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Earthquake hits Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The worst earthquake in 38 years struck Los Angeles yesterday sending people running from their homes in panic as buildings collapsed, overhead bridges fell onto freeways and broken gas mains set off fires.

Fifteen people were known dead, seven of them patients in a veteran's hospital near Olive View north of the city and 80 others were trapped in the rubble of one wing.

Scores were injured and hospitals reported dozens of heart attack cases. Property damage was in the millions. All Los Angeles City and County public schools were closed.

The death toll was small in view of the violence of the quake which set tall buildings swaying, plate glass windows showering into the streets, dams suffering cracks, chimneys toppling and airport runways buckling.

The sharp rolling tremor

began at 5:09 a.m. PST and lasted for more than a minute. It knocked out the seismograph at the California Institute of Technology, but it was measured at other centers at almost 7 on the Richter scale. The shock was centered near Newhall 40 miles north of downtown Los Angeles but was felt from Fresno, 200 miles to the north, to the Mexico border 130 miles south and as far east as Las Vegas where residents shrugged it off as another underground nuclear blast at the Nevada atomic test site.

Thousands of people among greater Los Angeles' 7 million residents ran into the streets in their nightclothes in the pre-dawn darkness and others fell to the floor and prayed while lamps crashed, cupboards spilled their china and swimming pools sloshed over.

"I was in bed when the quake hit," said Travis Greenlee a state police officer who lives in

Newhall, a town of 5,000 and one of the hardest hit.

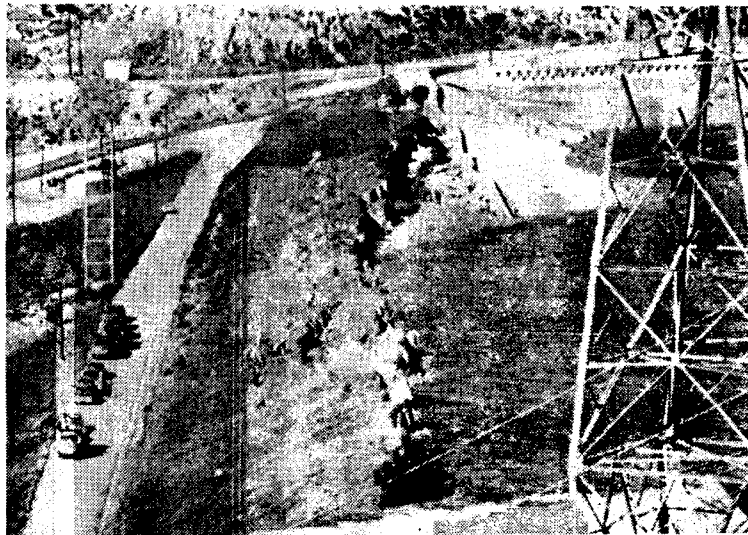
"I've lived in California all my life but this was the hardest quake I've ever felt. It scares you. My wife and I ran to get the kids and got them under a desk in a spot where the house is structurally sound.

"My sons—4 and 3—were frightened and couldn't comprehend what was going on. They wanted to know why the windows were shaking."

The Van Norman Dam, west of the town of San Fernando, was cracked and hundreds of people were evacuated from their homes in a nine mile area to the south of the reservoir as water began leaking through the embankment.

Blocks of downtown San Fernando were roped off and sheriff's deputies patrolled the streets with shotguns to prevent looting in broken storefronts.

Two wings of the San Fernando Veteran's Hospital



SYLMAR, CALIF.: Water eats away at the dirt retaining wall at the lower Van Norman Dam in the San Fernando Valley after the concrete wall collapsed during the earthquake that struck the Southern California area early 2/9. (Photo by UPI.)

collapsed. The hospital had about 400 patients and they were carried out on stretchers and in wheelchairs while workmen dug in the wreckage.

Three patients in the new \$23 million Olive View Sanitarium, which houses 600 were killed when sections of that hospital collapsed. Mental patients were being transferred to the state hospital at Camarillo. A two story mental health building at the hospital "is now a one story building" said a county official.

A man in a skid row mission in downtown Los Angeles housing about 150 derelicts was killed. A part of the roof collapsed and the man was buried under tons of bricks as he fled into the street.

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Splashdown ends successful mission

USS NEW ORLEANS (UPI) — Three U.S. moon explorers blazed to a triumphant Pacific Ocean splashdown yesterday ending a nine day, \$400 million mission that swept away the spectre of Apollo 13 and put the nation's manned space program back on track.

The spaceship, loaded with 96 pounds of moon rocks and scientific data that could turn outer space into a boon for mankind, plopped into the ocean right on target 900 miles south of Samoa at 4:05 p.m. EST.

Alan B. Shepard and his copilot, Edgar D. Mitchell and Stuart A. Roosa, drifted to the surface of the emerald waters of the Pacific on orange parachutes that were clearly visible in color television pictures from the recovery carrier New Orleans.

"We'll turn you over to the

recovery forces now—have a happy landing," ground controllers told the Apollo 14 astronauts after they were safely through their fiery, 24,600 mile per hour re-entry through earth's atmosphere.

"Welcome home!" the recovery force communicator yelled when the capsule splashed into the water.

"We're in good shape in here," Shepard reported, as a cheer went up in the Mission Control Center back in Houston.

The astronauts triggered their braking rockets at an altitude of 400,000 feet and began their descent through fluffy cumulus clouds sprinkled in the bright South Pacific sunshine.

It was midmorning in the South Pacific—out along the International Dateline.

Minutes after Apollo 14 hit

the water, frogmen dropped from a low flying helicopter and attached an orange flotation collar on the spacecraft.

One of the frogmen handed masks and three clean flight suits to the spacemen, who will be quarantined for 17 days—in the off chance that they have brought back any strange moon bugs.

The interior of the spacecraft also was decontaminated by frogmen. But the exterior was thoroughly sterilized by the 5,000 degree heat of re-entry—an experience which Apollo 8 astronaut Frank Borman described as "a sensation like you're flying inside a blue white neon light bulb."

Shepard, Roosa, and Mitchell finally climbed from the spaceship at 4:40 p.m. EST and sat waiting in a life raft until a

helicopter hoisted them aboard in a bird cage like basket.

Roosa was picked up first, followed by Mitchell and Shepard. Both Shepard and Mitchell are Navy men, and in true Navy tradition, Shepard was the last man off the spaceship.

Forty-eight minutes after they hit the water, the astronauts touched down on the deck of the carrier, writing a successful recovery operations to date.

Several sailors watching the splashdown from this carrier's flight deck held up hand painted signs saying "Welcome home astronauts."

Dale Myers, chief of the Manned Spaceflight Program, said the successful Apollo 14 mission "sets us solidly on course" for the remaining three flights in the program.

"I think this flight has been a tremendous step forward for our whole space program," Myers said. "It's proved that our corrective action as far as the oxygen tanks of Apollo 13 was proper. It has moved us into a much broader explanation of the moon, and proven again man's usefulness in space."

Myers said he believed "pressure from a failure on this flight would have caused a very long delay in the program." Apollo 13 very nearly ended in disaster when an oxygen tank in the command ship exploded.

Thief takes 2,200 'dollars'

Notre Dame Mardi Gras was robbed last night for over \$2200 in the form of bogus \$5 bills. However, for the thief to cash in on the theft, he must redeem the bogus bills at the Mardi Gras bank, and festival officials have taken steps to prevent this.

According to Student Union director Bob Pohl, someone hid inside Stepan Center Monday night after the crowds left, and entered the room where the money is kept by a door left unlocked by one of the workers. The thief then took a quantity of \$5 bogus bills totaling about \$2200 in real cash.

The theft was discovered by Student Union Comptroller Brian Nagle when he opened for business at 6:30 Tuesday night.

In order for the person to make the most of the bogus bills, he must cash them in for dollars at the Mardi Gras bank. Mardi Gras officials stopped the use of \$5 bills at the betting tables last night and gave none to the dealers. Anyone presenting a large quantity of \$5 bills at the bank was considered suspicious and was investigated immediately.

Pohl said that two suspects were discovered as of 11 p.m. Tuesday night, but the effect of the theft will not be known until the finances are finalized sometime today.

Mardi Gras Chairman Greg Stepic said that because of the precautions taken last night, there will probably be little or no loss as a result of the loss of bogus bills.

Blue Circle folds due to interest shift

by Milt Jones

The Blue Circle, which was originally started as a booster organization, ended its existence on Feb. 1, 1971. The president of the group, John Sweeney, cited the reason for the demise as the fact that "Students seem to have a greater interest in more personal matters than tours of the campus and ushering."

According to Sweeney, "today's students care more about

situations like Cambodia and Viet Nam than little things that groups like Y.C.S. or Blue Circle are doing."

Sweeney commented that "various organization such as student government, mental health association and others concentrate on specialized areas. This means that students can now go to these groups instead of coming to us. Before these organizations evolved, the Blue Circle was the only organization

students could turn to. If you wanted something done you came to us. Now, others are doing these jobs, and our influence and necessity seems to have waned."

The organization has innovated many facets of student life in its 34 year history. It began a primitive form of student government in 1951. The group was the only tutoring organization

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TUTORS NEEDED

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Co-Ed Committee to Meet, Will Judge Park-Mayhew

by Matt Cavanaugh and Kevin McGill

The Notre Dame-Saint Mary's College Co-education Coordinating Committee, headed by Rev. Charles Sheedy, C.S.C. will meet Saturday February 13 at Laughin' Lodge in Michigan to prepare a report that will be presented to the Board of Trus-

tees at their March meeting. In addition to the committee, 12 to 15 invited guests will also attend the meeting. These guests will be representatives from the administrations of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, and members of the sub-committees set up by both student governments to study the feasibility of co-education.

The primary purpose of the meeting will be to formulate an official position on the Park-Mayhew report and to decide how best to implement coeducation either through or without the report. Fr. Sheedy has sent to the members of the Committee a number of questions dealing with specific points made in the report so that the members will be able to prepare their own

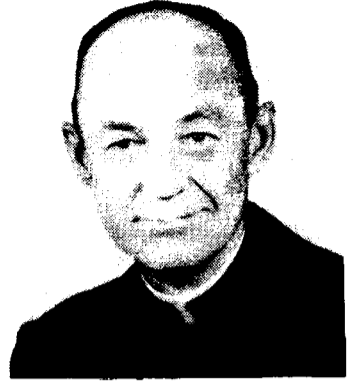
positions. The various attitudes that arise will be discussed at the meeting, and items not covered in the report will be taken up.

The sub-committees, established as "clearing houses for student opinions," having studied such areas as admission and registration policies, financial aid, student affairs, and housing, will submit their reports to the Coordinating Committee for discussion.

Rev. Charles E. Sheedy, chairman of the Coordinating Committee, guaranteed that the "general substance" of these student views will reach the Trustees. To insure that nothing is left out of their report, the committee will prepare a 20 to 30 page document from the minutes of the meeting, and submit this document to the Trustees. This document will be presented at the Board of Directors meeting in March where it will either add weight to the Park-Mayhew proposal, or if it differs substantially, it will have an influence of its own.

Five students will attend the meeting, Jean Gorman, Julia Rak, Carol Henninger, Bill Wilka, and Tim Connor. The stand they plan to take will call for Saint Mary's to be a separate college in the university, but the entire university, including Saint Mary's, will be coeducational in every respect. Connor said yesterday that he and the other students on the Committee would be interested to hear anyone's reactions to the Park-Mayhew report.

Connor also hoped "that cooperation will be possible at the up-coming meeting. If both sides are willing to give just a little, something really good could come out of this."



Rev. Charles Sheedy

Security doesn't cover Mardi Gras

by Jack Bennett

Security Chief Arthur Pears said yesterday that no Notre Dame security men were available during the incident of assault against a Notre Dame stu-

dent at the Mardi Gras carnival Saturday night because the carnival was not put under the jurisdiction of his office.

"The University of Notre Dame does not have anything to do with the security at Mardi Gras," Pears said. "We knew nothing about the incident until after the victim was interviewed in the infirmary after the story was published in the Observer.

The victim, Chuck DeMonaco of St. Ed's Hall said he was

accosted by a group of five youths, after one of the gang had ignored DeMonaco's order to keep away from his date, by repeating his action letting his hand touch the girl's shoulder.

In the scuffle that followed DeMonaco suffered a concussion and other head injuries. He reported that none of the guards at the carnival had heeded his cries for help during the assault.

The guards were not members of the Notre Dame Security department.

According to Pears, another incident took place at approximately 11:30 p.m. Saturday. John Wakachi of Dillon Hall was attacked by three assailants behind the Huddle. Wakachi reported that he was knocked down, kicked, and robbed of his wallet and glasses. He said he managed to hold one of the youths after the others ran off with his possessions but could not get any of the passing students to help him. The two who had run off soon returned and beat Wackicki with a club until he released their friend.

Wakachi said he had seventeen dollars in the wallet in addition to id's and credit cards. He valued the pllasses at about \$30.

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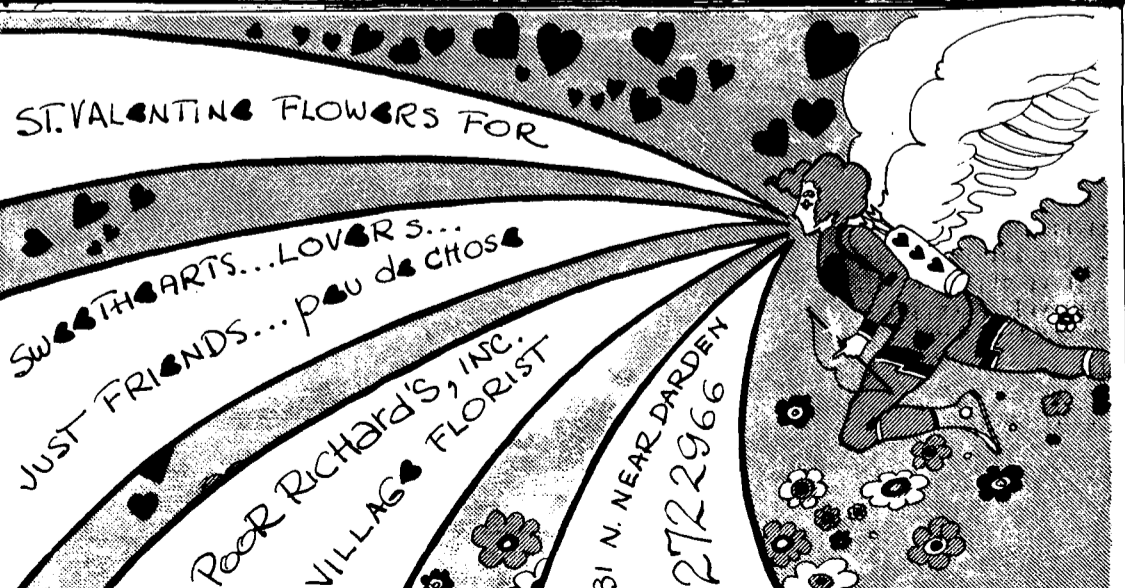
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ND alumni: more than they seem

Observer Insight

by John Powers

The guy who stands at the tail-gate of his station wagon mixing the drinks after a football game is often the only view that students have of alumni. After the wind picks up and the sun begins to set, he goes home to await the next game.

For some people, this opinion may be valid, but it isn't necessarily complete. Aside from Notre Dame's athletic competition, Notre Dame alumni are expressing interest in campus

life, student activities, and the social and religious education that the Notre Dame student presently receives.

Robert Erkins, Alumni Board President, Class of '45 was asked if he thought Notre Dame was being secularized away from the Christian university it has always been. He thought for a moment, and then replied: "If the time ever comes when the individuals who go here aren't Christian, then the university will no longer be Christian."

Erkins owns and operates several trout farms in the Snake River valley near Buhl, Idaho. He is married and has ten children. Seven are girls. Like everyone connected with Notre Dame these days, Erkins has some opinions on key issues such as student responsibility and coeducation. His oldest daughter is an Architecture major at the University of Utah, and he feels that "a woman should have just as much right to the kind of education she wants for her fu-

ture as a man does. It's as simple as that."

As Erkins puts it, the social structure of society is changing, and the need for coeducation in all institutes of higher learning is a fact of life. A limited education means "you limit your entire society." Because many more women are finding careers in the technological sciences, then "to say a woman shouldn't do it, is wrong."

"You say you want a Catholic education on the one hand,"

Erkins continued, "and then you say the girl must attend a Catholic liberal arts college. Maybe she wants more than a liberal arts training."

Whether the funding of the university would change if it goes coed depends on the attitude of the contributors, according to Erkins. Coeducation "might change the makeup of your givers, but it might not necessarily be bad."

Erkins pointed out that the most loyal contributors to the university have been the 47,000 alumni who make up the largest group in the university. Taking on the increasing financial burden of Notre Dame, the Board of Trustees has recognized that the Alumni Association has "a vital interest in the University," said Erkins and has looked to it more and more for advice on the future of Notre Dame.

Some of the Alumni activity has filtered down to the ordinary student at Notre Dame. The Placement Bureau was an idea of the Alumni Board created in 1938 to serve the post graduate needs of students as well as alumni who return to look for new jobs. Local Alumni clubs also help Notre Dame students get jobs for summer vacation. The Campus Ministry headed by Rev. William A. Toohey, CSC, was initiated by the Alumni Board to aid the religious life of students. The Alumni Board also pushed the first Cotton Bowl game in 1970, and got the Senior Bar founded three years ago. The bar's license is held by the Alumni Board, and its manager is Jim Cooney, Executive Director of the Alumni Ass'n.

Thrasher petition gains support; Senate to meet despite Krashna

by Steve Kane

After obtaining written assent from twenty-two of the first twenty-four senators he contacted, Stay-Senator Tom Thrasher succeeded yesterday in securing more than enough support for his petition calling for the reconvening of the student Senate over the opposition of SBP Dave Krashna. After weeks of enforced layoff the Senate will meet this Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. in the amphitheatre of LaFortune Student Center.

Krashna, the chairman of the Senate, has refused to recall the body into session since it last met at the end of the fall semester. Under the student government constitution the only way to call a meeting of the Senate other than at the request of the chairman is through a signed petition supported by a least one-third of the Senators.

Thrasher had no trouble rounding up the necessary number of Senators to back the petition, picking up the twenty-two names within the petition's first day of circulation. He explained that he had taken the action because he felt that too many important items were presently being neglected with the Senate idle.

As the chief example, Thrasher cited the organization of the Student Body elections which is the sole duty of the

Senate. So far, he said, nothing has been done toward setting up the elections. If the Senate fails to meet, he pointed out, there can be no elections at all.

Thrasher also mentioned the possibility of writing a new constitution within the Senate in the near future.

Don Mooney, off-campus Senator, was one of two senators who refused to sign Thrasher's petition. Mooney said he felt he could work more effectively outside the Senate than in it. Moo-

ney added that he had become a Senator because he was primarily concerned with the Senate's authority over the budget. Mooney indicated that with the completion of the budget last semester, he felt the Senate had fulfilled its only real duty and that the body should have no role in student government this semester.

Mooney assured however, that he would attend any meetings that were called through successful petitioning.



Tom Thrasher

Faculty seeks financial authority

by Greg Rowinski

In an attempt to gain the faculty more authority and responsibility in matters concerning financial priorities, the Faculty Senate yesterday passed unanimously the report of the Committee on the Administration of the University.

The Committee's resolution stated that, at present, the faculty "has little if any authority or responsibility or information concerning budgetary allocation of resources." It resolved that the faculty should receive "specific budgetary analyses and planning forecasts" so that it could "shoulder its appropriate share of the responsibility for the continued well-being of the University." It recommended that the Senate authorize the Committee to initiate discussions with University officials concerning "the most appropriate institutional modifications for achieving effective communication and shared responsibility."

The approval emphasized the faculty's intention to associate itself with more than just classes. Professor Edward Manier, Chair-

man of the Committee, commented that "the faculty does have financial responsibility as related to academic policy," especially when it places "constraints on departments." He used the examples of the costs of a possible co-education and the comparative cost-per-student of the different colleges which could involve terminations of some courses or even the entire departments. The Committee, having received the vote of confidence from the Senate, would "explore the best device for achievement" of their goals.

Earlier in his committee report, Manier had dealt with one of the aforementioned situations. He reported that he had sent a letter to Fr. Burtchell asking for a review of the procedures taken in the termination of the Computer Science Department. He asked specifically for "the calendar of events involved in the decision," since that decision was so vital to the University as a whole. He felt that it was the faculty's duty to be sure that "academic due process" was followed. No reply has yet been received, reported Manier.

After a Student Government representative urged the faculty to lend its support to the report on coeducation which that group is presently formulating, Professor John Borkowski of the Co-education Subcommittee stated that presently, neither the faculty nor the Senate have stated a particular position on the issue, or on the Park-Mayhew Report, specifically. He suggested that the Administration Committee prepare a "statement regarding the Park-Mayhew Report."

Law School Interviews
Miss Anne Normandin of Lewis and Clark College School of Law Portland, Oregon will be conducting interviews on Monday, February 15 sign-up sheet outside

Student asks gift pak return

An effort is being made by a group of Sorin Hall Students to collect the gift paks given out yesterday in the Student Center and distribute them to poor people downtown.

Steve Fortunate, one of the students, asked that all those who picked up gift paks, especially those who got boxes which contained sixty turn them into his room, 231 Sorin by the end of the week. His roommates Dave Najjar, and Joel Kibler are also aiding the effort.

The gift paks will be given to a group of people who are working with poor people on the West side of South Bend.

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The Expiration of a Myth

The sleepy death of the Blue Circle would have won no more attention than its sleepy life save for the salient comments of one John Sweeney, the Blue Circle President who presided over its recent demise.

Mr. Sweeney rightly consigned most of the credit (blame?) for the organization's late disintegration to the fact that most of its functions have been usurped by other organizations—notably student government—but he also said that "today's students care more about situations like Cambodia and Viet Nam than little things that groups like Y.C.S. (Young Christian Students) or Blue Circle are doing," and that "the death of Y.C.S. and Blue Circle, decreased enthusiasm for Mardi Gras, and growing ineptness of student Government are signs of a shift in attitude and interests on the part of the students."

Those are two interesting quotes; each in their own way, and the connection between the two is also good diversion. Given Mr. Sweeney's hypothesis that students are all heavily involved in the ramifications of Cambodia and Viet Nam, (which we don't), the inescapable conclusion is if organizations do not intend to remain within the range of student interests, they are destined for the common fate of Blue Circle and the Young Christian Whatyamacallits. The Blue Circle is a living Testament: its consistently offensive elitist claims (typified by its Grade-Point Requirement and its title of "Blue Circle Honor Society", both affectations dropped during the terminal stages) and its paternalistic attitude (typified by its most important function, tutoring) ended up in its sad demise yesterday.

The second quote holds special interest because of the nature of the organizations indicted. Y.C.S. and Blue Circle have departed; the Racoon coat image of Mardi Gras is strangely incongruous with Notre Dame in 1971. Student Government is more worrisome stuff indeed. If Student Government is striving towards irrelevance, as it appears to be doing and as Mr. Sweeney manifestly believes it is doing, then a somewhat longer but equally morbid editorial obituary awaits it. We would hate to see it written.



"Well, if we don't get co-education, I can either hang one on or start a riot or mumble a lot . . . or maybe all three . . ."

Ed Ellis

The Dave and Mark Show Comes to a Close

Within the next month, the undergraduates at Notre Dame will be asked to elect a leader to replace outgoing Student Body President David M. Krashna. For the last four years, the outgoing Student Government probably has selected one of its membership, or someone close to its membership, to carry on its activity (or perhaps inactivity). One may assume this to be the case in 1971.

Since the voters will be asked in large part to pass judgement on the outgoing Administration, and they must in any case vote in the context of Mr. Krashna's activity, let us consider the record.

One of candidate Krashna's major platform points last March was the revision of the Constitution and the elimination of the Student Senate. In the eighth month of his twelve-month term of office he took a feeble and spectacularly ineffective action on this major platform plank. The Constitutional referendum of December ninth was an abortion of managerial technique. Sixty per cent of the Student Body must vote in such a referendum. Only thirty-two percent voted, and twenty-four percent of the electorate as a whole approved the new charter. When a candidate who received sixty-three per cent of the popular vote in his own election cannot muster a quarter of the school to his side, there is perhaps a need for some alteration of the status quo.

Consider a second platform plank; also aborted this year by the establishment of the Committee for Social Understanding. This committee was heavily dominated by Student Government—appointed personnel and despite the presence of several highly qualified and interested faculty members, the group seems to have settled into the same state of Morpheus as the rest of Krashna's innocuous proposals. An ironic consideration is that the Student Government people insisted that diversity was being sought, and that "most of the students were not from Student Government." Consider that Cabinet Publicity Director Don Mooney, Research and Development Commissioner Tim Conner, Student Body Vice President Mark Winings, and Krashna himself were all from Student Government. Only George Holt, an unsuccessful Student Life Council candidate on the South Quad last year and Dan O'Donnell of the University Arts Council gave any "diversity" whatsoever to the group.

Last Spring, Mr. Krashna took part in a strike out of which the Princeton Plan emerged. Student Government's support of this was pitifully weak and a phenomenal bust. Another failure on the part of the Poobah machine in La Fortune.

Last election, Krashna placed great emphasis on "getting back to the halls." Yet in most halls he has not yet presented himself, and he supported a grant of only five hundred dollars (not even enough to run Antostal) for the Hall President's Council. The despised Senate granted three thousand dollars to the HPC. To Mr. Krashna the Senate may be a joke. It redeemed his only redeemed campaign pledge. What a riot.

This year Student Government took it upon itself to call in the press and cameras to defend a senior with a 2.5 GPA who lost his scholarship, the conditions of which were his maintenance of a 3.0 GPA. Mr. Krashna had been working on the case for five months, yet he never contracted the donor of the scholarship. Observer reporter Fred Schaefer talked to Mr. Koch, of Little Rock, Arkansas, in five minutes. Ah, the wonders of modern communication.

In short, it has been a most distressing year for those who believe Student Government should do something for its constituency. Even the co-ed report currently being drawn up in Holy Cross Hall at SMC is plagued by mis-organization and pitiful publicity. At ND, the Poobahs play political games and come to the students only when they need pawns on their imaginary chessboard of imaginary power. As one Hall President said, "They only come to us when they want our help. They never want to help us or the students."

Sad obituary? Maybe, but the worst is yet to come. A Hall President from the North Quad estimates the odds against the success of the February 17-19 General Assembly at between 98 and 100 to one.

Student apathy? Maybe, but in that case apathy has increased since the current dynasty of SBP's took over. In Senate elections under Chris Murphy, 80% of the students voted; under Richard Rossie, 70%; under Phil McKenna, 60%; under David M. Krashna, 52%—4% more than voted on the Princeton Plan and 20% more than voted on the anti-Senate constitution.

Murphy supported Rossie. Rossie supported McKenna. McKenna worked for Krashna. Krashna will work for Don Mooney, popular campus disc jockey and poobah-elite, who has already begun to organize his campaign.

This year's heir to Student Government must defend his team's incomprehensible record. He will undoubtedly promise new programs, new ideas, new concepts, and bigger and better garbage.

To murder an old cliché,
"It's time for a change."

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The Land of God stretches forth

Somehow, I had thought I knew what the scene of a Pentecostal meeting would be like from the memories of certain Protestant sects in a New England childhood: Christians of the clapboard churches, professing a deeper walk with God through shouted hallelujahs and Bible-thumping; the ecstasy of believers soul-raped by Jesus and caught up to the celestial (and diaphanous) bosom of Spirit, Who spins pinwheels of fire in the senses. I thought I was familiar with the idiom of the Charismatically Renewed: "Unto Jesus by the glory, brother. Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?" I thought I could tell you of the bibliolatry, the fundamentalist reading of the promises of the Word which, in an ultimate progression, leads straight to the tents of the faith-healers, where itinerant preachers have danced with serpents. Finally, I thought I would recognize the disinherited children of the earth whose only identity comes from the leases they claim to hold on the mansions of glory.

It was from this sense of a religious experience *deja vu* that I resisted attending a gathering of the Pentecostals until last week, when I went to their afternoon Mass in Breen-Phillips. I entered the chapel of Jesus Christ, Superstar, wet from the heavy rain of the Thursday downpour; I was out of sorts with a universe whose weather had conspired to build a moat of ice and water around my Keenanfront door. Moreover, I was nearly mortally offended because the Mass was, or seemed, fifteen or twenty minutes late in beginning, and I was offended by the sight of a stout lady who dashed from one encounter group to another, asking, "Has anybody here seen the Lectionary?" Apparently nobody there had seen the

Lectionary, because the damned thing never did appear, and the Jerusalem Bible was used instead, which struck me as a bush-league way of running a religion, the Holy Spirit's or anybody else's. I was also depressed to notice that all those I recognized as regular Pentecostals looked as though they were in need of a good meal. I myself am never in need of a good meal, a fact I have always considered as one of the consolations of religion. I thought to myself, I can't really be expected to respect a faith that forever afterwards will be identified with winter rain, late beginnings, purloined lectionaries, and malnutrition. At that point, the guitarist struck up a hymn: "There is a Balm in Gilead."

Of the Mass, one of the most beautiful I have ever attended, I will mention only the meditation periods: one, after the reading of the Gospel; the other, just prior to the Blessing and Dismissal. I have never been so conscious of the spirit of faith praying, singing, laughing, brooding, not even in convents of contemplative nuns, as I was among that group of young people assembled to celebrate the Eucharist without their Lectionary. Every now and again, among that hushed group would come a noise like that of a wind beginning to blow through the branches of a tree: quickly the noise would intensify into a roar, as though that wind had passed from the one tree into a whole forest of branches; then, almost as quickly, all the commotion would die away, and the group would be hushed again. Without question or surprise, I judged that the Holy Spirit had passed, playing over the group like a hand touching the notes of a piano.

Apparently the event was no such

masterpiece of sublimity as I have imagined it to be. I know this must be true, because a junior boy in architecture has explained to me that though the exact whereabouts of God -- if He has a whereabouts -- is uncertain, He couldn't be caught dead anyplace on the Notre Dame campus.

Evidence of the things unseen rarely means much to anyone but the person to whom the clue is given, and religious experience can never be claimed as objective (though Lazarus, if pericopes be true, might argue the point), even though they leave you as deeply moved and on the point of tears as I was on that afternoon, when I witnessed the experience, seemingly, of a young Christian singing (in the Pentecostal way, with the Paraclete as his choir master) in Hebraic tongues. Of course I am moved to tears rather easily; the final moments of *Love Story*, for example, that movie that Judith Crist, in the *New York* magazine, described (out of deference to the favorite noun, verb, and expletive of the McGraw broad) as "Camille with bullshit," left me in so sodden a condition that all the salt was washed away from my bag of popcorn. But *Love Story* caught at the throat not from its own intensity, but out of a sadness it evoked from the past. But it was presently, contemporaneously moving to hear the Presence of God proclaimed at Mass in an honestly emotional way. I do not know the source, in nature or in supernature, of how it is that tongues are set to dancing to the charismatic tunes of language; but the moments when it happened seem God-touched and full of grace.

Perhaps, for some of us, the Liturgy has lost its power to stir us very deeply.

Our worship consists in priests, clunking like Radio City stage hands around the sanctuary, acting out the charades of grace without mystery; ministers of eternity speaking the imperishable truths of redemption in a textual rhetoric powerless to lift itself heavenward, from altar tables (still, after more than five years, the janitor's temporary masterpiece) unworthy to be used at picnics, much less to serve at the Supper of the Lord. Only rarely do the lessons instruct us as a people whose past includes the lost children of Hiroshima and the war dead from the ghettos; whose present is the agony of cities crucified against a poisoned sky; and whose tomorrow seems threatened by the death of the world.

Three years ago, after the public funerals of the Kennedys and Martin Luther King, some of the commentators pointed out the absence of "soul" in that Liturgy of the Pentecostal group. Perhaps I never will, or never could, find it there again; only future visits to the Breen-Phillips' chapel will reveal the possibilities of my personal charismatic renewal through the ministry of the Spirit-group. But it is clear to me as a believing son of the Church that our prophets and poets, our sages and saints, have a work to love to perform, a chore of liturgy to be shaped, if the spirit of contemporary man is going to be served in all its deepest needs in our communal celebrations of salvific Love.

It seems only right that a chap, occasionally at least, should be stirred as least as deeply by Mass as some of us were (with the exception of friend and fellow scribbler, Jim E. Brogan) when we watched that soap opera described as "Camille with bullshit."

Edward Smith

The importance of language

Pascal once said that "he who would act the angel acts the brute," and thus assessed the political paradox of an entire era of history. This confusing and unfortunate situation results from "the contradictions that grew up between our commitment to do good and our commitment to wield power," as writer David Halberstam correctly observes.

These assessments of our present political confusion are important since their truth is revealed in certain rhetoric involved in a flyer released on this campus recently. The document ("What the Hell Is Going On?"), admittedly a rather simple one, was printed by the Notre Dame - South Bend Coalition to End the War. The manifesto called for "an end to Nixon's tricks" regarding secrecy in the Laotian war.

The disturbing portions of the paper however, do not invoke any of the vital substantive questions on Laos. Rather, we meet with this exhortation: "KNOWLEDGE IS THIS. . . POWER TO THE PEOPLE. . . ALL POWER TO THE FIGHTERS FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD". Here is revealed once again, in rhetoric and sloganeering, the raw power which the "peace movement" has ironically invoked to justify the same absolutist ends that ignited Marxism, Wilsonian wars for democracy, and Cold-War anti-Communism. Such language has merely led to dogmatic politics, with catastrophic results - as the quagmire of a seemingly inextricable situation in Asia illustrates.

More perversely however, this language indicates the apparent abdication of all critical thought, and thus poses grave questions concerning the continued existence of a university. When knowledge serves only an act of the will, and becomes merely a means through assertion of power to some absolute good end, it ceases to question that end.

Ironically, the proof of this is found in a group which "Campus Christies" so loudly abhor. The academic-government

alliance follows the same dogmatic commitment to the belief that knowledge, i.e. more research, facilitates the manipulation of men and nature. The tragedy is that the University, the place where one should learn to love wisdom and ask ultimate questions, is relegated to a battleground of conflicting ideologies and a factory for the production of superior techniques of control.

Therefore, the Coalition is hypocritical in maintaining a holier-than-thou attitude and at the same time entering the power game: "THE PEOPLE MAKE PEACE BECAUSE NIXON WON'T" and "THE PEOPLE OF VIETNAM AND THE PEOPLE OF THE U.S. ARE NOT WAGING A WAR AGAINST EACH OTHER". But, the fact is the "people" of both

Pamela Voss

How to date an ND Man

In the lounge in Madeleva Hall, Miss Libbie M' coed spoke in the sixth of a four part series to a frolic filled crowd on the topic "Women - How to Date a Notre Dame Man."

Miss M' coed's address covered various topics including "Should a Girl have to wait for her date to open the car door", "How to feign off the advances of an attacker," and "How to say no politely when you really mean yes."

Miss M' coed's symposium was well received by the twenty-two people in attendance. Some members of the audience had arrived one-half hour late but since M' coed was delayed because of a lab practically nobody knew the difference.

Addressing herself to the methods young women should employ in their dating relationships with young men, Miss M' coed gave her audience what one participant said as "the added interest of her personal endeavors."

Miss M' coed described her past experiences with young men and following each description she advised young women on how to handle similar dating

relationships. She described her relationship with John as "provocative" and the one with Dick as the same. She did warn that with Joe's type one should not be "naive and sweet." She said that also with Chuck's type "one should disregard one's home background." She said she remembered Steve as intellectually stimulating but with men like Omar "the sky's the limit."

In general, Miss M' coed said that in dating young men women should always "look out for their interests and to not let your emotions get carried away." In getting to meet a man she suggested that the best approach is to drop a physics book on his lap, that way it impresses him with the fact you not only know where its at but that you are intelligent as well.

Universities are, or ideally should be, a place for such realization. Here, contemplation, reflection, and critical evaluation

of the human enterprise provide a limitation on the cruelty and terror which men produce despite all good intentions.

There are two other alternatives: as one writer puts it, we may refuse to act and become an "egotist with a good conscience"; or, cynically exercise the ubiquitous desire for power by acquiring superior force or "knowledge" (the scientific fact). In either context the University is superfluous.

Such rhetoric is, regardless of its aims, necessarily self-defensive. For neither knowledge nor more power will cure the ills of the world. The remedy lies in the hearts of men who question action in relation to a real existence, and summoning their moral courage, act knowing they can never do so innocently.

game of monopoly then while he proceeds to get it move from your home address to another part of town; 2.) if you are not totally repulsed have him bring you a few drinks first and a copy of Dr. Rueben's best-selling book and ask questions together.

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Co-ed committee stresses need for support

by Jerry Lutkus

The chairmen of two branches of the Co-Ed Committee, which is working on a supplement to Park-Mayhew, revealed their findings last night. The heads of the Merged Student Government Committee and the Student Services Committee stressed the need for student support of the supplement.

Kathy Barlow, co-chairman of the Merged Government Committee, stated that its basic goal is "the merger of the student bodies of the schools into one body."

Their proposals cover two

areas, the short range ideas and the long range ideas. The short range center around the merger of the Student Services Office of St. Mary's and the Student Union of Notre Dame. With this they hope to initiate a merger of duplicate commissions and cabinet posts. She hoped that "this could be accomplished after the student government elections."

"We would like to see St. Mary's work closely with Notre Dame during the elections. Hopefully, this will have some bearing on the elections. It could measure student reactions to the co-education proposals," she said.

The long range proposals all "aim toward the establishment of one student body." The committee is presently discussing the feasibility of community government at Notre Dame. Rich Urda and Mary Bernath, members of the committee, are looking into the possibility of the merging of the judicial systems of the two schools. Barlow stresses that the basic point of the committee is the merging of the student governments and she sees this merger "coming very quickly."

"The merging of the student governments is but a preliminary step towards the merging of the student bodies. Right now our long range plans are still nebulous, they have to be completely worked out," he said.

The committee, which consists of co-chairmen Mark Winings, Jean Gorman, Bernath, Urda, Dan Hyde, and Eileen Fitzpatrick, reacted favorably to the

HPC proposal which was released yesterday. They claimed to be especially in favor of co-ed housing, undergraduate degrees for women at ND, and a reduction of the male-female ratio.

Barlow spoke for them when she stated, "These are good things to aim for. It's definitely worth trying for. If we can work it out with the Administration, students, and the faculties, it's definitely a good step."

Bob Ohlemiller, chairman of the Student Services Committee, stressed that the merger of services between the schools is "financially, the most feasible thing to do." Ohlemiller's committee covered the merging of the psychological services, the counseling centers, the campus ministries, security, health services, and Student Union with Student Services Office.

"There is no psychological center at St. Mary's right now," stated Ohlemiller, "so, it would simply be an extension of our service to SMC. It would probably require a small fee to be included in SMC students' fees."

The merger of the counseling centers would not result in too much difficulty because there is already good co-operation between the centers of the two campuses. The same would be true in merging the campus ministries, Ohlemiller claimed.

Merging the security forces of the campuses could be the most feasible action of the merger, he

said. The two forces are working co-operatively now and their existence "is a needless duplication." The only change, he stated, would have to be in a common radio channel and a common answering service between them. The campus health services, if merged, would also have to be extended because they are presently limited, Ohlemiller commented.

In speaking with Sister Immaculata today, Ohlemiller claimed to have discovered a small handicap with the merger of services.

Sr. Immaculata forwarded the philosophy of SMC toward student involvement. Ohlemiller said, while he believes that it is a valid assertion that this philosophy could be destroyed by the merger. That philosophy is based on more student involvement within the structure, in other words, community government, he commented. This should not prove to be a major handicap, however, as even Sr. Immaculata, according to Ohlemiller, believes the merger of services is a "feasible and practical action."

Ohlemiller stressed the feasibility of the merger.

"Overall, for both schools, this is the most economical and efficient way to go," he said.

He admitted that "without student support, this report is nothing but a piece of paper. Without widespread student support, this report will do nothing. The Student General Assembly will be the best opportunity for the students to voice their support. We need the support to pass this report. This is not an elitist Student Government Action. It's a student job, a job done by the students for the students."

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Eternal Optimist

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PHOENIX-To say Deacon Jones is "an optimist" is like saying Napoleon was a soldier.

The Deacon always thinks the next card is going to be an ace, the next throw will be a seven. He would have wired ahead to New York for hotel reservations right after the Titanic hit the iceberg. The Deacon thinks he stands a pretty good chance of making President some day. He keeps a homburg hat at the ready. At the very least, he figures to be Secretary of State.

He makes Pollyanna seem like a crybaby. Only a lousy stinking set of coincidences have kept the Rams out of the Super Bowl, which they would, of course, have won if they got there, he feels.

Deacon is an 18-handicapper at golf, but he expects every shot to go into the hole, including a tee shot on a par-5 dogleg to the right, 575 yards away.

The Deacon thinks Lincoln probably enjoyed the show that night.

The Deacon knows he is the world's greatest football player, and a typical interview found a writer commenting one night, "Deacon, you played a great game considering they put three men on you." "Four," said the Deacon.

He revolutionized the art of defense in football. He had such deadly speed that when an autograph-seeker was looking for Deacon Jones down here at the American Airlines Astrojet tournament, he asked the Browns' Bill Nelsen "which one will be Deacon Jones?" And Bill answered, "He'll be wearing a quarterback."

He is probably the cleanest player in the history of the game. Not only does his uniform never need laundering, neither do his tactics. He has slugged more guys along side the head than Jack Dempsey in his prime, but this is a legal tactic in the 22-man fist fight which takes place when the ball is snapped in pro football and it is one reason why the players wear plastic hats.

Deacon's job is to make quarterbacks start to flinch, but the words "cheap shot" have never been applied to Deacon Jones.

A figure of ferocity on the field, he is as affable and comfortable to be around as a collie dog off it. He is people who likes people. On story will suffice to illustrate: the Deacon is a Protestant by religion, but he was in a Catholic church for the first time in his life at the funeral of Bobby Kennedy in St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. The Deacon kept a close watch on the natives. "The Catholics get up and kneel down a lot," he marveled. "I was beginning to feel like it was the third quarter of the Green Bay game."

Followed the Crowd

Suddenly, the Deacon noticed the whole congregation seemed to be going somewhere. They were. To Communion. The Deacon always likes to follow the crowd. So he ambled up the aisle. Too late, he realized what was happening. So, Deacon Jones, all 6 feet, 5 inches, 270 pounds of him made his first Holy Communion at age 30 without benefit of baptism, confession, catechism, or any other parochial preparation. "God would understand," explained the Deacon. "God has always taken good care of the Deacon. But it was a good thing they weren't going up there for ordination or I'd be 'Father Jones' right now."

The Deacon, of course, is above the trivialities of religious differences. If the church door is open, the Deacon ambles in. As the old story goes, the gorilla can sleep anywhere he wants to. And it has never occurred to anyone to throw Deacon Jones out of anyplace he wanted to go in. A few Mississippi cops found that out one night some years ago when the Deacon and two friends were sampling the local brew.

There isn't really a more popular figure in the National Football League than David Jones. Prior to him, the heroes of the game were always on offense-and sometimes offensive. But the Deacon is a festive man. His friends come in all colors. He is Deacon Jones, American. He came out of the grinding poverty and degradation of Eatonville, Fla., but when he packed up to leave, he didn't put hate in along with his toothbrush. The Deacon travels light.

Singing Great as Well

He figures he'll become the world's greatest signer as soon as he can't get to the quarterback anymore-but that, of course, will be well into the 1980's.

Meanwhile, he is available for consultation at the White House, the Vatican, the U.N. or any other place where vision and integrity and wisdom are called for. Deacon has no children as yet, but he figures along will come a Jones someday to keep his mark in the world.

I played golf with Mr. Optimism the other day. I was fearful about a bad back I had. "Listen," the Deacon said, "don't worry. I'll probably shoot a 69. I'm playing super."

You know something? We won second prize. I never win second prize. Deacon wasn't even disappointed. "Nobody's perfect," he said cheerfully. "But I'm close."

I asked him-tingerly-what he thought of the new Ram coach, Tommy Prothro. "Listen!" said the Deacon. "He's going to be great. We'll probably win the Super Bowl by 40 points." Will the guys play for a new guy a Joe College at that, I wondered?

"Listen!" said the Deacon. "This guy is good at offense, right? Now, with me, we don't have to worry about defense, right? So, the way I look at it, we're lucky to get him."

The Deacon thought about that for a minute. Then he brightened. "Of course," he added, "he's lucky to have us, too. Especially me."

Fencers blast two foes

by Terry Shields
Observer Sports Editor

It wasn't easy but the Notre Dame fencing squad managed two victories last weekend to up their season record to 10-2. It wasn't really the competition that gave the Irish a hard time, they beat Illinois, Chicago Circle 25-2 and scored early versus Wisconsin Parkside to coast to a 17-10 win.

The real trouble for ND came in getting to the match. One of the university limousines literally blew up on the trip to the Chicago campus and all of the starting fencers were forced to cram into one vehicle to get to the meet on time.

Once the Irish arrived their troubles were over.

Against Chicago Circle both the epee and foil division shut-out the Illini 9-0 and the sabremen had little difficulty winning by a 7-2 count.

Individual stars were foilsmen co-captain J.T Lyons, who was 3-0, Glenn Kalin and Mike Cornwall, who were both 2-0. Co-captain Rich "Rip" Deladrier led the epeeists with an undefeated showing. He was given solid support in this division by Tim Taylor and Chuck Harkness. With the heavy sabre blades there were unbeaten Mike Feeney and Ron Sollitto.

Wisconsin Parkside made the score far more respectable than the Chi-town Illini but the swordsmen from du Lac had the match on ice when they ran the score up to 15-5 before letting up. The foilsmen were whipped 3-6 but this time the sabremen were the strength of the team with a convincing 8-1 shellacking of the UWP fencers. Co-captain Doug Daher and Matt Fruzynski led the sabremen with undefeated marks in this division.

For the consistent epeeists, who won their division six bouts to three, Mike Metranga, Deladrier and Harkness all posted unblemished slates. Feeney, a sabremen, was the day's hero along with Deladrier and Harkness, as these three went through the entire afternoon without tasting defeat.

Fencing mentor Mike DeCicco

was pleased with the team's showing in the Windy City, especially since they bounced back from the near auto tragedy. Neither opponent was considered especially weak. UICC has already beaten Midwest power Wayne State earlier in the season and the psyched up Irish had little trouble with them.

The Wisconsin Parkside match was never really in doubt due to the early wins by ND.

The fencers have suffered two defeats this season but these came to the number one and two teams in the nation (NYU and Navy). Aside from that eastern disaster the swordsmen have performed well this season.

The fencers will return to Chicago this weekend for a quadrangular meet with the University of Chicago, the University of Detroit and MIT.



Co-captain epeeist Rick 'Rip' Deladrier led his division in the weekend's action.

Swim record 2-2

Irish swimmers hit the .500 mark Thursday when they dropped a meet to the Western Michigan University team by a 73-40 score.

Missing the meet because of upper respiratory problems were Captain James Cooney, and one of this seasons outstanding freshmen, Michael Kilpatrick.

The team welcomed back Sophomore John Sherk, who had an appendectomy in December, back into the line-up. John displayed his pleasure of being back by winning two events -- the 500 yard freestyle (5:24.8), and the 1,000 yard freestyle (11:10.2).

Sophomore Gene Krathaus also won two events -- the 50 yard freestyle (:22.8), and the 100 yard freestyle (:50.5). Gene also anchored the Medley Relay team and put forth a great effort in attempting to catch the Western Michigan team, but their lead was a little too great to overcome.

In all the Irish had 11 individuals post their best efforts this season, and 3 others equaled their best time.

Next week the team travels to New York to meet St. Bonaventure Univ., and Niagara Univ. in a double dual meet on Saturday February 13th at Olean, N.Y.

Voices from the Crowd

Sport Editor,

Will someone please explain to us the purpose of booing Coach Johnny Dee before the recent basketball games? These particular critics seem to us to be monuments to the Monday morning quarterback, the back seat driver and the "All-American" fair weather sports fan. From our fans, Coach Dee is receiving worthless personal abuse.

Not three months ago, John Pleick was the object of this same mob criticism. This past Monday night John Pleick received a standing ovation for his aggressive performance. Shouldn't we give a moments thought to our obvious lack of insight?

Jack Graber
Mike Doran

Editor:

I would like to suggest that the interhall office discontinue the practice of allowing the auxiliary gyms to be reserved on Friday afternoons. Friday afternoon is probably the most popular time for students to play

basketball. It was very discouraging last week to be told in the middle of a game that I, the nine guys I was playing with, the ten guys playing at the other end of the court, and the guys on the sidelines must leave to make room for ten people. This was

also the case on the other courts. Needless to say there were a number of unhappy guys that afternoon. What was it Moose said about working off frustrations through athletics?

Jim Graif
333 Alumni Hall

Just for the Record

by Mike Pavlin

Over the weekend, Austin Carr set a new season record for the most points scored by a senior. Last year, he set the mark for a junior and would have had the soph mark except for his foot injury.

INDIVIDUAL-SEASON

- 1.) (New Record) Most Points by a Senior--Austin Carr 626.
- 2.) Points Scored--948, Carr 626.
- 3.) Scoring Average--37.2, Carr 36.8.
- 4.) Field Goal Attempts--681, Carr 486.
- 5.) FG's Made--376, Carr 253.

INDIVIDUAL-CAREER

- 1.) (New Record) Points Scored--Austin Carr 2085.
- 2.) (New Record) Field Goals Made--Carr 840.
- 3.) (New Record) Scoring Average--Carr 33.6.
- 4.) Field Goal Attempts--1636, Carr 1577.
- 5.) FG%--.485, Carr .533.
- 6.) Free Throw Attempts (3 yrs.)--543, Carr 496.
- 7.) FT%--.804, Carr .817.
- 8.) Games Appeared In--85, Collis Jones 73.

Death toll small considering damage

(Continued from Page 1)

Three persons died of heart attacks which authorities attributed to the fright of the earthquake. One man was running in panic from his home. Another was killed when his pickup truck was buried in the collapse of a freeway overpass.

The Pasadena, San Diego and Golden State freeways were closed in several stretches be-

cause of buckled pavement and collapsed overstructures. The Golden State is the beginning of Interstate 5 which links Los Angeles with Northern California.

Another three tier cloverleaf intersection of freeways which was under construction collapsed.

A spokesman for the city fire department said there had been "so many damn fires it's un-

believable." He estimated there were at least 150 fires, most of them set off by broken gas lines and falling power lines. Two major supermarkets in San Fernando were gutted.

Lockheed sent home 18,000 day shift workers at its plants in Burbank, Van Nuys, Watts and Sangus Newhall while firemen and guards inspected the buildings, cleaned up broken glass and checked on gas leaks.

The main runway at the Hollywood Burbank Airport was buckled by the earthshock and planes had to use a smaller runway, incoming aircraft landing with full flaps to slow ground speed.

The quake actually was stronger than that of March 10, 1933, in Long Beach on the waterfront south of Los Angeles. In that disaster, 120 were killed, thousands injured and damage was \$40 million. The most recent major quake was in July 1952, when 11 were killed in the Tehachapi Mountain area 100 miles north of Los Angeles.

President Nixon declared California a major disaster area because of the earthquake which struck the Los Angeles area. He also dispatched Vice President Spiro T. Agnew to Los Angeles to expedite federal assistance.

White House Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler said Agnew, accompanied by George Lincoln, the director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness, and Donald Johnson, the head of the Veterans Administration would fly to Los Angeles Wednesday for meetings with California Gov. Ronald Reagan, Mayor San Yorty and Chairman Warren Dorn of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

The designation as a major disaster area triggers the federal mechanism for assisting in disaster relief, which is coordinated by the Office of Emergency Preparedness. It involves long term help in grants for rebuilding roads, sewers and public facilities. It also expedites unemployment compensation, authorizes OEP to bring in federal workers to help clean up debris and authorizes low cost loans for damages businesses and homes sustain.

Reagan requested the federal assistance in telephone conversations with Lincoln and Agnew.

More than a dozen federal departments and agencies, he said, already have representatives

in the area. The Small Business Association also has declared it a major disaster and is prepared to offer assistance in the form of low cost loans for restoring damaged business, Ziegler said.

'Education: 1980'

Dr. Robert Christin will probe into the future with a look at "Education: 1980" when he presents the next in a series of lectures on "Trends in Contemporary Education" Wednesday night, February 10, at Saint Mary's College. The Lecture, which is open to the public, will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Carroll Hall of the Madeleva classroom building.

The president of St. Norbert's College, West DePere, Wisconsin, Dr. Christin is a former resident of South Bend. He was a member of the English faculty of the University of Notre Dame from 1953-65 when he left to assume the presidency of Educational Associates Incorporated of Washington, D.C. EAI served as an educational consultant to the federal government for over 300 colleges and universities across the nation.

Since being named the first lay president of St. Norbert's in July 1969, Dr. Christin has been responsible for a number of major innovations including the adoption of a "no failure" grading system and a reorganization of the curriculum which included the establishment of a tri-divisional structure: humanities and fine arts; natural sciences; and social sciences.

Dr. Christin's talk is part of an experimental interdisciplinary course being offered at Saint Mary's during the second semester. Under the joint sponsorship of the department of education and the Student Development Committee, the series presents outstanding speakers in a number of fields as a pass-fail elective

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for students on campus until student government demanded participation by a larger number of students.

In 1967 Blue Circle began programs to aid freshmen. Almost all members participated in one of the four standing committees which were in charge of fall orientation and the freshman advisors program. Most of this work was done in conjunction with the Hall Life Committee of Student Government.

The Society also had other activities which served the university as a whole. There were groups in charge of ushering at graduation, pep rallies, guided tours for campus visitors, the annual student trip and other student functions.

Prior to 1967, a certain cumulative grade point average was required for admission. Membership remained quite selective even after dropping that requirement. Prospective members were screened in a series of interviews. The Circle was interested in the students who put service first and fraternal considerations second. They were not necessarily seeking the all around student.

Although it was a service organization, the Blue Circle was also a fraternal group. Raymond Fleming, presently an Instructor of Italian at Notre Dame was a member of the Blue Circle in 1967. He said "The Blue Circle was Notre Dame's answer to fraternities. It was very fake, and they essentially went around campus trying to get into headlines. It was the token black, and I joined it because it would look good on my records."

Fleming further stated that "you had to be very socially outgoing to belong to Blue Circle, they frowned on intellectualism."

About 1966, the Blue Circle began undergoing an internal identity crisis. Members started questioning the purpose and importance of the organization. They changed the name from Blue Circle Honor Society to Blue Circle because the former title "seemed overly pretentious" according to Sweeney.

Various factions began to spring up within the society and the strength of the circle steadily drifted to individuals who carried out carious projects rather than the group as a whole. Change in the outlook of many members may have been one of the biggest reason for the genesis of these fatal divisive factions.

Explaining the decision to disband now, Sweeney said, "the Blue Circle wanted to go out now while it was still strong in

the memory of the students. We didn't want to let it slowly fade out over a long period."

Sweeney pointed out that other organizations will have to take over the duties handled by Blue Circle. "We don't know who will handle pep rallies, but we will decide soon. Student Union will handle the Student Trip. The Office of Public Information will handle guided tours, and other groups will handle activities pertaining to their organizations."

Sweeney also stated that "the death of Y.C.S. and Blue Circle, decreased enthusiasm for Mardi Gras, and growing ineptness of student Government are signs of a shift in attitude and interests on the part of the students."

Islam secretary speaks Wed.

Wednesday evening John Ali, national secretary of the nation of Islam, will speak on "The Separation of Black and White," at 8:00 p.m. in the Library Auditorium.

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