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## THE WORLD TODAY International

### Record Combat Deaths

Launching strong attacks against American troops last week, North Vietnamese forces struck down 562 Yanks. The U.S. toll surpassed the previous one-week record for American soldiers killed in combat. A total of 2,225 American wounded were also reported by military sources.

Still, the U.S. casualties were light when compared to enemy figures—5,552 of the Viet Cong killed last week and 1,999 wounded.

The heaviest fighting occurred in the Kintum City area, where sporadic outbursts and shelling lasted throughout the week.

### Talks Center On DMZ

Chief U.S. negotiator, Averell Harriman said yesterday that the key to the beginning of a Vietnam settlement could be the DMZ. In an interview, Harriman stated that the restoration of the demilitarized buffer zone might possibly be the first step toward peace. The DMZ has been violated by both sides.

Harriman seemed to suggest that if the proposal to respect the DMZ was accepted by the North Vietnamese, President Johnson might be persuaded to halt all bombing of North Vietnam.

### Medical Developments

Officials at the Edonburgh Royal Infirmary in Scotland announced that they had performed a successful lung transplant and that the patient was in satisfactory condition.

In Paris, the 57-year old Roman Catholic priest, Jean-Marie Boulogne, the latest heart transplant patient, was reported to have developed a 104 degree fever. Boulogne, who had received his new heart on Sunday had been showing steady progress until yesterday.

## National

### "Resurrection City"

"Resurrection City", a mazed conglomeration of makeshift shelters in the heart of Washington D.C. continues to expand this week. The construction project will house some 3000 of the Poor Peoples' Campaigners expected to march on the nation's capital.

Government officials announced yesterday that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, sponsor of the confrontation, is financially responsible for the construction and maintainance of the structures. One estimate places a \$3 million mark on the entire project.

### Hershey Barred

In Madison Wisconsin, Selective Service Director, General Lewis B. Hershey, was battered by a profusion of eggs Wed. as he rode through a wave of anti-war demonstrators blocking his way. Hershey was able to later clean up before a speaking engagement at an Armed Forces Day luncheon.

His talk concerned the right to dissent and the effect of the mass media today in overplaying that dissent.

### Tornadoes Kill 68

Sixty-eight persons are known dead from the tornadoes that struck much of the nation's midsection Wednesday. Rescue operations today in 11 states ranging from Nebraska to Ohio.

Arkansas and Iowa were the hardest hit states. Officials in Arkansas reported that at least 42 persons were killed and more than 500 injured.

### Stanford Politics

Junior Vicky Drake, 21, a third year language student at Stanford University, was soundly defeated in her run for Student Body President. Yesterday Miss Drake, who performs as a topless go-go dancer, was, so to say, stripped of any student government functions.

## Academic Council OK's Cuts, Speakers Policy

The University Academic Council will release an announcement today establishing a new cuts system in which "absences from class shall be within the discretion of the instructor", and an Open Speakers Policy.

Academic regulations 71-81 as they appear in the General Bulletin were removed and seven new rules will replace them. Rule 71 states that "Undergraduate students are expected to attend class regularly and punctually. Irregular attendance or excessive absence may make it impossible for the instructor to appraise the student's grasp of the subject matter and assign a final grade under regulation 34. At the beginning of each course, the instructor will present a clear statement (determined by the instructor, or where appropriate, by his Department) setting forth the class policy concerning excessive absences and permission to make up the work missed by reason of absence."

Further regulations stipulate that the professor may accept or reject excuses of absences except those "resulting from illness, death in the family, or duties performed for the University." Rev. John E. Walsh, CSC, Vice President for Academic Affairs, said that such excuses would be handled through the Dean of Students' office.

Regulation 73 states, "... it is

for the instructor alone to decide whether a student's attendance has been so irregular, or his absences so frequent, as to warrant a grade of FA. . . Before assigning the grade of FA, the instructor



Rev. John E. Walsh, C.S.C.

must give one warning in writing, with a copy to the Dean of the student's College, that any further absences not excused in accordance with regulation 72 will result in a grade of FA."

The Committee on Absences which is appointed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs, will now include a Student Government academic affairs coordinator as well as three members of the faculty.

The Steering Committee of the Council also approved an Open Speakers Policy which was

adopted by the whole of the Council. It read in part, "Notre Dame students should be allowed to invite and to hear any person of their own choosing. . . Sponsorship of guest speakers does not imply approval or endorsement of the views expressed, either by the speaker or the sponsoring group of the University."

Accompanying the statement was a paragraph which read, "the Steering Committee also recommended the establishment of a standing Committee, suitably composed of students, faculty members, and administration in order to insure the provisions of this statement."

Both Hickey and Casey were encouraged by the new regulations. Hickey said the final rules were a compromise; "It was the best from both sides that we could get. A lot of the professors will go over to no cuts at all now. I am pleased with the new cuts system."

Fr. Walsh also has confidence in the new system. "I hope it will work to the greater progress of the educational quality of the University." Fr. Walsh said the reason the final decision on cuts has been left to the instructor was because, "the whole attempt is to make it possible for the professor to work it out with the students the attendance required to cover the matter of his course."

## No Merger For CCP And ASP

By JOEL CONNELLY

At a joint meeting last evening attended by 75 students, the Action Student Party and the Campus Coalition for Peace postponed any action on union of the two groups. Election of ASP officers was also delayed until ballots are printed and distributed. A meeting was called for Monday night for submitting ballots and discussing plans for Senate elections.

Debate on the proposed ASP-CCP union was lengthy and heated. Addressing the joint meeting, Say Senator Mike Kendall spoke for separate student power and peace groups. Kendall stated "The purpose of our movement is to transform society. In order to do this you must work within the political structure. You don't have to prostitute your principles to do this. You simply have to order your priorities. The ASP has to concentrate on student issues, get into the institutions, and radicalize the student body."

Responding for those wishing a unity of the groups, Sophomore Pat Barbolla contended "This is an educational institution. Our purpose is not to elect people, but to educate. If someone wants

just to win elections let him be gone from here right now." Barbolla's comments were in contrast to those of Sophomore Sam Boyle who maintained "Our primary function is getting people elected. If we want anything to be done, we've got to get people in office."

The question of power was primary throughout the debate. Kendall formulated the position that "The purpose of ASP is to get student power. Student power is a myth on this campus right now. The goal of our party must be to inform and persuade the electorate. We must radicalize our community from within." Taking issue with Kendall, Senior Brian McTigue replied "Student power itself is unimportant. . . It is the ends which are important." McTigue, leader of a group of Notre Dame students arrested in a South Bend NAACP sit-in, laid special emphasis on the radical question, demanding action on more Negro scholarships and charging "There are at this time at least two racists on the board of trustees."

After an hour and a half of debate, ASP Chairman and Lyons Senator Jon Sherry called for

a vote on three different proposals, two of them including merger clauses. However, further dispute occurred over the nature of the proposals with heated opinions being given by several people. Sherry at last called a halt to the procedure, saying "It is clear to all of us here that there doesn't exist a consensus." He proposed delaying and merger until the fall when the size and scope of peace activities will be more clear.

With the merger question at last put off, Sherry opened nominations for ASP offices. Three nominees emerged for the chairmanship — Junior Armand Gelin, Sophomore Pete Kelly, and Howard Senator Craig Fenech. Sophomore Sam Boyle and Scholastic Contributing Editor Tom Payne were nominated for the post of vice chairman.

Even with nominations dispute was not at an end. A twenty minute debate over whether to hold elections concluded with Sherry's proposal to issue ballots. Under this procedure, the ballots will be distributed to ASP members throughout the campus and returned at Monday's meeting. Officers will serve through the fall Senate elections.



# Phi Beta's Name Thirty

Professor Bernard J. Kohlbrenner, President of the Notre Dame Phi Beta Kappa chapter announced that the following Notre Dame students have been elected to the fraternity: Frank D. Allman, Kenneth J. Beirne, Peter B. Billings, John T. Boyle, Thomas D. Brislin, Thomas V. Chema, Donald D. Conn, Myron L. Cramer, Paul E. Czuchewski, James M. Davis, Arthur A. Desmet, Daniel Doyle, John J. Gatta, Jr., Dennis J. Gallagher, Forrest A. Hainline, Robert J. Heineman, Mark Kelleher, George J. Kelly, Arnold Klingenberg, Francis L. Lenski, John A. Longhi, Kevin R. McCarthy, Robert W. Metz, Raymond W. Novaco, John H. Pearson, William S. Podd, Philip A. Rathweg, Ste-

phen J. Schultz, Anthony J. Shaheen, William W. Yeager. These students are all from the College of Arts and Letters, and the College of Science.

"Our aim," said Kohlbrenner, "was to elect the outstanding students in liberal education majors on the Notre Dame. The determination of what is a liberal education was our decision." Members are elected to the fraternity by members of the faculty who are themselves Phi Beta Kappa members. They are notified of their election, and must inform the PBK that they wish to be members. Only those mem-

bers-elect who accept their election are ever named publicly. "There is no quote to which the local chapter must adhere," said Kohlbrenner. "This year we have thirty electees. Next year we may have three hundred. Or three."

Phi Beta Kappa is perhaps the most prestigious national honor fraternity in all academia. It is the oldest college letter fraternity in the United States. It was organized Dec. 5, 1776 and was reorganized in 1883 as an honor society. Its members include some of the most distinguished persons in all fields. This is its first year here at Notre Dame.

## Honor Council Reports

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Thomas J. Vos, new Chairman of the Notre Dame Honor Council, yesterday released the following breakdown of cases for the '67-'68 academic year.

Total number of cases—45  
Type of report—  
Student report 17  
Teacher report 19  
Self report 9  
College—  
Arts & Letters 10  
Science 1

Business  
Administration 3  
Engineering 7  
Class—  
Freshman 24  
Sophomore 11  
Junior 7  
Senior 2  
Fifth Year 1  
Penalty—  
Less than failure 26  
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Vos also announced that this has been one of the busiest years for the Honor Council. He cited the fact that this week alone, there were two trials, while last year had none, for example.

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## The Mail

Editor:

The presentation of the petition which has been circulated on campus this week will be made to Fr. Hesburgh today. It is interesting to note that over 2700 students signed the petition; nearly half of the student body.

The petition did not advocate a continuation of ROTC, unilateral banishment of protests or demonstrations, apple pie, or mother love. It did, however, solicit a mandate showing concern over the nature of recent protests and a concern over future ramifications. I personally helped to circulate the petition. Eighty-five per cent of the people I contacted signed it, ten per cent said they'd think about it and did not want to have anything to do with it (most of the later group maintained that civil disobedience is sometimes justified). The figures speak for themselves. It is the duty and responsibility of the Student Government of this university to do all in its power to maintain an atmosphere in which the majority of our student body can "do their thing." If "the thing" is going to class in the Continuing Education Center or marching where they want to on Green Field, then Student Government, if it wants to do more than go on record, should take the mandate and act upon it.

Mahatma Ghandi's tactics of civil disobedience were often cited by non-signees as being effective methods. But it must be kept in mind that Ghandi's India had no truly representative

government which could voice the feelings of the majority. We here at Notre Dame do have the opportunity to use elected representatives as our spokesmen. Philosopher kings, conservatives, liberals, left wingers, right wingers and any people attached to such labels must continue to realize that we are in a democracy and that the majority will rule only if it speaks up (as in the recent petition). The 16-7 vote in the Senate this week condemning unlimited protest is a healthy sign that this democracy thing is still a viable principle.

Yours for a rational Notre Dame,

Greg Bullock  
409 St. Joseph's Hall

Editor:

This is a reply to Mr. Michael Kelly, vociferous spokesman emeritus for the ancient GOP:

It is now time for the War Party to come to needless defense of that party's and the apolitical war dissenters'. In regards to your citation of signatures you inadvertently overlooked one—mine, and, Mr. Kelly, I am very hurt. I really cannot understand however, the citation of these signatures. After all, didn't it occur to you that in the process of one's college experience many people become educated to the truth, and realize the folly of their freshman and sophomore days?

Further, despite the fact that your ex-leaders, Ike and Dulles, committed the initial blunder in Southeast Asia, why do you feel compelled to defend the Democrats' War?

Sincerely,

Thomas G. Sherer  
Notre Dame College  
Young Republicans

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# AAUP Head Voices Criticism Of AL Dean Selection Policy

It was announced to a meeting of the Arts & Letters Faculty Wednesday that the five-member committee reviewing recommendations for a new Dean of the College of Arts & Letters is not as yet ready to submit its report. No member of the committee was present at the meeting.

Also revealed to the College faculty was the fact that the committee has voted not to report to the Arts & Letters faculty the nature of its recommendations. There was considerable criticism of this decision at the meeting. Dr. Edward Manier of the Philosophy Department, head of the Notre Dame chapter of the American Association of University Professors, said last night, "I don't understand the reasons for such a vote. I hope the committee reveals the reasons for the vote to the faculty."

The recommendation procedure itself was also questioned. The committee, within five days of its selection, sent letters to members of the Arts & Letters Faculty soliciting recommendations, asking that they be submitted within a week. One faculty member stated after the meeting, "It was pretty hasty to ask for candidate suggestions and give only a week for us to make them. If the faculty is to be consulted in a significant way we've got to have more time."

Discussing student recommendations as to the Dean selection, AAUP President Manier cited two AAUP statements on the question. The first recognizes that "The selection of academic

deans should be the responsibility of the President in consultation with the faculty." However, the second praises student desires to participate in university affairs including such selection, saying, "Ways should be found to permit significant student participation in the decision-making processes..."

While at the meeting no mention was made of the exact date

## Bunnies Banned

A request to sell Playboy Magazine on campus has been turned down by vice president for student affairs Rev. Charles McCarragher, CSC. However, Student Body President Rich Rossie has scheduled a meeting today with Fr. McCarragher, and assistant vice president for student affairs Rev. Daniel J. O'Neil, CSC, to discuss the matter.

Junior John Pischak reported that he approached Fr. McCarragher approximately ten days ago and made the request that he consider allowing the sale of Playboy on campus. According to Pischak, who is the Playboy representative for Notre Dame, he gave Fr. McCarragher a brochure which explained the rationale behind the on campus sale of the magazine.

Pischak said he returned to Fr. McCarragher's office yesterday and the secretary told him that Fr. McCarragher refused to permit the sale and returned the brochure to Pischak.

Pischak currently does promotional work for the magazine as well as market research. He is also commissioned to sell "party kits and gives discounts on Playboy products such as mugs and cuff links.

Pischak said, "The Administration must realize that Playboy is read on campus." Pischak says he cannot understand the difference in selling the magazine on campus or having the students troop into South Bend to purchase. He said even now students receive the magazine through the mail.

He cited the fact that Playboy offers much more than is generally considered by people. He said professors assign their students, in some cases, to read the fiction and the stories for class. He also claimed that stu-

of the Dean selection, the retiring Dean of Arts & Letters, Rev. Charles E. Sheedy, stated, "I will not be presiding at the next meeting." Although the College faculty does not meet again this year, there is expected to be a meeting in the early fall. Sheedy's statement would indicate that the new Dean will be appointed by Father Hesburgh and installed by the end of the summer.

dents are assigned to read the Playboy interviews, which appear in question and answer form featuring national celebrities.

Rossie said that Fr. McCarragher's refusal was probably due to the "sexual motif" of the magazine. He noted that the Administration permitted militants but not sex on campus.

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## Michael O'Connor A Mother

The dull walls of LaFortune Student Center conceal what is possibly the most palatial suite of offices on this campus. Not the den of Daniel's seven lions. Not the McCarragher-O'Neil CIA complex. Not Chris Murphy's nouveau riche domain (at last report, a shambles with Kennedy advance men strewn liberally about the floor). No, the Dome office.

The labyrinthine corridors of the Dome office frequently led us astray. The first office we were lost in was apparently that of the nefarious Kevin Flynn, long reputed to have the only existing xerox copy of the manuscript of the Junius Book stolen out of the British Museum shortly before it was burned in the seventeenth century. Flynn forced us out the door as soon as we got there, muttering something about "design oriented, indeed."



We shortly found ourselves in a room full of *Drosophilae* and instantly we realized we had blundered into the office of David Ward, Chairman of the Notre Dame Chapter of the Friends of the Fruit Flies. Ward was actively engaged in determining how he could best make no statement for the press and still maintain managing control over Heskin, but he kindly directed us to the inner sanctum. After walking about one and a half miles through what appeared to be an airplane hanger full of typists, we finally said to ourselves, while still out of sight of T.H.E. office, "This must be the place." As we grew closer we saw clearly marked on the holy of holies "This is the place."

Within — the mastermind. Simply attired in red and mauve checkered trousers, orange pastel silk shirt and maniacal smile, Heskin rose to greet us. What is this man like, we wondered. He has complete control of the two most important publications on campus (not to mention the Scholastic). He is the only student at this university to have majored in all its departments except microbiology and scriptural theology. He is reputed to ghost-write all of Jon Sherry's revolutionary manifestoes and Father Hesburgh's replies to them. With baited breath we questioned him:

Q: Is it true that this year's Dome has more words of copy than any other yearbook in the country and still says nothing?

A: You mean are we using more words and saying less anyway? Yes, I'd say that was true.

Q: How do you explain the thirteen blank pages to be included in the middle of the book?

A: The reason for the first twelve should be obvious; it's the last one we're still working on...

Q: Rumor has it that after simultaneously rejecting eight and one half suggestions for your senior divisional, you commissioned one pre-med and two historians of the English language to prepare an anatomically-oriented senior divisional in West Saxon. Is this even half-true?

A: Yes, but I'm not telling which half is true.

Q: It has been openly stated by your Copy Editor that you assembled twelve monkeys on the Student Union office and sitting them at typewriters, commissioned them to write club sports. Is this true?

A: That is definitely not true. We just choose twelve of the monkeys already there.

## Dennis Gallagher

### Valedictory

To the great relief of a fairly large portion of my constituency, this column marks my final appearance in these hallowed pages. Before taking my final swing at the Establishment, I feel that I owe one corner of it an apology.

In my last column, I stated that the Air Force ROTC expelled cadets who engaged in anti-war demonstrations. In fact as it has been superabundantly pointed out to me, the official policy permits such demonstrating provided that it is not done while in military uniform. My error was based on a



rumor that I heard or thought I heard. I get carried away by my own rhetoric and threw it in without proper consideration. I am sorry.

This is not a paid political announcement and I have not been threatened with a libel suit. But when you write a column like this, you start to feel responsible for the whole world around you. So when you make a mistake, you want to take it all back so that your emerging world view will come out clean and spotless. But of course you can't. Mistakes, like losses in football games, are absolutes. Apologies can and must be made but you can never restore the illusion of infallibility.

At the moment, my world view is not in a publishable state. Unlike the commencement speakers, I can't tell you what you should become. I can't even tell you what I am trying to become. Being perhaps more critic than creator, I can only tell you a few of the things I am not.

All rumors to the contrary, I am not a Communist. I suspect that, with all its faults, America may still be the greatest country on earth. My criticism is that the

greatest is none too good. It is too easy to say that the true patriot must accept everything his country does, must wear a blindfold so he will not see the faults of those who lead the fatherland. Perhaps the worst democracy is better than the best dictatorship (which I believe is our primary justification for fighting in South Vietnam, although I think the two categories have been somewhat misused here). But if America doesn't seek a way to export the good life to the ghetto and to the world's poor, it shouldn't be surprised when the masses of Asia sell their souls to buy a chance at power.

I am not an anarchist, I carry no bombs. I think Father Hesburgh has been a good president and I feel he would be even better if he was not so conscious of himself as being a great man. I even suspect President Johnson of a basic sincerity beneath the deceit. I want no more assassinations, only conversions of the spirit.

I am not even a revolutionary. When General Hershey calls, I will probably go, with great reluctance, to serve my two years as a weak-eyed file clerk. As it stands right now, I couldn't kill for this country, but I'm not ready to desert it either. Time will tell whether I should have gone to Sweden.

I am not recanting or apologizing. I still think that ROTC is a horrible sort of children's game, teaching basically good young men to kill as an instrument of national policy. I still think that the riots in the cities, though evil in themselves, represent a scourge of God or history or some social determinism to the fat and complacent social order. And I still think that many of my fellow students are evading the process of independent thought as if it were a contagious and especially virulent disease.

My soapbox is being repossessed. Go gentle. Try to concentrate. May all be well for you, all the days of your life.

## Betty Doerr S.A.C.

The Space Allocations Committee at Saint Mary's is in charge of eliminating useless space. That doesn't include the "vapid" minds of the students. That job belongs to Saint Mary's educators. SAC eliminates waste. The old Social Center is an example.

It is true that the social center wasn't used, with the exception of the TV room, a kind of Fiesta Lounge in miniature. Nobody knows if the television worked or not. The rest of the social center was used for a mixer on the first weekend of the school year, and remained empty for the rest of the year. It didn't fulfill its purpose.

SAC wants to make it into a Fine Arts Library. Saint Mary's already has one. I haven't heard any overwhelming mandate for another one. Saint Mary's also has an art gallery. Students stroll through it occasionally. What exactly is Saint Mary's going to do with a bigger and better Fine Arts Library? The college has plenty of show places. SMC itself is a fine specimen of Neo-Mid-Victorian-Gothic junk. The library is modeled after a fourteenth century French cloister. Who needs another art exhibit? SAC can't



really believe that the students will frequent it. Can you picture your date suggesting that you spend Friday night staring at an abstract? You'd probably give her a sly wink and take her up on it.

Last month a group of creative students, far more creative than SAC, received permission to experiment with the old Social Center for one month. They converted it into a coffeehouse, Webster's Last Word. Students went there to be entertained or just to talk. The students finally had some place to go. Through a pop art exhibit, folk concerts, plays, and poetry readings, students came in contact with the Arts. No Fine Arts Library at Saint Mary's College will be that successful.

The month is almost over, and SAC wants the Social Center back. They will take it because it legally belongs to them. Saint Mary's will have another Fine Arts Library. And the students will have no place to go. I suspect that it is all part of a plot to fix the student body in time and space and hang it in their collection.

The Space Allocations Committee should come down to earth. I wonder how it got its name. Without a coffeehouse, cars, parietal hours or a real student center at Notre Dame, the students must break rules or play in the bushes. I wish SAC would give the students a break.

## P. J. Schroeder

### Observing

During the last week the charge has been leveled that The Observer is anything and everything from an irresponsible plaything of an elite few to a leftist, communist, socialist, atheistic spineless, mindless rag of an excuse for a newspaper, perpetrated by and for the hippy movement here at Notre Dame.

I humbly beg to differ. The Observer is no more than it purports to be — an independent student newspaper. Let's examine that definition. First you have the word independent Man, like that means free. In every sense of the word. The Observer don't cost nothin'. So the price is right. What's more it doesn't owe anybody any favors. Not Rich Rossie, not Gene McCarthy, not



even Brother Gorch. OK, what about the student part? This means that The Observer does not have to pay its employees union wages. Which means that The Observer doesn't have many employees. Which means in turn that if you don't like

to work for free (or next to nothing) then you don't want to work for The Observer.

But the word student is there for another reason. That word means that this newspaper is sincerely dedicated to providing the students with all the news that interests them.

This brings us to the final and most intriguing word of the definition — newspaper. Some of the more recent critics have labeled The Observer presumptuous in calling itself a newspaper. One of the less vehement helpfully suggested that a more appropriate title for the tabloid might be The Rossie Review. Bill Luking has called an Editorial Board meeting to consider the proposal.

In fact, a newspaper is no more than a printed media for reporting the news as accurately and as impartially as possible, considering the existential human condition. Even Joel Connelly was heard to confess not so long ago that he might have been born with Original Sin on his soul. And Dennis Gallagher has finally admitted that his home is not located on Mount Olympus.

In fact, a news story gives the fact and the columnist interpretes it subjectively. It is as simple as that. To equate the individual's opinion with the newspaper's credibility is, at the very least unjust, and at the most, ignorant. A columnist's viewpoint is necessarily provocative. He's not there to flatter public opinion, he's there to stimulate it.

There was a time when the apathy around here was so bad that you had to slap yourself before you could sleep at night. Not so anymore. No matter what is being said about the columnists, they did their job. The voluminous stacks of mail up in the office attest to that.

And then next year, when something really burns you up, remember Bill Luking's remark: "I'd rather have 'em hate us than ignore us."