THE WORLD TODAY

Final rehearsal held for Apollo launch

CAPE KENNEDY (UPI) - Apollo 9's towering rocket was fueled yesterday in the windup of a trial countdown designed to clear the way for a Feb. 28 launch.

The rehearsal running nearly six hours behind schedule, was aiming toward a make believe launch in late afternoon.

It was the final major test in a long series of preparations for the launch of astronauts James A. McDivitt, David R. Scott and Russell L. Schweickart on the last earth orbital test flight planned in the Apollo program.

The goal of the 10-day mission is to test the four-legged lunar module moon landing craft with men at the controls for the first time. The lander will fly in tandem with the command ship and then fly off on its own in the relative safety of an earth orbit.

South Viets call for goodwill gesture

PARIS (UPI) - The chief South Vietnamese negotiator called on the North Vietnamese and viet Cong delegations yesterday to make a goodwill gesture that would allow the Paris peace talks on Vietnam to move out of their deadlock.

Ambassador Pham Dang Lam said after conferring with American delegation chief Henry Cabot Lodge and his assistants that it was up to the Communist side to make concessions.

Lam's statement was taken by observers as indicating the allies had no intention of bo wing to Hanoi and Viet Cong demands tha t the month-old Paris talks must pick up as their first negotiating item the Communist call for an "unconditional end of the American aggression."

Speaking to newsmen, Lam said he had no indication whether Gen. Nguyan Cao Ky, the South Vietnamese vice president and chief supervisor of the delegation, would be back from Saigon to be able to confer with President Nixon who will be in Paris Feb. 28 to March 2. Lam said he believed it would be "very useful" if his delegation could meet Nixon-an apparent indication that there were no firm plans yet for such a conference.

Arab rocket barrage hits settlement

MIDEAST (UPI) - Cairo radio said an Arab guerrilla rocket barrage destroyed several buildings and ignited a gas pump in an Israeli settlement in the Negev Desert yesterday.

The brief announcement followed Israeli government warnings of possible Egyptian attacks across the Suez Canal because of mounting pressures on President Gamal Abdel Nasser over the stalemated Middle East crisis

Cairo radio said Al Asifah guerrilla forces shelled the settlement in Student Body President Israel near the border with Jordan. The Arab guriners escaped unscathed, it said. There was no confirmation of the attack from the

Hayden found guilty of obstruction

CHICAGO (UPI) - Tom Hayden, 28, a founder of Students for a Democratic Society and a leader of antiwar protests during the Democratic National Convention, was found guilty yesterday of obstructing a police officer-by letting the air out of a tire. He was placed on one year's probation.

Hayden, who worked with the National Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam in organizing convention week protests last August, was arrested that week at a disturbance near Lincoln

Found guilty with Hayden on the same charge was Wold Lowenthal, 29, New York. Lowenthal also was given one year's

Pueblo officer tortured by Koreans

CORONADO, Calif. (UPI) - Lt. j.g. Frederick C. Schumacher of the USS Pueblo gave his Korean captors only his name, rank and serial number-until they tortured him.

"I didn't think that I could resist torture, and I couldn't see any point in going through it," Schumacher, 25, said yesterday.

He told a Court of Inquiry into the capture of the Pueblo by North Korea that he agreed to sign a confession that the ship had intruded into Korean waters and engaged in espionage.

Schumacher said he made the decision on Jan. 27, 1968, four days after the Pueblo's capture, during his fourth grilling by Korean army officers.

During the first three, Schumacher said, he had been told repeatedly that he would be killed if he did not "confess."

Schumacher said during the third session he was made to kneel and was kicked repeatedly in the back for about 20 minutes. During the fourth interrogation the communists had him squat in his cell with a stick behind his knees to cut off the flow of blood.

CBS says drug show was "balanced"

WASHINGTON(UPI) - The Columbia Broadcasting System said yesterday it balanced the showing of a marijuana party on its wholly owned Chicago television station by presenting medical and law enforcement views on marijuana.

CBS filed a 110 page, two part brief with the Federal Communications Commission in reply to the findings of chief hearing examiner James D. Cunningham last Jan. 6. He said the marijuana party was prearranged for the benefit of CBS.

The so called "pot party" was carried Nov. 12, 1967 on news programs of Chicago television station WBBM. It allegedly involved Northwestern University students.

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SBP concerned about SLC function

Rossie answers Hesburgh

SBP Richard Rossie issued a reply yesterday to University President Hesburgh's letter concerning disruptive demonstrations and students involved in them. Rossie's letter was primarily concerned with Father Hesburgh's apparent disregard for the function of the SLC, a body which "was established to legislate concerning matters relating to the student's non-academic life."

Rossie stated that, "Although you did mention this letter to



J. Richard Rossie

the SLC before you wrote it, I feel the SLC has been ignored and has allowed itself to be by-passed in this decsion. You have made a decision affecting the lives of students without their participation in that

Regarding the implication in Father Hesburgh's letter that the Administration itself would call in police to remove and to arrest demonstrators believed to be trespassers, Rossie pointed out that there were no surer ways of "polarizing students and faculty and evoking enormous sympathy for the disrupters" than by the presence and use of police. Rossie also charged that Hesburgh did not make it unequivocally clear what he meant by disruptive demonstrations, and severely questioned the amount of discretion for making decisions on demonstrations given to the Dean of Students.

committed to the belief that concluded.

students must participate directly in the decisions affecting their lives. Your letter evokes the image of an edict being handed down from on high. This 'image' and the process of decision-making that it represents has no place in this University just as much as disruptive demonstrations and lack of respect for the rights of others have no place in this University."

"I feel your approach has In closing Rossie said, "I share many flaws, and for this reason I with you the belief that this will ask the Student Life Council University must be dedicated to to examine your approach the values of rationality, carefully and hopefully to decency, and civility. I am also amend it significantly," he

SMC students wait for **Decision of committee**

decision of the Rank and Tenure of the contested faculty cases concerning tenure and promotion. A student statement submitted to members of the committee yesterday morning asked that the Academic Commissioner be contacted on the decision by last night. The Academic Commissioner was not contacted.

The statement, signed by 33 standing in the college." students including the Student Body President, Vice-President and Academic Commissioner, pointed out that "In the domain of the classroom, the students are most capable of judging the teaching abilities and methods of

Saint Mary's students last a faculty member. This is the night were still awaiting the one area in which a teacher cannot be judged by his peers. Committee on a reconsideration Only those who have experienced his teaching can make a true evaluation . . . We are asking that student opinion on a teacher's classroom ability be heard through the formal channels already available, and that this opinion be seriously considered as a valid and competent appraisal in the decision as to a teacher's

The statement included suggestions for steps to be taken by the Rank and Tenure Committee in considering review of the contested faculty cases, and recommended a process for continued on page 2

ND Sports: Why rising costs?

by Tim O'Meilla

Third in a five part series

A few weeks prior to the start of the college \$1.954 million. football season Sports Illustrated, the ever watchful eye and protector of the spectator, which amounts to about \$300,000 per year," published a small report in its Scorecard section on Wilson said. There is no separate athletic fund her the ticket prices at Notre Dame.

Notre Dame follows Big Ten rules which permit a ticket price of \$6.00 per game. SI explained how and tacked another dollar on the ticket price billed as a donation to the building fund.

Ticket manager Robert M. Cahill explained how the weekly magazine failed to tell the full story. In a normal five-game home schedule a season ticket costs \$6.00 per game or \$30. The athletic depart- by athletics and other departments goes into ment in effect dropped the price of the tickets to keeping the University open. If we did not have \$5.00 per game for last year's six home games, thus maintaining the same income on the 25,250 season tickets. The University picked up an extra people don't want to defray your operating dollar per ticket on the remaining 31,724 seats per game.

Rev. Jerome J. Wilson, CSC, vice-president for football ticket prices was just to maintain the

Although the figures for the past year have yet budget is devoted to football. to be published (they will be included in an issue continued on page 2

of INSIGHT later this year), 1967 figures show that the University made a profit of slightly more than \$400,000 on athletics. This included expenses of \$1.537 million with an income of

"We like to say that it pays for the coal bill, as there is at some other institutions. Athletic business manager Herbert E. Jones explained, "All operations income of the University, including Notre Dame deftly stepped around that little rule athletics, goes into the general income of the school. All the money we receive daily is deposited with the University cashier. We don't work off the income we make. Instead we work strictly on the budget set by the University."

Wilson agreed, "Every bit of the income made that money we would have to turn to students and other people just for our operating expenses. And expenses because that indicates that you may be in financial trouble.'

The year the athletic department is receiving the business affairs said it this way, "The increase in maximum amount of money it can receive, according to Wilson. Hopefully basketball will pay for spread of profit that we have had in the past. itself and football pays the way, in effect, for the Everything is just more expensive now than in the entire athletic program, varsity and intramural, on campus. From 50 to 50 per cent of the athletic

Athelete money pays the coal bill

in sight for price escalation

"One thing is certain," Wilson said, "We could never use academic dollars to support the football program. We've never lost on athletics, because we've always had great things going for us. People in many places turn out just to see us lose. But the profit can dwindle if you don't have good teams. Or if you schedule opponents not recognized, attendance could drop to 35,000-40,000 per game.

"When football starts break-

ing even is the point where most private schools drop the sport. They refuse to take the academic dollar to support the football program. If we lost a lot of money on athletics, we'd probably have to drop it too," Wilson concluded.

The amount of income generated by football varies from year to year according to the number of television appearances and whether teams with large stadiums such as Southern

California appear on the schedule. According to NCAA rules a school may appear in a nationally televised game once each season and a supplementary regional game every other year. Wilson said that national telecasts are worth about \$150,000 while regional games bring in \$75,000 - \$80,000.

Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, CSC, executive vice president and chairman of the Faculty Board on Athletics for 17 years, said the university made next to nothing on Sunday morning national replays with Lindsey Nelson.. Joyce said the show was primarily for alumni and rooters across the nation and that the promoter was "losing a lot of money."Notre Dame charges no rights fee from the promoter. The NCAA countered the Notre Dame playback with a show of college highlights of its own in the same time slot this past year.

The University receives no re-

compense for Ara Parseghian's Ford commercials, Joyce said.

"A mistake many people make," Joyce said, "is that the Convocation Center was financed by the University. We had to raise that money separately and a good hunk of it came out of the athletic funds, part from the South Bend community and part of other interested individuals.'

Usually a contribution cannot be made specifically to the athletic department or the football team or whatever, but rather to the University to do with as it pleases.

Joyce said further, "There is a big fallacy here, usually made by academicians, who think we are taking academic scholarship money for athletic grant-in-aids. We are not utilizing University resources for the grants, they then we would have to cut back have to the individual student?)

on the grant-in-aids because we simply wouldn't be making the monty for them.'

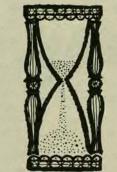
Jones summed up the entire situation. "If we didn't have some athletic income how could we support track, baseball, wrestling, swimming, golf, tennis and the rest?"

While other schools, particularly state institutions, have incorporated athletic associations to finance the athletic programs, Notre Dame's is under control by the University itself. As Sports Information Director Roger Valdiserri said, "The only way to a sane and sensible athletic program in a private school is through administrative con-

(Tomorrow-How does an academic institution justify an athcome from the athletic budget. letic grant-in-aid? What relation If no one came to the games does big time collegiate football







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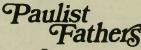
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He concurs with letter

Riehle reveals his role

Father James Riehle, C.S.C., Dean of Students, revealed yesterday afternoon what he feels to be his role in the new policy of the university concerning student disorders.

Fr. Riehle said it is his resadministration of the commun-

ponsibility "to warn persons

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once I have decided that it is an interference or disruption of university procedure." Fr. Riehle said such a decision could be made arbitrarily by himself or with consultation with the

Rather Riehle referred to a section of the letter by Father Theodore Hesburgh, C.S.C., to the faculty and students in which such disorders were described as "of such a nature that the normal operations of the University were in any way impeded, or if the rights of any member of this community were abrogated, peacefully or nonpeacefully.

Fr. Riehle said that it is difficult to set down what specific instances will be in violation of this new policy, but added, "I certainly hope nothing like this ever happens."

When asked to comment on the letter concerning this new policy, Fr. Riehle said, "I concur with the letter absolutely." He added that it is "unfortunate a letter like this has to go out" but said that it does give the backing to the people who have to support the university and maintain it as an institution.

SMC students Submit letter

continued from page 1 evaluation in the Rank and Tenure Committee hearings, The statement asked that the committee inform the Academic Commissioner of its decision on reconvening, and if that decision was affirmative that the committee contact all faculty members whose cases could be recondisered by tomorrow.

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Another view

Father Hesburgh's letter on the possible penalties for infringement of rights by protesters was well thought out and written, and provides a quite necessary limitation to the "freedom" of demonstrators. From some parts of the campus, however, there have been complaints about both the content and the manner of promulgation.

One objection to the content is that the fifteen minute "meditation" period is "in the heat of battle" not sufficient time. This seems to be disproved though by campus experience this year. At the Dow-CIA package deal the extremist group was small in number and all together in the administration building, where they could have been notified and could easily have responded within fifteen minutes. In the recent Pornography Conference trouble, the rule would have been invoked at the illegal film showing at Nieuwland Science Hall, and again there would have been no problem in either the communication or the response within fifteen minutes.

The other major objection to the content is that the Dean of Students will have too much power to use at only his discretion. The fact is that the only effective response to the disruptive demonstrations at which the directive is aimed would have to come from one man who is always available and within whose jurisdiction the problem falls, i.e. the Dean of Students. Obviously it would have been "better" if the rule could have been avoided. But in view of the University's duty to keep good order on the campus, it would be irresponsible for the University to not ensure that good order. The problem is the result of the increasing brevity of the time elapsing before legitimate protest becomes confrontation, with sacred so-called "rights", non-negotiable demands, and other such fatuity. The responsibility for bringing about this measure lies on the campus minorities who at Notre Dame and elsewhere are trying to bring on some sort of confrontation, not with some tyrannical hobgoblins over in the administration building.

Furthurmore, those who believe that the Dean of Stduents could act unilaterally are right; but if they believe that he will act unilaterally, they are ignoring the experience of Notre Dame this year. In the cases of both the Dow-CIA protest and the trouble at the Pornography Conferency no member of the administration acted unilaterally, without consulting other people. Since the new rule will increase the gravity of any action, it is unlikely that the normal process of consultation will be discontinued. And what, anyway, is it that the objectors want - a meeting called by the administration to

The arguments against the method of promulgation are mostly based on the idea that the SLC should have been responsible for such action on guidelines Maybe it should have . . . but it never would have. The SLC is concerned with more positive legislation for one thing, and more important, it is (like most large committees) a body of compromise. What was needed in this case was not a compromise, but a tough uncompromising stand against extremists, and Fr. Hesburgh did what was best for the whole University.

The only real question remaining is whether the administration will back down in a confrontation. What will happen if in the "heat of battle" two hundred, or one hundred, or fifty, students decide that the administration will not have the strength of will to suspend or expel them? It's a tough decision, but the consequences of not following through if necessary will be even worse than those of suspending or expelling the students. Fr. Hesburgh knows this, and has said that he knows quite clearly. If only certain hard-core minorities at N.D. believe that he means it, there may be a welcome end to the incipient cult of confrontation on this campus.

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Chris Wolfe Honor left up to faculty

Rev. John E. Walsh, C.S.C., Vice President of Academic Affairs, earlier this week sent letters to faculty members, instructing them on a series of interim steps to be implimented in classrooms while the Honor Council remains on its leave of absence

On Tuesday, February 11, after long deliberation, the Student Honor Council announced their decision to take an indefinite leave of absence. Since then Fr. Walsh has met with faculty advisors to formulate an interim program "to continue maintaining the standards of academic honesty in our classes and to begin examining the degree of success of the Honor Concept since its establishment five years

In his letter, Fr. Walsh made three recommendations to the faculty members.

His first point read, "Each faculty member is to maintain the highest standards of academic honesty in his courses by such appropriate means as he may select, and should announce his general procedures to his students in advance."

The second recommendation regards the procedure a faculty member should follow when he suspects a student of cheating. The letter states that the faculty member should give the suspected student "a reasonable opportunity to explain the circumstances." If the faculty member then decides against the student, the teacher may "asses a penalty affecting the grade or

credit or both" and may recommend to the University "suspension, expulsion, or a similar penalty."

The final point reads, "Each department is to establish a committee of faculty members to serve as a Board of Appeals concerning both guilt and penalties should a student choose to appeal from the decision of the faculty member."

Commenting on the letter, Tom Vos. Chairman of the Honor Council said, "This is the only reasonable thing the administration could do. Someone has to insure academic honesty in the classroom during the interim period and ultimately it is the faculty's responsibility to do

Declaration of negritude

sociate Director of African Studies Center at UCLA, revealed last night at St. Mary's, the "painful dualism" of the "Western educated African" and how his declaration of negritude helps to re-integrate him back into the roots of his culture.

Povey's address, "Negritude-a Root of Black Nationalism," was the second in a series of lectures on black culture currently taking place this week at St. Mary's. Povey defined negritude in the sense that it was a defense for being African. The African deliberately accepts the words of accusation against his blackness, takes "virtue in niggarness," and then throws it back at his accusers. Povey explained, "This is the core of negritude. The beautiful basis of negritude is the affirmation of the validity of Africa."

He went on to analyze this process of negritude by citing as its main element the establishing of history to a black truth as well as to an European truth" currently being done by a new group of Africans "who want to ballance things out."

'No one ever stops to think what Africa can give to the world," Povery declared. He then stated that the Westerner must for himself, rather than take the "distortion of our cul-

Professor John Povey, As- tural presuppositions." He concluded that "the one justification of African literature" is

that we can now see in a new way, the young, intelligent, and cosmopolitan Africa.

However, Povey declared that the whole issue of negritude must be seen in the general context of African culture since "continental Africa is largely a reflection of the colonial ex-perience." He cites England, and especially France as two countries that have created this "culture conflict." France declared that Africans "could be forgiven their Africanism if they became black Frenchmen."

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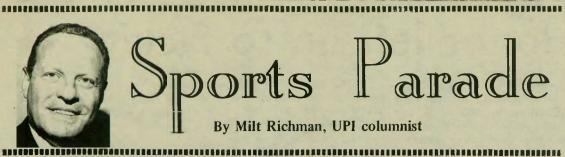
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oorts Parade

By Milt Richman, UPI columnist

Arnie's future

NEW YORK (UPI) - Yup, Arnold Palmer has an idea of quitting.

Ask him and he'll tell you.

"I'd like to keep playing at least ten more years," he says.

That's Arnold Palmer's idea about quitting.

A lot of people, particularly the older and bolder ones, keep asking the moneyed, 39-year-old Palmer if he intends storing his golf clubs in the closet soon, as far as making a living with them is concerned anyway, and he never flinches. The reason they keep asking him this same question is because he hasn't been burning up the league lately.

The subject came up again Monday not too long after Palmer arrived here to receive an award from the New York Metropolitan Golf Writers Association. The trophy is known as the William D. Richardson Award, honoring a former golf writer, and bestowed each year in recognition of a major contribution to golf. Walter Hagen and Gene Sarazen are among past winners, each receiving the silver trophy long after his prime.

Anyway, Palmer got in his Lear Jet with his wife Winnie, his administrative assistant Doc Giffin and his pilot Darrell Brown at 8:15 a.m. Monday in

Senators, Ted close

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The official unveiling of Hall of Famer Ted Williams as the Washington Senators' new manager is expected to take place Wednesday or Thursday after attorneys work out the financial details of a deal which also will make the former slugger a part owner of the club.

Williams, who batted .406 in 1941 and compiled a lifetime .344 average during his career with the Boston Red Sox, is expected to sign a contract calling for \$100,000 a year in addition to obtaining stock worth around \$900,000.

The offer was made by Robert Short, who purchased the Senators in January for a reported \$9 million.

The Senators have finished in the American League's Second Division for consecutive seasons and were last in 1968.

Swimmers lose third straight

After a five-game, season-opening winning streak, Notre Dame's swimming team has dropped three straight meets, including a 68-45 loss at Central Michigan yesterday.

Outstanding in defeat for the Irish was captain John May. He won both the 200-yard and 100-yard freestyles and swam anchor on the victorious 400-yard freestyle relay team. Mike Davis, Greg Doerfler and Vince Spohn combined with May on the relay unit.

Other Irish victors were Davis in the 50-yard freestyle and John Cox in the three-meter diving event.

Latrobe, Pa. and left for New York City.

"It's a great day for flying," said Palmer, taking note of the near perfect weather.

Approaching Teterboro, N.J., he noticed black, billowing clouds of smoke coming from a fire below on the ground, and commented: "Look at that!" to his wife and Giffin and then was down on the ground himself by 10:30 a.m.

He also noticed many cars still marooned in the snow while driving up Riverside Drive to the General Motors Building where he went to inspect the latest office opened up by Arnold Palmer Enterprises last month, which he hadn't seen as yet.

Then came the short trip over to the midtown hotel where he was to receive his award later and also the inevitable questions

"How's your hip?"
"Fine."

"How's your weight?"

"Real good. I've lost 12 pounds in the last month and a

'Worrying about your game?" "No. Actually, I'm trying to lose weight."

"What about your game?"

"My putting is the only thing I'm concerned about. The rest of it seems to be coming along."

Then came the zinger. "What about your future, Arnie?" one guy purred. "I mean now that you've won this Richardson a-ward and all."

Palmer studied the guy who asked the question a moment before replying. Then he said:

"I don't want to be skeptical but most of the people in golf who have won this award have been-let's say past the peak a little-when they received it. I hope it's not the case with me. I hope I can pull up my shoestrings and win a few more. I think I can."

"Including the Open?" the

guy persisted.
"Including the Open," Arnie said, displaying the perfect Palmer charm.

Later on there were other questions but none dealing with this immediate future. Palmer seemed happy that they changed the subject.

Now they were asking whether he didn't feel golf was being "over televised."

"I certainly don't think golf is over televised," he came right back. "Look at it this way: you have a hard time watching golf eight hours a day on TV anyday of the year, but you can sit down and watch eight hours of football any Sunday.'

Fine. Now what did he think about the possibility of two separate professional golf tours?

"I think it is inevitable," he said. "I think it's an absolute necessity. We're playing 130-140 players a week. You have 300 others sitting out. You must do something. You can't allow it to go on. It's something we have to face and something we have to handle."

Palmer's personal solution would be the addition of a socalled satellite tour "in the reasonable vicinity" of the principal one. The secondary tour would be subsidized by the main one, with some of the purse even channeled to the satellite if ne-

That's the way Arnold Palmer sees it. And if you care to know his ideas about quitting, just ask him and he'll tell you.

Irish stump Foresters

season's ledger to 14-7-3 last night, with a 7-4 triumph over Lake Forest College on foreign ice. The victory gave N.D. the home and home season series sweep, since they beat the Foresters, 5-2, in their Feb. 5 Convo encounter.

The victory stemmed the third 2-game tailspin of the season for the Irish. The perpetrators of these double defeats. Wisconsin (4-0 vs. ND) and St. Mary's of Winona (2-0-1), are the only teams to own the season series with du

Led by Phil Wittleff and Kevin Hoene, the Icers spread possible over the three periods against Gustavus Adolphus.

The Skating Irish pushed their (2-3-2), wrapping up the game with their second stanza outburst. Wittleff and Hoene remained knotted in their battle for team goal scoring supremacy, each netting a marker for a total of 22.

Netminder Dick Tomasoni rated some publicity as he was slapped with a total of seven penalty minutes in the first two periods. Tomasoni was called for holding in the first stanza and slashing in the second. In hockey, it is rarely that the goalie is penalized.

The Irish journey to Indianapolis for their next game, a Feb. 23 encounter with the Boilermakers of Purdue. The their scoring sas evenly as next Convo clash is Feb. 28



The Irish Eye

By Terry O'Neil, Observer sports editor

NYU game crucial again

On this date, one year ago, the NIT selection committee called Johnny Dee to say that Notre Dame would be offered a berth in the tourney if it could beat New York University three days later in Madison Square Garden.

On Feb. 22, 1967, the Irish did knock over NYU, by a 70-67 count, and the rest, as they say,

This season the goal is an NCAA tourney bid and, once again, NYU is the critical foe. As Dee says, "If we beat them, I don't see how the NCAA can overlook us."

The NCAA will announce most, and possibly all, of its 10 at-large teams Feb. 25.

In the east regional, there are four bona fide contenders for three berths-Duquesne (16-2), St. John's (18-3), Villanova (17-4), and Boston College (16-3). LaSalle (20-1) is on NCAA probation and thus ineligible for both post-season events.

In the mideast, the slate shows Notre Dame (17-5), Dayton (17-5) and Marquette (18-4).

Marquette defeated Xavier 67-54 last night. In the west regional, New Mexico State (21-2) and Colorado State (14-3) are virtually assured the

That leaves the midwest, where independents have not had a good year; as a matter of fact, they've been scrap this winter. Three berths are available and the best records in major college ranks are West Texas State's 14-6, Southern Illinois' 13-6 and Oklahoma City's 16-8. Little Lamar Tech, lingering between major and small college status, is 19-1.

But the NCAA has a provision to rectify this situation. The seven-man selection committee is permitted to place a team from one regional in an adjacent regional, if it will strengthen the tournament field.

The committee also has an option not to fill the brackets completely, if not enough quality independents are available. In that case, the opponent of an at-large berth not filled would draw a bye.

All of which makes the selection committees very important. Each region has its own five-man board. In the mideast, this year's members are chairman Tom Scott of Davidson, George Ireland of Loyola, Ralph Pedersen of Tulane, Adolph Rupp of Kentucky and Fred Taylor of Ohio State.

As senior members of the closely knit coaching fraternity, their relationship is highly informal. They see al the top teams throughout a season and catch all the locker room scuttlebutt. In addition. the NCAA provides them with three basic criteria for judging at-large possibilities: won-loss record, relative difficulty of the schedule, eligibility of individual players for post-season competition.

This weekend, Scott will phone the other four committee members. They will make a recommendation to the national selection committee composed of Scott, Taylor, Ben Carnevale of NYU, E. Hoyt Brawner of Denver, J.D. Morgan of UCLA, C. Wiles Hallock of the Western Athletic Conference and chairman H.B. Lee of Kansas State.

These seven men make final decisions, based on the quartet of regional suggestions. Tuesday at 9:30 am local time, I believe they will award at-large berths to these teams: EAST-Duquesne, St. John's, Villanova; MIDEAST-Notre Dame, Marquette; MIDWEST-Dayton, Lamar Tech, one berth unfilled; WEST-New Mexico State, Colorado State.

All of this is predicated on tonight's Dayton-Cincinnati game and tomorrow's NYU-ND clash. From here, it looks like the Flyers will lose at Cincinnati, thus branding Dayton the third best independent in the mideast region. According to NCAA executive Gene Duffy, each region usually keeps its best independents at home for the tournament and sends lesser teams to adjacent regions, if necessary.

A poor showing by the Irish in New York tomorrow would be fatal to NCAA hopes, especially since NYU athletic director Carnevale, a member of the national selection committee, will

A crowd of more than 8,000 is expected to see a doubleheader which pits Manhattan against Temple in the first game.

NYU is riding a nine-game winning streak and a 12-4 record, despite a mediocre start this season.

Violet coach Lou Rossini, who scouted Monday's ND-Butler contest, said, "I think we'll have a few different defensive innovations for Notre Dame."

NYU publicity man Jim Gice yesterday predicted his boys would stay with the man-to-man that has carried them most of the year. The Violets match up failry well with the Irish, except at one position. Dolph Porrata, a 6-1 junior, would be forced to guard Austin Carr and Gice admits Porrata "has bad speed and poor legs for a college basketball player.'

Nevertheless, he is a smart playmaker. Last summer, under the coaching of Rossini, he scored 12 points in the final half for Puerto Rico and nearly engineered an upset of the United States at Mexico City in the Olympics. America won by

On offense, NYU is fairly conservative. They will not attempt to run with the Irish. Most of their boys are products of New York playgrounds, which means they're good one-on-one players. Rossini likes to utilize that characteristic by clearing out one side of the court and letting one man free-lance against an opponent.

The starters will be Jim Signorile (6-7 junior center, averaging 20.5 points and 12.4 43bounds per game, shooting 52.7% from the floor), Paul Dobleman (6-3 junior forward, averaging 14.6 points and 6.0 rebounds per game, shooting 55.1% from the floor), Mark Geschwer (6-4 junior forward, averaging 6.6 points and 6.6 rebounds per game, shooting 50.6% from the floor) captain Jim Miller (6-0 senior guard, averaging 12.4 points per game, shooting 46.9% from the floor) and Porrata (averaging 15.5 points per game, shooting 37.0% from the floor).