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SLC hears studies on black proposals

by Janet Longfellow Staff Reporter

Committee meetings regarding investigations into proposals made at the black student hearing session comprised most of the discussion at yesterday's general meeting of the Student Life
[Council.]

E. William Chapin, assistant professor

of Mathematics, and Anthony Abowd presented a report on their investigations into the proposed minority experience course. From their discussion with University Provost Fr. James T. Burtchaell, the report primarily calls for more communication between black students and the Notre Dame community, concerning problems encountered by blacks. The only motion made concerning the report's suggestions (which accompanies this story) was to postpone action until a later date.

financial aid

Results of the inquiry into financial aid programs for minority students were presented by Fr. James L. Shilts, asst. vice-president of administration. Information from the office of Financial Aid whoed that a loss of \$80,000 from federally financed minority scholarships may disappear as a result of President Nixon's cutback on money previously allocated for scholarships by Congress.

Present at the meeting was Carl Ellison, who led the black students' panel presentation at the February 5 SLC hearing. He discouraged any further effort on the part of the SLC to obtain endowment increases. His suggestion resulted from a personal interview with University President Fr. Theodore M. Hesburgh, who explained the impossibility of any aid increase due to lack of available money. This suggestion was carried.

The possibility of obtaining a black house is being looked into by Dr. Robert Ackerman, assistant to the vice-presdietn of student affairs, who is waiting to hear from schools which have already in-corporated black houses as part of their campus facilities. He plans to visit these schools to gather more details when they respond to his inquiries.

protestant services

Two points were made by Fr. William Toohey, director of campus ministry, reacting to investigations into obtaining church service for black and non-Catholic students. He stated that in the past, campus ministry has arranged Protestant services on campus, and that it is possible to arrange them on request. Secondly, he felt that he could not make any moves on the issue until blacks make their needs known to him. To facilitate this, it was moved to contact a protestant faculty member to aid in discussions between blacks and the campus ministry. However, decision on the motion was postponed.

Student Body vice-president Dennis Ettiene reported his findings concerning the lack of black cultural events. The Student Union Social Commission feels the problem is that there is no black student input, that there are no blacks on any of the committees, although the Social Commision is looking for black involvement. A suggestion was made to form a black committee to set up an initial concert, backed by the Student Union, to start off in the hope that its success would promote continuing activities.

social activities

The problem of poor dormitory social activities for blacks was presented to the Hall President's Council. None of the hall presidents felt that hall activities excluded blacks and cited the wide black participation in interhall sports and hall game tournaments as evidence. It was also felt that relationships between blacks and

whites have improved since the former black concentration in Alumni and Dillon halls were broken up. The HPC suggested that black students should take the intitiative by bringing problems to their hall

Investigation into the problem of loding for visiting black women has shown that there is a lack of bed space and hostesses. Sr. John Miriam Jones, assistant to the Provost, suggested the purchase of roll-up cots to ease the problem.

Bill Assignments were made to their committees, and all other reports were postponed until the next general meeting on March 26th.

Senior Carl Ellison expressed his opinion of the meeting, "The Student Life -Council seems quite well-meaning in addressing the concerns articulated to it by black students. Well-meaningness, however, seldom produces results."

"We challenged the SLC and the University in general to become pioneering in dealing with the problems of black students. Most of our proposals were pioneering and therefore subject to

"But most of the investigations which were presented today strike me as cursory, impotent and narrow-sighted because the lily-white SLC seems as capable of understanding the thrust of the delineated proposals, as does the entire student body," concluded Ellison.

The following is the text of the report presented to the SLC on proposals for a minority experience course.

At the February fifth Hearing Meeting of the SLC, representatives from among the Black students on campus expressed their strong feeling that it would be advantageous for the other students at Notre Dame to learn something more of the Black Experience. They suggested, as a mechanism to accomplish this, a University-required course for all students in some area of the Black Experience. When Mr. Faccenda communicated this proposal, along with others, at the February twelfth meeting of the SLC, Anthony Abowd and Professor E. William Chapin were designated to meet with Father Burtchaell and discuss the matter.

From the discussion of Abowd, Burtchaell, and Chapin, it became clear that, while the goal expressed by the Black students was a most desirable one, there are perhaps more satisfactory ways of achieving it than the one suggested. The number of University requirements is quite small and there is a natural reluctance to increase their number, both on the part of students and of faculty. In particular, it seems clear that a course, one of whose primary purposes would be the changing of attitudes and the amelioration of human relationships, might well be selfdefeating if presented as a requirement: while learning is often achieved in somewhat constrained circumstances, change of attitudes and great sympathy rarely are. Further, the current requirements of several of the Colleges of courses in History, Social Sciences, etc., (areas in which there are courses in Black Studies) would seem already to allow the student who wishes to so to to improve his understanding of the Black Experience and simultaneously fulfill a course requirement. The current lack of aviailable highly-qualified faculty in sufficient numbers to teach many sections of further courses in this area precludes the addition of more sections of more courses artificially created at this time simply for the purpose of a new requirement. For, in any such course, unless the instructor is both highly trained and highly qualified, and highly motivated, the whole course experience is likely to be negative. Finally, experience

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Etienne reveals new constitution in planning stage

by Steve Magdzinski Staff Reporter

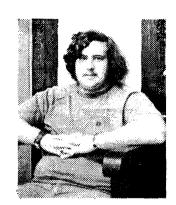
Plans for the new Student Government Constitution call for a forum consisting of the Hall President's Council, four or five Off-Campus representatives and possibly the Student Life Council, indicated Student Body Vice-President Dennis "H-Man" President Dennis Etienne yesterday.

Inclusion of representatives and the SLC would prevent the forum from concerning itself only with hall-related problems, said Etienne. The main tasks of the forum would be to approve appointments, control the budget and make recommendations to the student body president.

Plans also allow for a strong executive, stated Etienne. The Student Body President would have an executive cabinet and would head the forum and the

Commenting on the possibility of another SBP election fiasco later this semester. Etienne said there would definitely be an election, but added, "I can't see us getting into the same mess." He said there are plans to assure that the SBP be 'popularly and directly elected," but did not want to make them public at the present time. He also said the runoff election would hopefully be representative of the students

Etienne hoped the plans for the new constitution would be finalized by Monday or Tuesday after spring



Dennis Etienne: plans are in the making for another election that would see the SBP "popularly and directly

break. He said there are different people with different ideas working on the new constitution and changes other than those he mentioned may become part of the constitution.

Etienne had no comment on the illegality of the postponement of Sunday's election. But Judicial Coordinator Greg Smith said, "We wanted to get responsible leadership. It was done illegally, but in all justice, we felt these were the steps that had to be taken." He said he had asked the student leaders to be more responsive. "Bob (Kersten) has acted out of principle."



U. S. Senator Birch Bayh (D-Ind.) who led the successful effort in the Senate to lower the voting age to eighteen will speak at the Library Auditorium at 8p.m. tonight.

world

briefs

Washington--Secretary of Defense Elliott L. Richardson and William P. Clements, Deputy Defense Secretary, in separate mettings in Washington warned North Vietnam to live up to cease-fire agreements in South Vietnam and Laos if she expects to receive reconstruction aid from the United States.

Washington-Some of the senior American pilots agreed--while still prisoners of war in Hanoi--to set up a corporation to manage their income from publishing, speechmaking and other public appearances upon their return home, sources close to the prisoners have disclosed.

Washington--Secretary of State William P. Rogers recommended the death penalty for the Arab terrorists who murdered the American ambassador and charge d' affaires and the Belgian charge in Khartoum, the Sudan. "I don't know any otherway to deal with this," Rogers told newsmen after a closedmeeting with the Senate foreign relations committee. "I think the death penalty is appropriate."

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Washington--The President of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, the managing editor of the New York Times and the president of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association--testifying at a new round of hearings by a house judiciary subcommittee on a proposed "newsman's shield" law-strongly recommended that a federal law grant newsmen absolute privilege from disclosing confidential sources of information and unpublished information in federal or state judicial proceedings.

on campus today

7:30 p.m.--meeting, astronomy club, all are invited to attend, 329 niewland science hall

8:00 p.m.--piano recital, ronald morebella, moreau little theatre, smc

8:00 p.m.--lecture, senator birch bayh, library auditorium

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Committee members comment on election

by Davis Kaminski Staff Reporter

Several members of the Election Committee, which was symied in its attempt to hold elections last Sunday, commented yesterday on their actions as a committee and their reactions to the events since Election Tuesday which culminated in the declaration of martial law

The committee members interviewed, Paul Dziedzic, Rod Braye, T. C. Treanor, and Diane McDonnell, all agreed that they

Print collection displayed today in Art Gallery

Original lithographs, serigraph and woodcut prints by old master and modern master artists will be exhibited Tuesday (March 6) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the O'Shaughnessy Hall Gallery.

Valued at more than \$100,000, the display includes works of Albrecht Durer, Jacques Callot, Georges Rouault and Pablo Picasso. Contemporary artists represented include Leonard Baskin, Garo Antresian, Mark Tobey, Sid Chafetz, S.W. Hayter, and Notre Dame's Don Vogl.

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ran the election with a specific, non-political philosophy in mind. That philosophy allowed the students to make as free a choice as possible for SBP.

Dziedzic commented, "We tried to provide as many options to the students as we could. Hence the subsidy for all candidates at Campus Press, hence the Election special, and hence allowing blank and write in ballots.'

We ran a clean election with no political prejudices," claimed McDonnell. However, the actions of the Board of Commissioners and Kersten's declaration of martial law brought greatly varied reactions from the committee members.

"I am not bothered by the

legality or the illegality of the constitution that is produced over martial law decree," Dziedzic vacation." said. "When you're in a position of "I resent martial law," responsibility, you do the things you think should be done until someone tells you that you shouldn't do them any more.

"I don't know if martial law was a good or bad political decision. It was, however, purely a political decision," he added.

Treanor and McDonnell disagreed.

"I don't think martial law was a good move," stated Treanor. "I think that Kersten should have run again on Sunday and if he had won, then he could make whatever changes that he thought necessary. The wisdom of this decision will only be shown by the caliber of

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College faculties move toward unionization

by Don Ruane Executive Editor

Faculty groups at two higher education institutions considering collective bargaining while an election is pending at another, and a fourth has suffered a faculty strike.

These are only a few examples of the trend towards faculty unions, which has been creeping across the United States for the last 10 years. Its shadow, as someone against collective bargaining might call it, passed over Notre Dame in late January when the local American Association of University Professors (AAUP) chapter, sponsored a discussion of the issues with the national AAUP coordinator for collective bargaining. The shadow is expected to return before the semester is out, by means of another discussion with faculty guests who are working under collective bargaining agreements.

But not everyone, especially young faculty, see collective bargaining as a threat to their professionalism and security. At Northeastern University in Boston, a 60-member Union Caucus has been formed largely due to pressure from young faculty and administrators to do away with tenure, leaving little job security and academic freedom.

A strong sentiment for unionization exists among more than 50 percent of the faculty according to Prof. Roy Weinstein, a member of the caucus. He said the major problem is choosing the best agent, rather than choosing to have a union. Weinstein attributed the need for a union to the "obstreperous nature" of Northeastern's president.

The traditional concept of shared authority between faculty and administration has shifted heavily in favor of the administration at Northeastern, according to a former Massachusetts AAUP conference president.

Prof. Norbert Fullington, who is also a past president of the local chapter, said, "faculty have little input in areas where their interests are vitally at stake." He added, "Most administrations view their universities and colleges as a business, and this leads to a changing role of faculty from officers to employees."

Prof. Edward Hacker, who tried to organize Northeastern's faculty two and a half years ago but failed, thinks this role change presents a psychological barrier to unions.

"Faculty members don't want to consider themselves employees." he said. "John Dewey spoke about false professionalism. We are employees."

Prof. James Feldman, a caucus member, is more conservative because of an unfavorable experience at the State University of New York. Wages there were increased according to title, and not by individual merit

He is also hesitant to believe a union would give faculty more voice, and that the faculty could maintain unity in times of great strain, such as that caused by shrinking enrollments.

Both Feldman and Weinstein see the faculty senate as a more viable solution. Feldman thinks a strong senate would eliminate the need for a union.

However, Dr. Thomas Arnold of King's College, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, feels that "the institution of collective bargaining is inevitable in college education. It is something that college administrators will have to accept, and any administrator who cannot adjust simply should not be an administrator."

King's College faculty are awaiting the decision by the National Labor Relations Board as to the eligibility of an assistant student dean, and assistant chaplain and the director of evening and summer session to vote for an agent or no agent.

Arnold is the prime organizer on the campus, but he is not connected with any organization such as a faculty senate or the AAUP. His motives are "to protect professional status and prevent certain conditions from being eroded away," and to establish a "bona fide" grievance procedure.

He says that every time a conflict arises each person must do what he thinks morally right, which enlarges the conflict. "Becoming involved in conflicts requires time and effort. That time and effort could be better spent in preparing lectures or doing research," he claimed.

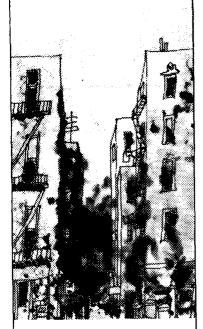
Like his colleagues at Northeastern, Arnold says faculty avoid unionization because they feel it is unprofessional. But he questions the good of professionalism without the protection of academic freedom.

Another reaosn is fear.

"Ninety-nine per cent of collective bargainings are peaceful, without strikes or violence, but we read about the exceptions," Arnold says. Teachers at Lake Michigan College, Benton Harbot, for example, went on strike Feb. 16 when negotiations broke down, leading to a student boycott of classes.

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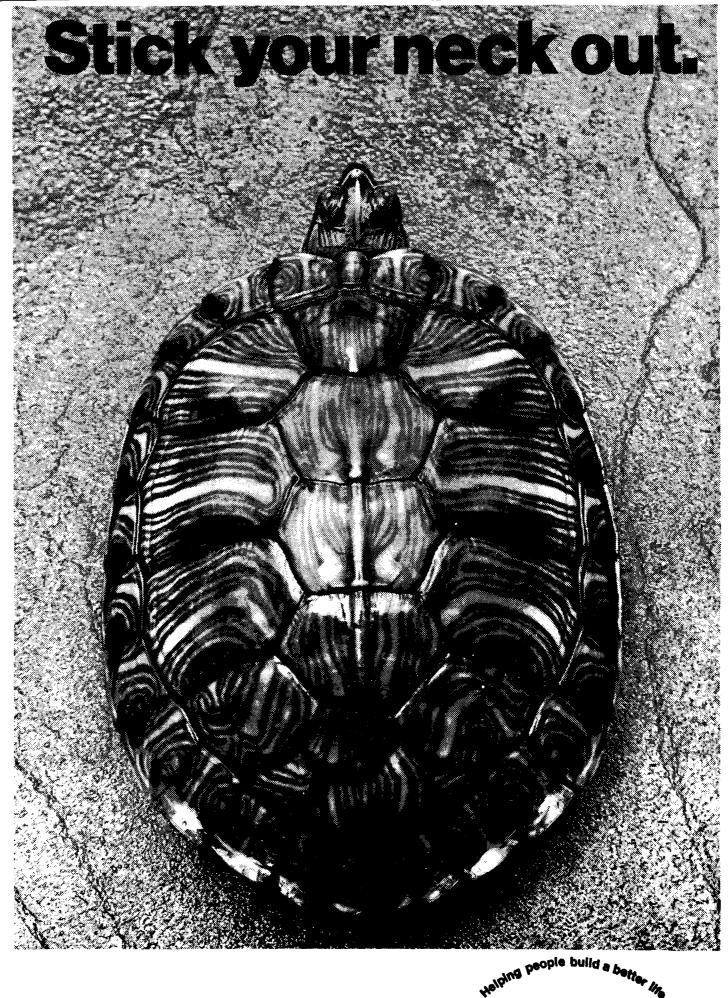




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OBSERUER COMMENT

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Letters...

scribblings?

Editor:

Mr. Hunt certainly succeeded in Wednesday's assignment: writing off the top of his head. Regretfully, however, he failed in his objective, in that he neglected to communicate any intelligence whatsoever. Mr. Hunt fell victim to that age old nemesis which afflicts all crackpots: He used crude, obsolescent, and utterly ridiculous arguments in his hapless attempt to make a case. I feel sorry for Mr. Hunt because his was a truly regrettable attempt. His apparent choice of abortion as a solution to social problems would seem to indicate that he, and those of like opinion, would attempt to maximize their own comforts by enforcing their own prejudices.

Dr. Wilke, in his Handbook on "Our new per-Abortion says: missive abortion laws represent a complete about-face, a total rejection of one of the core values of western man, and an acceptance of a new ethic in which life has only a relative value. No longer will every human have a right to live simply because he exists. Man will now be allowed to exist only if he measures up to standards of independence, physical perfection, or utilitarian usefulness to others. This is a momentous change that strikes at the root of western civilization."

I suggest that you educate yourself on the real problem Mr. Hunt, before you again subject us to your nonsensical paranoid scribblings

Eugene Diamond

slavishness

Bob Higgins' column of the Observer's refusal to endorse a candidate in the Student Body elections attributes to that publication a curious mixture of reader loyalty, and reliability which will no doubt surprise and amuse the majority of its readers.

Not only has Mr. Higgins totally misconstrued the place and purpose of a campus newspaper, he has further more insulted the large majority of students who are capable of studying the issues on their own initiative, and consequently making an intelligent choice. It is ludicrous to portray

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surrounded by a void of ignorance. It is even more ludicrous (as well as personally insulting to myself and many others) to assert that the student body is incapable of rational informed, making decisions on important matters without the ideological directorship of the Observer's Editorial

As flawed as his conception of journalism thus appears to be, it shrinks in comparison to the faulty logic that runs rampant through his assertions. To see the Ob-server's refusal to endorse a candidate as a declaration that no one should be elected, is to use a brand of illogic highly unbecoming to a campus publication. And to assume that students refer to Observer editorials for answers to questions beyond the scope of their intellectual capabilities, is a serious affront to the intelligence of the entire student body. In fact, if Mr. Higgins finds himself attaching such a reverent importance to the dictates of the Observer's Editorial Board, he has my heartfelt sympathy: For such compliance is not respect; it is a peculiar form of slavishness.

Kerry McNamara

sealed ballots

It amazes me that the editorial

staff of the Observer, who failed to take a stand on any candidate, who decried the assorted political maneuverings, and who generally cast a light (if, indeed, one cancall it a "light") of annoying triviality upon this "extravaganza", can publish a hypercritical "analysis" (I am refering here to executive editor Don Ruane's column on Wednesday, Feb. 28th) of the way things were run. I mean if it doesn't appear to you to have any meaning, why concern youself with petty offenses; they are bound to happen and get reported, but unless it's a matter of life-anddeath, I can't, looking through your viewpoint, see any reason to harp on it.

However, the main reason I am writing this is directed at the selfrighteous Mr. Ruane; specifically, concerning his reporting on my delivery of an undisclosed number of ballots to the Keenan election committee. Yes, I did, but I think that the circumstances surrounding it are

more important. As I recall, a

the Observer as a font of wisdom number of people, myself included, were milling about the office when a call was received from Keenan requesting some ballots. Since it seemed urgent (some people were waiting when I got there) Patty, (the office secretary) placed a number of ballots into an envelope and asked if anyone would care to bring them over to Keenan; when no one volunteered. I stated that I would, and announced, however, that I was a candidate, and there could be some objections. When it appeared that, either there weren't any or else no one felt moved to take them, she sealed the envelope and handed it to me. When I got to Keenan hall, I told the person at the ballot box that I was a candidate, and prefered that he check the ballots to see that they were unmarked; he did and they were.

> The crux of the situation is this, Mr. Ruane: if you were so damned concerned, why the hell didn't you take them over there yourself? You were so damned worried that you ended up walking over there anyway, so in the long run, it wouldn't have been much more trouble, except that you would have had to carry that oh-so-heavy envelope. Had I cheated, I assure you, it would have been obvious--that stack would have more than doubled the total number of ballots I received.

> I don't question that the duty of a good reporter is to dig up facts, but he should state all of the facts. I think even you can realize, however, that holding a pre-set dim view of "politicians" can color your judgement. I get the impression, somehow, that if you were standing on a farm in the American middle west, and heard the thundering of hoofbeats behind you, that you'd strongly consider the possiblity that you were about to be trampled by a herd of zebras.

> Rather than cast any open aspersions on you, Mr. Ruane, I will simply refer you to your notes (if you still have them) from the sociology class we shared last semester: "Deviant Behavior", taught by Dr. Dodge; look at the notes for September 29th, and observe Ruth Cavan's "continuum of conformity", especially the "F' category, because it appears to me that's where you belong! Consider it, however, only a judgement on my part.

> > Don Nollet

Opinion

On Writers And Politicians

jim gresser

There is a great deal of similarity between a politician and a writer. Both of them have an awful lot of nerve to think that what they have to offer is important enough to demand the attention of others. To think you have a firm enough hold on "the truth" to go around spouting it off as if you and your ideas are very important is action not to be taken lightly. I have to be very careful because I am not only about to write but I am going to write about politics. As a writer I have a responsibility to take the reader seriously and, though I will not try to give you a great deal of "truth", I will discuss a few honest questions.

During the past few weeks the campus has been covered with political campaigns for next year's Student Body President and Vice President. Having the dubious honor of covering the election for the Observer, I have seen firsthand what last year I saw only from a distance. Some students looked at this year's election and became all enthused, others laughed, others, like me, feel a genuine sense of dissappointment. Not so much because "our man" didn't win but because the whole thing is such a waste.

If you looked closely enough at what went on, it was really very sad. Otherwise really fine people, people with so much more to offer than most students, got all caught up in themselves, battling to come out on top of the other guy. It got to the point where these so-called student leaders became so involved in personality slams, duplicity and selfrighteousness, the only thing responsible students could do was try to

In the first election the two candidates who made the run-off each garnered the support of about 10 per cent of the entire student body, hardly a decisive victory. After that, some of the losers decided to gang up on the winners and call them unrepresentative. This small group of students then persuaded the present regime to step in and turn the election into a fiasco, completely disregarding student government procedures.

The problem was what to do with a seemingly unrepresentative election. The given answer was to throw out the rules so that a few people could get what they arbitrarily thought the students wanted.

They planned an abstention vote campaign and covered up the whole mess with the same old, unfunny comedy routines. Nobody laughs as hard at the re-runs. They got the support of 25 per cent of the student body (50 per cent consistently, perhaps knowledgably, avoiding the issue) and considered this a mandate for further actionthe fact that most cast abstentions more as a Neilson rating for a well done pep-rally notwithstanding.

A new election was called and hopefully the students would act in a more approved manner. A few students moved in, deux ex machina, in loco parentis, and decided to stop everything while they get together and decide how things should be.

The result is that everybody is a little bit sick.

Anybody who campaigned seriously in the first election, and there were a few, would have to feel like they have wasted their time. Elections do not seem to mean much anymore. Why bother to work within a system when a few people can change the system when it dissatisfies them? They tried, but brick walls have always been pretty rough to beat your head into. How does Student Government answer those people?

As far as the basically disinterested, basically sane half of the student body is concerned, they have lost as well. Although all they have learned to expect from Student Government is some good movies, concerts or lectures, this election has shown that there is little chance for anything else to come from the organization. Also, they not only have to experience an unprincipled Student Government, but support it by their activities fee.

This year the student body was faced with an unrepresentative group of candidates who operated in a corrupt system, not much choice and not even a fair chance to choose.

Where are the student leaders? Is there any such thing? If there are, are they wise enough to keep out of unfunny jokes? Probably they are the ones working in areas of real need and they should stay there. Should the small number of people who think they themselves are leaders be allowed to gnaw each other to death?

Is the existing Student Government structure worth keeping? If it is, what kind of people are needed to make it worth the effort? What

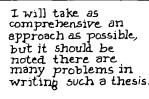
I asked a friend of mine who he was voting for and he gave me an honest "Who cares?" I don't know. It seems that there are student problems that a student government should take care of. I can't help feeling that sometimes writers and politicians have to be serious. Otherwise all we would have is comic books.

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In my poper, I intend to outline the major positive aspects of our involvement in Vietnam.









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human sexuality and the notre dame student

father david burrell

David Burrell, csc., made last fall on human sexuality .-- Ed.)

I want to reflect with you on some issues of human sexuality, taking it first in its widest sense: the ways in which I use my maleness and femaleness. The fact that a man or a woman permeates really almost everything we do. It's the first thing that is said of a person. "That's a beautiful baby were, What's her name?" It's our primary identity. "Little girls don't do that." "If you want to be a big boy, you shouldn't act that way." And yet what we were asked to speak about this evening are more properly the ways in which we relate to one another. I would like to refer to these ways as "body language." The first listing for the term 'intercourse' is 'conversation'. The fact that intercourse can be conversation sets the stage for human sexuality. Let's try to remember as well that the noun 'sexuality' is abstract in form. It refers more properly as an adjective, to the fact that we are sexual beings or per-

The language that we use is telling. I was at a party once when a fellow turned to his friend to say: "Let's go. I want to get me some sex." That's crude, yet we know it's crude because it's ungrammatical. The statement leads us to believe that sex is a commodity. Yet this is simply a more candid version of an atmosphere pervading our culture. We sell commodities by a shapely female body so regularly that we come to identify women with a commodity.

So the way we talk about overt sexual activity indicates how we feel about it. And our feelings provide a reliable key to what we think is going on. Different descriptions lead to different worlds. The way we describe a thing offers the best indication of where we stand regarding it. If you speak of "ripping something off" at the supermarket. I assume you're going to approve of that. But if you report something stolen, Ipresume you would prosecute the thief. If I talk about "pacification," that sounds like a contructive government program. If I talk about serial bombardment, defoliation, uprooting and resettling families, that describes a reign of terror. So the way we talk about something reveals the perspective we have.

body language

More poignantly still, sexual activity itself is a language. So some reflection on its grammer might help us to make revelant judgements. I would like to bring out enough relevant features of what Icall body language, so that those features can serve as checkpoints for the kinds of decisions that we have to make. I'm not talking about something that we can afford to overlook. for each of us uses his or her body as a medium of expression. Yet we all need perspective because there are forces here that are stronger that I, and will shape me for good or for ill. The ways in which I express myself bodily are not merely something that I do or that I am engaged in, but something that shapes what I will is on the difference, the yin-yang of human life and origins.

Eden story

I shall take it that circumstances, body chemistry, and an inbuilt sense of adventure carry us from innocence into some form of experience. That's what the Eden story is about. This fact, like the Eden-event itself, however, is not particularly relevant. What

(Below is a typescript of the remarks Rev. understand it, what part it plays in our story, and how rich that story is. We seem to beable to learn only retrospectively here, only as we look back upon our lives. But learn that way we can, as nearly everyone here already has learned. We look back on high school. There are some things that we would not write about. We wouldn't quite know how to write about them, and might even want to eliminate them from our story. Yet as human beings, we cannot escape the demand to make of our lives a story. We may try putting it off, but we cannot avoid it

the intention

The relative richness of my story makes a huge difference. Say I'm acting out of rebellion against home, church, authority, or whatever. That colors what I am able to say by what I do. Let's say I'm acting out of a male ego trip---timetable and all that--then that overall intention affects the sincerity of what I'm saying by what I'm doing. Or say I'm on a female ego trip---more timing than timetable---here again the overriding intention affects what I'm able to say by what I'm doing. I suggested earlier that the expressions we employ in using our bodies have a grammar of their own and resist our manipulating them. For in awakening that dimension of ourself we call sexual, we are engaging powers and forces not wholely amenable to our conscious

pacts

When I say that body language has a grammar of it's own, what I mean is that we cannot deliberately restrict what we want to say. The more intimate we are with another, the more we entitle that person to share in our lives. Now the clearest and most deliberate of pacts will be tested. We will want to know whether the other person is willing to say more than that. If he or she is not, then the time will come when we ask ourselves why we continue to carry on with them--or carry on at all. At some point 'playing around" needs to become serious, and yet we have no new gestures to express it. When that time comes, we will have to learn how to employ these same gestures seriously.

"playing around"

Here we have the rationale, of course, for the view that places sexual intercourse itself beyond "playing around," since its very grammar bespeaks a kind of commitment On that view, the most humane poncy would strive to retain at least one form of expression for attempting serious communication. As an ethical policy, it allows room for failure, but asks that we call it that. My concern here, however, is simply to underscore the fact that the time normally comes when one wants to use body language seriously. And if we try to live as though that time will never arrive, then our story becomes the one Mike Nichols porbecome. I want to limit myself to trayed so poignantly in "Carnal heterosexual situations, hense the focus Knowledge." That film confirms in a reflections: that body language has a grammar such that we can use or abuse it. And we acknowledge that fact in practice when we are sensitive to the consequences of what we do.

pledge of love

however, is not particularly relevant. What do I mean by "using these bodily is relevant is how we deal with it: how we expressions seriously?" I mean engaging in

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"More poignantly still, sexual activity itself language.

So some reflection on its grammar might help us to make relevant judgements.

I would like to bring out enough relevant features of what I call body language, so that those features can serve as checkpoints for the kinds of decisions that we have to make.

I'm not talking about something that we can afford to overlook, for each of us uses his or her body as a medium of expression."

them with a great deal more than egosatisfaction in mind. I mean undertaking them as a sign and a pledge of love which promises to carry me along on a journey where neither person knows the outcome. yet both sense it will be richer than going it alone. But anything so death-dealing to my ego, anything risked merely on the hope of a richer life, entails a mutual commitment. How can I load all that onto sexual intercourse as its intrinsic meaning? I don't, of course. I can appeal here to a cumulative testimony of sensitive human beings over a long span of history; and more recently to a prophetic figure often touted as a champion of the "sexual revolution": D. H. Lawrence. I can also appeal to the miniscule (by contrast) experience of each one of us: to share intimately, bodily, with another is to offer something of ourselves. Or if in fact it isn't, there will be times--with another, perhaps--when I want it to be. And that single fact is critical enough to make me want to be consistent about it.

tantamount to marriage

All of this suggests that the conditions which most of us would set up for authentic pre-marital intercourse are tantamount to marriage. It's just that we would like to know first! But that dilemma is not restricted to the domain of sexual expression. Most of us would prefer being dispensed from any journey we undertake, including the big one of my life itself. Or at least we would like to know the outcome before we set out. The great journey narratives allay this anxiety by providing the hero with a companion. Each pledges to stick with the other until the end. When intimacy moves beyond "satisfaction," it tends to latch onto images like these mythical ones.

precious intimacy

The ethics of sexuality focusses on this simple fact: there is no language so wellsuited to express intimacy as the bodylanguage of sexual expression. And intimacy is so precious a thing that we would be foolish to dilute the most appropriate language are only too blatant in our midst. "pacification" entails mass disruption of families, defoliation of forests and of crops, and all the trappings of regimented loyalty, then we might expect an outraged babysitter--parent even--to steam into the bedroom thinking: I'd like to really pacify him! The manipulative skills of the technocrats extent to language itself. allowing them to invade the privacy of our relations with one another. As W. H. Auden once remarked: "when language corrupts, crime abounds." Once we come to feel how much of a language bodily expression can be, we can appreciate the force of Auden's remarks in a fresh way.

growing awareness

I can only presume there is a growing awareness of these facts of life and language on the part of each one of us. We made it through the high-school years only because we were about 6 percent conscious! The more conscious we are, the more intent we are on saying what we mean and meaning what we say. And the more wary we are of our capacity to deceive ourselves and to manipulate others. Hence the more reverent we try to be of the power that sexuality releases: a power to break down our fronts, to shatter our ego-bumpers, if we let it. Or one that same ego can use to reinforce its power over others.

The first way is more threatening, but respecting it, following it, leads to life. The second way is more normal, more usual, but its internal inertia leads to death. And we know that, each of us.

power as well as need

So sexuality, the ways in which I live with and use my maleness or femaleness, is a fact. It is a power as well as a need, like food. Yet it is a human fact as well, like the language we use to express ourselves. The invitation of a human use of sexuality involves tempering the need so that it does not feed the illusions of my ego, but becomes an expression of me. And an act of expressing me which reveres those dimensions of me and of the other which I cannot pretend to comprehend, has the effect of constituting and even of reconstituting me. Actions which carry this much weight never simply express who I am; they also serve to unmake or to remake me.

temperance

The particular strength we need to call upon here has a classical name: temperance. And we learn to live temperately not by repressing our needs but by listening to them, and by respecting both sides of them: the yin as well as the yang, the silence along with the sounds. The program for growing up into this particular strength was outlined by the Hebrew sage Qoheleth:

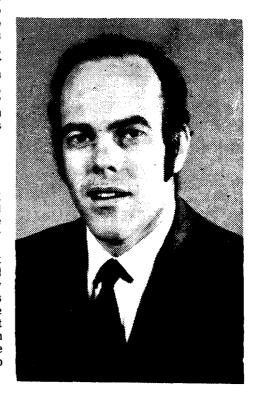
For everything its season, and for every

activity under heaven its time

a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time to uproot; a time to kill and a time to heal; a time to pull down and a time to build up: a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time for mourning and a time for dancing; a time to scatter stones and a time to gather a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek and a time to lose; a time to keep and a time to throw away; a time to tear and a time to mend; a time for silence and a time for speech:

a time for love and a time for hate;

a time for war and a time for peace.



Election Committee dissatisfied with developments

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McDonnell commented. "I don't believe it represents the student body. I don't believe that power to the HPC was a program that the students wanted.

"I could laugh at this situation but student government is imbe a joke. Since Tuesday, the

students only counted as votes which could give power to those who decided they should be powerful."

Treanor strongly criticized the Board of Commissioners in their action to stop write in voting in Thursday's election. "The Board portant for too many things for it to of Commissioners acted really 'bush' in this matter," he said.

"It was no secret to me that the majority of the people on the board were Clarke supporters.

"It was the first time in my memory that write-in voting has been disallowed in any election at Notre Dame. The Commissioners proved to be no more representative of the students than the old Student Senate.'

Braye also spoke out against the Commissioners. He thought that the election committee should be free from any political influence or authority.

"I think that the new constitution should contain a clause that would make the election committee responsible only to the judicial board," he said. "It is not a good idea for the election committee to be responsible to a political body like the Board of Commissioners.

All of the election committee members seemed to agree that the percentage of votes gained by the two leading candidates compared to the total votes cast indicated that the students didn't want a change in student government structure.

Dziedzic offered his comments: "This whole affair is a good reflection on student government. As far as I see the situation, structure runs about third in importance behind the quality of people trying to do something in student government and the desire by the student body for something to be done.

"Unless you have student leaders with the proper dynamism and motivation, and unless you have a student body that is receptive to what the student leaders are proposing, then the question of structure is unimportant."

Unionization still controversial

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King's College faculty, when they vote, will have a choice between two long time rivals as agents, and "no agent," which is required by law to be on the ballot.

The rivals are the American Federation of Teachers whose affiliate, the Pennsylvania Federation of Teachers, will be pitted against the Pennsylvania State Education Association, as affiliate of the National Education Association. Both the AFT and the NEA have long histories in

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(continued from page 1) experience would indicate that any sort of one-to-many communication in a somewhat impersonal atmosphere which is extended over sufficiently great lengths of time is not particularly effective in conveying the experience of a people.

In order to attain the objectives mentioned above, there are several realistic avenues open. The first is one that has been present for several years but perhaps not fully utilized. This is the availability of time during the Freshman Orientation Period for the Black community at Notre Dame to express its situation, needs, and problems to the Freshmen at large. This opportunity can be utilized primarily to introduce the new Black Freshmen to the Black community on campus, but, it seems to us, it could be used considerably more profitably in the acquainting of the rest of the new students with the Blacks and their situation at Notre Dame. This would require considerable preparation and effort both on the part of the Black faculty and the Black students, but it would seem that the effort would be worth

Second, students and their faculty advisors should be made more aware of those courses available in the Black Experience satisfy College requirements. At the time that students are preregistering, many departments make available to the various advisors course descriptions for their courses. The distribution of a unified list of detailed course descriptions for courses in Black Studies to the advisors at each preregistration would perhaps be effective in making both advisors and advisees more aware of the high quality solid academic courses available in this area.

Finally, we urge the Black students and faculty on campus not to form a community solely to themselves, but to communicate their experience to the rest of the Notre Dame community as individuals. For we strongly believe that it will be through individual encounter between other members of the community and Blacks who are interested both in communicating their Black experience to others and in learning to understand the experience of the nonblack community that the goals so clearly enunciated bythe Black students at the SLC open meeting will be achieved.

organizing elementary and secondary school faculties, but are newcomers to the college scene.

Arnold prefers the AFT affiliate because "it adheres to the principles of local autonomy." If it wins there will be a local charter, and the chapter will be allowed to determine its own bargaining demands instead of following the dictates of the national office, according to Arnold.

In addition to the NEA's national character, Arnold opposes it for its

"Any affiliate of the NEA to represent teachers at private schools should be somewhat suspect. It has continually, through the years, opposed aid to private education," he said.

While Arnold campaigns for the AFT and King's College is first encounter with electing a bargaining agent, a group of faculty nearly 700 miles away are quietly grooming for another showdown with the "no agent"

When asked if her organization was expecting another election, -

Mary Tomkins, president of the MSUY Faculty Associates, replied: "You've seen the salary list, haven't you?"

She plans to start a card-signing campaign to judge the faculty mood on the issue. To get an election sanctioned by the NLRB, it is necessary to have signatures from 30 percent of the faculty, requesting the election.

Last October, the Faculty Associates and the AAUP were soundly beaten by the "no agent" option. One year must pass, according to law, before another election may be held.

Lester Manderscheid, acting AAUP president, said his organization would concentrate on traditional association principles of academic freedom and shared authority. He did not rule out collective bargaining, however.

"The faculty have decided that they want us to lead the way, and when it becomes clear that collective bargainging is in the best interests of the University we'll be available," he stated.

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Irish pin 5-0 shutout on Sioux

by Jim Donaldson Sports Editor

There were two record-breaking performances last night in the opening round of the WCHA playoffs at the ACC but, as far as the Irish players involved were concerned, they weren't important.

What was important was Notre Dame's 5-0 victory over North Dakota in the first game of their two-game, total-goal series, which overshadowed Eddie Bumbacco's new WCHA scoring mark and Mark Kronholm's Irish record for career shutouts.

The convincing victory by the Irish means that North Dakota will have to win tonight's rematch by six goals if it's to eliminate Notre Dame from further playoff competition.

Bumbacco had three points on a goal and two assists to boost his season total to 87, surpassing the previous WCHA high of 85, set by Denver's Jerry Walker in the 1960-61 season. Kronholm's 23-save goaltending gave the steady junior his third career shutout, giving him sole possession of the Notre Dame mark he had shared with

kind of game to be played in western Ohio.

former ice and gridiron great, Jim Crowley. Neither player gave much thought to the records, however.

As Bumbacco said, "It's nice, but it won't mean anything if we don't take it all."

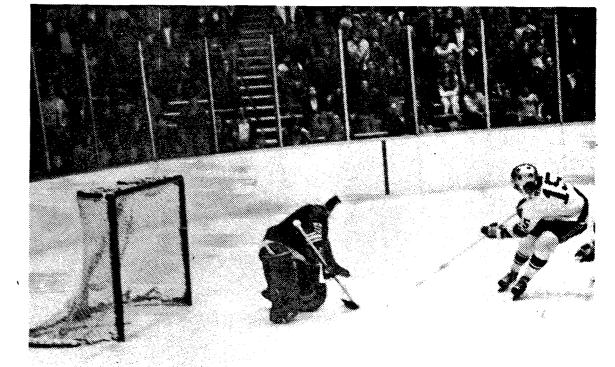
Notre Dame's chances of taking at least its first series received a big boost as a result of last night's five-goal margin of victory.

"It's good to have a five-goal bulge," Irish coach "Lefty" Smith said, "but there's still a long way to go."

It didn't take the Irish long to get going. Just 2:38 after the opening faceoff, Ray DeLorenzi took a pass from Paul Regan, streaked in on Tim Delmore and rifled a 35-foot slap shot by the stunned Sioux goalie.

North Dakota had a chance to tie the score a couple of minutes later when Steve Curry was sent to the penalty box for holding but the Sioux never threatened seriously.

Both clubs missed opportunities in the middle of the period. Delmore stopped Ian Williams, who had broken in after a pass from Bumbacco, and the Irish got a break when a hard 15-footer by Tony Palmiscno caromed off both



Eddie Bumbacco angles in on Dakota's Tim Delmore.

posts and back into play.

Notre Dame increased its lead to 2-0 at 13:59 on the combined efforts of the WCHA's top two scorers, Bumbacco and Ian Williams. Bumbacco set up his linemate's goal with a pass from behind the net and Williams deftly backhanded the puck into the upper right corner of the net.

Palmiscno was whistled off for holding just 22 seconds later but the Irish weren't able to pad their advantage while on the power play, nor during the remainder of

the period.

But, on their next power play, 42 seconds into the second period, the Irish were opportunists. Nineteen seconds after Alan Hangslaben had been put in the box for holding, Curry drilled a slap shot from the right point into the top right cor-

Penalties to Bill Nyrop at 4:12 and John Noble at 5:41 gave North Dakota its last chance to keep things close. Instead, the Irish scored a shorthanded goal that wasn't.

Notre Dame had five men on the ice for approximately 20 seconds but the officials didn't notice. They spend most of their time watching Bumbacco, who blocked two shots in the Irish end and turned both into breakaways on the North

Sailors host, win frosh regatta

The Notre Dame Sailing Team defeated eight other schools to capture first place in its own Freshman Icebreaker Regatta this past weekend on St. Joe Lake. Team depth and consistent sailing combined with a clutch finish to give the ND novice and freshman team a narrow one-point victory over Michigan State's runner-up Spartans.

The Irish took advantage of light and variable winds on Saturday, and finished the day's sailing in a virtual tie for first place with MSU and Ohio State. On Sunday morning, with the winds increasing out of the southeast, ND had to hold their position points to less than five in order to beat MSU. Commodore Al Constants met the challenge by taking a second place, and Skip Reynolds held on to third place to earn the one-point victory.

Also skippering for Notre Dame were Rob Gaw, Rob Albergo, and Fidele Galey.

Crewing for Notre Dame were Dennis McIntire, Chris Gallagher, Jeff Coe, Bill Reed, and Debbie Lynch.

The final standings: 1) Notre Dame 2) Michigan State 3) Ohio State 4) Iowa 5) Northwestern 6) Purdue 7) Indiana 8) Oshkosh 9) Wabash.

On March 17, Notre Dame and Michigan State will be the two Midwest representatives at the New York Maritime intersectional regatta.

Dakota goal. Delmore stopped both but on the second one, which came while the Irish had too many men on the ice, Williams was trailing the play and easily flipped the puck over the prone Delmore for Notre Dame's fourth goal at 7:24.

Bumbacco upped the count to 5-0 two minutes later, poking in the rebound of a Williams shot. Noble started the scoring play, winning a faceoff to the right of Delmore and sliding the puck to Williams, who let go a wrist shot. Delmore couldn't control the rebound and Bumbacco alertly fired it in

Thereafter, the Irish seemed content to protect their lead and, by playing sound defensive hockey, kept the Sioux at bay. Neither team looked its best in a lackluster final period.

"I think that both clubs were tired as a result of playing three games in four days," Smith said. "With all the travel and late hours involved, a club's bound to get tired."

"We played very good defensive hockey," Smith continued, "but I don't think either club played a real sharp game. I think that Tuesday's game will be better. Even though it'll be the fourth game in five days, the teams will have two days of regular rest."

man concurred with Smith, remarking, "Our kids were tired at the end. We had some good opportunities in the first period and, if we had gotten one or two goals, things might have been different.

North Dakota coach Rube Bjork-

"There are six periods in this game," Bjorkman added.

The final three begin at 7:30 tonight. And, if the Irish win (or lose by less than six goals), they'll set a record that everyone cares about--the first Notre Dame team to win a playoff series.

ND tankmen finish with record triumph

by Pete McHugh

What can you say about a sophomore who, in one meet, set three varsity, meet, and pool records while anchoring another relay record? What can you say about a team which, in the same meet, set thirteen varsity, eight pool, and nine meet marks while posting thirty-five improved times? What can you say? Well, if you are the coach of that sophomore and that team, you could say anything you wanted, but probably something simple like "they did a tremendous job."

The sophomore is Jim Kane. The team is Notre Dame. The coach is Dennis Stark. And in possibly the best showing by Irish tankmen ever, that Notre Dame team completely outscored, outmanned, and generally outclassed a field of seven teams to win the sixth annual Motor City Invitational last weekend in Detroit.

Kane, who in two years has made a shambles of the Notre Dame record books, was at his season's best in the team's final performance this year. Along with his four victories, he fell just .3 of a second short of qualifying for the NCAA regional in the 100 yard freestyle. (He had already swam 600 yards in competition before his 100 yard speciality) He can still qualify, however, with a :47.4 time in this week's intrasquad meet. His record performances: 50 yard freestyle (22.0), 100 yard freestyle (47.7), and 200 yard freestyle (1:47.2).

In the longer freestyle events, senior John Sherk was equally devastating. Sherk captured the 1650 yard freestyle in varsity record time (17:48.9) and equaled his mark in the 500 yard freestyle (5:01.2). He was also a member of both record-breaking relay teams: 400 yard medley relay (Bob Thompson, Jim Fischer, Sherk, Gene Krathaus), 3:46.3 clocking and 400 yard freestyle relay (Krathaus, Sherk, Jim Meagher, Kane), 3:16.9.

With Kane and Sherk sweeping freestyle honors, Bob Thompson got into the act by setting two more records in the 200 yard backstroke (2:06.8) and 100 yard backstroke (58.1). Jim Fischer followed suit by posting varsity records in the 200 yard breaststroke (2:20.7) and 100 yard breaststroke (1:03.2). In the 200 yard event, he cut a full seven seconds off his previous best time.

Junior Ed Graham took the 400 yard individual medley with a 4:37.1 clocking, another varsity record. In the 200 yard medley he placed second. Another junior, Ed Strack, finished second in the 200 yard butterfly.

The Irish divers could only manage two fifth place finishes by Mark Foster and Dan Mikielski in the one meter and three meter events respectively.

With the domination in freestyle, relay, and intermediate competition, the Irish were never challenged. In all, Notre Dame finished 78 points ahead of nearest opponent Northern Michigan, with host Wayne State 109 points behind.

For seven Irish swimmers the meet held particular significance, as seniors John Balthrop, Captain George Block, Gene Krathaus, Bill McEvoy, Chris Mecca, John Sherk, and Mark Wilcox closed their varsity careers.

goals playoff series. Hopefully, the opener at BG would send home better results.

The Falcons, however, were hardly to be considered pushovers. During the 1970-71 season, the two squads had also met twice, and Bowling Green emerged with a pair of victories. I had visited the BG Ice Arena that year, and could vividly recall 3,500 frantic Falcon fans watching Jack Vivian's club skate to a 5-1 decision. This year, the series meant even more to

Stan Urankar

Back-checking

Most Notre Dame fans regarded the night of Friday, November 3rd,

1972, as the prelude to another gridiron victory. Many an Irishman was

expected to frequent Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium the next day to

watch Ara Parseghian's boys tackle Navy and chalk up triumph number six. Yet many students, myself included, had their eyes on a different

Coach Lefty Smith's hockey team was ready to begin its fifth season of

collegiate hockey and second in the Western Collegiate Hockey

Association and hopes were high for an outstanding season. Conference

play was not be begin for a week yet, so the Irish were set to start the year

with a pair of games against the Falcons of Bowling Green University.

WSND broadcast crew that would relay the night's activities back to the

Notre Dame-South Bend community. My last such excursion had been

rather disappointing, as a trip to Denver the season before resulted in

watching the Irish throttled by the league champions in a two-game, total

The opening game had special meaning for me, since I was captaining a

Bowling Green, with a veteran club which wanted badly to whip Notre Dame and prove themselves worthy of an NCAA chance.

Experts had often commented on the returning strength of the Irish squad and how "this would be the year" that Smith's skaters would finally begin to go places. The first season in the WCHA ended with Notre Dame barely squeezing into the playoffs, then receiving a lesson in tournament hockey from experienced Denver. You had to start won-

dering if that "season" was ever going to come.

Goalie Dick Tomasoni and wingers Jim Cordes and John Campbell were the only regulars gone when the Irish opened the season at BG. A capacity crowd of 3,527 turned out, and it seemed like every last one was cheering the Falcons' efforts.

I did the first period play-by-play, and sadly informed listeners of four Irish penalties in the first seven minutes. Those power-play opportunities helped Bowling Green to a 3-0 advantage before Ian Williams scored at 9:50 of the opening session. But the Falcons' Roger Archer and Mike Bartley each added another goal, and by the end of the first twenty minutes, BG had thrown 19 shots at Chris Cathcart, good for a 5-1 edge.

Things didn't get better in the middle period as three more Falcon tallies negated Williams' second score to push the lead to 8-2. Notre Dame's first line of Williams, Paul Regan, and Eddie Bumbacco helped the Irish save face by scoring a goal apiece in the third stanza, but the decision had long been decided. Bowling Green romped, 9-5, and again the doubts arose.

Fifteen lettermen were members of this year's club, yet things still looked bad. The same players, some of whom had been skating together for four years, were still making high school mistakes. Sure, John Noble wasn't skating in the opening contest, and you always miss a scorer like that, but even so, was this going to be another disappointing year?

The ride back to Notre Dame raised questions like these, and I had to wonder about the answers. Very few conference squads had the all-around returnees that the Irish had, yet opening night play once more had indications of a season-long fight just to make the playoffs.

The sad part of the story ends abruptly. The same Falcons who had skated circles around Smith's squad only two nights before were rudely handed a 9-3 shellacking at the ACC the following Sunday, Despite double road losses to Wisconsin and Denver before Christmas vacation, the Irish were, indeed, beginning to show signs of class and power.

Conference opponents continued to fall, and when league-leading Michigan State visited the Convo January 26th, Notre Dame pummeled the Spartans for 21 goals and hockey fans started talking title. The schedule never eased up, but neither did Smith's skaters.

The regular season is now history, and the shocking happenings at the Bowling Green Ice Arena are only memories. On November 3rd, 1972, the WCHA playoffs looked like a distant dream for coach Lefty Smith and the Irish. On March 6, 1973, Bowling Green is just a city in Ohio, and Boston is much, much closer.