

# Logan Center battles budget

by Rosemary Mills  
Senior Staff Reporter

Notre Dame Student Government will fight the Logan Center budget cut, Student Body President Dave Bender announced yesterday. Bender met with representatives from the ND-SMC community to discuss proposed action.

Notre Dame and St. Mary's will coordinate their action with the Council for the Retarded of St. Joseph County, according to Bender who has contacted the council's Executive Director, Al Soenneker.

The state budget committee recently voted 3-2 to cut ten million dollars from funds appropriated for services to the developmentally disabled. Scheduled to go into

effect on Nov. 1, the cut would eliminate all summer programming for school-age children, greatly reduce the number of clients, and discontinue all or most recreation services.

According to Bender, Student Government will take a firm stand on the cutback. Letter writing campaigns to all members of the Budget Committee will be initiated. The main targets of this campaign are State Senator John Mutz (-R-) of Indianapolis, State Representative William Long (-R-) of Lafayette, and John Huie, appointed director of the budget committee. Bender specifically plans to state that the students are actively working against the cut.

Bender said that Student Government may commit money to

this project. He mentioned busing students to lobby in Indianapolis as a possible measure. Bender indicated that the main leverage of the students lies in the number of voters on campus registered in Indiana.

Another step in the plan is to contact the two congressmen from this region and Governor Otis Bowen. Third District Congressman John Brademas has already been contacted. According to his chief aide, Brademas is against the cut, although he noted that the action is a state affair.

Notre Dame alumni who live in Indiana will be contacted for support. Bender feels that politically active alumni may be of help. Local politicians and media will be asked to back the student gov-

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How to keep an off-campus student busy - The daily routine of the student becomes more complex when faced with the necessity of self survival. Above, a lawn mower gets a hand from one Notre Dame homesteader. [Photo by Leo Hansen]

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# Peer level sought ND struggling to raise salaries

by Drew John Bauer  
Senior Staff Reporter

Despite a seven percent increase in average faculty compensation this year, faculty leaders are stressing that additional raises will be necessary soon before Notre Dame salaries are comparable to those at other "peer institutions."

The demands are bringing increasing pressure on the University to increase faculty salary substantially in order to continue attracting quality professors to du Lac. Several Faculty Senate members state that the relatively low compensation level has "certainly hurt" Notre Dame in attracting good associate and assistant professors.

A total salary increase of between \$1000 to \$1800 would be necessary to bring the faculty up to the level of comparable institutions, stated the faculty sources. The uncertainty about the exact figure is due to the uncertainty among the faculty and the administration on what is a "comparable peer institution."

However, while University officials admit that faculty salaries are below those of other "peer institutions," they argue that they have to conduct a "balancing act" between faculty demands for higher salaries and student concerns with the increasing costs of an education.

A few faculty members also state that they are subsidizing low tuition at Notre Dame with their salaries, stating that tuition at other private schools of the same academic caliber exceeds Notre Dame's by hundreds of dollars. However, some faculty said that there are alternatives to raising tuition. "Tuition has risen before while faculty salaries stayed the same," one professor said.

The pressure for salary hikes almost guarantees continuing tuition increases if the University has to finance the raises out of money raised by tuition, stated one administrator. This years compensation increase, totaling over \$1 million, was one of the main reasons undergraduate tuition was

raised \$250 this summer, according to a letter written by University President Fr. Theodore Hesburgh to the parents of undergraduate students.

"One of our primary goals is to increase faculty salaries to a more competitive level," said Thomas J. Mason, vice-president for Business Affairs. "But we are restricted in the size of the raise by the amount of funds we have available each year."

Mason called Notre Dame a "labor-intensive operation" and said that 60 percent of all unrestricted and operation funds goes for salaries and benefits. He also said that although tuition was one of the main sources of funds for the University, "there is a limiting point when it comes to how much we can raise tuition."

"We are very conscious of the burden our tuition is on the parents and students," Mason added.

Mason said that the increases in salaries over the last three years enabled Notre Dame to move up a "notch" among institutions. He also said that although the University and an informal plan to make faculty salaries more competitive, the University really has to "take it one year at a time," due to inflation. Mason cited a 35 percent increase last year in health insurance costs, which are included with salary and other benefits as total faculty compensation. "It is really difficult to forecast salary increases far in advance when you have all these unexpected expenses due to inflation," Mason said.

**Narrow the gap**

Acting Provost Fr. Ferdinand L. Brown, whose office allocates funds for total faculty expenses and research, said that increasing faculty salaries was one of his top priorities. He said that he would like to have the Notre Dame salaries competitive with other "peer schools."

We are trying as fast as we can to narrow the gap, and I think our faculty is realizing that," Brown remarked.

Associate Professor Irwin Press said that although Notre Dame has given "good raises the last three years that are above the national average," the faculty has still lost ground to comparable institutions.

"What happened was that the other Universities received raises last year too. If we were \$1600 (average median salary) behind the Big Ten last year, although we received a 7 percent increase this year, so did they, and now we are further behind," explained Press.

Press, who last year was chairman of the Committee on Faculty Affairs of the Faculty Senate, said that there has to be drastic action taken by the University concerning salaries if there was any hope of catching the peer institutions.

"There has to be a substantial

salary increase of at least \$1000 over and above any normal raise," proposed Press. "I don't care where the administration gets the money from, but they have to make this move. This university is nothing without its faculty. Take away the buildings, take away everything. But you can't take away the faculty. We are the backbone of the whole University."

**Peer institutions**

"The University could probably get the money it needs either by increasing tuition, diverting money from maintenance and construction, or soliciting gifts specifically for salaries.

Press stated that former Provost James T. Burtchaeil always

stressed that Notre Dame couldn't continue to raise tuition because the increases would cut off a significant number of students who would be unable to afford a moderate increase.

Although both the Administration and faculty members agree that salaries are low compared to some schools, each side can not agree on what constitutes a "peer institution." According to Press, the Faculty Senate suggested two years ago that the Big Ten be used as a comparable base. "This was because these schools are in the same geographic area as us and because they are of top academic quality," said Press.

However, after the senate's action, Burtchaeil proposed his

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1976-77 Average Compensation

University	Professors	Associated Professors	Assistant Professors
Notre Dame	\$28,700 (2)	\$21,800 (2)	\$17,100 (3)
Cornell	33,800 (1)	22,800 (2)	18,200 (2)
U. of Mich.	33,000 (1)	24,200 (1)	19,800 (1)
Indiana	29,900 (2)	22,400 (2)	18,400 (2)
Iowa	30,000 (2)	23,100 (2)	19,000 (1)
USC	31,500 (1)	23,100 (2)	19,300 (1)
Pittsburgh	31,300 (1)	22,400 (2)	17,700 (3)
Yale	35,600 (1)	21,900 (2)	16,200 (4)
Harvard	38,500 (1*)	23,000 (2)	18,000 (2)
Vanderbilt	30,800 (2)	22,400 (2)	16,900 (4)
Stanford	35,300 (1)	24,600 (1)	19,800 (1)
Illinois	30,500 (2)	21,500 (3)	18,100 (2)
MSU	29,100 (2)	22,900 (2)	19,200 (1)

( ) denotes percentage bracket:

(1\*) 95 percent or better  
(1) 80 to 94.9 percent

(2) 60 to 79.9 percent  
(3) 40 to 59.9 percent

Figures taken from the AAUP Summer Bulletin, 1977

## On Campus Today

- 12:45 p.m. & 11:45 p.m. wsnd, "thought you'd never ask: human sexuality" by fr. william toohey 640 am.
- 4:30 p.m. seminar, "scanning electron microscopy of isolated collagen matrices repopulated with epithelium and mesenchymal cells," dr. jane overton, univ. of chicago, rm. 278 galvin center, sponsored by the bio. dept.
- 6:30 p.m. reception & dinner, "evening at st. mary's," sponsored by smc scholarship fund.
- 7 p.m. meeting, students for campus security with dean roemer, law school lounge, all welcome.
- 7, 10 p.m. film, "the day of the jackal" eng aud \$1.
- 7:30 p.m. eucharist, charismatic eucharist, log chapel, open to all.
- 7:30 p.m. meeting, headstart, lewis, everyone welcome.
- 8:15 p.m. workshop, oktoberfest decorating, smc social commission office.
- 9 p.m.-11 p.m. nazz, open stage, basement of lafortune.
- midnight album, bob welch's "french kiss," wsnd 640 am.

## WEATHER

Sunny and pleasant today with highs in the mid-to-upper 70's. Clear and cool tonight. Lows in the upper 40's. Sunny and pleasant tomorrow. High around 80.

## ND attempts to select group of 'peer institutions'

[continued from page 1] own group of "peer institutions." "These schools include: Cornell, Duke, Northwestern, Indiana, Vanderbilt, Southern California, Iowa, Pittsburgh, Emory, and St. Louis." No one really is sure exactly how he determined that these schools were "peer institutions," said one professor.

Of the ten schools cited, only St. Louis had lower levels of faculty compensation than Notre Dame.

A third group of "peer institutions" was proposed by Brown last Friday. This group included Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Vanderbilt, Duke, the Big Ten and Stanford.

Brown said that although all

three proposals differed in part, that there was a "common interception" among them to work with.

## Tutors to receive required TB test

All tutors for the Neighborhood Study Program will be given their TB tests tomorrow between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the LaFortune ballroom. The TB tests are required by state law for any persons working with the public. Tutors must return for the test readings on this Friday between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at the Volunteer Services Office in LaFortune.

colleges," said Strigle.

At its organizational meeting last night, "the structure of the Academic Council was discussed, along with some issues that have been brought to our attention already," Strigle noted. A letter, to be sent to all students, explaining the Academic Council, "its purpose, its manner and the people who were selected" is being planned.

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# Meyers addresses students

by Bob Varettoni  
Senior Staff Reporter

Veteran UPI political reporter Hortense Meyers warned high school journalists at a press conference yesterday afternoon in the Center for Continuing Education that "the Bert Lance thing has people worried" that news reporters are "extending their bounds."

Responding to questions from students attending the annual Michiana High School Journalism workshop, Meyers said there is a "real danger" involved in poor investigative reporting because of the "publicity it could turn against the whole profession."

Meyers also cited the influence of television, saying that politics has now become "picture dominated." She noted that it is easy for some reporters to be fooled by a politician's image.

"It is amazing to me that we elect the excellent people we do, especially since we know so little about who we're voting for," she said.

Bias, Meyers added, is always a strong feature in political reporting. She said she refused some stories on the ERA because she was afraid her prejudices might show.

"Then I looked at the copy of some of the men reporters," Meyers

said, "and they were more prejudiced than I was; and it showed."

Meyers, who has worked for UPI since 1942, is also the co-author of six biographies. One was on the life of Robert Kennedy. Meyers recalled yesterday Kennedy's primary campaign in Indiana, which she said was marked by "constant confusion" caused by his "tremendous crowd appeal."

Approximately 200 students attended Meyers' press conference.

Later in the day, the students attended workshops on topics related to the field of journalism. Two Notre Dame professors conducted workshops; Ronald Weber on "The New Journalism" and Madonna Kolbenschlag on "News writing." More than 80 schools were invited to this year's workshop. The program was sponsored by the South Bend Tribune, the CCE, and area high school journalism teachers.

## Anita Bryant concert scheduled over Oct. break

by Sam Fink

The controversial Floridian Anita Bryant will be on concert in the ACC on Thurs., Oct. 27. Ticket prices for the 7:30 p.m. show are \$6.50 for the main floor area and \$5.00 for bleacher seats.

Bryant is renowned for her efforts to insure that homosexuality is considered an illegal and criminal offense in society. The 37-year-old former Miss America runner-up recently led Save Our Children, Inc. to a victory at the polls in Dade County, Fl., where anti-discrimination laws for homosexuals were convincingly overturned. Since its victory, the organization has begun a national struggle against gay rights under Bryant's leadership.

Joseph Sassano, assistant director of the ACC, emphasized that the show is not a University-sponsored event. The facilities are simply being rented to the promoter during the mid-semester break, he said.

## Resume due for Fellow chairman

Those interested in serving as chairman of the Senior Fellow Committee must submit one-page resumes of qualification to Terri in the Student Activities office, first floor LaFortune, by noon Thursday.

## Logan fights budget cut

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ernment effort. A press conference is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. today in LaFortune ballroom. Students are encouraged to attend. Later tonight Student Body Vice-President Tom Soma will enlist the support of the HPC.

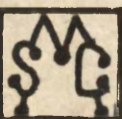
St. Mary's Student Body President Mary Rukavina stated that they will support the Notre Dame Student Government in their efforts. Jeanne Conboy, co-chairperson of the ND-SMC Council for the Retarded, will hold a meeting for the council to solicit suggestions and organize the lobby. Like Bender, Rukavina encouraged all students to write letters.

Val Hardy, Commissioner for Interracial and Social Justice Concerns stated, "I think it's a good first effort in forming the student lobby. It should appeal to the average student to get involved."

Those students who signed up to lobby on Activities Night as well as the Logan volunteers will be contacted. A general organizational meeting will be held next week for anyone interested in working on the lobby.

Art Koebel, co-chairperson of the ND-SMC Council for the Retarded, stressed the importance of the council's involvement. "We're the ones most affected," he said. "If they cut Saturday recreation, there's our whole program." He added that only the weekday classroom and gym volunteers would be left if the cut goes into effect.

Bender is confident of student support. "The University professes to be Christian, and this is an opportunity to manifest our Christianity," he said. "I would be extremely disappointed if people did not."



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# President attacks big oil lobby

WASHINGTON [AP] - The Senate dealt major new blows to President Carter's energy program yesterday, prompting a counter-attack from the President against the oil industry and an appeal to senators to stop dismantling his plan.

Accusing big oil of trying to "jeopardize our energy future," Carter urged the Senate to reject "narrow special interest attacks on all segments" of his national energy program.

The President spoke in the White House press room after the Senate Finance Committee, rejecting the heart of his energy plan, defeated his proposal to force conservation by taxing U.S. crude oil.

But even as Carter was speaking, the full Senate rejected in a new test vote his plan to keep federal controls on natural gas prices.

The 53-39 vote, following action to halt a filibuster of an industry supported deregulation measure, was the second time a majority of the Senate has gone on record

against Carter's gas pricing plan.

And it came despite the President's threat to veto any bill that deregulates natural gas prices.

The vote killed an effort by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.) and other administration allies to revive the Carter plan. The move was engineered by Senate Republicans and oil-state Democrats.

Last week, the Senate voted by a six-vote margin to continue debating the industry proposal to lift price controls from natural gas as an alternative to Carter's proposal.

The President had told reporters earlier he thinks the committee vote against his oil tax plan can be reversed.

In an apparent effort to make sure that happens, Carter walked into the press room an hour later and delivered a personal statement before television cameras. The President said:

"The lobbying effort of the oil and gas industry on deregulation of natural gas prices itself show how the special interests are trying to block enactment of the entire

energy program. As we depend more and more on energy imports, the special interests should not be allowed to jeopardize our energy future."

Carter added: "I call on the Senate to act responsibly in the interests of the great majority of Americans to reject narrow special interest attacks on all segments of the national energy plan."

The Congress has been lobbied continuously by the oil and gas industry to deregulate the price of new natural gas," Carter said. "... By 1985, the industry proposal will cost the average American family that heats with natural gas an additional \$150 a year.

"It will cost the consumers almost \$10 billion every year and will produce little, if any new supplies."

"Strong Incentives" Carter said his proposal for partial deregulation "would give producers strong incentives to explore and to develop new supplies of natural gas through a price which will be six times higher than the price was five years ago. "That is enough," the President declared.

"It is time for the public interest to prevail over special interest lobbyists."

Carter cited a growing deficit in the nation's balance of foreign trade, "primarily because of excess oil imports." The Commerce Department said earlier in the day the deficit grew to \$2.7 billion last month.

"I realize that there have been some preliminary votes in the Senate which cause concern," Carter said.

"But I have confidence in the judgement of the Senate and the entire Congress, and I believe... that I and the American people can continue to have confidence that the outcome of these proposals will be acceptable to me as President and will be a source of gratitude to the House and Senate by the American people when adjournment day comes."

## Call for compromise

Sen. Russell B. Long, chairman of the Finance Committee, indicated he does not view the panel's 10-6 vote against the crude oil tax as final. He called another committee session to work out a compromise tax that would be acceptable to the President, the oil industry and a majority of Congress.

In a brief conversation with reporters as he left the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, Carter was asked whether he thought the committee's vote could be reversed. The President replied: "I think so."

The Senate, meanwhile, voted 77 to 17 to limit the debate that has prevented a decision on whether to continue federal price controls on natural gas, as Carter prefers, or to remove them gradually.

Carter has promised to veto any energy bill that removes price controls from gas. A majority of the Senate already has sided against the President on one test vote on this issue.

The Senate Democratic and Republican leaders called for an end to the filibuster on natural gas. Senate liberals opposed to any relaxation of federal price controls on gas led the delaying action in an effort to block the possibility that the Senate would vote to deregulate prices, as it did in 1975.

Although the debate limiting petition approved by the Senate restricts further debate to one hour per senator, leaders of the filibuster promised to use other parliamentary maneuvers to keep the Senate from voting on deregulation.

All seven Republicans on the Finance Committee teamed with two liberal Democrats and independent Sen. Harry F. Byrd to remove Carter's crude-oil tax from the massive energy bill approved by the House.

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## CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

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Ernst & Ernst	Wed. Oct. 12	Accounting
Price Waterhouse	Wed. Oct. 12	Accounting
Mony (Mutual of New York)	Tues. Oct. 18	All majors
P.P.G. Industries	Wed. Oct. 19	Business Administration Chemistry/Math/Accounting
St. Regis Paper Co.	Wed. Oct. 19	All majors
Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.	Tues. Nov. 1	Accounting
G.T.E. Data Services	Wed. Nov. 2	Interest in computers Math/Business
Sears Roebuck	Thurs. Nov. 3	All majors
V.I.D.A.	Thurs. Nov. 3	Religious Studies/Education
National Banks	Tues. Nov. 8 Wed. Nov. 9	Business/Accounting
Allied Mills	Wed. Nov. 9	Accounting/Business/Science
Travelers Insurance	Thurs. Nov. 10	All majors
Dana Corporation	Tues. Nov. 15	Business
Manufacturers National Bank	Tues. Nov. 22	Unknown at this date
Republic Steel	Tues. Nov. 29	Accounting
National Bank of Detroit	Thurs. Dec. 1	All majors
Veterans Administration	Wed. Dec. 7	Science/Nursing/Bus./Acct.
Health Career Day	Thurs. Dec. 8	Nursing/Science

For further details and additions to recruiting schedule, contact Ruth Witherspoon, Career Development Center (4431).  
(September 1977)

## SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE

## Truce takes effect

Beirut, Lebanon [AP] - Israeli armor rumbled back southward across the border and the artillery barrages that pounded embattled south Lebanon for weeks died down yesterday as a U.S. mediated cease-fire took effect. But the future of the truce remained uncertain.

Yasir Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) issued a statement late yesterday saying Israel was "continuing to spread its circle of aggression" and was shelling south Lebanon.

But the charge could not be immediately verified because reporters left the battle area in midafternoon.

Earlier, Associated Press correspondent Alex Efty reported from the Palestinian held Lebanese border village of Khiam, a key target of the Israeli-Lebanese Christian offensive, that the big guns fell silent after the cease-fire went into effect at 10 a.m.

But he said there was no sign of guerilla preparations to pull out in accordance with announced provisions of the agreement for mutual Israeli-Palestinian pullbacks.

The cease-fire, worked out with the aid of U.S. diplomats in Beirut, calls for withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanese territory and a pullback from the border by the guerrillas, who are to be replaced by a 1-470 man buffer unit from the Lebanese army. The army was recently rebuilt after having disintegrated during Lebanon's 1975-76

civil war.

The cease-fire amounted to an unprecedented though indirect agreement between the Israelis and the PLO. Israeli defense officials insisted it was an agreement between the Israeli and Lebanese governments, though that "the PLO has given certain assurances."

At the nearby village of Mari, four Israeli tanks were observed crossing back into Israel. But Efty reported that two other Israeli tanks remained in position between Khiam and Marjayoun, one mile to the north, which was held by Israeli-backed Christians.

A PLO spokesman here said earlier yesterday that final details of the cease-fire agreement were still being worked out. A small radical guerrilla group, Dr. George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, vowed not to abide by it.

In Israel, officials said the cease-fire had taken effect and invited reporters at the border town of Metulla to watch as tanks and armored personnel carriers that provided support for the Christians in Lebanon returned to Israel.

The truce took hold after a night of heavy Israeli shelling of Khiam and other guerilla strongholds along the 18 mile border battle-front, and after a salvo of Communist made Katyusha rockets fired from Lebanon fell on two northern Israeli towns, wounding eight persons.

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## Does N.D. fail us?

**Editor's Note:** Following are representative excerpts from our mail on David Cwik's column, "The Failure of Notre Dame." Volume prevents our printing everything in its entirety.

**Dear Editor:**

I would never want to see a truly catholic education exclude the study of the works of such men as Hume, or Kant, or Marx, or Freud. But on the other hand, we must always be ready to lift from these philosophies and ideas what is valid and good and true, and discard that which is against our catholic Christian Faith. To those who would say that this is not an objective approach, I would respond that there is nothing objective about being a Christian. Christianity is a commitment to a certain way of life, and to a certain set of beliefs and values. To try to place it alongside other ideologies, philosophies and value systems on an equal footing, when we are supposed to have already made that commitment, is to confess a certain agnosticism. Our failure in the modern Notre Dame may lie in the fact that we are assuming a certain Christian commitment from faculty and students alike, when many at our University may not be so committed.

Fr. Len Kuberski

**Dear Editor:**

How can we find the truth if we start off by saying that everyone else must be wrong? We wouldn't even know what they've said! The basis of Christianity is to accept and understand other people, not to reject them. And the purpose of an education is to open our minds, not close them. We can only find the truth by studying all points of view.

Christianity is one point of view, and Catholicism is one part of that. It is not necessarily the best one just because we happen to believe it. Many other people do not believe it, and we should at least find out why. We don't have to agree, but we should know why we disagree. If Christianity is the truth, then it will withstand the criticisms of others, if not, then we'd better find out why not.

Mike Donovan

**Dear Editor:**

If, as Mr. Cwik says, these writers are truly 'diametrically opposed to the Christian world view,' then isn't it even more important that both sides are shown? To attend a philosophy class where only the Christian ethic is viewed or championed would indicate to me that the exponent feared that the Christian mode would break down in confrontation with the opposition unless preordained "the winner." It would also seem to argue that the Christian ethic and intellectualism cannot co-exist and grow from exposure to each other.

Singularity of approach in one's viewpoints leads to, if you excuse the phrase, tunnel vision. Biases, ignorance and prejudices result from such narrow mindedness--just the sort of things education should be fighting. Don't you agree?

Patti Ruocco

**Dear Editor:**

Re: David Cwik's article "The Failure of Notre Dame." Mr. Cwik, it is shocking to know that Notre Dame students are asked to read Beckett, Descartes, Hume, Kant, Locke, Camus, Marx and Freud. Why don't we burn these books on the steps of the Administration Building? Let me know what else we can add. How could you have missed Darwin and Einstein?

Morton S. Fuchs  
Professor of Biology

**Dear Editor:**

What does (or should) Notre Dame attempt to give its students? It presents an option which is radically different in today's world: It allows one the opportunity to view his intellectual undertakings in the light of a Christian existence.

In its essence Notre Dame hopes to produce men and women whose Christianity is an integral part of their life, so that they will apply their knowledge for the benefit of their fellow men and their existence. Kierkegaard (a Christian existentialist) defined the religious man as one who searched for the good, but whose search was guided by the fact that he had made a leap of faith in his existence. We must be aware of our God and his design for us. This makes Notre Dame a university of the classroom for the intellect and the dormitory for living with one's fellow men. We are here to learn in and from both.

Lawrence Kermion

**Dear Editor:**

Wednesday's column entitled "The Failure of Notre Dame" presents a dangerous conclusion: That no course on this campus should be presented without "the objective truth of Catholic faith."

I imagine that this would result in a course schedule totally consisting of titles such as "Catholicism and Hume," "Catholicism and Camus," "Catholicism and Freud."

But in class I find it more educational to learn Camus standing on his own merits alone. Then I know precisely what he is saying, not his ideas presented in the light of another doctrine. And then outside of the classroom I can compare his ideas with my own personal framework of values.

What I'm talking about is the freedom to choose. Mr. Cwik isn't talking about any choice at all.

Peter Kowalski

## New interhall sport

**Dear Editor:**

Until now the energy and excitement that starts food fights has been discouraged. But one must realize that the food fights provide an outlet for emotional stimuli. In an effort to alleviate the problem the enthusiasm should be redirected. Therefore I propose that food fights be accepted as an interhall sport.

Certain times, teams and of course menus could be organized in order to add honor and sports-

manship to the bout. Also, a winner would not be declared until respective teams cleaned up their territory. Perhaps admission could be charged to raise money for some charity. (Like the World Hunger Program for instance.) By making the event a team competition the less enthusiastic would drop out since they would not want to spend the needed time at the training table. Surely a program such as this could be developed to enhance our educational experience here at Notre Dame.

Michael Molinelli

## Please protest SBC action

**Dear Editor:**

Recent action by the State Budget Committee has slashed half of the funds that had been earmarked for state services for the developmentally disabled. Locally this will mean that the kinds of services available to handicapped individuals will be markedly reduced. The St. Joseph County Council for the Retarded will be receiving only half of its projected budget.

This nation has gradually seen a heartening improvement in the kinds of services offered to the handicapped. The social value of such services is unquestioned, offering, as they do, the hope and the promise that early intervention, intensive special education, and constructive physical and occupational therapy will help our handicapped children and adults realize their full potential.

The effect of the committee's decision, if allowed to stand, would be to cut off large numbers of handicapped children and adults from precisely those services. Not only is this short-sighted and a return to less-enlightened times; it is also inhumane. To reinstitutionalize handicapped individuals is tragic. Yet this will be one of the effects of this decision. Numerous studies have shown that early intervention is essential for developmentally disabled children. Nonetheless, there is the clear and present danger that such programs will have to be abandoned as a result of this budget cut.

The ND/SMC community, which has given so generously of its time and effort to Logan Center and the St. Joseph County Council for the Retarded, must act to help fend off this catastrophe. Those legislators who have chosen to increase the state budget surplus at the expense of the state's handicapped citizens must be made aware that this is not acceptable.

Write to Governor Bowen and to your representatives in the Indiana Legislature to protest this reprehensible decision.

Ethan Haimo

## Parietals vs trust

**Dear Editor:**

I am very much in agreement with you regarding the opinion column on the Al Hunter case. I myself have been subject to Notre Dame parietals for three years and they continue to astonish me. These rules as their name suggests, are intended to take the place of our parents while we are

separated from them. I would, however, find it very disturbing if my parents were to burden me with a list of rules such as the ones the University has compiled. Not only would these rules indicate a complete lack of trust on the part of my parents, but would also destroy my initiative to gain such a trust. When will I be truly able to realize if my actions are a result of fear of breaking the rules or of my own responsibility? But then who needs to grow up? I can always do that after I graduate.

Name withheld by request

# \* Observer Editorials

## opinion

## Protest Funding Cut

dave bender

Edmund Burke once wrote that "Evil persists because good men do nothing." All of us here at this University profess to be good men and women. Moreover, we proclaim ourselves as Christians and Catholics and name our school accordingly. Today all of us have an opportunity to prove to each other and the outside world just how sincere and genuine we are in our Christian Commitment.

Late last week the Governor's Budget Committee of the Indiana State Legislature voted 3-2 to cut the funding for the retarded and mentally ill of Indiana from \$21 million annually to \$11 million annually, a \$10 million cutback. St. Joseph County facilities, including Logan Center will have \$750,000 cut from their budgets. The Student Government feels that this is an irresponsible and unacceptable action by these legislators who voted for the cut. We ask for your help in the form of letters, phone calls, and telegrams to the Governor of the State, Otis Bowen, and the three individuals who voted for the decrease in state financial support for Logan Center. In the very near future we may ask you to join us in some public display of support for the patients of Logan Center, perhaps here, quite possibly in the State Capital.

There have been a few reasons given for the decision, but all seem quite hollow and selfish compared to what the cutback will mean to the patients, their parents, and the student volunteers of Logan Center. It has even been suggested

that the reason for the decrease was to enable the Governor to leave office with a nice surplus in the state treasury so as to enhance his chances at seeking a Senate seat from Indiana. Whatever the reasoning behind the decision, the fact remains that a cut of this magnitude spells suffering and manifests injustice. As Martin Luther King Jr. put it, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

Please join us in proclaiming our Christian commitment to the world. Write letters and send telegrams to these people informing them how you feel. We will keep you informed of our progress to date on this issue and will probably seek more support. This is an opportunity that we simply cannot afford to pass up. This is an action that touches all of us on a very fundamental and close to home level. It is more important than who will start at quarterback on Saturday, whether or not we can get USC tickets, and what kind of judicial system we have. I am confident that together we can affect a change in decision.

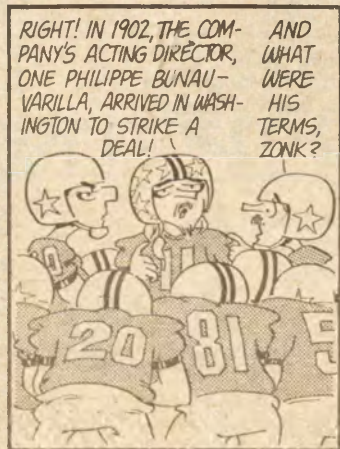
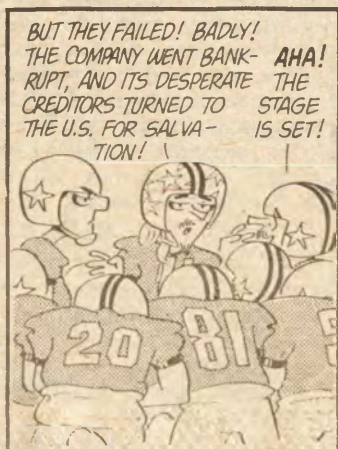
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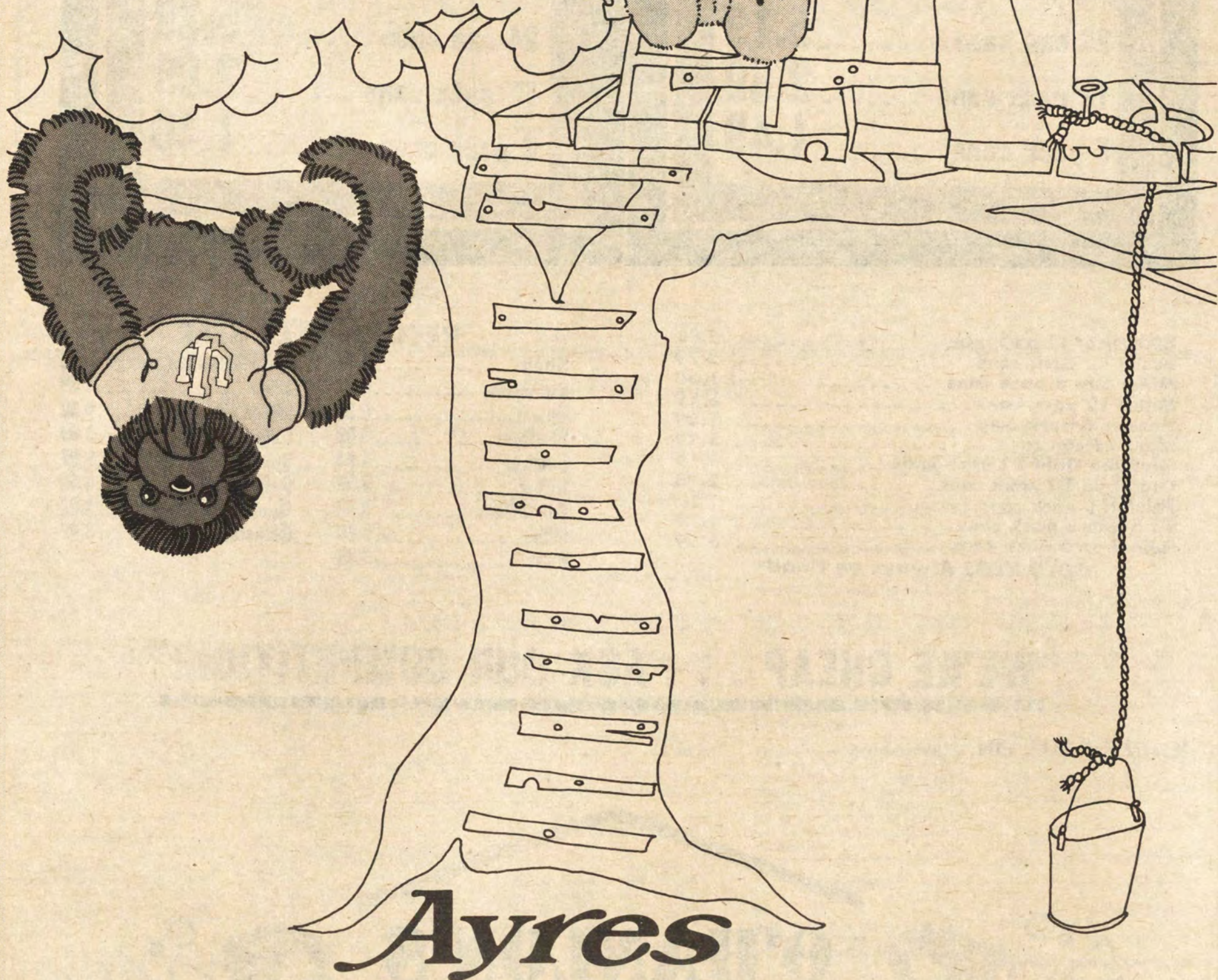
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# New Ireland program begins today

by Jean Powley  
St. Mary's Editor

Nine St. Mary's students and nine Notre Dame students left the United States today for a year of study at St. Patrick's College,

Maynooth, Ireland. The 18 are the first members of the ND-SMC community to participate in the new study-abroad program for sophomores, sponsored jointly by St. Mary's and Notre Dame.

The group will spend the first week in Dublin for orientation purposes, according to Sister M. Alma Peter, coordinator of the program. During this time they will hear lectures, attend concerts and Irish dances, take tours, visit museums, attend a performance at the Abbey Theatre and have a meeting with the Prime Minister and the President of Ireland.

Once their official introductions to the country have been made, they will travel 14 miles to Maynooth. The school year will begin Oct. 3.

The first term which lasts until mid-December is called the Michaelmas term. It is followed by a three-week vacation. The Hilary term begins in mid-January and ends at Easter, followed by another three-week vacation. Finally, from Easter until mid-May is the Trinity

term.

The long vacation periods give students an opportunity to travel in England and Scotland or on the continent. Weekends can be spent travelling through England.

St. Patrick's College, itself, dates back to 1795. Over the years it built up an enviable reputation as an outstanding seminary to train priests. In 1966 it was reconstituted as a coeducational liberal arts and science college and since then has grown rapidly. It now has approximately 1,500 students and a faculty of more than 100.

Maynooth is a small medieval city, bordered by landed estates. Buses leave from there for Dublin every hour. Thus, St. Patrick's combines the advantages of a small institution of academic renown with the closeness of a large city.

Since the program is now primarily for sophomores, basic courses will be offered in many areas which fulfill the liberal arts core requirements of St. Mary's and Notre Dame. All classes will be taken directly at St. Patrick's with the Irish students enrolled there, and will be taught by St. Patrick's faculty.

Applicants with a 3.0 average or better were given preference for

admission to the program because Irish students are screened thoroughly before they may enter college. However, students with between a 2.5 and 3.0 average are also eligible.

While in Ireland, the students will live in the college's regular student housing with the Irish students. In this way they will have

an opportunity to really get to know the Irish culture and benefit from it.

A meeting for students interested in studying in Ireland during the 1978-79 school year will be held sometime in early November, according to Peter. Applications will be distributed then and must be returned by Feb. 1.

## Students injured in fight

Three Notre Dame students were injured and a South Bend man was arrested following an incident that led to a "free for all" according to witnesses, at Corby's Bar early Saturday morning. The students were admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital for treatment of a broken nose and facial cuts from broken glass.

Police would not disclose the cause of the fight, but, according to one Corby's patron, it stemmed from a disagreement between a 24 year old South Bend resident, Kevin Wishin, and a Dillon resident.

According to "Sweeney," Cor-

by's manager, the fight spread to include other patrons, but most of the people involved were trying to break up the original fight. He called six police from Bridget McGuire's and said that Wishin was arrested outside of the bar. Wishin was released Monday morning by the South Bend Police and one injured student stated that he planned to press charges against him.

Also, Sweeney expressed a concern for the safety of the Corby's patrons and "applauded the students' effort to break up the fight." No property was damaged according to Sweeney.

## Crude oil tax considered

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Even before that vote, Long had cautioned his colleagues that if the tax were removed, "sooner or later we're going to have to put it back in or there won't be an energy bill."

Republicans, sensing the outcome, had been pressing for a vote for several days. They viewed the tax proposal, in the words of Sen. William V. Roth (R.-Del.), as "another ripoff of the middle class."

The vote came after a two hour discussion of a complex plan drawn up by the committee staff as a way of phasing out the tax.

Roth called the alternative an "Alice in Wonderland contraption" that would be attacked as "a

welfare program for the big oil companies."

The House passed the crude oil tax in basically the form outlined by Carter. In three steps, the price of U.S. produced crude oil would be raised from the current average of about \$8.50 per barrel to the world price, which now is about \$14.40.

The most noticeable effect of the tax would be to raise the price of a gallon of gasoline by seven to nine cents. In fact, economists say, the tax would be felt as higher prices for anything made of petroleum with the exception of heating oil, which would be exempt.

Between 1978 and 1982, the tax would be expected to cost con-

sumers \$39 billion. To avoid depressing the economy, Carter proposed that the bulk of that money be returned to Americans through the income tax system, with about \$22 going the first year to each adult American.

The rebate scheme has never been popular in Congress, although it barely survived a vote in the House.

Conservatives said if petroleum is taxed, the money ought to be funneled to the energy industry as an incentive to increase production and develop new fuels. Liberals wanted to use the tax to finance tax revision, Social Security and other social programs.

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How was that, Tom??? G

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Fencing team: Thanks for the support, The Cross Country Team

Katie, This OC senior might not know the difference between Lyons or Lewis but he knows he had a good time last Friday night. Hope we share many more before the semester ends. Frank

Hey, Pete, Is that your sister I see swimming all the time? G

Rich, Happy 21st from the Fantastic Five. Joining our fatality list?

Murf, Hope you've recovered from your disease G

To the Craig Cutthroat, Happy 21st and many more! Blade and Dave

Hiya, Jeffie!!!

Victor Yandel, Fire up 21! He's never been 21 before, now he's got the key to the door! Best wishes from the Rock 'n Roll Palace.

Krazy Kate, Are you sure those were just cold pills? DB

# Harriers romp over Spartans, 16-43

by Gregory Solman  
Sports Writer

"I'm getting more and more confident in this team as the season progresses,"boasted a proud Joe Piane--and with proper justification, after he had witnessed the Irish's 16-43 devastation of Michigan State

For the Irish, it was only the second time in ten years that the cross country team had defeated strong-running Spartans. The other victory, two years ago and also under the coaching auspices of Joe Piane, couldn't have been more convincing.

After Michigan state's Jeff Pullen 24:27 time earned him a hard-fought first place berth, the Irish took over. Pullen's closest teammate showed up fifteen places later. Sandwiched between the two hapless Spartans were nothing but Irish--fourteen of them to be exact. The Irish did what they hope to do for the remainder of the season: run in groups and dominate the scoring. Though the Irish grouped their first eight finishers within 49j seconds of each other, Piane insists that Irish fans have not seen

the best.

"We ran well, obviously," espoused Piane, "buth there were still three of four guys that could have run better than they did."

One of the runners that did run up to expectation was Dennis VanderKraats, whose 24:36 time earned him the second spot.

"The camaraderie on this team is the best since I've been here," the junior VanderKraats spontaneously said,"Because of this, the burden of running so many miles has become more enjoyable."

VanderKraats assessed the team's chances by saying, "The avoidance of injury as well as a sustained effort will put us in contention for national contention."

Following VanderKraats were freshmen Charlie Fox and Pat Sullivan, Dan Horgan, Steve Welch, Chuck Aragon, Mike Maney, Mark Maney, Mark Novak and Joe Strohman.

Aragon, a native of Mexico, is only one of the freshman phenomons that compose the nucleus of this strong Irish team.

"I'm looking for improvement this year," commented Aragon, "My goals are to see our team make the nationals and to take thirty seconds off of my time." Aragon's 1:49 half-mile will do nothing to hurt the track team this spring, either.

The win for the Irish should prove inspiration for their next event, the Notre Dame Invitational, the largest intercollegiate cross-country meet in the nation.

"We'll be facing some pretty stiff competition this year," related Piane, "Michigan and Edinboro State College have fine squads but I have great confidence in our guys. I'm optimistic about the meet."

Piane admitted that he was at a loss to explain the total humiliation of Michigan State.

"I was confident that we would win, but I never expected to beat them that badly by that margin." With over fourty teams expected to show for the October 7 invitational, the challenge lies ahead for the Notre Dame harriers.



Freshman harrier Pat Sullivan, competing in his first race of his college career, placed third in the Irish overwhelming victory.  
[Photo by Dave Kiel]

## Ticket exchange announced

Any Notre Dame graduate, law or sophomre student who purchased a basketball bleacher seat this summer and would like to exchange that seat for one in the Lower Arena and pay the \$7.50 difference, should report to the second floor of the ACC on Monday, Oct. 5.

There are approximately 200 seats in the Lower Arena available

to students. These seats will be exchanged on a first come-first serve basis until they are exhausted.

Any Notre Dame student who did not purchase a season ticket during the summer and who has not contacted the Ticket Manager about a seat should come to his office immediately.

There is a good possibility that a few bleacher seats will become available after the above exchange has taken place.

Information regarding the actual distribution of the student tickets, tickets to the Nov. 18 Russian game and tickets to the games played during the vacations will be forthcoming.

## Michigan State eyes Irish

EAST LANSING, Mich. AP With their next two games against Notre Dame and Michigan, the Spartans of Michigan State have a chance to gain some national prestige.

But coach Darryl Rogers says he doesn't have time to plot MSU's

march back to college football prominence. At this point, he says, playing well and improving is the goal--with an upset victory or two just gravy if it happens.

"This is a very tender program, very young," he said Monday,

ticking off on the fingers of one hand the number of MSU players in their third year of action. "It's hard to talk about the national scene when we're worried on a day-to-day basis.

"If we win a football game, we've come a long way. But we can lose and still improve, too."

Not that Rogers assumes his team will lose to Notre Dame. He'd never admit that, and looking at the Irish' less than overpowering showing thisyear it might not even be warranted.

Notre Dame staggered to a 19-9 win over Pittsburgh, got beat by Mississippi, and Saturday had to come from behind to beat Purdue. The Irish have given up almost 18 points a game and 191 yards a game passing, and have suffered some injury losses.

Still, Rogers said, "they are one of the best football teams in the country. I think they've got great people."

Rogers noted that the MSU-Notre Dame rivalry is well-known nationally, thanks to ABC television, which has broadcast 11 of the contests including the 1966 "game of the century." In fact, he said, while at San Jose he figured it was a bigger rivalry than Michigan-Michigan State-a perception that was corrected when he took the MSU job.

Rogers spent a lot of time Monday shaking his head over his team's first half play in Saturday's 34-16 win over Wyoming. The Spartans, now 2-1, were down 16-0 at intermission, and Rogers said later it was the worst display of football he'd ever been associated with.

"After watching the game films," he said Monday, "it was even worse than that." Rogers took no credit for the team's turnaround at halftime, noting the players realized how inept they'd been. "They were embarrassed by their performance," he said. "They just went in and sat in front of their lockers without saying a word."

## \*Observer Sports

## Interhall football gets under way

by Tony Lopez  
Sports Writer

Well, all of the football actgion this weekend wasn't just at Purdue. As a matter of fact, the interhall football season opened this past Saturday.

Flanner sneaked by Stanford 8-7. Outstanding players for Flanner were Rich Neville, Chris Luhniing and Al Shumaker. All three players played the entire game contributing to both the offe3nse and the defense. Flanner sneaked by Stanford 8-7. Outstanding players for Flanner were Rich Neville, Chris Luning and Al Shumaker. All three players played the entire game contributing to both the offense and the defense. Flanner socred after a 65 yard drive with an eight yard pass from quarterback Mark Coons to Marty Dytrych. Coons brought it in for a two point conversion.

Stanford scored fir4st with a two yard run up the middle by speedy Ray Olui. According to Phil Volpe, Flanner coach, "Both teams were evenly matched and it was a well palyed game. The score could have gone either way."

Elsewhere on the North Quad, Keenan dominated Holy Cross 7-0. Mike Sassaller, Keenan's freshman running back, had an outstanding game. He carried 13 times for109 yards. Quarterbvack Greg Really went 3 for 6 and 27 yards for Keenan, but it was the awesome Keenan defense that held Holy Cross to negative yardage.

Zahm slipped by Cavanaugh 8-0. Zahm's signal caller connected

with his man Steve Ciciarelli and put his team on the board for the only score of the gaame. Stan Kudlacz found the hole for the two point conversion. The game was called in the final minute of play when a free-for-all erupted on the field.

Dillon ran by Fisher by a score of 14-0. Quarterback Bill Griffin rfan it for the first score of the game. Then a Griffin pass to Tim Holyrod scored a second touchdown. Jaime Helper contributed tyo Dillon's cause by kicking two extra points. But again, ti was defense that won 'he game as Fisher was held to negative yardage.

St. F4's-Howard just squeaked by Sorin, 6-0. Outstanding players in this game were Mike Oddi who ked an unbelievable 70 yard punt, a record for interhall football. n Romanelli had a65 yard run for Sorin which was called back bec ause of a motion penalty. It could have turned the game the other way, had the touchdown counted. Both teams were evenly matched and it was a hard hitting game.

Alumni dominated Pangborn, 7-0. Alumni scored on a tight end p ss from quarterback Bob Dvoraz to Mike Vanachek. Coach Pete Calafati gives the credit to the superb l ng of the offensive lin. for victory. Alumni dominated and moved the ball up and down the field. The key players for Pangborn were quarterback John Franco, who connected for a twenty five yard gainer, with wide receiver Mac Pienizek. Also, running back Tom Edwards deserves honorable mention for his fine game on Sunday.

### Ted Robinson

### The Greatest

### One man's view

Sports legends are easy to create, but difficult to destroy. Mickey Mantle, Willie Mays, Johnny Unitas, and Oscar Robertson are all prime examples of superstars who had to be removed from the active ranks with a crowbar. None of them followed the example of Ted Williams, Stan musial and Jimmy Brown, all of whom fled from the limelight before their skills eroded.

The same problem now confronts Muhammed Ali. The last two years have not been kind to Ali. After the Methodical destruction of the supposedly invincible George Foreman, Ali has proceeded to beat Europe's answer to Duane Bobick, Richard Dunn, light-hitting Jimmy Young, Ken Norton and Alfredo Evangelista. Let us not forget the farcical match with Antonio Inoki which resemble a Gong Show act.

Just stating that Ali regivstered victories over the aforementioned people is unfair. Dunn and Evangelista were unproven fighters without a reason for being in the ring with Ali. In fact, if Evangelista could have punched hard enough to deck a wino, he may have beaten Ali. Many thought Young bested Ali, but you don't win a heavyweight championship by ducking outside the ropes. Many of the same people thought Norton bested Ali and they may have been right.

Last May, all doubts ab out Ali's deterioration were erased. At the Capital Centre, Ali fought Evangelista for 1 round and toyed with Evangelista for 14 more. Ali was overweight and his punches ahd no sting. Unfortunately for Evangelista and "Rocky"fans, Alfredo would have had trouble punching his way past a shower curtain. It became evident that evening that Ali was deceiving a loyal following of fans.

So, why is he still fighting? Because boxing needs hir. Promoters will line up stiffis for miles and wave millions in the air for the opportunity to get Ali in the ring. This is a critical period for boxing in its attempt to regain the credibility it lost in the Don King fiasco. And who is Ali to turn down the savior role?

But ia Ali good for boxing? That question is answered by fans and television. There are still hard-core boxing fans who will pay astronomical prices to see Ali in person. The TV networks will pay astronomical prices to televise Ali's fights with Evangelista, Dunn and Earnie Shavers into American homes. No other boxer could command that degree of publicity.

Now, it is Shavers' turn to entertain American by acting for 45 minutes with Ali. If Ali is in the same condition as he was for the Evangelista fight, he'll just stay away from the man dubbed "the acorn." If he feels good, he'll land enough punches to win a unanimous decision.

How good is Shavers? Three years ago, he was knocked out in the first round by Jerry Quarry. When last seen on television Quarry was peddling shaving cream on a face that absorbed more punishment than most boxers see in a lifetime.

Thursday night in Madison Square Garden, a legen may be permanently destroyed. If it happens, boxing will have lost its best hope for survival. Boxing fans should hope Ali can crack "the acorn."