second quarter. Freshmen would have the option of reporting their companion and their time of signout.

Therese Ambrusko, Student Body President, commented "This is a very sensible plan, and one that most probably will be passed. However it is impossible to predict when." Miss Ambrusko commented, however, that jurisdiction for matters such as signout and dorm closing hours must be decided before the matter can be passed by the proper committee.

The proposal includes the following: 1) The dorms will be

locked at 2:00 a.m. every night. If a student is staying out past 2 or over night off-campus (weekends included) she is required to leave her name and phone number or address where she may be reached in case of emergency. If a girl is off-campus and finds that she will be later than 2 a.m. she can call the desk before that time and leave her name and phone number or address. 2) After 2 a.m. a security guard will be stationed at the main door with signout information in order to let girls in and check to see if her name appears on the list. If a girl returns past 2 a.m. and did not sign out the guard will take her name and the time she returned and will submit these to the Campus Judicial Board.

YD Chairman Barbolla Resigns

Off-campus Senator Pat Barbolla resigned last night as Chairman of the strife-torn Notre Dame Young Democrats stating that he "could not morally support the Presidential candidacy of Hubert Humphrey." Barbolla's resignation leaves the club in the hands of Free university head Rick Libowitz, a supporter of the late Sen. Robert Kennedy who has issued a reluctant endorsement of the Vice President.

Barbolla, in quitting, issued the strong statement "I feel I cannot morally support Hubert Humphrey and a majority of the Democratic slate in Indiana. I was totally alienated by the nomination procedures of the Democratic Convention in August." The off-campus Senator explained his present feelings with the words "I felt that my bitterness could be removed by the passage of time after the convention, but my bitterness has just grown in the past weeks."

Libowitz expressed strong regrets at the resignation, saying "I wish to hell he hadn't resigned. Pat was a good man. He was elected unopposed and the majority of people in the club want him. I haven't spoken to him yet and I'd like to talk him out of it."

Libowitz used the "lesser of two evils" context in reflecting on his feelings regarding the Presidential words. He remarked "I was a Kennedy Democrat and still am. I worked very hard for Bob Kennedy in the Indiana Primary but as far as this election goes I support Hubert Humphrey because I feel that of the three major candidates he's the one I'd least fear in the White House. Nixon appalls me and if George Wallace is elected

I'd head straight for Israel."

Richard Hunter, who as Chairman of Notre Dame Students for Humphrey strongly opposed Barbolla's policies earlier this year, took an ecstatic attitude at news of the resignation. Hunter stated last night "I think Mr. Barbolla's resignation is the best thing that could happen to our party. It's the only thing he's done for us for the last two years. I hope we can now get on with the business of our club's endorsement of Hubert Humphrey."

Barbolla had his own opinions as to what students should do in the upcoming elections. He maintained "I would, of course, avoid the Presidential election and work only for courageous and forward-looking Democrats.

Flames in St. Mary's Dorm

A small electrical fire was discovered in McCandless Hall at approximately 10:20 last night causing the entire Hall to be evacuated. The blaze, which originated in the room of Seniors Kathy Lammers and Chris Hand, was allegedly caused by an over-heated record player.

Damage from the fire was confined to the room where a wall was scorched and a small hole was burnt in the ceiling. One witness, who lives several doors down the hall, said that smoke damage to her clothing was "extensive".

Five pieces of equipment from the South Bend and Notre Dame fire departments were called to the scene but residents had extinguished the blaze with blankets and glasses of water before they arrived. Cece Flaherty, among the first to raise the alarm, said that the girls were unable to operate either fire extinguisher or the fire hose

I think Congressman Brademas is such a man here. We must look at the men running and pick those willing to continue the progressive leadership of Kennedy and McCarthy."

As his opponents carried on their long verbal sparring match, Mike Kelly, Chairman of the Notre Dame Young Republicans, took a serene view of the resignation. Kelly, who has campus committees in operation for most state and national Republican candidates, maintained "I don't think the resignation will make much difference due to the total lack of YD activities on this campus. I am disappointed, though, to hear that yet another young man will leave the Democratic Party to Hubert Humphrey."

in the dormitory. She said that she had never been given any training in the use of the fire extinguisher but that she "was sure there was no pressure in that hose".

When she arrived at the scene of the blaze, Sister Immaculata, Dean of Students, was quoted as saying "... and they want to pass smoking in their rooms."

SLC Procedure

All students interested in applying for the newly-established Student Life Council must attend a meeting in LaFortune amphitheater tomorrow at 7:30. Those unable to attend should send a written proxie statement to Rich Rossie or send a substitute to the meeting.

There is a major qualification requirement of two semesters residency. In other words, an applicant must at least have begun his sophomore year.

You Got Your Troubles

Psychological Service: New Doc, Old Problem

by Michael Schaffer

Psychological Services at Notre Dame begins its second year with a new psychiatrist, an expanded clientele, and an old image problem. The psychiatrist is Dr. Sara Charles from Baltimore's Seton Institute, and she is Notre Dame's first resident psychiatrist. Dr. Charles will work with Father Ralph Dunn, CSC, Director of Psychological Services, and Dr. Charles Arens, both of whom are clinical psychologists.

The expanded clientele is the result of a decision to offer the use of Psychological Services to

St. Mary's. Until now there has been no psychological or psychiatric aid available to the St. Mary's student body.

Afraid of Stigma

The image problem is not new and it's not unique to Notre Dame; rather, it's the result of the stigma which some people imagine to be associated with anyone seeking professional psychological help. Father Dunn holds that there is a certain reluctance among students to make the initial contact with Psychological Services. The Blue Circle agrees with Father Dunn, and its Student Stress

Committee, under the chairmanship of Ed Devine, will concentrate on making the availability of Psychological Services better known.

Use Questionnaire

Psychological Services offers individual and group therapy. The first step, after calling for an appointment, is what Dunn calls "intake evaluation". The student fills out a questionnaire and takes several tests intended to indicate the severity of his problem. Using the questionnaire and the tests, Father Dunn and his staff decide at their semi-weekly case

conference how each individual is to be handled and by whom. A therapist is then assigned on the basis of test materials.

"Confidential"

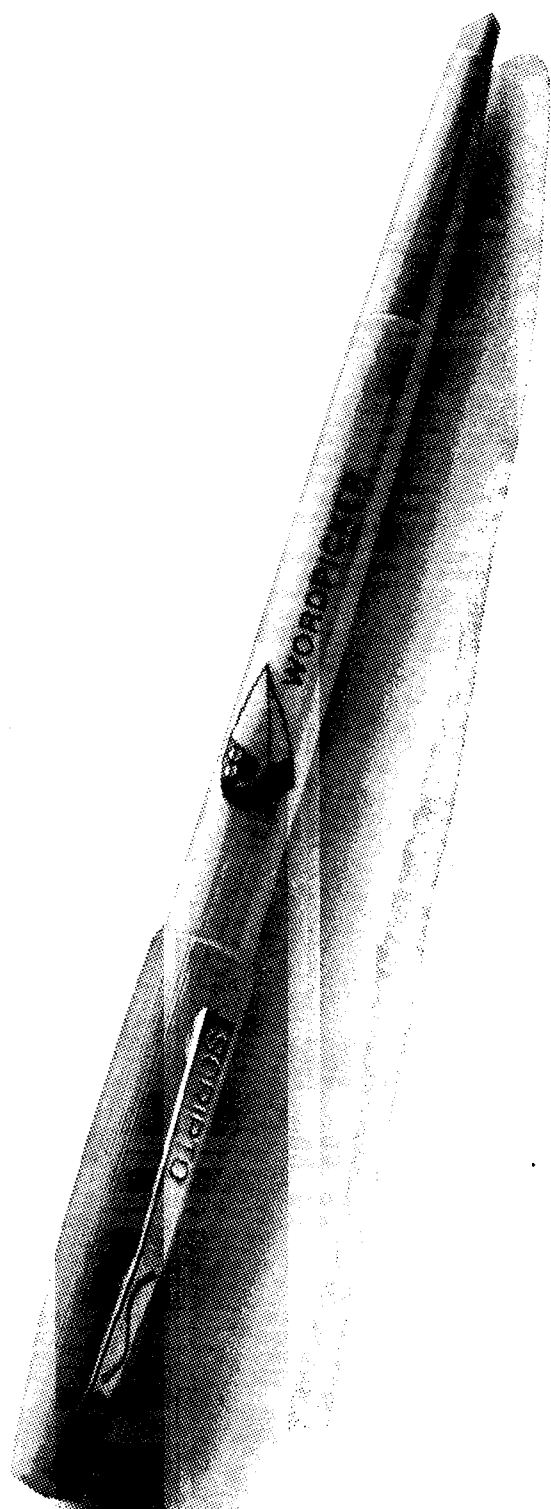
Father Dunn emphasizes that nobody ever need know that a student is under the care of his department. Records are "absolutely confidential" and are not available to anyone except with the student's permission.

Father Dunn notes that he and his staff see a wide variety of problems, ranging from minor, transient disturbances to really serious emotional

disorders. Most often they encounter depression—the gnawing, persistent feeling of discomfort, sometimes verging on emotional paralysis. Sometimes the individual can live with his discomfort for years; sometimes his situation forces a confrontation.

According to Father Dunn, the problem he and his staff are faced with is that they can't "reach out and force people to take advantage of their help." Dunn notes, though, that the third floor of the infirmary is not hard to find and 7336 isn't a hard number to dial.

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ASP Discusses Grapes Boycott

In a short meeting last night of the Action Student Party, temporary chairman Pete Kelly brought up topics of general concern in party activities this year, among them, off-campus reforms and policies on a nationwide fruit boycott.

The focusing on off-campus reforms was justified by the

formation of "a rationale for off-campus living." This, they felt, would counter the administration policy of "putting down" students living outside University confines. It was stressed as one of the "big pushes" of the party.

A second big push, Kelly stated, would involve a "California grape boycott" which is a national concern and "a many group interest" which would be an important subject for the group. Some action by members of the A.S.P. has already been taken on the issue. The manager of the dining halls has been contacted about possible actions he could take concerning the removal of California grapes from the dining

menu. At present, many nationwide boycotts are being staged on behalf of grape workers who are not covered by the National Labor Relations Act, and who are thus hampered in bargaining with the growers for higher wages. The temporary party chairman noted that this grape boycott endorsement could be moved beyond campus to South Bend grocery stores who sell the West Coast grapes.

Also brought up last night was the problem of A.S.P. involvement with the re-election of Rossie. Questioning whether the political group should actively support Rossie's second campaign, Kelly asked "Should we stay out of it?" and himself said "No."

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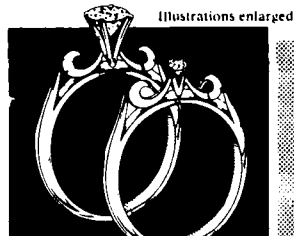
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Interested in the Study of Law?

A representative of the Washington University School of Law (St. Louis) will be on campus Monday, October 14th to talk to students planning to enter law school upon graduation, or thinking about it. Make appointments by signing list on Pre-Law Society Bulletin Board outside of Room 341, O'Shaughnessy.

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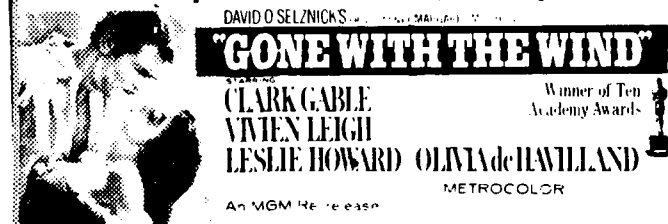
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Senators' Wives for Senators

Last week one thousand Saint Mary's girls watched a political rally that looked more like a Mrs. America pageant. Joan Kennedy won. Marvella Bayh came off well in the talent contest. Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Bayh and several female bigwigs from the Indiana Democratic Party appeared on stage, O'Laughlin, to endorse Senator Birch Bayh. Despite smiles, giggles, and handshakes, the women won few, if any, votes.

Ted Kennedy is Birch Bayh's friend. So Mrs. Kennedy spoke for Senator Bayh. She is a charming woman. Mrs. Bayh is married to Birch Bayh. So Mrs. Bayh spoke in support of her husband. Neither endorsement is surprising. Mrs. Bayh is a talented speaker. Mrs. Bayh met her husband at a forensics tournament. She won. He was a runner-up. They got married.

The Saint Mary's audience envied Joan Kennedy's charm and marveled at Marvella Bayh's rhetoric. That was all there was to it. It was kind of the senators' wives to visit the Saint Mary's campus. But the topic was politics and they were not politicians. Issues were skimmed over. Questions were not asked. The speeches were an insult to the voters in the audience. Because it was an audience of women, senators' wives were thought to suffice. Birch Bayh, not Marvella Bayh, is running for re-election. It is Birch Bayh that the voters at Saint Mary's would like to listen to. When it comes to politics, Notre Dame gets the candidates and Saint Mary's gets their wives.

Some Saint Mary's students are getting tired of pap. During the Indiana primary campaign, Dustin Hoffman came to campus to speak for Eugene McCarthy. Golly gee Mrs. Robinson, he was against the war too. Paul Newman stood in the parking lot and flashed his blue eyes for Gene. Once last year we actually got a politician.

Vance Hartke stopped off at Saint Mary's on his way to Notre Dame. He did not deliver the same speech in both places. His Saint Mary's speech sounded like the Golden Book on Vietnam. Hartke told his Saint Mary's audience about the War to End All Wars and food stamps in the Second World War. He finally got to the present war in Asia. Do you know what will happen if the United States gets involved with Red China? There will be a nuclear war and more food stamps. Frightening. We better get out of the war.

It is surprising that a politician even bothered to speak to women. From the tone of Hartke's speech he must have considered Saint Mary's students inferior human beings. It is also surprising that the United States ever gave women the vote.

If anyone dare challenge the Saint Mary's students they might discover some intelligent thinking people. Father McGrath might try it some time. Saint Mary's students are bright enough to deal with Timothy Leary. He should have debated Cohen on Saint Mary's campus as originally planned. If challenged, Saint Mary's students may kiss off wedgewood for good.

In Graduate School

Science History Offered

Dr. Michael J. Crowe, Director of Notre Dame's General Program, announced yesterday that the first graduate program in the history and philosophy of science to be offered at a Catholic university has been added to the curriculum.

Philosophy of Science

Crowe, Sr. Suzanne Kelly, and Dr. John Lyon, all from the general program, will teach the history of science. Drs. A. Edward Manier, Vaughn R. Mc Kim, and Kenneth A. Sayre; the Rev. Ernan McMullin, and Dean Frederick J. Crosson (AL), all of the department of philosophy, will teach the philosophy of science.

Offered on Masters Level

The program will be offered initially on the master's degree level with extension to the doctoral level later. Students will

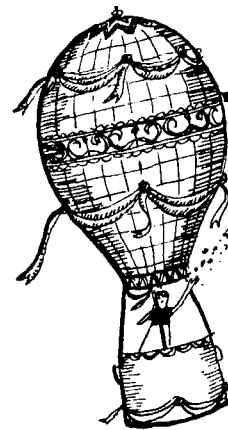
concentrate in the history of science while taking selected courses in the philosophy of science and electives in such fields as history or one of the sciences.

Won Wilson Fellowship

Crowe received a B.A. in the general program and a B.S. in mathematics from ND in 1958. He went on to the University of Wisconsin as a Woodrow Wilson fellow, receiving a doctorate in the history of science in 1965. This year he was named head of the general program, succeeding Crosson, who became dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

in Full Swing by '69

The new interdisciplinary program is offering some courses this fall, but a full-scale schedule will be developed by September, 1969, Crowe said.



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The Irish Eye

By Terry O'Neil, sports editor

Hurtin' For Certain

Campus pacifists would do well to forget the Vietnam thing a few days and direct their protests at a mysterious force which has maimed and decimated the Irish defense recently.

The hospital list:

-Tony Capers, sophomore end. Out for the season with a severed Achilles tendon. Has five more weeks with a cast on his right leg, then an off-season of strengthening exercises. Will take another year of eligibility.

-Jim Sheahan, sophomore halfback. Out for the season with torn ligaments. In a non-contact drill last Thursday, he reached up to deflect a pass and came down with the prep team's offensive end on his knee. Underwent surgery last Friday, will be released from South



Chuck "Slick" Zloch

Send St. Joe Hospital this Saturday. Probably will be offered an extra year.

Ed Vuillemin, senior end-linebacker. Was all set to start his first game as a linebacker against Iowa Saturday. But he was injured in a goal line drill Wednesday and went under the knife last week.

Bob Neidert, sophomore linebacker. Out for the season with a broken collarbone and dislocated shoulder suffered on the opening kickoff at Iowa. Hawkeye Tom Wallace took the ball at his 18 and moved up the left sideline where Neidert issued a one-on-one challenge. They met at the 25 and the crack was horrible. Because of his extensive play in the first two games, Neidert won't be offered an extra year.

Jim Wright, sophomore linebacker. Tore knee ligaments a few days before the Oklahoma game and just recently had the cast removed. Ara says he may be ready for the Illinois contest Oct. 19.

Ernie Jackson, sophomore halfback. Injured five minutes after Sheahan last Thursday. Originally, it looked like a cartilage operation would be necessary, but now the doctors say it is not that serious. He will miss at least the Northwestern game.

Vito Racanelli, senior linebacker. Anybody remember this one? Vito could have been a starter, but tore ligaments last spring and will see no action this fall.

Among the minor casualties was linebacker Joe Freebery who started Saturday after a week-long bout with the flu.

John Gasser, Tom Quinn, Don Reid, Chuck "Slick" Zloch and Brian Lewallen all did service in the secondary Saturday because Gasser was hurt twice and Quinn once during the game.

Zloch, a sophomore from Fort Lauderdale, Fla., turned in the best job and won praise from both Ara and Iowa split end Al Bream. The Hawks completed only one pass against Zloch and he got even for that one with an interception in the third period.

"He did a real nice job when the other boys got hurt," said Ara. "He's a fine competitor."

"That number 27 was on me pretty good," said Bream. "I beat him one time down near our goal line, but that's all."

Zloch's performance earned him the starting right halfback job this week alongside Gasser. Reid is the safety.

Larry Schumacher, who replaced Neidert last week, continues at right outside linebacker Saturday. He teams with Tim Kelly, Bob Olson and Freebery, who is holding sway while Wright is out.

We're Number 5

The pollsters agree that ND is No. 5.

Both wire services rate Purdue, Southern Cal and Penn State in that order. AP has Ohio State No. 4 while UPI selects Kansas for that position.

Meanwhile, bookies refused to quote odds on Saturday's ND-Northwestern game because the Irish figure to overwhelm the Wildcats.

NCAA statistics released yesterday showed Notre Dame's offense second in the nation: The Eleven Prolific Men have chewed up 1,612 yards in three games, compared to 1,682 for Houston.

The polls:

UPI

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| 1. Purdue (32) | 3-0 | 344 |
| 2. Southern Cal (2) | 3-0 | 303 |
| 3. Penn State | 3-0 | 202 |
| 4. Kansas | 3-0 | 166 |
| 5. Notre Dame | 2-1 | 152 |
| 6. Nebraska | 3-0 | 123 |
| 7. Ohio State | 2-0 | 111 |
| 8. Louisiana State | 3-0 | 110 |
| 9. Florida | 3-0 | 109 |
| 10. Houston (1) | 2-0-1 | 58 |
| 11. Michigan State | | 51 |
| 12. Tennessee | | 36 |
| 13. Georgia | | 35 |
| 14. California | | 32 |
| 15. Mississippi | | 30 |
| 16. Syracuse | | 16 |
| 17. Arkansas | | 14 |
| 18. Stanford | | 9 |
| 19. Oregon State | | 8 |
| 20. Wyoming | | 6 |

AP

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| 1. Purdue (35) | 3-0 | 736 |
| 2. Southern Cal (1) | 3-0 | 660 |
| 3. Penn State (1) | 3-0 | 492 |
| 4. Ohio State | 2-0 | 424 |
| 5. Notre Dame | 2-1 | 401 |
| 6. Kansas | 3-0 | 390 |
| 7. Florida | 3-0 | 369 |
| 8. Louisiana State | 3-0 | 276 |

McLain May Start

ST. LOUIS (UPI) — Outspoken Denny McLain, admitting he thought the Detroit Tigers were finished when he was blasted Sunday in the fourth game of the World Series, may be a surprise starter in the sixth game Wednesday in an attempt to keep the revived Tigers alive.

Manager Mayo Smith said Tuesday after a workout in Detroit that he will choose either McLain, Earl Wilson or Joe Sparrma to pitch against the St. Louis Cardinals in the sixth game with the Cards leading three games to two. The Cardinals will counter with Ray Washburn, winner of the third game.

The game will start at 2 p.m. EDT at Busch Memorial Stadium with the weatherman predicting a "chance of showers" with the high temperature around 70. The Cards were a 3 to 2 favorite to win Wednesday and 9 to 2 to take the series.

Should the underdog Tigers win the sixth game, Smith is then expected to come back with his two-game winner Mickey Lolich with two days rest to race Bob Gibson—who is establishing himself as the finest World Series pitcher of all time.

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| 9. Nebraska | 3-0 | 244 | 19. Florida State | 2-1 | 29 |
| 10. Tennessee | 2-0-1 | 184 | 20. Oregon State | 2-1 | 23 |
| 11. Houston | 2-0-1 | 183 | Others receiving votes, listed | | |
| 12. Michigan State | 3-0 | 118 | alphabetically: Alabama, Arizona | | |
| 13. Mississippi | 3-0 | 113 | State, Boston College, Colorado, | | |
| 14. Arkansas | 3-0 | 85 | Indiana, Miami, Fla., Missouri, | | |
| 15. Syracuse | 2-1 | 81 | Ohio University, Southern | | |
| 16. California | 3-0 | 64 | Methodist, Texas, Texas Tech, | | |
| 17. Georgia | 2-0-1 | 62 | UCLA, Virginia, Washington, | | |
| 18. Stanford | 3-0 | 42 | West Virginia, Wyoming, Yale. | | |



Sports Parade

By Milt Richman, UPI columnist

Unknown Roomie

ST. LOUIS (UPI) — There's a shy, sensitive little fellow with Detroit who generally goes unnoticed in the mad dash for Denny McLain because, oh well, he's only his roommate.

He doesn't get one tenth the publicity Denny McLain does and he'd be the first to tell you he doesn't rate it.

But he rates at least some mention here because he went as humanly far as his ordinary leather globe could carry him and didn't start hollering injustice the moment the World Series came along and they told him, sorry Charley, this is where you get off.

First of all, his name isn't Charley, it's Ray Oyler.

Second of all, he had a long serious talk with himself and understands why he was shoved aside. Or says he does, anyway.

"It's bound to hurt a little," says Ray Oyler who played shortstop for Detroit this year more than anybody else, "But I realize you gotta go with as many bats as you can in a World Series. I can see why the move was made and I think it was right."

The "move" was bringing in Mickey Stanley from center field to play shortstop in the Series. There was talk for awhile of Stanley playing center and Al Kaline playing first base. Then there was some more talk about Stanley playing center and Kaline playing third. When all the talk was over, Kaline would up in right field and Stanley at short.

Ray Oyler, that little fellow who generally goes unnoticed, wound up sitting on the bench.

"You betcha sweet life I'd love to play," says Oyler. "In order to play, though, I had to hit. I didn't hit that well during the season."

"What did you hit?" someone asked the Detroit infielder.

Oyler didn't answer right away.

"Do I have to tell?" he said.

"It was way down. About .136. I was disgusted with myself. Really disgusted. I tried. I tried as hard as I could but it's something I have to live with. I'll have to start all over again next year."

There is no hard feeling whatsoever between Oyler and Stanley and naturally, there shouldn't be. The two are good friends who broke in together in 1960. They are good friends on and off the field. Stanley wasn't at all self-conscious about going to Oyler and asking for some tips about fielding ground balls. Oyler gladly helped him. He knows Stanley would much rather be playing center field. He also knows that's the way the ball bounces.

"This is the best thing that can be done," says Oyler. "After all, the object of this game still is to win."

Mayo Smith, the Detroit manager, had a lot of tough decisions to make. Much tougher decisions than Red Schoendienst, the Cardinal manager. He made them-for better or for worse. One of those decisions affected Ray Oyler.

"I understand his point of view perfectly," says Oyler. "I agree with him 100 per cent. What's more, I think Mickey will do the job at short. I know he will. He's very versatile."

Oyler, well liked by all the Detroit players, has been approached by a number of them. They told him the only thing one ballplayer can tell another in this situation.

"Don't let it get you down, Ray."

"Hang in there."

Oyler appreciated the solicitude.

"I think if we get ahead I'll get in there," he says. "I'm pretty sure I'll get to play some."

Denny McLain is one of those who has talked to Oyler in the privacy of their room on the road.

"I know how deeply Ray feels about baseball," offers McLain. "I probably feel worse about him not playing than anybody else. Did I try cheering him up? Yes and no. Sometimes it's better if you don't say anything. Ray Oyler is not a college player. He's a professional and a professional understands. Ray understands."

