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Holliday to be publisher

O'Melia resigns post ; Observer re-organizes



Pressure from various segments of the Notre Dame community caused ROTC's role in freshmen orientation to be toned down this year. Last year the Presidential Review was cancelled.

by Glenn Corso

Observer leadership experienced a surprise change and re-organization yesterday. Tim O'Melia, former editor-in-chief, resigned. The position of publisher was created, and Don Holliday was appointed. Holliday, former executive editor, promptly appointed Guy DeSapio to the newly created position of editor. DeSapio was a former news editor.

Tim commented on his resignation by saying, "My decision was a personal one. The finest people I've met on this campus have been connected with the *Observer*. I plan to continue to write for the paper."

Tim added, "I resigned because I found that the administrative chores which accompany the job left me too little time for actual writing. By relieving myself of that responsibility I believe I can help myself in other areas in which the *Observer* couldn't. The re-organization set-up was a good move, I think. Don has been with the paper longer than anyone and there is simply no

one who could handle the job of editor better than Guy. I won't be missed."

Both men commented on Tim's resignation, and their future plans on handling the newspaper.

Guy DeSapio said, "I sincerely regret the fact that Tim had to resign his position. We've worked together for close to two years and I'm going to miss him. I hope to make the *Observer* the kind of paper we both envisioned it could be when we started out together. He has made the decision he feels is best for him and I will support him wholeheartedly."

DeSapio also expressed the hope that O'Melia would continue to work for the paper.

"I expect Tim to still be helping us out in many areas. He's very talented and the *Observer* needs the experience and depth he can add to the paper."

Don Holliday also expressed his regrets, and went on to comment on the changes in organization that took place.

"I'm sorry to see Tim resign but I respect his decision. As for the organizational changes they are based entirely on looking towards the future. The basic change is that instead of my assuming the role of editor-in-chief, we feel it is best to re-organize and reduce the work load. Therefore by becoming publisher I assume all responsibility that the editor-in-chief would have but I feel it is best for the *Observer* and the position of publisher to appoint one man whose total concern is that of the actual content of the newspaper. I have

full confidence in Guy and would like to emphasize the jobs are not mutually exclusive. We will continue to work together in the best interests of the *Observer*," he said.

When asked if the changeover meant any shift in the basic policy of the paper, both men replied in the negative.

DeSapio remarked, "I don't expect editorial policy to change much. I hope that it will be progressive and intellectual and dedicated to the best interests of the Notre Dame-St. Mary's community. We hope to continue to improve the image of the *Observer* by making it a reasonable and responsible organ for communication."

Both men pledged to "work on the editorial policy to broaden its perspective."

Within two weeks Holliday and DeSapio will finish making new appointments to the editorial staff and solidify those positions which they have now. They plan to expand SMC coverage, which has been neglected in the past, in order to make the *Observer* a true ND-SMC community newspaper.

Holliday and DeSapio bring a wealth of experience to their jobs. Holliday, now a senior has been with the paper since his sophomore year. At various times he has held the positions of: layout editor, associate editor, managing editor, and most recently executive editor.

DeSapio started out as a reporter in his freshman year, and was promoted to news editor at the close of his frosh year. Last spring he was elected to the SLC as a representative from the north quad.

ROTC, CPA present programs

by Cliff Wintrobe

The ROTC program at orientation Saturday felt the thrust of the Coalition for Political Action. Inside the Convocation Center where the ROTC was holding its meeting, members of the Coalition passed out flyers advising freshmen to hold off a decision to join ROTC.

The Coalition made clear in the flyer that it held to the belief that the ROTC program at Notre Dame is a detriment to the individual and it advertised for the informal group discussions that were to follow the conclusion of the ROTC meeting.

During the meeting the three heads of the ROTC detachments at Notre Dame gave a short talk on their particular service.

Colonel Lavin, Professor of Military Science, after extolling the virtues of the Army ROTC program and explaining how it

operates made the most startling statement of the afternoon:

"Less than ten years ago, at the beginning of the current communist drive against youth, the National Youth Director of the Communist Party USA among other objectives included the following items for the 1960-1970 time phase: quote 'push for the vast job-training, job-corps programs; agitate in the cities using the excuse of poor housing, poor school conditions; demand better recreational facilities and health programs; demand peaceful coexistence with all nations, socialist and others; demand disarmament, the end of the draft, and above all else, an end to the ROTC program in the colleges of America.'"

"Current events show their success. If you join our program, as 20% of the students do, you will be pressured to drop or work against ROTC. The decision is yours."

Colonel Lavin said that he included these comments in his speech to "make students aware of the pressures they may be subjected to by a few." A person has to decide what side of the fence he is on."

Colonel Puchrik, Professor of Aerospace Studies, said the Air Force "represents order and Propriety. Moral integrity and soundness is necessary to a person and we think in a very intimate way we can bring it to you. We would hope to activate your words of love and duty to service."

Colonel Staples, Professor of Naval Science and a member of the Marine Corps, remarked that "the Navy and Marine Corps offers as broad an opportunity as any other service for an individual to accomplish everything that he is capable of doing. The Army is land bound. The Air Force is air bound. We operate everywhere."

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"G.O." initiates St. Mary's frosh

by Carolyn Gatz

Superficially, the disintegration of "Knute Rockne, All-American" passes as the most drastic change in the St. Mary's Freshman Orientation program. Most other elements in the traditional schedule have also disappeared, however, and the impact of the "G.O." Program (Group Orientation), could cause repercussions far beyond the death of the movie.

Chairman Karen Schultz defines the program as "a shift to emphasis on the individual and the individual reacting with others in Groups, to loosen the molds that St. Mary's has

traditionally poured freshmen into."

The reception for the President of the college, mixers, and Big Sisters remain part of the scene confronting freshmen before classes. Information and explanations will come through 29 groups of 16-18 freshmen, each led by a junior, who was trained in workshops last spring and before freshman arrival.

Orientation began yesterday afternoon as "Field Day" occupied the east lawn. Groups competed in quasi-athletic events to facilitate "becoming acquainted and developing a group identity," as Miss Schultz

explained. Frequency of Group meetings after today will be self-determined; though the Groups will replace all Freshmen Convocations, providing information through the year.

The Orientation Committee, Miss Schultz explains, will encourage the groups to go beyond the informative level to "encourage the freshmen to figure out for themselves that their education should be their major concern. Possibly, as their perspective develops, if academics gain in importance, the class will be better able to help create a more genuine intellectual community."

Policy statement

Starting with today's edition there will be an administrative change in The *Observer* office.

Tim O'Melia, Editor-in-Chief has resigned his position.

By agreement the office of Editor-in-Chief will be eliminated as of today. The responsibilities of the office will be carried on through the establishment of two positions: that of Editor and Publisher.

Don Holliday, the paper's executive editor will now become publisher. The final responsibility for operation and content of the paper will rest with him.

The *Observer*'s new editor will be Guy De Sapio. He will handle the editorial and news obligations of the paper.

The change in The *Observer* is totally administrative. The paper will still strive to provide the most accurate and immediate reporting of what's happening at Notre Dame.

Editorially, we hope to continue to present intelligent comments on the situation here at Notre Dame. We hope to continue to be leaders for progress and change.

Donald C. Holliday
Publisher

Gaetano De Sapio
Editor

The *Observer* will be published only three times this week: Wednesday and Friday, in addition to today. Daily publication will resume Monday, Sept. 22.

New biology building is under construction

Ground was broken this summer for the construction of a new biology section of the University's Life Science Center.

The 103,000 square feet, three story structure will be built next Lobund Laboratory on the Southeast corner of campus between the stadium and the Library. Lobund Laboratory, which is part of the Life Science Center was built in 1967 and is used for the study of bacteriology and animal control.

The new building will have basement and three floors. The basement and first floor will contain instructional areas and specialized laboratories while floors two and three will have faculty offices and research labs for faculty and grad students. A total of 30 faculty members are involved in the two departments of biology and microbiology. There are about 80 graduate students and another 80 undergraduates. The new facility will replace the overcrowded Wenninger-Kirsch Biology Building, built in 1937 and now slated for remodeling to house the department of psychology.

The air-conditioned facility will contain the latest teaching equipment. Among its innovative features will be a

controlled environment facilities where manipulation of temperature, light and humidity will enable researchers to study organisms under a variety of conditions.

The Nieuwland Herbarium and Green Herbarium will be moved to the new building, along with a zoological collection room. Notre Dame's widely known Mosquito Genetics Project will also move to the new building, where unusual wind doors will keep errant mosquitoes where they belong.

Other special features include a special suite for electron microscopy, sterilization and wash rooms, walk-in cold rooms, an aquarium, and radio isotopes laboratories for tracing work. A 3,000 square foot library is also included in the building.

Research in the life sciences at Notre Dame can be grouped in the following areas: genetics and developmental biology; environmental biology and stematics; physiology; radiation biology; medical parasitology, and microbiology.

Contracts for the building totaled \$3,673,690. Major contractors are Fred Black Construction Co., and Morse Electric Co. Architects for the project are Ellerbe Architects, of St. Paul, Minn.



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Announce procedure

The Fighting Irish will face five opponents at Notre Dame stadium this season, beginning with Northwestern this Saturday, followed by Michigan State (October 4), Southern California (October 18), Navy (November 1) and Air Force (November 22).

Notre Dame students may pick up their tickets to home football games this week. Tickets will be issued at Gate 14 of the stadium. Each student must present the Athletic Certification card that will be given to him at registration.

Seniors may pick up their tickets on Tuesday between 2:30 and 6:30, juniors and graduate students on Wednesday between 8:30 and 4:30, sophomores on Thursday between 8:00 and 2:00, freshmen on Thursday between 2:30 and 6:30.

NEWS MEETING
MONDAY SEPT. 15
5 P.M. FOR LAST
YEAR'S STAFF

Senior Bar Cards on sale

Tuesday 1-8 p.m.

Tom Dooley Room

Student Center

Report fewer thefts

There was a large amount of theft and vandalism on campus during spring break last year. However, this trend apparently did not continue into the summer.

Chief of Security Arthur Pears stated that, on the whole, "vandalism was at a minimum during the summer months and thefts were at a minimum."

Noting that there were very few students on campus this summer, Pears then added, "You can draw your own conclusions."

Be that as it may, the biggest crime this past summer was the ROTC opposed

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ROTC, after having been formally excluded from being an official part of orientation as was the case in previous years, can look to pressure from students and the Student Life Council as the cause.

Father McCarragher, Vice-President for Student Affairs, and Dean Burke, Head of the Freshmen Year, made the final decision not to list the ROTC in the orientation pamphlet.

Phil McKenna, Student Body President, suggested the idea to Father McCarragher and stated his reasons for doing so. "I do not think any activity of the university should automatically be granted special mention during orientation." Doing so, the university would be "implicitly giving its endorsement for the ROTC program."

Father McCarragher commented, "The attitude of the students and the Student Life Council" was the deciding factor.

theft of \$1,000 worth of camera equipment from the Architecture Building. Since there was no sign of forcible entry, security has theorized that the thieves must have had keys to the locked offices from which the equipment was taken.

Father Ernest Bartell, however, experienced a more serious loss. Phonographic equipment, a tape player, a clock and clothing valued upwards of \$360 were taken from Father's room early in the summer.

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See trapeze artist Mary Gill and friends at the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus this Tuesday and Wednesday in the Athletic and Convocation Center.



Tom Ehrbar

Star Light

I, Ehrbar, born under the sign Taurus (the mighty bull) and having brilliantly survived three years in these not so auspicious surroundings, will now, in a fit of mystic generosity reach into the realm of the occult and with hand poised to furrowed brow offer you star-ignorant freshman a portent for tuning your lives in harmony with the heavens that rule Notre Dame.

Let me throw caution to the wind, and crummy advice to the naive. You might even refer to these as stellar tips.

Monday, Sept. 15

Today... A time of intense torpor will slowly set in. Futile to resist, so why try? Most of the charts are against you, as well as the administration, the professors, and the St. Mary's girls. Beware of false prophets appearing in navy-blue garments. They are more interested in shooting stars than studying them. Also beware shaggy and bearded seers (wearing Gilbert's seer-sucker suits) who will preach with golden-tongues and arouse the idealistic passions stirring within you. They are mere dreamers, worthless star-gazers.

Don't sign anything. Don't believe any sign that says "You are here". Don't trust anyone not thirty. Wear leevies and ND sweatshirts and white tennies. Current radiations from the heavens indicate that Venus is rising in the sky and that nuclear fall-out is descending.

Pray that the next generation of college kids will be able to work their way out of the incredible mess we have made of things. Be thankful the voting age is still 21. Learn how to drink beer (in big frothy masculine gulps), and where the easy bars are. Find out what the "hotline" is, and the social implications of "the circle". Memorize the words "gross" and "horny". Buy a ND pennant and learn to bluff the words of the fight song. Forget about girls and remember that you are now part of an international revolution dedicated to the overthrow of the "establishment." Write a letter home to your parents asking them "to try to understand."

The Year Under Your Sign

—Aries (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

You are a bland, tasteless individual, mimicking the vogue and repeating the popular. To find acceptance surround yourself with those of like temperament—i.e. join the Social Commission. Don't worry about extra spending money, surprise revenues should be coming your way.

—Taurus (April 20 to May 20)

Be discreet, read only the best magazines and journals. Laugh sarcastically when the word *Observer* is mentioned. Laugh exuberantly when the word "Ehrbar" is mentioned, it helps the pain go away.

—Gemini (May 21 to June 21)

If your taste in women concurs with Aries you should enjoy the "heavenly bodies" over at S... I can't go through with this line.

—Cancer (June 22 to July 21)

Give up smoking.

—Leo (July 22 to Aug. 21)

With your inquisitive, probing mind you are an ideal candidate for the student senate. You might even find out why we have one.

—Virgo (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)

"Go back, go back, go back across the road."

—Jocko (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

If the only blocks you can't surmount are mental ones go see a man named Ara— why study the stars, he will make you one.

—Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

The comfy web-like trappings of the Student Union should appeal to the insidious among you. Some even claim the Union Office is bugged.

—Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

See Capricorn.

—Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)

See Sagittarius... (like running around in Blue Circles).

—Aquarius (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)

I'd like to suggest that you run for student government, but we have none.

—Pisces (Feb. 20 to March 20)

Keep a watchful eye on the floundering administration. Charts indicate that everything is going to Pisces.

Notre Dame gained the fewest yards passing ever against Iowa in 1949, minus 7 yards.

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Ninety take part in NDLC

Hoping to teach that "people are people and not tools," the Student Union sponsored a Leadership Conference Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Ninety Notre Dame and St. Mary's students participated in six sessions geared to create people-sensitive leaders. Sessions were conducted in the Center for Continuing Education by the National Training Laboratories Midwest Group for Human Resources. The Student Union employed NTL to conduct the conference after informing the organization what the aims of the conference would be.

One hundred-twenty students

from ND and SMC were invited to attend. Fifty St. Mary's and 40 Notre Dame students responded. Student Union Comptroller J. Fitzsimmons was chairman of the conference committee.

The conference leaders used various experiments in human behavior to teach the lessons of responsibility, trust and group interaction. Some experiments required partners and participants were asked to choose someone they had never met so that they would be continually meeting and experiencing new people. In one experiment, the "trust walk," one student with his eyes

closed was led around the grounds and through buildings on campus by a partner. Following the walk, the participants discussed the feelings of total dependence and total responsibility.

Another experiment had session members assembling colored blocks, first using four blocks and working individually, then using all the blocks and working as a group. This experiment was intended to portray the effects of cooperative action within a group.

The conference provided one of the first opportunities for close co-ed cooperation between SMC and ND. The girls in the conference were housed in Keenan and all participants ate together in the north dining hall.

The men and women brought different approaches to the conference.

"The boys wanted to discuss issues while we were more interested in how to make the group function," observed Marilyn Riedy of SMC's Academic Assembly.

St. Mary's students came to the conference with a built in edge, as they had participated in a similar meeting of their own the previous weekend and had already progressed from discussing individual issues to developing cooperation within any group.

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Even with everyone and the water-boy back from last year's powerhouse, coach Woody Hayes faces the tough job of

keeping the swelled heads down. Rex Kern is back to fool defenders and TV cameramen alike with his faking and Jack Tatum spearheads a rugged defense.

If there's money on any team to go undefeated this year, that team has got to be Penn State. Not only does Joe Paterno have an exceptional defensive squad, but he has a wonderfully weak

schedule.

From Dixie there's work that the South will rise again after two seasons of intersectional beating. Georgia and Tennessee head the list of Southeastern Conference hopefuls and Mississippi and Bear Bryant's crew at Alabama look ready to regain southern prestige.

In the Southwest, Texas and

Arkansas will have it out for the conference title.

Finally off probation, Houston should roll to another fine season even without Paul Gipson. Junior quarterback Chuck Hixson will wear out alot of air for SMU, if only the Mustangs can find someone to catch.

No one is crying for John McKay at USC. Jimmy Jones may be the one to replace Steve Sogge and there is plenty of experience on defense. Even without O.J., Southern Cal is the

best in the West. Stanford may have the best signal-caller in the country in Jim Plunkett, and Arizona State the best runner in Art Malone (1,431 yards, 16 TD's last year).

The place most chock full of talented teams is the Midwest. Ohio State will have to fight off Purdue (with Mike Phipps), Michigan State, and Indiana for the Big Ten crown. In the Big Eight, it looks like a dog-fight between Oklahoma (with Super Steve Owens), Missouri, Kansas, and Colorado.

Johnson, Glasson top sophs

In an article written for Associated Press (which I read in the Syracuse Herald-American), Bob Hoobing previewed the finest sophomores and junior college transfers waiting to debut this fall. Chief among the newcomers is Greg 'Grape Juice' Johnson, a 6-1, 190 lb. halfback from Wisconsin. He is expected to provide the running necessary to lift the Badgers out of their recent gridiron

depression.

The best young receiver looks like Clyde 'Sonic Boom' Glasson, a JC transfer down at UT-El Paso. At 6-0, 170 lbs., Sonic Boom does the 40 in 4.3 and the hundred in 9.3.

Other top running prospects include: Jim Bertelson, Texas; John Musso and Jesse Causey, Alabama; Ron Bell, Oklahoma; Glenn Doughty, Michigan, and Ron 'Po' James, New Mexico

State. Receivers: Bob Moore, Oregon (can high jump 6-7); Terry Beasley, Auburn; and Van Brounson, Nebraska.

Defense: Rich Searle, Duke (says coach Tom Harp, 'If we had two more like him, we wouldn't need anybody else.'). Luther Gentry (6-7, 280 lbs.), Prairie View; and Joe Ehrmann, Syracuse.

Facing the Fighting Irish for the first time this year will be Jimmy Jones, from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and currently fighting for USC's quarterback job; Ralph Cindrich, a Pitt linebacker who is the Eastern heavyweight wrestling champ; Brad Bourne III, a defensive end who has Georgia Tech fans running out of superlatives; and Jim Nicholson, 6-7, 270 lb. tight end, another Hawaiian come to play for Duffy Daugherty at Michigan State.

Heisman open

Writing in the New York Times' sports page (the country's finest, in my opinion), Gordon S. White, jr. claims that no one is really a solid choice for the Heismann Trophy this year. The situation is so open that a lineman could become the third of his kind (others: Larry Kelley, Yale 1936 end; Leon Hart, Notre Dame 1949 end) to win the award. White sees Penn State defensive tackle Mike Reid as the top lineman with Irishman Mike McCoy not far behind.

The offense usually provides the winner, though, and Oklahoma tailback Steve Owens may be the one. Chuck Hixson takes a run at the award although only a junior, while another quarterback, Mike Phipps, tries for Purdue.

White lists several midwest hopefuls, among them Rex Kern, Jim Otis, and Jack Tatum from Ohio State, Harry Gonso from Indiana, and ND's Joe Theismann.



the IRISH EYE

By Mike Pavlin, sports editor

Miscellany

I'm not really that partial to the AFL, and after the Jet-Colt affair I was gleefully tossed into the showers, but I must admit that I got a little choked up a few weeks ago when Oakland cut Cotton Davidson. Maybe that's the real sign that a league has some of age, nostalgia

Davidson was one of the first quarterback stars for the infant league, along with Jack Kemp, John Hadl, George Blanda, and Frank Tripuka (my favorite with the Denver Broncos). I also read where Paul Lowe's come-back had been balked by an injury. Fluid and shifty, Lowe was the Gale Sayers of his time. The other star backs of the time are also gone: Abner Haynes, Charley Tolar (the human bowling ball), and bad-boy Cookie Gilchrist (for some good stories about Cookie's younger days in Pittsburgh get ahold of SCHOLASTIC Sports Ed. Terry O'Neil). The receiving ranks are now minus Elbert (Golden Wheels) Dubenion and Lionel Taylor, the finest receiver in league history with the possible exception of Lance Alworth and Don Maynard.

Some people long for the days of the old Mets. I'd rather see Tripuka-to-Taylor than Namath-to-Maynard.

For the fan who has everything, the best gift is the new Baseball Encyclopedia. Within its 2,337 pages are crammed everything and anything about everybody. It

goes back to 1876 and contains record for 10,000 players. Each batter merits 17 columns of statistics and each pitcher 19. Written by computer, the Encyclopedia took a year and a half to program and seven hours to print. It sells for \$25.00.

The American Broadcasting Company has one ND football game listed among its scheduled TV programs this fall. On Nov. 15, ABC plans to air the Irish-Georgia Tech night-time battle from Atlanta, Georgia.

NCAA rules changes this year are mainly fringe differences. Cleats can be no longer than 3/4" and anyone who tosses a football into the stands (or bounces it wildly on the turf) instead of handing it to the ref after a touchdown will merit a 15-yard penalty for his team on the ensuing kickoff. And Roughing-the-Kicker penalties will be called until the punter has completely regained his balance after the punt.

Former Irish football captain and Pittsburgh Steeler running back Bob "Rocky" Bleier was seriously wounded in VietNam this fall. Bleier suffered several wounds in both legs and his career as a runner is doubtful.

Bleier did, however, send a letter to Steeler owner Art Rooney wishing the team good luck and saying that he would be fully recovered.



If Joe Theismann is lost through an injury, it may be a long, tough season for the Irish.

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