

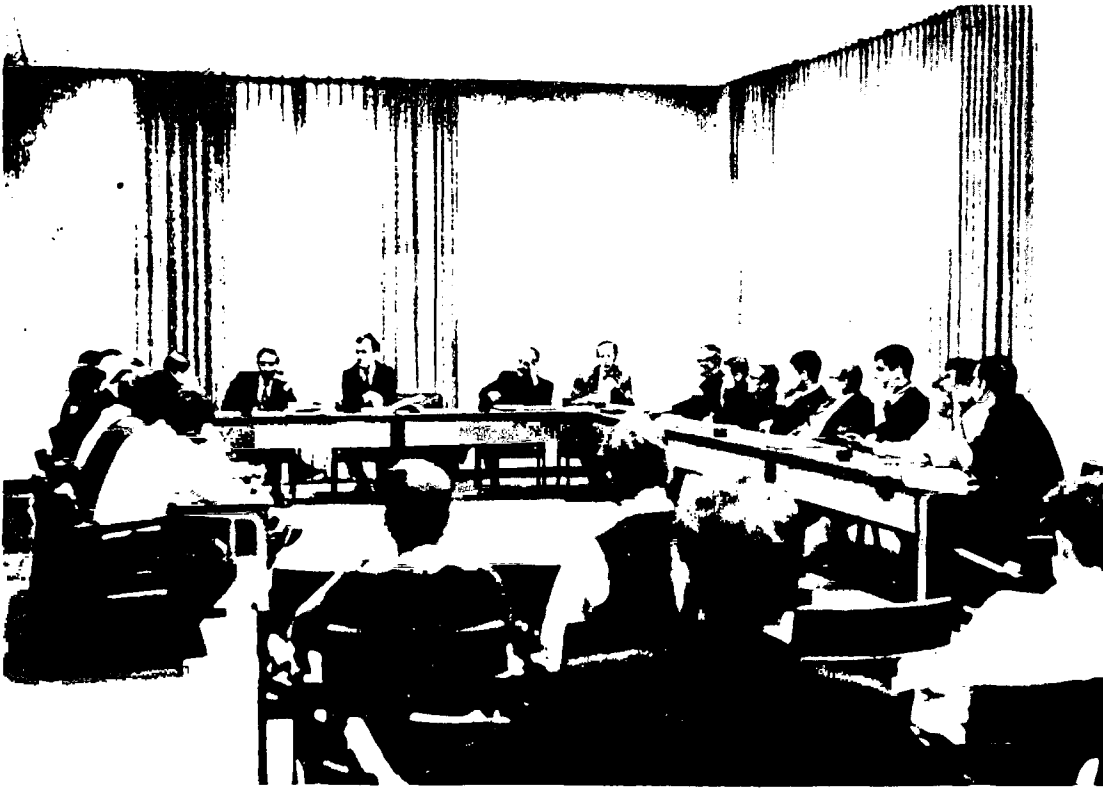
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Student Life Council meets in first session; denies McKenna's move for student chairman



The SLC met in its first session yesterday in the Center for Continuing Education. They discussed the future of the *Juggler* and elected a new chairman.

by Dave Fromm

Professor James L. Massey of the Electrical Engineering Department was elected chairman of the Student Life Council (SLC) at its first meeting yesterday afternoon in the Center for Continuing Education. Other nominees for the chair were Assistant Professor of Physics Rev. James L. Shilts CSC, and Fred Dedrick, Student Body Vice President.

Dedrick automatically became the new vice chairman as he was the sole nominee for that office. The selection of a new secretary will take place next week.

Before the election, Student Body President Phil McKenna, speaking for the eight student delegates to the Council, requested that the new chairman be a student member of the council. His rationale for the request was that any body whose major concern is students should be led by students.

However, Rev. James L. Burtchaell CSC, Chairman of and Assistant Professor in the Department of Theology, felt that the chairman has "insignificant political power on the council."

McKenna also asked that the new secretary be a student non-member of the SLC and receive some sort of salary. The entire Council seemed to agree with McKenna.

Massey felt that the job would be a good opportunity for a student in financial need. Stating that he felt the *Observer* gave the SLC excellent coverage last year, Massey expressed a belief that a student could properly handle the job.

The election of a secretary was tabled until next week's meeting when both Massey and Dedrick are to present a list of candidates. Should no students show an interest in the job, Dean of Students Rev. James L. Riehle CSC, offered to serve as secretary.

Minutes before the meeting adjourned the body passed a bill which endorsed continued publication of the *Juggler*, the University's literary magazine. The bill included a declaration which read:

Student Union decides change ticket policy

The Student Union reversed a long standing policy last night and released for sale in the student lottery 50 tickets for Saturday's game against Purdue which were being held for special sale to the Student Union staff.

Student Union director Dennis Clark explained that the move was made to eliminate what he termed was an inherent "inequity" in the system as it was run in the past.

In former years, the Student Union obtained a set number of

"The Student Life Council recommends to the President of the University that the publication of the *Juggler* be assured of continued sponsorship by the University."

A mandate followed the declaration:

"The chairman of the Student Life Council is mandated to send copies of this bill to: the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, the President of the University, the Vice Presidents of the University, the Editors of all student publications, and the Chairman of the Department of English."

However, Rev. Charles I. McCarragher, Vice President for Student Affairs, felt that the SLC shouldn't have even considered the bill since student publications fall under his jurisdiction.

McCarragher wrote *Juggler* editor Michael Patrick O'Connor early in the summer and said: "

I have information from Father Hesburgh's office, but not fully resolved, that he thinks we should close the *Juggler* next year..."

O'Connor then contacted Hesburgh and demanded an explanation.



The New SLC Chairman, Professor James Massey

In a September 5th response, Hesburgh told O'Connor: "... First of all, I would like to say that the discontinuation of the *Juggler* did not originate with me... You may wish to discuss this whole matter further with Father McCarragher and that, of course, is perfectly legitimate, since it is his area..."

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Kertesz asks for NATO power

by Paul Gallagher

Beware of the myth of a mellowing soviet leadership and power is still the only thing that can hold Soviet expansionism such are the major messages that emerge from an article by Stephen Kertesz, director of Notre Dame's Institute for International Studies for July's issue of *Current History*.

Kertesz wrote the article in defense of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and against those who feel the time is ripe for a reshaping of the organization, changing its defense character.

As the Notre Dame political scientist sees it, NATO was formed as a protection for Western European countries against Soviet aggression. And as Russia's characteristic foreign policy - that of territorial expansionism, does not seem to be changing, there is little hope that military cutbacks by NATO in Europe would be reciprocated by the Soviets. Indeed, the power vacuum created in Europe by such cutbacks, says Kertesz, would "play into the hands of Kremlin hawks."

Wishful thinking has caused many Westerners to feel that Soviet leaders want to follow a policy of rapprochement with the U.S., but that U.S. military involvements make this impossible, says Kertesz. They feel "that NATO's military strength is no longer necessary."

By way of response, Kertesz suggests, "Few observers understand the hard facts of life in the U.S.S.R."

"It should be noted," he

explains, "that territorial expansionism has been a permanent characteristic of Russian foreign policy. Since 1500 Russia expanded whenever a power vacuum arose along her borders."

Using the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia as a guide, the one-time Hungarian minister to Italy adds that "Moscow would easily find ostensible justification for intervention in West Europe if the old continent were to become a power vacuum."

As for the Soviet's march on Czechoslovakia little over a year ago, Kertesz charged that the Soviet Union formulated the statement spelling out the Soviet right to enter into the affairs of socialist countries only after they tried unsuccessfully to find Czech leaders willing to say that the Soviets were invited. In effect then, implies the political scientist, if no power is present to prevent Soviet Imperialism, they will move and find justifications for the action afterwards.

The industrial richness of Western Europe and the lack of serious natural obstacles between Soviet held lands and the Atlantic Ocean make the thought of reducing NATO strength even more ominous, writes Kertesz. And Soviet interest in an all-European conference - a conference that would exclude the United States and Canada - are to be carefully eyed. Says Kertesz, "without American participation in European affairs there would be no balance between West Europe

and the huge Soviet empire."

"Although the United States did not seek the responsibility for the defense of Europe," concludes the writer, "the abandonment of this responsibility would seriously threaten United States security interests and world peace. Without NATO, West Europe would (most probably) become a huge power vacuum,"-and bring with it, the author implies, disastrous effects.

Lottery ticket sign - up tonight

Registration for the lottery of the 300 N.D.-Purdue football tickets available for students will take place tonight from 7-9 in the Fiesta Lounge on the 2nd floor of the Student Union, announced Service Commissioner Bob Pohl yesterday.

According to Pohl the lottery results from the fact that many fewer tickets than were anticipated were sent from Purdue for N.D. and SMC students.

Bids for the tickets will be accepted until the Tuesday night 9 o'clock deadline and then will be entered into a computer rather than the traditional hat, says the commissioner. Bidders will be notified Thursday of the results.

Registrants at the lottery can bid on a ticket alone or a ticket with the bus trip to Purdue. Winners will pay \$7.00 for the game or \$13.50 for the entire trip.

Food director wants better understanding

by Timothy Treanor

Edmund T. Price, the recently-appointed director of Notre Dame food services, announced in an interview with the *Observer* that he will key his administration towards "trying to reach a better understanding with the student."

Price, a Cornell alumnus who served as a general manager of Central and Highland Residence Towers at Memphis State

University, said that he was embarking on an efficiency campaign designed to make mealtime more amenable to Notre Dame students.

To that end, he has plans to install complete self-bussing in the North Dining Hall. Although the plans were originally to go into effect September 12, technical problems will delay implementation until an indefinite date in the future.

Price promises that one of his

prime objectives will be to develop a better rapport between the cafeteria staff and the students they serve. "Attitude has a lot to do with food service. We try to instill in them (the cafeteria staff) a desire to please the student."

He further suggested that staff workers generally respond favorably to student-generated praise. "They'll knock themselves out," he said, "if you say something nice to them."

He is critical of the monotony afforded by eating constantly in the same place.

"I would like to hold special nights there," Price said, referring to the two dining halls. He specifically mentioned a Hawaiian night and a Roaring Twenties night, both of which had been held at Memphis State during his tenure there.

"Everything depends on the student. We are here to serve him," he said. "What else can we do?" He hopes that the food administration committee will set up the necessary machinery for such a project.

Price admits that this is the first all-male campus he has served. He frankly prefers coeducational eating arrangements. "Everyone seems to be more pleasant, more

tolerant, in such a situation," he told the *Observer*.

Presently, girls are allowed in the South Dining Hall. However, the doors of the North Dining Hall remain closed to the distaff side.

He denies the persistent rumor that the South Dining Hall has seven accredited chefs to none for the North. "I don't know what you mean by 'accredited chef,'" he said, "but we have Captain, first, second, and third classifications and there is no significant difference in the quantity of classification between the halls."

Price, 48, has been residence halls administrator at the University of California at Davis and has taken part in the University of California statewide planning for student housing and feeding.

August grants total \$103,800

Notre Dame accepted \$103,800 in grants to aid research and educational programs during the month of August.

The grants for research aid totaled \$101,700, and include:

\$30,500 from the National Science Foundation for the study of "Thermal stresses in cylindrical shells with cutouts" by Dr. Teoman Ariman, associate professor of aerospace and mechanical engineering.

\$10,000 from the Office of Civil Defense (OCD) for a fellowship directed by Patrick Horsburgh, visiting professor of architecture.

\$7,300 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for a research fellowship directed by Dr. George B. Craig, Jr., professor of biology.

\$5,300 from the NIH for a research fellowship directed by Dr. Harvey A. Bender, professor of biology.

\$5,100 from the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration for the study of "Phosphate removal in activated sludge systems" by Mark W. Tenney, associate professor of civil

engineering.

\$5,000 from the Union Carbide Corporation for grant-in-aid to research directed by Dr. Julius T. Banchemo, professor of chemical engineering.

\$5,000 from the Howard V. Phalin Foundation for a graduate fellowship.

\$5,000 from the American Chemical Society's Petroleum Research Fund, and \$2,500 from the Mobil Foundation, Inc. for programs directed by Dr. James J. Carberry, professor of chemical engineering.

\$5,000 from the OCD for a fellowship directed by Dr. John W. Lucey, associate professor of aerospace and mechanical engineering.

\$5,000 from the Miles Laboratory, Inc. and \$5,000 from the Ames Company and the Miles Laboratory, Inc. to support biochemistry and biophysics in the department of chemistry.

Juggler backed

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But for unknown reasons, O'Connor failed to see McCarragher.

"The *Juggler* has not been phased out; the funds for it are there," said McCarragher. "They have just been temporarily suspended."

And McCarragher said that they will not be reinstated until "we know where the *Juggler* is going."

"Michael should have come to me to discuss the publication's future," said the Vice President. McCarragher wanted to know whether people were interested in the magazine and whether people were writing for it.

Although the SLC's bill calls for continued publication of the *Juggler*, the final decision still rests with Father McCarragher. How much the SLC's action will influence his decision remains to be seen.

\$5,000 from the Miles Laboratory for research in the department of microbiology and Lobund Laboratory.

\$4,000 from the Indiana Hospital Service, Inc. for research directed by Dr. James M. Daschbach, associate professor of aerospace and mechanical engineering.

\$2,000 from the Littauer Foundation, Inc. for research on drug addiction by Dr. George N. Shuster, professor of English.

In the area of educational programs, \$2,100 was received from the Western Electric Company for a scholarship fund.

Foreign studies program begins

A total of 47 architecture and art students at Notre Dame are inaugurating a foreign studies program in Rome this fall.

The program, open to third-year art students and fourth-year architecture students, is intended to give them an awareness of the art and architectural values of Rome and of other European cities which the students will visit, according to Prof. Frank Montana, chairman of the architecture department.

Students will reside at the Hotel Raganelli, about four miles from the center of Rome where studio facilities will be located. The faculty will include Notre Dame professors from campus and Italian professors in architecture and language.

Montana and Prof. Robert J. Schultz of architecture will teach during the first semester, and Profs. Otto Seeler and Ray Stuermer during the second. The Rev. James F. Flanagan, C.S.C., assistant professor of art, will be teaching in Rome the entire year.

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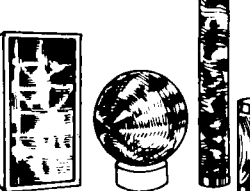
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This stemmed from the tradition of having the person receiving the award come to Notre Dame to be given it.

This year's committee will attempt to prevent such an occurrence and yet give the class a voice in the selection by means of a preferential poll, the results of which will be known to the committee only.

Kelly feels that the diverse political make-up of the committee will prevent any attempts to ignore the desires of the class in regards to those high vote-getters who are able to come to Notre Dame.

Kelly also announced that former Stay Senator Robert Rigney and former Associate Academic Commissioner Steve O'Brien will serve as co-chairmen to the Senior Fellow Committee.

Nominations for the 1970 Senior Fellow should be sent to: Michael Kelly, 420 Breen-Phillips Hall, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556.

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Nixon board studies labor tension

WASHINGTON (UPI) President Nixon yesterday created a commission of labor, industry and government representatives to deal with strife and tension in the construction industry. He authorized it to intercede in any labor dispute likely to have "significant impact" on construction.

Nixon said the commission will not force compulsory arbitration or limit the right to strike or lock out. He explained in an executive order, it is "designed to develop voluntary tripartite procedures to be followed in the settlement of disputes over the terms of collective bargaining agreements in the construction industry involving the standard labor and management organizations."

The commission, named the Construction Industry Collective Bargaining commission and headed by Labor Secretary George P. Shultz, will be composed of four representatives from labor, four from industry, two from the public at large, plus Shultz and Director J. Curtis Counts of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

Two week delay at printer's for photo book

The Notre Dame-Saint Mary's Freshmen photograph book will be delivered at least two weeks later than expected this year. The reason for the delay, according to the printer, is that the book was more difficult to publish than he anticipated. It will take him upwards of 6 weeks to produce it, rather than the expected 4 weeks.

The book will be 200 pages long, and will be distributed at the dining halls sometime later in September.

Thirty one per cent of the labor contract settlements in the construction industry so far this year were preceded by strikes, he said, compared with 13 percent for industry as a whole.

"Labor management relations in the construction industry reflect numerous signs of strife and tensions and the national interest requires an improvement in the procedures and performance of collective

New approach to sex

NEW YORK (UPI) Young people have a new and healthier approach to sex that should be of great value to their more inhibited elders, according to John D. Rockefeller III.

Writing in the current issue of Look Magazine, the oldest of the five Rockefeller brothers described the behavior of liberated youth as "the new chivalry." He said it was based on trust, openness, respect, and the true and essential aspects of maleness and femaleness.

Rockefeller said marriage, as the cornerstone of civilized society, remains important to the young but they have rejected different standards for male and female. Young men are increasingly against the warrior role and not afraid to do domestic chores, he wrote. Young women pursue activities outside the home and worry less about proving their femininity.

"They seem to understand that love is much, much more than sex, and that it is natural for a person to be loving, in the finest sense, toward many other persons of both sexes," Rockefeller wrote.

He noted that in the older generation men are deterred from deep affection for other men by false notions about masculinity and from meaningful friendships with

bargaining in this sector," the President said.

Nixon said the commission "is authorized to intercede in any labor dispute in the construction industry whenever in its judgment the labor dispute is likely to have a significant impact on construction activity in a locality."

Also, he said, it is authorized to develop a voluntary procedure under which labor and management would observe

a 30 day cooling off period before a strike or lockout is called. In addition, Nixon said, the commission may seek to mediate labor disputes or investigate them and recommend solutions.

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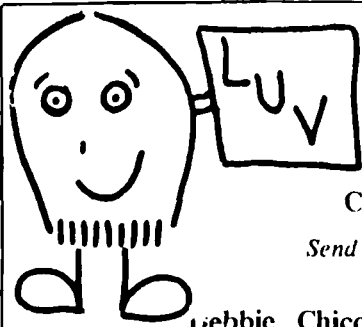
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New athletic league formed

CHICAGO (UPI) - Five universities in Illinois and Indiana, including Indiana State and Ball State, announced yesterday the formation of a new intercollegiate athletic conference.

The formation of the league was announced jointly at a news conference here as the culmination of a study covering two years. Competition will begin next fall with a cross country meet. Most other sports will follow in the 1970-71 season except football, which will operate on a conference championship basis in 1974.

At Purdue:

LAFAYETTE, Ind. (UPI) - Purdue's Boilermakers worked out in light drills yesterday and reviewed game films in preparation for their traditional rival game with Notre Dame.

Offensive tackle Paul DeNuccio, a junior from Wheaton, Ill., regained a starting position after a knee operation hampered his bid to retain the spot this fall. He bumped the biggest man on the team, 6 foot 8 Donnie Green.

Two other 1968 starters who missed winning the '42-35 season opener at Texas Christian University are expected to be in the starting lineup this Saturday against the Irish. They are seniors Dennis Wirgowski, a defensive end, and linebacker Dick Marvel.

The Illinois university members of the conference are Southern Illinois of Carbondale, Northern Illinois of DeKalb, and Illinois State of Normal.

Ball State, of Muncie, Ind., and Indiana State, of Terre Haute, Ind., are two of Indiana's four state supported schools. The others, Indiana and Purdue, are in the Big Ten.

Withdrew From ICC

Ball State and Indiana State were members of the Indiana Collegiate Conference for years until they withdrew recently when their enrollments grew far beyond those of the other participating schools.

The conference also will include cooperative work in educational programs, academic credit exchange, cooperative research projects, faculty and student exchanges and legislative efforts.

Officials said the five schools are similar in size and have mutual interests in education programs and emphasis on graduate level study.

All five members agreed to provide athletic facilities comparable with those of the others in size and purpose as soon as is feasible.

The league hopes to decide on a name before competition begins next fall.

The joint announcement said the participation in the conference "has been approved by each school's governing body and we look forward with unlimited enthusiasm to many years of competition."

After the cross country meet in the fall of 1970, a double round robin league schedule will be played in basketball in 1970-71 with wrestling, gymnastics, swimming, track, tennis, golf and baseball to follow.

Because of advance commitments, no championship in football will be conducted until 1974, the first opportunity for members to compete on a round robin basis.

Members will play in the university division in all sports except football, which requires sanction by a special committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

The joint statement announcing the conference's formation was signed by Dr. John J. Pruis, president of Ball State, and Dr. Alan C. Rankin, president of Indiana State.

Grants in Aid Set

It said all five universities agreed to provide a total of no less than 120 and no more than 220 full grants in aid for athletics by the 1970-71 school year. Of course, no less than 20 and no more than 24 shall be for basketball.

Football grants will start immediately with a minimum of 75 and a maximum of 100 grants and by 1973-74 will be at a level of 85 to 100.

The facilities the institutions are required to plan include reasonable targets of 1980 for stadium spectator capacities in the range of 25,000 to 50,000 and fieldhouse capacities of between 5,000 and 12,000.

Rick Libowitz

The four horsemen

Item: Elmer Layden accepts award from ND Monogram Club at game in which female cheerleaders debut.

Set against a bright September sky, the Four Horsemen rode again. No longer are their names Death, War, Pestilence and Famine, today they are known as Tiernan, Stringer, Buck and McCrary. Northwestern's vaunted Wildcats never had a chance. With pompoms waving and knee socks set against the foe, the new Fearless Foursome mowed down the enemy with undiminished zeal. Not even the early ten point deficit could halt the relentless pressure the New Wave mounted. Megaphones to the attack, they soon had the Freshmen up in a moment of emotional ecstasy, following closely the second Irish touchdown of the quarter. But during the second quarter, while the Irish dominated action on the field, the stands began to be touched by Lethargy; all the pre-game build-up had begun to fade, the troops were quitting down. After the whistle, it was a grim-faced coach that faced the cheering squad.

"Men," she said, "I don't know what went wrong out there, but it can't happen again in the second half. We've all worked too long and hard to let down now. I know you've been here since August. It's been tough on you, but it's been tough on us all. The coaches have worked you to where you're good with the pompoms, and great at the jumps. We still don't know about the snowball dodging but there's time yet. There's no reason why those boys shouldn't be eating out of your hands. Now, men, I want to tell you a story about Georgia Grand. She was one of the best that ever came down the pike; could jump, cartwheel, kick and shake with the best of them. But it was with the pompoms that she made her fame. She was murder, men, pure animal. With either hand, there wasn't a woman near her. In the roughest games, she never lost her hold on those streamers, never forgot or panicked, she really earned her nickname."

"Georgia's not with us anymore. After her last game, the life just seemed to go out of her. I know, I was at her bedside when she died. I remember, just as if it was yesterday. "Coach," she said to me, "I know what the score is and I want you to know that I'm not afraid. And coach, I want you to remember me and tell the team about me. And coach, if the going is rough, if you tell them about me, wherever I am, I'll know and be able to help."

The coach, just as tough and hard-boiled as they come, wiped a tear from her eye. "Okay," she said, "when you go out there for the second half and Northwestern has the ball, I want you to hit those cheers, really hit 'em. And then we go on the offense! I want you ends to drive! drive! those cheers home. You middle linemen, charge like you mean it. Let those TV cameras know that this is Notre Dame and this is a squad that means business. Never give up, never give up, never give up! And most of all men, remember Georgia Grand, the toughest pompom girl that ever pulled on knee socks. Go out there and win this one for the Gripper! Final Score: Notre Dame 35 - Northwestern 10. Irish legend had struck again.

Add Purdue tickets

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said, "that taking out 50 or even 1 or 2 tickets is an inequity."

"We never really talked about the policy before," Clark said. "We did it every year and we just never made a complete examination of the policy until today."

Clark conferred with Associate Student Union Director Tito Trevino and both men concurred in the decision.

Both men said that they hoped that the news of the decision would help in establishing a new public image of the Union.

"We are determined to establish some kind of credibility this year," Clark said. "The philosophy that the Student Union is attempting to follow is that we are a service organization whose purpose is to serve students in the Notre Dame community. The only way to do this is to establish a sound and efficient financial organization."

"The precedent (of holding back tickets)" Clark continued, "was contrary to our policy and we were not fulfilling our obligation to the students by denying them those extra fifty tickets."

Clark said that he felt the only fair thing to do was to put the tickets in the lottery with the other 250 and have Student Union personnel take their chances with the rest of the students.

The two top men at the Union said they were very pleased to see a student make the effort to come to them and discuss a Union policy that he disagreed with. They hoped that all students would feel free to do so in the future.

The extra fifty tickets now makes the number to be sold through tonight's lottery 300. The cost will be seven dollars for a ticket to the game and thirteen dollars and fifty cents for a ticket to the game plus round trip bus fare to Purdue.

REMEMBER - PURDUE TICKET LOTTERY

Tonite Fiesta Lounge 7-9

Football seat shortage is explained

by Jim Holsinger

The new system of seating Notre Dame and St. Mary's students together at football games was responsible in part for a shortage of places in the student sections at last Saturday's home game against Northwestern.

The co-ex system is the result of a plan proposed by student government last spring.

After the student body ratified the proposal in a referendum taken last semester, the former reserved seat policy was replaced by the new general admission seating.

The shortages arose when students took more room in a particular row or section than would have been assigned to them last year.

"There were enough seats, but with the general admission system ten or twelve students were sitting where fourteen could have been seated

previously," Mr. Donald E. Bouffard, Notre Dame Ticket Manager, said.

Bouffard further explained that when the administration established the program last spring, there was not enough time to wait until registration to reserve the student sections.

The seating had to be assigned on information from the registrar's office during the summer.

It was on that data combined from the offices of Notre Dame and St. Mary's that whole sections were reserved.

The sections are divided by academic year, and a student is free to sit anywhere in his section.

Even though there was enough room in each section, students who arrived late had trouble finding seats.

"I think that the first game on general admission was rough on the students and on us. Now

that the students know where their sections are it should run more smoothly," Bouffard said.

Room at football games has become a major problem for the university. There have been no new tickets issued since 1967.

The space problem stems mainly from the growing membership of the alumni association. Each year 1500 new members join the alumni association, but the group does not lose many members.

In 1967, the ticket department decreased the number of seats allotted to visiting schools in an effort to accommodate more alumni.

Visiting teams are now allowed only 5000 places. As a result of this Notre Dame is only allowed 5000 seats when the team plays on the road.

Season ticket sales have been frozen since 1967, and cutbacks were also made in the parents' allotment.

Now only contributing alumni are offered ticket applications, and tickets are given on a lottery basis. When an alumnus contributes before January 1 of the year preceding the season he is eligible for tickets.

For the more popular games the ticket office has to return checks on the first day of sales each year.

With an increasing membership in the Alumni Association and an increasing undergraduate enrollment no relief is in sight.

"Right now we are in a static situation. We can't move," Bouffard said.

Downs is named SMC asst. pres.

The Rev. Richard J. Downs, CSC, has been named to the position of assistant to the president of St. Mary's College by Msgr. John J. McGrath, College president.

Born in Detroit, Michigan, Father Downs attended the University of Notre Dame, receiving a B.S. degree in mathematics in 1959. He then proceeded to Holy Cross College in Washington, D.C., for theological study and returned to the Notre Dame campus in 1954 to be ordained at Sacred

Heart Church. Father Downs earned his M.A. degree in philosophy at Notre Dame in 1956 and remained at the University until 1960 as an instructor in the philosophy department while working toward his doctorate.

In 1960, Father Downs accepted a position as assistant professor of philosophy at the University of Portland in Portland, Oregon, returning to Moreau Seminary, Notre Dame, Indiana, as a faculty member in 1967.