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Police raid nets criminals

by Chris Smith
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A dramatic scene unfolded in the pre-dawn hours last Friday morning, Dec. 3, as over 200 police and FBI agents began arresting suspects who sold stolen property to a police-operated fencing operation. This was only the climax to nine months of undercover work, during which policemen bought stolen goods to gain the evidence they needed to arrest their suspects.

A Storefront Operation

According to FBI Agent Robert Radde, a storefront, manned by FBI agents and the state police, was set up at 719 LaPorte Ave. At this location, they purchased stolen merchandise that was brought to the storefront.

The store opened last March, and the first purchase of stolen property was made on March 3,

Anticipating that many off-campus students have items among those that were received by the police at their fencing operation, Associate Off-Campus Housing Director Darlene Palma has offered to assist in returning the goods to their owners.

Palma advised that the police will be contacting owners of the merchandise during the coming week. To avoid hampering police

efforts, she advises students not to call the police station next week.

“If you aren't contacted this week,” she advised, “then give the police a call at 233-1123.”

The caller should, if possible, be able to provide descriptions and serial numbers of stolen articles and the date of theft.

Police noted that only items stolen during the last nine months are likely to be recovered.

Over the next nine months, more than 400 purchases were made from over 150 persons. The police estimated that the total cost of the operation was about \$65,000. That money was used for equipment involved in the operation and to buy stolen merchandise which was brought to the storefront.

According to officials, nearly one million dollars in stolen goods were purchased. The items included luxury automobiles, motorcycles,

typewriters and CB radios.

Among the items received at the storefront were 58 typewriters stolen from Concord High School in Elkhart earlier this year.

Many guns, ranging from handguns to rifles, were also purchased by agents. Among the weapons is a rifle inlaid with mother of pearl, valued at \$5000. Several of the weapons have been traced to crimes that occurred earlier this year.

The merchandise that police bought over the nine-month operation of the storefront is stored in warehouses while police try to identify and locate the owners. Officials expressed hope that 90 percent of the property will be returned to the owners.

A small fraction of the items will be retained for use as evidence against those arrested during Friday's raid.

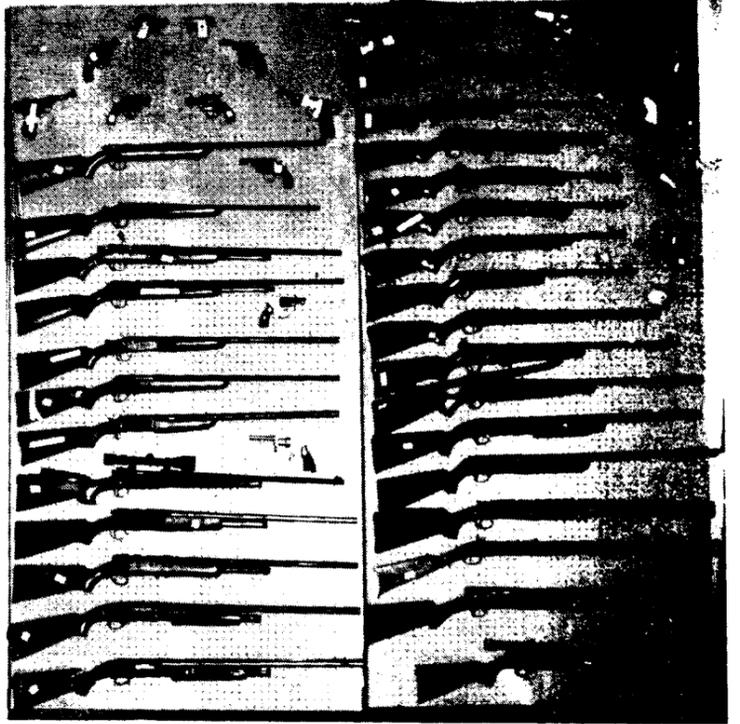
Details of the raid

Preparations for the massive raid began last November, when county and federal grand juries handed down more than 150 indictments against almost 80 persons. The evidence for the indictments was taken from police testimony, video recordings and tape recordings, all gathered since March at the storefront operation.

On last Thursday night, police held a “party for their best customers.” This “party” was a ruse used by police to draw forth their most dangerous suspects.

As the invited suspects arrived at the “party,” they were arrested. In all, 16 suspects were taken into

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Dozens of stolen guns were recovered through the police's fencing operation. The top three weapons on the right are sawed-off shot guns. [FBI Photo]



Numerous stolen motorcycles are being stored by police while they try to track down the owners. During the past nine months, police bought nearly a million dollars worth of stolen property from criminals for \$60,000. [FBI Photo]

With O'Neill leadership

Radical change forseen

WASHINGTON [AP] When six-foot-three Thomas P. O'Neill takes over the House speaker's chair which five-foot-four Carl Albert occupied for six years, there will be more to the change than meets the eye.

With no opposition in sight, the big white-haired Massachusetts Democrat appears certain to be chosen for the top leadership post today when the Democratic caucus meets to organize the House it dominates.

O'Neill, now majority leader, appears equally certain to bring a new style to the speakership.

Going by his record, he will be more outspokenly partisan, more available to the media as a spokesman for his party and Congress, more willing to lay down the law to his colleagues on Democratic positions.

“Vacillation is always a problem in leadership,” he once said, “but it's not going to be mine.”

His will not be the low-key style of Albert, who is retiring from

Congress. Albert was a leader with a strain of personal shyness and one willing to go to extra lengths in search of consensus among Democrats.

O'Neill has said: “I think the speaker of the House in Congress should be like the Massachusetts speaker, all-powerful. He should appoint committee chairmen and remove them if they stray from the party line. He should be answerable only to the caucus, which can remove him at any time.”

“I'd throw the seniority system out on its ear...”

That was said three years ago, well before Albert announced his retirement and while O'Neill's own speakership was still a long-range goal. As the caucus election approaches, O'Neill, ever-conscious that Albert is still speaker and that as majority leader he is only number two, has consistently refused to be interviewed on his views of leadership.

Moreover, O'Neill is above all a realist, schooled in the complex

practicalities of Boston politics and by long legislative experience, including the speakership of the Massachusetts House. He knows that, while the speaker may be the most powerful member of the national House, he cannot, in 1977, be all-powerful.

O'Neill, more gregarious than his immediate predecessors, is a jolly, story-telling 240-pounder who likes gatherings, Irish and otherwise, poker and golf.

He worked loyally with Albert as party whip and leader, punctilious not to steal the limelight but occasionally showing signs of restiveness when decisions seemed to be delayed.

When evidence against President Richard M. Nixon was accumulating and some members were going off on their own with impeachment resolutions, O'Neill used his persuasive powers to convince the other leaders they should accept the inevitable, forestall the hotheads and prepare methodically for the proceedings that led to impeachment articles voted by the Judiciary Committee.

SU restores power to board of directors

by Marian Ulicny
Staff Reporter

Student Union's board of directors met for the first time this year to define its role in guiding Student Union policy.

According to the Student Government constitution, the Student Union board of directors “shall determine the policies of the Student Union and be responsible for its smooth operation.” The board is comprised of Ken Ricci, Student Union director and board chairman, Walt Ling, associate director, Mary Ann Morgan, comptroller, Mike Gassman, student body president, Mike Casey, vice-president, Eric Ryan, treasurer and Brother John Benesh, representative of the Office of Student Affairs.

Student Union officials expressed differing opinions concerning the revival of the board and its function.

Ling stated that the board “has always been there, just never used. The feeling has been that there's no need for its use, not as long as there was constant communication between the Union and Student Government. Because the Student Government board of commissioners gives us our money, we are responsible to them.”

According to Ling, communication between the two organizations has decreased. “The Student Union director was making the decisions a board was supposed to be making,” he explained. “This was holding loosely to the constitution in the past, but, of course, it's very vague.”

Ling stressed the board “should not meet to discuss every little policy issue, just define major policy such as concert ticket blocks for dorms, possible hiring and firing of upper Student Union officials, and purchasing, rather than renting, refrigerators used on campus as a money-making project for the Union.”

In addition, Ling saw an advantage to the board in producing group decisions. “A group can easily take in all the facts, give a wide range of opinions and vote on it. If it doesn't decide, at least it

can make recommendations,” he added.

The first goal of the board is “to look at the constitution and say, ‘What exactly are we supposed to be doing?’” Ling stated. “We will work to come up with a proposal of what the board of directors should be responsible for. After it is discussed and approved, the Student Government Board of Commissioners will form a constitutional convention to vote it into the Student Government constitution.”

Ling stated the role of the board of directors should be “more explicit.” “It should be responsible for giving the Student Union direction and re-evaluation. It will make it easier on future policy decisions,” he added.

According to Ricci, “Nobody knows the exact relation of the board to the Student Union. Up to now, we've been executing what's been in the constitution. It never says, ‘Meet.’ It doesn't require meetings.”

Leo Garonski, Student Union recording secretary, stated the board “has never really been implemented before, but some people feel it's appropriate now. Its purpose is never clearly defined in the constitution. The language is extremely ambiguous.”

Ricci does not view the board as a means of decentralization but as “taking the brunt of decision-making higher.” I'd see the board pointing direction, but others would see them playing a more active role. That's the point we're at now,” he explained.

“The gist is how much power the board should have,” Garonski noted. “That's the conflict. People want the board to review the decisions made by the director. Some see it more as a decision-making body rather than setting general policies,” he added.

According to Ricci, “We're starting from scratch. Even at the first meeting we had to begin with the preliminaries of how to record the minutes and vote.”

“Something should be organized, he concluded, “In the future, we hope to set up some guidelines about policy that are not presently written down.”

News Briefs

International

Gaullist party dissolved

PARIS — The Gaullist party dissolved itself yesterday at a political rally it called the biggest in French history and reorganized into a national movement. The new leader said it was aimed at blocking "the real threat" of a left-wing rise to power. Members of the old Gaullist Union of Democrats for the Republic (UDR) voted itself out of existence by a 13,184 to 123 margin and proclaimed the birth of the Rassemblement Pour la Republique (Rally for the Republic) with former Premier Jacques Chirac as president.

LDP gains early lead

TOKYO — Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), torn by dissension over the Lockheed scandal and facing its stiffest election challenge in decades, gained an early lead yesterday as votes were tallied in traditionally conservative rural areas. Prime Minister Takeo Miki of the LDP easily won his seat in Japan's parliament. Former Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka, a key defendant in the Lockheed Aircraft Corp. payoff scandal, also won re-election running as an independent.

On Campus Today

- 9:30 am-4:30 pm **benefit**, annual sale of unicef cards, calenders and gifts, sponsored by ladies of notre dame, **lib. lounge**
- 10 am-5 pm **installation**, park chambers sculpture installation, **isis gallery**
- 12:15 pm **daily advent mass**, celebrated by rev. robert griffin, **lafortune ballroom**
- 3:25, 4:30 & 5:30 pm **ascent of man film series**, "the long childhood", sponsored by college of science, **eng. aud.**
- 3:30 pm **computer course**--"pl-1", rm. 115 **math and comp bldg.**
- 4 pm-6 pm **reception** -- annual christmas reception and book display, sponsored by university press, **university club.**
- 4:30 pm **reilly lecture series**--"molecules in electric and magnetic fields" by prof. a.d. buckingham, univ. chemical lab, cambridge, sponsored by chemistry dept., rm. 123, **nieuwland science hall.**
- 4:30 pm **lecture** -- "the application of system dynamics to the study of economic development" by annie yuen, univ. of wisconsin, sponsored by economics dept., rm. 120 **hayes-healy center**
- dinner** -- madrigal dinners, regina north dining hall
- meeting** -- n.d. alcoholics anonymous group meeting, **lib. lounge**
- exhibition** -- russian national gymnastic team, **acc.** tickets: \$10, \$6 and \$4
- lecture** -- "baby and child care", by dr. benjamin spock, sponsored by student union, **washington hall**
- 8 pm **slide lecture** -- robert barnes, prof. of art, indiana univ., bloomington, sponsored by art dept., **art gallery**

Controversial baby doctor to talk about difficulties of child-raising

Dr. Benjamin Spock will speak on raising children in a difficult times in Washington Hall at 7:30 tonight.

Author of **Baby and Child Care**, Spock was once called the "father of a whole generation" because of his book's effect on child rearing. A pediatrician and psychiatrist he has also been the pediatric columnist for **Redbook** magazine.

Spock made headlines in 1968 when he was charged with conspiring to counsel young men to evade the draft. Since then he has also become a critic of war, obscenity, welfare systems, and prejudice.

He feels "the problems of poor people, black people, and people who want peace...are all part of the same problem."

Spock, whose appearance at Notre Dame is sponsored by the Student Union Academic Commission, was born in 1903, is a graduate of Yale (1925) and Columbia (1929) and has published such works as **Baby and Child Care**, **A Baby's First Year**, **Feeding Your Baby and Child**, **Dr. Spock talks with Mothers**, **Problems of Parents and Decent and Indecent** on morality and obscenity.



Dr. Benjamin Spock

Art lecture tonight

Robert Barnes, professor of art at Indiana University, Bloomington, will present a slide lecture at 8 tonight in the Notre Dame Art Gallery.

The talk is open to the public and is part of a one-day visit to the campus, most of which will be spent in discussions with art majors. Identified with the Chicago School of the early 1960's, Barnes will exhibit several of his works which start as abstract and become figures in spacial interiors.

ERRATUM

In the Friday, Dec. 3, **Observer** story on "Bump City," a quote was incorrectly attributed to events organizer Mike Kammerdiener.

Kammerdiener actually did not make the quote and was not contacted by the **Observer** on the story. The story was prepared by Student Union Events Commissioner Kevin Sadler.

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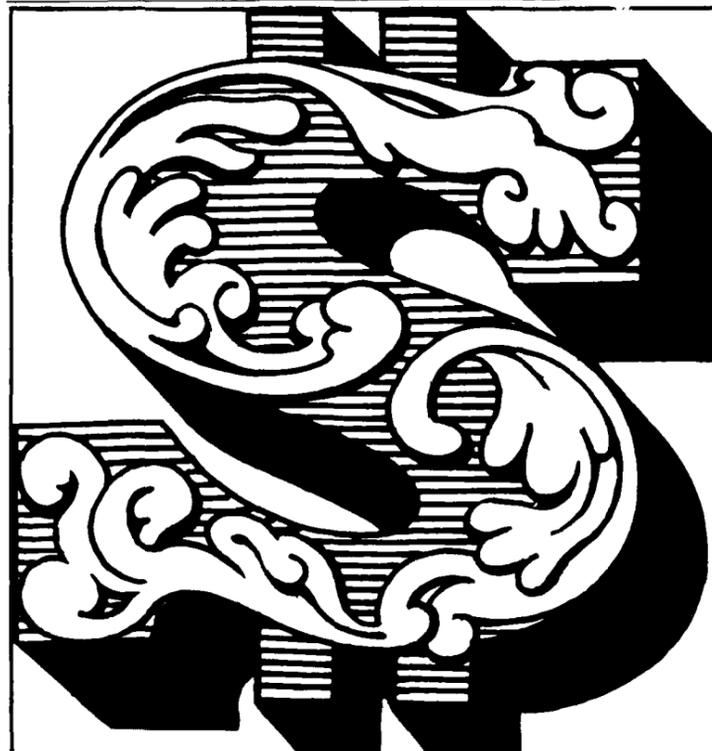
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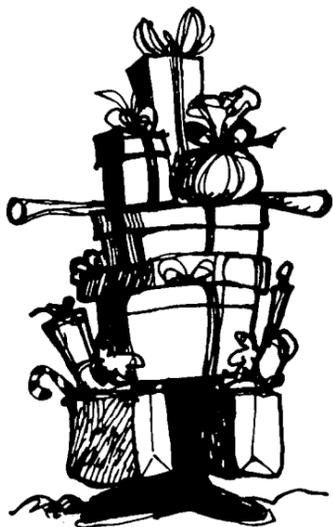
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Driver injured

Shuttlebus collides with truck

by Paul Hesse
Staff Reporter

A shuttlebus to St. Mary's carrying about 40 Notre Dame and SMC students, collided with a truck in the northbound lane of U.S. 31 on Friday afternoon's 3:30 shuttle run. The driver of the bus, Will A. Surratt, 27 of South Bend was the only person injured in the mishap.

Surratt was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital and treated for minor injuries, which included a cut forehead and a badly bruised knee.

"I was sort of towards the rear of the bus, when I heard the driver hit his horn," reported Charlie Weis, a rider on the bus. "I looked up as he slammed on the brakes, and saw this truck coming into the front of the bus. Then glass went flying all over the place, and everyone was sort of panicky. I was worried about the people in the front," he said, "and I was afraid the bus driver might be in pretty bad shape."

Others who had been on the bus voiced similar views. Pam Iammarino, a St. Mary's freshman and a regular on the 3:30 shuttle, was on her way back from a class at Notre Dame. "I kind of got thrown around," she explained, "but I really wasn't too worried about myself." Instead, her first thoughts were also of Surratt. "I had visions of him being crushed or something," she said. "I was really surprised - and really happy - when I saw that he was all right."

The damage to the bus was extensive. The front windshield shattered almost completely on impact and the instrument panel ended up in the street. St. Mary's senior Mary McMahon recalled, "All I kept thinking was what would have happened had we been a foot or two farther out into the street. I guess we were really lucky."

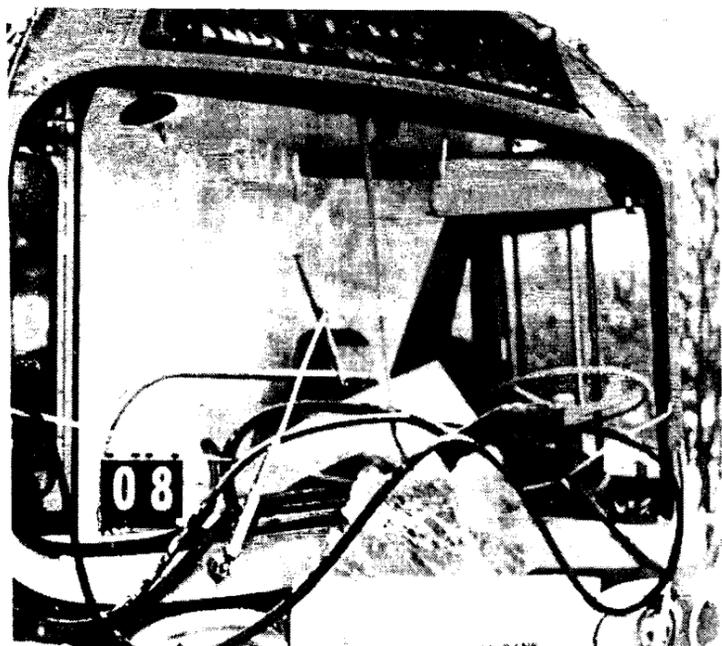
The driver of the truck was Jerry Glisson, 23, of South Haven, Michigan. He was headed north on Route 31 and, according to witnesses, failed to observe the traffic signal at the intersection of U.S. 31 and St. Mary's gate road. The bus

was travelling west and had just entered the intersection when the accident occurred. Glisson was uninjured and his truck was virtually undamaged. However, he was cited for negligent driving.

Traffic on U.S. 31 was slowed for over an hour. Weis and another bus-rider channelled the northbound traffic into the left-hand southbound lane. "Then we just directed traffic for a good half hour or so," Weis said, "until the police

got there."

Weis, Iammarino and McMahon were all somewhat critical of the police response to the accident. "I was surprised how long it took the police and ambulance to arrive," said McMahon. "They were kind of slow." Weis was a bit more outspoken. "You can blame the weather conditions all you want," he concluded, "but if anyone had been seriously hurt, they would have been in trouble."



Front window of shuttle bus was shattered in collision last Friday. [Photo by Janet Carney]

Augusta Hall offers seniors option to dorm restrictions

by Jean Powley
Staff Reporter

In September, 1974, St. Mary's needed additional housing facilities and the college's seniors wanted additional freedom and responsibility, so the north end of Augusta Hall was leased from the Sisters of the Holy Cross and it became an all-senior residence hall.

Now, two and a half years later, although life in Augusta has become more of a small group experience than the originally conceived community experience, it has remained a hall where the residents solve their own problems while abiding by all college rules. Residents have their own keys to the dorm's front door and come and go as they please without any hall director or resident advisor supervision. Visitors must use the phone outside to call their hostess in order to gain entrance to the building, much like an apartment complex.

Fifty-five students live in Augusta at present, but since its opening, the number of residents has ranged from 50 to 62. Two of its current occupants are juniors who were permitted to live there because fewer seniors wished to move to Augusta than in the past. Life there has lost much of its glamor, according to Stevie Wernig, vice president of student affairs. New things are always popular at first, but later, interest in them wanes, she explained.

There are several disadvantages to living in Augusta Hall. It is

isolated and inconvenient and has not tunnel connection to the other buildings on campus, and if a resident loses her key it is difficult to have replaced. Wernig added that, "Augusta has become a dorm of many cliques. Although other dorms have the same problem, it is much more apparent in a small situation like the one at Augusta."

Although the hall's residents admit to some disadvantages, such as a limited hall budget and substandard kitchen and lounge facilities, they seem to feel that Augusta's good points far outweigh its bad points.

According to Augusta's co-chairmen, Liz White and Happy Reynolds, who jointly cast the hall's one student assembly vote, it is the huge rooms, senior atmosphere, community spirit, privilege of governing themselves and quiet which are the dorm's main attractions.

Augusta Hall may in the not-too-distant future become a regular dormitory with a hall director and RA's, however, due to overcrowding on campus. In fact, St. Mary's administration considered putting a part-time graduate student and a few RA's in Augusta this year but decided against it, according to Wernig. "Anything is conceivable concerning Augusta. It is an old building, though, and would need to be fixed up quite a bit. Since it is owned by the convent, any renovation would have to be approved by them," she said. In any event, Augusta will always remain the college's smallest residence hall, she added.

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opinion

Sarcasm and Hyperbole

john zygmont

Last year I authored a moderately successful column that took a humorous view of life here at Notre Dame. Recently some people have asked why the column has disappeared from these pages. I can only presume these inquirers either enjoyed my column or are afflicted with some form of masochism. I have refrained from offering an explanation in print only because I thought it was so obvious. But perhaps an explanation is in order.

I believe **The Observer** should concern itself with the serious issues of the day like the food co-op or the bus shuttle and allow a minimal amount of space to frivolous endeavors like my columns. And I feel the space allotted for humor in **The Observer** is being most adequately handled by the pen of "Chip Spina." I must admit I was not one of those who readily appreciated the force of "Spina's" satire, but now I'm one of his biggest fans. And I think you will be too, after I let you in on the joke behind "Chip Spina's" column.

First of all, there is no real life person called "Chip Spina." Rather, it is a clever pseudonym for an ingenious first-year graduate student named Rufus Willington. Willington does graduate work in philosophy here at the university after previously pursuing his undergraduate studies at Northwestern. In fact, Willington ("Spina") worked as a student manager at Northwestern and is a good friend of football coach Johnny Pont. So now you understand that everyone at Northwestern realizes when they read a column by "Chip Spina" it's really Rufus Willington pulling their leg again. Why else would **The Observer** print such classless insults unless they were meant in a spirit of jest?

But that's just a trivial insight. Let's get to the real essence of "Spina's" humor.

At the beginning of the year, Willington ("Spina") set out to satirize, in the sports section, the

bench-jock attitude so prominent at Notre Dame. You know who Willington means: the guys who act as if they scored the TD, they intercepted the pass; who act as if they personally received an invitation to the Orange Bowl. And how brilliantly "Spina" cultivated this fertile ground for parody.

For example consider Willington's ("Spina's") remarks after Notre Dame's opening loss to Pittsburgh.

"At another school, a game such as Saturday's could be shrugged off. But at Notre Dame, football, winning football, seems to be the center around which all else revolves. It stopped revolving Saturday. ND no longer has winning football."

I mean, how funny can you get. What better way to satirize the over-zealous portion of our student body than to put into print what many of them were no doubt thinking.

Two weeks later the Notre Dame Football team tried to soothe its bruised ego by running up the score on an undermanned Northwestern squad. Willington angrily watched as the students from Notre Dame rubbed it in on the despondent Northwestern fans.

"How can I capture this brutality in print," Willington thought. He hit upon the idea of insulting the Northwestern team with an assortment of "cheap shots" in his column to represent the fanaticism of the Notre Dame fans at the game. He was gratified when **The Observer** received many letters protesting his continued insults proving to Willington that not all Notre Dame students condoned such classless activities.

But now a problem arose. Perhaps Willington had been too blatant in his critical satire. People were beginning to suspect that "Chip Spina" was not who he claimed to be. For a time, many on **The Observer** staff thought Willington had blown his cover.

Willington, however, rebounded magnificently. He had "Chip Spina" send a letter to **The Observer** defending his columns! The fictitious "Spina" not only refused to acknowledge any error but accused his detractors of having a poor grasp of the English language. The following is an excerpt from "Spina's" hilarious reply to his critics.

"Now just because certain illiterate elements of the student body are unable to recognize sarcasm and hyperbole (know what they are?) when they read doesn't mean that I should cease using these techniques."

After reading that passager I angrily went up to **The Observer** office to confront "Chip Spina." As chance would have it, I ran into Rufus Willington, who, after leading me on a bit admitted "Chip's" columns were all meant as satire. Willington explained he would stop writing the column "till things cool down" but assured me "Chip Spina" would reappear.

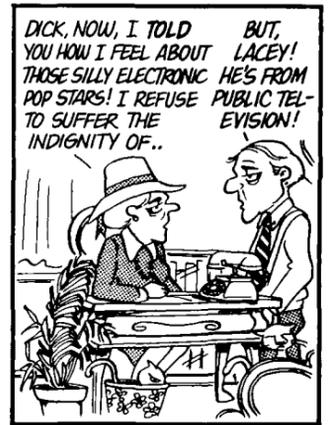
And indeed he has and as funny as ever. All year "Spina" has wailed on about **The Observer's** sport section and their promise to tell it like it is. Willington, of course, realizes just the exact opposite is true.

Willington portrayed this indecisiveness in **The Observer** Sports Department by having "Chip Spina" write about Notre Dame's controversial win over Alabama without having Spina give an opinion about the game! Instead, Willington, using his background in philosophy, modeled his column after Galileo's "Dialogue Concerning the New Science," so two stand-ins represented the two sides of the question freeing "Spina" from any responsibility about what "the skeptic" and the "rah-rah" said. Brilliant.

As the football season draws to a close, I would like to thank Willington for teaching me the true meaning of satire and parody.

DOONESBURY

by Garry Trudeau



seriously, folks The Georgetown Watchers

art buchwald

WASHINGTON — You have probably all been following Jimmy Carter's transition efforts with interest. One of the headlines that keeps cropping up is "Georgetown Awaits Carter People."

There is a myth in Washington that "Georgetown" controls the country and what is said at Georgetown parties affects the lives of every man, woman and child in the United States.

The first place the Carter transition people go when they arrive in Washington is Georgetown. They stand around holding a glass of white wine in their hands hoping to find out what is happening in the nation's capital. The truth of the matter is that Georgetown over the years has lost its influence and most of the power brokers in this town have moved up to Wesley Heights and Cleveland Park.

The reason for this is quite simple. The houses in Georgetown are all bunched together, and the walls are so thin that whatever is said in one house can be heard in another. There are no secrets in Georgetown but the press people -- always the last ones to get the word -- still keep covering Georgetown as they did in the Sixties, when the Kennedy folk used to hang out their laundry on each other's clotheslines.

It's true that there are some opinion makers who still live in Georgetown. Kay Graham, publisher of **The Washington Post**, has her home there. Joe Kraft still lives in Georgetown as does Rowland Evans, but his partner, Robert Novak, lives in Maryland. Jack Anderson is in Bethesda and Scotty Reston lives in Kalorama. Ben Bradlee, editor of **The Washington Post**, moved out of Georgetown long ago, and Woodward and Bernstein live next to "Deep Throat," wherever that is.

So what you get in Georgetown are really leftovers from the "Camelot" years.

I was at a cocktail party in Georgetown last week and the conversation went something like this.

"I hear there is talk at the

agency that the Cuban exiles might land at the Bay of Pigs."

"Bobby Baker is in real trouble and may be indicted by the Grand Jury."

"Billie Sol Estes is going broke in Texas."

"Arthur Schlesinger is writing a book exposing John Foster Dulles."

"The White House is thinking of sending Vice President Johnson to Berlin."

"The CIA is tapping Dean Rusk's telephone."

"Kruschchev is fighting with the Politburo and may be out any day."

"Robert McNamara is going to Vietnam to find out what the story is over there."

"Jackie Kennedy is thinking of redoing the White House."

The Carter people kept writing everything down in large black looseleaf notebooks which eventually would be turned over to the President-elect.

I tried to point out to one of them that if they wanted fresher news on Washington they should go to a cocktail party in Cleveland Park.

But the poor fellow said he didn't know where Cleveland Park was.

Besides, he said, Carter was very interested in what they were saying about him in Georgetown.

The only place in Georgetown where you can still get up-to-date news about what is going on is Doc Dalinsky's Drugstore on O Street. The reason for this is that while many of the power brokers have moved out of Georgetown, they still come to Dalinsky for their prescriptions. I suggested to one of Carter's transition men that if he really wanted the straight poop on Washington he should go to Dalinsky's coffee klatch on Sunday morning.

But the Carter man shook his head. "I was told to stay with the cocktail circuit in Georgetown. They say that's where it's all happening."

A man came by at that moment and said, "Did you hear Lynda Bird Johnson is getting married?"

The Carter man wrote it down in his big black book.

P. O. Box Q

Dear Editor:

Christmas approacheth as do finals and the halls will soon be festively decorated with artificial shrubbery and bleary-eyed students. Might I suggest to Student Government, Student Affairs or

whomever might be concerned that a real Christmas tree with a few lights would lend a welcome cheeriness to the campus if placed in the fountain basin in Crossroads Park? Merry Christmas.

Name withheld by request



"Well, here's Christmas -- at our throats again!" This cry of the cynic manifests an attitude that is shared by many who are fed up with the mad commercialism of this season. Advent seems to be a question of just so many shopping days until Christmas, a time for office parties, gift selecting and card sending. It is hard to penetrate through the tinsel and fat Santas, the reindeer and candy canes, the mistletoe and "chestnuts roasting on the open fire," to discover the real meaning of it all.

Almost everyone has a different reaction. Ask the clerk in the store what this season means to her and she'll tell you, "An avalanche of wild shoppers." For the cop on the corner it means a nightmare of snarled traffic; for the mailman it means an aching back; and for Notre Dame students, the pressure of papers and exams.

There does seem to be some general agreement, however, that Advent is a time of preparation. But too often this has meant a rather silly pretending that we are awaiting the birth of Jesus, as though he hasn't already come. T. S. Eliot may be right: "Humankind cannot bear much reality." But if we lose the sense of reality, we are ripe for the easy mythology of liturgical-year gamesmanship. Year after year people act as though Christ is about to come as a baby (some churches even have the tasteless practice of sending a plater

Christmas and Beyond

Fr. Bill Toohy

Jesus-doll down a wire, strung from the choir-loft, to land in the crib precisely at midnight on Christmas eve). Frequently, children are taken to Christmas mangers and told to pray to the infant Jesus. Sentimentalists may get terribly upset, and yell "Scrouge!" but still the plain truth reveals that there is no infant Jesus. There was. But he grew up, died, rose on the third day, and he remains with us now in his glorified presence.

It has not been helpful to youngsters (and those not so young) to have them play games with the truth. The church, which has not always had perfect grades for being in touch with reality, shows her wisdom by not allowing even one official prayer that is addressed to the infant Jesus. Prayer is meant to be realistic; it is for the here and now, as things are here and now. None of this should be interpreted to mean that the Christmas crib is out of place. Quite the contrary! But the crib scene calls for some authentic understanding. It necessitates a realization that there is a difference between reflecting on the past and the reality of the present moment. The

Christmas manger would have us meditate on the past (without getting stuck in sentimentalism), but also, and most importantly, would have us see that the Christmas scene is meant to point us beyond itself, to what it promised.

Thus the crib can give us the key to understanding what Christmas is all about. Christmas loses its significance if it does not lead us to what it initiated. It is a bit like a senior from Farley who will go home this Christmas and receive an engagement ring. In later years, she may commemorate the occasion she received that ring of promise; but its fulfillment, the wedding itself, will be much more important.

Christmas is like that for each of us: It marked the day the final phase of our redemption began. It initiated the last stage in the Father's strategy for rescuing us; it was the time mankind's hope and longing for salvation was brought to the highest pitch of intensity.

Even the first Christmas pointed beyond itself: "I bring you tidings of great joy; there has been born to you a Savior." The crib scene would move us beyond the

sentimentalism of Christmas cuteness and "that warm feeling" that doesn't even necessitate faith, and would remind us of the great love that was behind it all, which reached a crescendo at Easter and touches us even now.

In a very true sense, this season would draw us from the Christmas tree to the Christmas cave. Reality depicts, not the cozy scene of department-store windows (Hallmark-card theology; a doll warmed by the breath of adoring animals; Bing Crosby humming in the background). Christmas is God born poor, homeless, cold, rejected.

Christmas reminds us of NOW. This same God is still with us. That's what the name they gave him means -- "Emmanuel" -- God with us. He would, this Christmas, have us experience his presence and know his peace. But he would also add his fire: He would give us a burning incentive not to hoard his Spirit. For this same God is still in a cave (homeless, cold, rejected, lonely), joined, as he told us he is, to brothers and sisters. And they are to be found in Calcutta, in orphanages, in South Africa, Chile, Harlem, as well as Lewis, Dillon, Lyons and Campus View.

Christmas draws us to the present moment. God here and now comes to us, lives within us, urges us to share "Emmanuel" with others. May we be this kind of gift to each other this Christmas.

Letter from Mexico

Dedication of a new Basílica

John Dilenschneider

Most foreign studies programs offer continual travel, a new culture, and a different language to students who venture a year abroad. The Mexico program, however, added another touch to these benefits this year. It offered students a spot in its history.

On October 12, as more than 600,000 people crowded around the new basilica to see its dedication to the Virgin of Guadalupe, two Notre Dame sophomores, Dave Leibowitz and Brian Hogan, played a vital role in the event.

"Basically," said Hogan, "our job was to welcome representatives and dignitaries from 33 different countries, and on the day of the dedication itself form a protective wall around the bishops and cardinals so that they could leave freely after celebrating mass." The three day function climaxed with 500 cardinals, bishops, and priests concelebrating a mass in the new basilica. Among them was John Cardinal Krol from Philadelphia.

According to Leibowitz, besides sending invitations to religious figures, officials also sent 11,000 invitations to dignitaries throughout the world, even though the church itself only holds 10,000 people.

Leibowitz was also confronted with the huge crowd, and on one particular occasion slipped an invitation to a man who had walked for a month in order to see the dedication.

This demonstration of faith on the part of the Mexican people evolves from their strong religious beliefs concerning miracles. One such miracle involves the Virgin of Guadalupe.

On December 10, 11, and 12 in 1531, the Virgin of Guadalupe appeared to the Indian Juan Diego on the hill Tepeyacac, and a series of churches were established at the bottom of the hill until 1695 when the current standing basilica was completed.

Since this basilica had slowly sunk into the ground at an awkward angle and was dangerous to visitors, engineers started construction on a new basilica about a year and a half ago. By the time of its dedication, the modern basilica located at the side of the old one was nearly completed.

As workers frantically tried to prepare the church for the dedication, Hogan and Leibowitz also began preparing for the event. Selected from a group of more than 300 volunteers, they met with 48 other collegians almost two months beforehand in order to acquaint themselves with the basilica and its history. "During one meeting in particular we spent three hours touring the old basilica so that we could inform the visitors," Leibowitz noted.

According to Hogan, each person had a different assignment. "During the first night I was stationed at the Fiesta Palace, a hotel on Reforma, to welcome the visitors and representatives. Then, on the following day, both Dave and I met the dignitaries when they arrived at the airport."

priests to a bus, and then rode to the basilica where they arrived at eight o'clock.

On the way the students used a microphone to give a spontaneous speech to the representatives concerning this history of the basilica and the Virgin of Guadalupe.

"When we got there officials were all over the place to keep order," Hogan explained. "Some of the people (representatives) went to the old basilica to prepare for the procession, while others went directly to the new building."

At 10 o'clock the doormen began to take invitations, and swarms of people gathered to see the procession from the old basilica. In the procession the dignitaries wore their national wardrobe and carried their country's flag.

The purpose of the procession was to carry Juan Diego's white cloak on which the image of the Virgin Mary miraculously appeared 445 years ago from the old basilica to the new basilica where it was to be situated on the wall behind the altar in plain view.

After the procession, mass started. Speakers had been placed outside the church to enable the people without invitations to hear the singing and the mass itself.

"During the mass I was stationed on the balcony and tried to keep the people in their seats," said Leibowitz. "Sometimes though they got too anxious and started climbing over each other like animals."

Meanwhile, after taking invitations, Hogan had seated himself near the altar in order to assist the religious figures during their exit.

At the offertory 15 children brought up gifts of wine, corn, grapes, beans, and flowers to the altar. All these offerings were typical Mexican foods, and had a symbolic meaning to the people of Mexico.

"They set up two large screens on both sides of the altar," added Hogan, "and sometime around two o'clock, after the offertory, the people were able to see a televised message from the Pope." The message's theme focused upon the idea that the Virgin of Guadalupe is special to the Latin American people, and acts as their go-between in relation to God. The Pope also emphasized the undying faith of the Latin American people.

Around 2:30, 100 priests pushed out into the crowds which waited outside to give communion to 500,000 people. The mass ended a half an hour later, and the religious group that had stood around the main altar filed out the side aisles protected by the group of students. At that time the people waiting outside were allowed to enter the new basilica to look around and bring up offerings.

Following the mass the dignitaries proceeded to a banquet held at the Hacienda de los Morales, an exclusive Mexican restaurant. "We also had to accompany the visitors during the concert held on the afternoon of the following day at the new basilica," said Hogan. "And then that completed our role in the event."

Both Hogan and Leibowitz were impressed by the event, and formulated some

Lisa Moore

A Not-so Delicate Balance

Edward Albee's *A Delicate Balance*, as performed by the ND-SMC Theatre, leaves one wondering at the department's motivation for choosing this drama. To produce an Edward Albee play with college students is ambitious--to produce it well with college students (and in the vault of O'Laughlin Auditorium) is next to impossible. This second production of the season is marked by a number of flaws: problems which are ten percent the locale, thirty percent the cast, thirty percent the director and thirty percent Edward Albee.

Many times audiences and actors have remarked alike during intermissions and rehearsals that the lack of a useable theater at this university is more than an injustice to both producers and audiences: it should be an embarrassment. The low quality of facilities inherently cramps any production.

Portraying a middle-aged character in any realistic play is inevitably a difficult task for a seasoned college-age actor and an insurmountable one for an inexperienced performer. The sic-character cast of *A Delicate Balance* exhibits a frustrating lack of depth as a result, brightened only the performance of two veterans: Matt McKenzie as Tobias and Shevawn O'Connor as his alcoholic sister-in-law, Claire. McKenzie captures the character of Tobias, a middle-aged passive husband "plagued" by three witches in the cauldron of his own home. It is a difficult role, but McKenzie's experience and talent keep him floating and allow this performance to achieve believability. Shevawn O'Connor is a born comedienne, a one-woman show and a delight. She exhibits total expression, acting with both her voice and her body in a rare display of dramatic communication. Her vigor sends the audience laughing with a walk, a simple gesture and an accordion concert handled naturally and with a perfect timing and sensitivity.

Agnes, the imperious head of the household, is likewise an ambiguous role and the directorial interpretation in this case remains questionable. Agnes' "madness" opens and closes the play, but she is portrayed by high-pitched Anne Christine Massulo as madness that is anger rather than lunacy. This matriarch, whose constant preoccupation it is to maintain the family's delicate balance in a social malaise, needs to be played subtly and carefully. She, like the play she inhabits, exists in a state of delicate balance between sanity and frenzy and serves as the chorus of the play. This performance has the subtlety of a train wreck and never achieves a delicacy of any kind.

Likewise, Ann Kenny, who plays an awkward Julia, has a sense of the character

opinions from their experiences. "I achieved a better understanding of the psychology of power," Hogan said. "Every time a person saw my badge, he knew that it meant authority."

Leibowitz, however, was more impressed by the people.

but she never fully portrays that deep internal tension which haunts the four-time divorcee. We see her only as a victim and not as the torturer she sometimes is and only as a child and never as a woman.

This lack of subtlety is characteristic of the entire production. Albee's language is rich with suggestion and insinuation, but the directorial concept expresses none of this gentleness. The players act as if they are saying something, but we are never quite sure what is being said. The Terror that Edna and Harry flee from is never defined; we never hear the details of Teddy's death; the script embodies a haziness and an ambiguity that the production fails to illuminate. Unless we are to place the entire blame on Albee, it is clear that the flaw lies in the production. The inexpressible Terror must be understood indirectly and serve as a mirror to articulate the fears of the entire household.

This production fails to convince us that anything lies either inside or outside the world that the characters inhabit.

Lou St. Ville as Edna is the most convincing as a middle-aged character. She has some fine moments in her rambling speeches. Gary Aumiller, however, is flimsy and unconvincing as the husband Harry and never lifts his head during the entire two and one-half hour production.

Costuming creates still another problem. It is impossible to believe that Harry and Edna, who wear leisure suits and house-dresses and probably go bowling on Wednesday nights, are best friends and belong to the same club as Tobias and Agnes, who wear velvet pants, smoking jacket and flowing caftans. Moreover, wigs are useful to create a new character but they should look like hair, and not like wigs.

Dramatic production demands consistency in all aspects. The setting of this production is an expressionistic design of cold black shapes scattered around an elevated black platform. *A Delicate Balance* is a realistic play and anything but a realistic setting opposes a fundamental aspect of the script.

Some fine moments are created in this production--some fine moments are destroyed--by the intrusion of someone's idea of complementary music. Music should also be subtle and unobtrusive, not sharp and distracting and certainly it should not give us a sense of English drawing-room comedy.

A Delicate Balance shows a valiant effort in a production lacking in direction. It is an interesting evening, however, for it tests one's appreciation of the dramatic production and provokes considerations about both a successful American playwright and the potentials of college theatre.

Both Leibowitz and Hogan agree that the event was one of "historical importance," and they're not liable to forget it ... especially when they have a constant reminder hanging in their closets. Each got to keep the blue suit and striped tie they were given to wear at the dedication.

Nicholas Durso

Police bust fencing operation

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custody between 8 p.m. and 2 a.m. Police lured the alleged criminals to the "party" by telling them that counterfeit money would be handed out to be spent over the Christmas holidays.

The next, and biggest phase of the raid took place at the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge on State Road 23. All of the more than 250 policemen involved in the raid met here for a briefing.

At about 5:45 a.m., teams of 5 or 6 police started their raid, sweeping across St. Joseph County. In all, more than 48 adults and five juveniles were taken into custody as the raid proceeded throughout Friday morning.

Federal and local police involved

State Police Superintendent Robert DeBard described Friday's

ND professors win fellowships

by Mike Humpal
Staff Reporter

The National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded two Notre Dame professors fellowships for independent study and research.

Professor Ralph McNerny of the Department of Philosophy and Professor Eugene Ulrich of the Department of Theology were among 179 of the applicants chosen to be fellows. There were 1,719 individuals who applied for the fellowships.

Professor McNerny was granted his fellowship in order to complete a book he is writing on Boethius. He will now travel to Rome, where he will continue his research in the Vatican Library. Professor McNerny was awarded a Fulbright fellowship in 1959, during which time he traveled to Belgium and wrote his first book. Since then he has also been to Rome on sabbatical.

Professor Ulrich was granted a fellowship to complete research on the Biblical scrolls which comprise the Book of Samuel. He will be in charge of editing the scrolls with Dr. Frank Cross of Harvard. Professor Ulrich has been working on the scrolls since he wrote his dissertation and is now trying to complete a critical edition of them.

Professor Ulrich will work here with occasional trips to Harvard. When finished, he will travel to Jerusalem to compare the finished critical text with the actual scrolls. Professor Ulrich has previously been to Germany on a Sheldon Traveling Fellowship in 1972, and to Israel on a Pfeiffer Fellowship.

The National Endowment for the Humanities fellowships are worth a maximum of \$20,000 for a full year. The actual amount of the fellowship is determined by the recipient's salary while he is doing his search.

Dinner planned for Dec. grads

Seniors graduating in December who would like to attend the dinner being held this Thursday, December 9, 1976 should contact Fr. Robert Griffin, The University Chaplain, as soon as possible. An approximation of the number of guests that will attend the celebration is needed in order to finalize plans for the event.

The dinner is scheduled to take place in the University Club. A social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Mass is also planned for the graduates, to be held in the Keenan-Stanford Chapel prior to the social hour, at 5:10 p.m.

Students can contact Fr. Griffin in room 101 Keenan, anytime after 30 a.m.

St. Mary's Admissions Office is sponsoring an open house Tuesday, Dec. 14, from 2-4:30 p.m. All questions and tour guides are invited.

raid as "the largest operation the state police have ever participated in." Off-duty policemen from every state police post north of U.S. Highway 40 participated.

In all, more than 250 officers took part in the raid. This number included about 150 South Bend policemen and more than 100 from state and county forces. An estimated 50 FBI agents also participated in the arrests.

South Bend Police Chief Michael Borkowski commented that South Bend Police will be watching the

number of burglaries and arrests that take place in the near future, to see how effective a deterrent last week's arrests have been.

Borkowski also threatened to use operations of this type in the future, because of the apparent success with which stolen goods are recovered. With the police competing with other fencing operations, burglars are less sure of being able to get rid of stolen property. This in turn, according to police officials, should cut down the number of burglaries.

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Grif plans community tree

Plans are underway for a University Christmas Tree. Fr. Robert Griffin, the University chaplain, initiated the project yesterday. "In the wake of the criticism of the OSHA bans last week, it occurred to me that we do not have an official tree," commented Fr. Griffin.

The University Chaplain cited several cities which include a Christmas tree in their festivities as precedents for one at Notre Dame. "It would be a tree that everyone could contribute to and take care of," he noted.

So far the individuals consulted by Fr. Griffin have been favorable

to the plan. A collection was taken at Fr. Griffin's 5:00 p.m. Sunday mass and approximately \$100 was donated toward the community tree and decorations.

A possible site for the tree is Crossroads Park. The University Chaplain hopes to have the tree set up by Thursday, December 9, 1976. At 11:00 p.m. that night the tree would be blessed by the highest available cleric, officially lit-up, and then carols sung. Fr. Griffin intends to invite one of the campus choral groups to perform at the ceremony. The event would be followed by hot chocolate and donuts at Darby's Place.

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Notre Dame cagers whip Valparaiso

by Ted Robinson
Sports Writer

That wasn't really a college basketball team in those brown and gold uniforms Saturday afternoon in the A.C.C. They might have been a high school team flown in for a special appearance. The only problem was that a more suitable opponent would have been the St. Louis Zips.

Nevertheless, the team that wore Valparaiso on the front of their jerseys took one on the chin Saturday. Notre Dame hardly broke a sweat in a sleep-inducing 93-56 victory.

"The first five or six minutes is what killed us. I thought it was awfully important to stay close early in the game and we didn't do that," said Ken Rochlitz, Valpo's head coach. Perhaps he meant the first five or six minutes of the warmups because his team was out of it from the opening jump.

It was very hard to judge the Notre Dame performance as they were not forced to put forth an inspired effort.

Rich Branning's game was not hard to judge. The 6-3 freshman guard, whose middle name is becoming "Blue Chip," had 18

points, five assists and four steals in only 20 minutes of action. The smoothness with which he directs the offense lends credence to his California buildup as a young Jerry West.

Combine his totals with the nine points and four assists logged by Dice Martin and you have potent production from the point guard position. Incidentally, Martin's now made eight consecutive shots from the floor covering the last two games.

With Dave Batton sitting out the game due to a 104-degree fever, Toby Knight and Bruce Flowers carried the slack underneath. Knight shot 7-11 from the floor, as he compiled 17 points. Knight seems to have mastered the role of the big man in the Irish full-court press that has been missing since

the graduation of Peter Crotty.

Flowers had his second consecutive strong game under the basket. With 14 points and 12 rebounds, he completely dominated any center Valparaiso could throw in the game.

For the capacity crowd of 11,345, the game's most exciting moments came during the appearances of Notre Dame's now famous SWAT team, or as *Sports Illustrated* terms them in their upcoming issue, a self-named hit squad.

The identification of the student body with the walk-ons led to the final basket of the first half, a row-H bomb by Billy "Hawk-Eye" Sahn. It seems as if Digger Phelps may have found a new crowd-pleaser in the SWAT team, and the walk-ons certainly can't complain about the playing time.

Early in the afternoon, before many of the late-arriving fans settled in their seats, the dunk made its real debut in the A.C.C. Knight showed the fans the nearest thing to Dr. J that college basketball can offer. A flying slam dunk with a 10-foot takeoff provided a glimpse of what the game has been missing for years.

In those early minutes, the game was settled when Valpo missed close to a dozen shots of 10 feet or less. Their high-scoring guard, Nolan Petties, missed six of those, and in the process the Irish took an 18-6 lead.

As Valparaiso connected on only 29 percent of their first-half shots, Notre Dame widened their halftime lead to 37-18. The second half set the stage for the women's basketball game that was to follow.

The two home games that Notre Dame played in the past week can serve only as a partial barometer of the true potential that this team possesses. If a team only plays as well as its opponent's potential, then this team has its best moments ahead of them. UCLA and Indiana in the span of four days could show some of those moments.

Before the Irish take off for Los Angeles, they entertain the Northwestern Wildcats Tuesday evening. Northwestern brings with them their All-American candidate, guard Billy McKinney.

For Digger Phelps, Saturday served one purpose. "This game was another step towards our goal of an NCAA bid." It served no purpose for the Crusaders of Valparaiso University.

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Tom, your glasses are safe. If you want to see thru them again, raise the reward to \$50.00. I'm serious. No cops.

Jumper cables at St. Joe Airport Monday morning; call 287-5655.

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Wanted: 1 package of student B-ball fix for the remainder of the season. Call Mike at 288-0088.

Wanted to buy: 1 good 35mm SLR camera. Call Mark 259-3446.

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Do you have a package of B-ball fix you now feel you won't get the full use out of? Do you need some quick cash for Christmas? I desperately want and need a package for the rest of the home season. Call Mike at 288-0088.

Mike - Happy St. Nicholas Day. I love you. Your Christmas Angel

The war is over. The debt is paid. My adversary, however wants \$3 to sign the armistice. To my paid assassin: hang him high.

Campus Ministry West offices - ground floor of Badin - now student operated from 8 p.m. to midnight, Sunday through Thursday.

Do you want to be a Catholic? Please call 283-6536 or 283-3820 for information about the Notre Dame Catechumenate Program.

VAL. This year could have been extremely memorable. Please call if you still care. KEVIN

George - Who'd have ever thought that eggnog would be the start of something? Happy Anniversary, hon. SVEN

Yesterday was Diane's birthday, but call and wish her a happy one anyway. (7972).

Joe, See page 2.

T.L.G.F.R. If you encounter something that you really want, you have to TACK it down. Titmouse

Everyone knows Life is Mo fun With Mo Reynolds.

To Nancy Cueroni's roommate Kitty conklin: I sssssuppose men are equal to women, but can women handle overtime...

Barbara - Baby Roo? - anywat I didn't write anything about Barbie Dolls, but I thought of you anyway. Have fun on Bunny Hills? Christopher Robin

Notre Dame pucksters sweep CC

by Ray O'Brien
Sports Writer

The Irish Icercs pulled off their first WCHA sweep of the season by downing sixth-ranked Colorado College 7-2 and 6-2 this weekend at the ACC.

Fast skating, hard forechecking, smart defense and persistence characterized Notre Dame's play this weekend as the Irish put together two brilliant performances to capture their first sweep in the WCHA since their last home stand of the 1975-76 season against Minnesota-Duluth.

The Irish didn't wait long before getting the action going. With barely three minutes gone in the first period Friday night, freshman standout Greg Meredith broke free past Colorado's defense and skated in one-on-one against goalie Paul Mitchell but threw one fake too many as the Tiger netminder made a stick save. However, the Irish came right back on the next rush as senior co-captain Dukie Walsh fired a perfect lead pass to his line mate Allen Karsnia who let go a roping shot that found the upper right hand corner of the net at 4:46 of the first period.

This was only an indication of what to come as both teams came to life. Each team had excellent scoring opportunities in the opening period but neither club could slap it home as both goalies came up with key saves.

Colorado took control of the game in the early going of the second period as they kept the pressure on goalie Len Moher. The Notre Dame defense would not crack and a recently hot Moher responded with excellent saves.

Colorado came very close to tying the game at times but the luck wasn't with them. This eventually led to their downfall

when a frustrated Mike Haedrich went off for roughing at the 15 minute mark.

Notre Dame carefully took their time setting up the power play and as fate would have it, Walsh, the man who was roughed in the infraction, slapped home a rebounding Clark Hamilton shot to put the Irish ahead 2-0. The goal was Walsh's eleventh of the season and Notre Dame's twelfth power play tally in 11 games.

Much credit has to be given to the Irish defense who were greatly responsible for this goal and several others throughout the weekend.

"The defense has been playing very well in the past few games and with the return of Paul Clarke who was injured the defense has picked up," explained Coach Lefty Smith.

Notre Dame tallied again with 22 seconds left in the second period by taking advantage of sloppy Colorado play in their own end. Karsnia picked up an assist as he dumped off a pass to All-American defenseman Jack Brownschidle who lifted the puck by Colorado's Mitchell giving the Irish a comfortable 3-0 lead.

Colorado finally got on the board when Don Jackson went off for slashing with 1:38 gone in the final period giving them the man advantage. Jim Warner ruined Moher's bid for a shutout when he lined a screened shot on target from the blueline at 3:01 gone. Moher later commented on the situation, "I wasn't looking for the shutout I just wanted to win. A shutout would have been nice but they are hard to come by in the WCHA."

The Tigers initial goal served to wake up the dormant Irish who responded minutes later with Walsh's second goal of the night. The Irish's fourth goal of the game was another power play goal with assists credited to Meredith and

Brownschidle.

As the game began to get monotonous, Donny Fairholm stepped in and created a little excitement. With one Notre Dame player in the penalty box Fairholm picked up an errant Colorado pass, shot by all defenders and lifted a shot by Mitchell who by now must have felt like a dart board. "Fairholm is so fast, watching him skate is almost worth the price of admission," plauded Smith. This was the second straight game in which the Irish scored on a short handed situation.

Colorado picked up one more goal when Wayne Holmes took a perfect lead pass from Dave Feamster and beat Moher who had come out to cut down the angle.

Fifteen seconds later the Blue and Gold struck back as Kevin Nugent made good a rebound off a Donny Fairholm shot. Brownschidle closed the scoring with another power play goal with assists going to Walsh and Fairholm.

Saturday night's game was very similar as Colorado continued to rack up penalties and Notre Dame capitalizing on the man advantage.

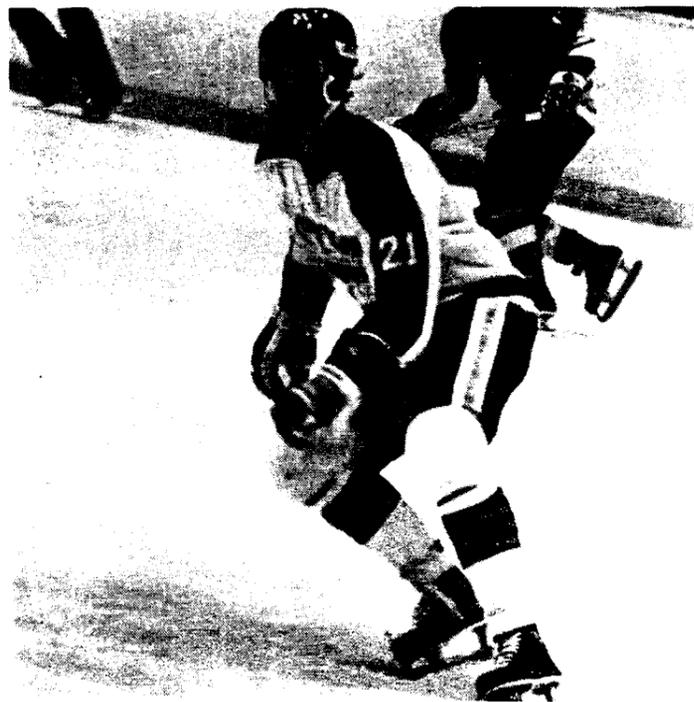
Notre Dame scored first again which seemed to be a key to the team's new found success. This time Donny Fairholm started things for the Irish when he rebounded a Nugent shot in heavy traffic in front of the net at the 9:13 mark.

It was a long wait for the next goal as both teams played fairly even. The Irish had many opportunities to score as Colorado continually sent men to the penalty box but they could not turn the red light on. "We were too deliberate with

Kiley claims cup

Jay Kiley won the annual Donnohue Cup Regatta held last weekend at Notre Dame. This event is sponsored by the Notre Dame Sailing Club and is open to all first year sailors in the club.

Held in cold, snowy weather, Kiley proved that consistency is the mark of a winner as he finished first four times, and never lower than fourth for a total of 11 points. Martha Boyle finished second with 20 points, and Bob Jehle and Ken Kress tied for third with a total of 23 points each.



Like all the Irish, Clark Hamilton played well against Colorado College, as Notre Dame swept the weekend series.

(Photo by Janet Carney)

our shots during those power plays," explained Coach Smith. "We should have blown them out in the first period."

Although Smith's squad continued to dominated play, Colorado tied up the game early in the second period. Dave Delich lined a shot off the pads of John Peterson and an alert Rick Pracht lifted it past the Irish goalie to make the score 1-1.

Karsnia answered for the Irish with his second goal of the series a roping 20 footer from straight on putting the Irish back in the lead. The Irish never went behind in the weekend series. This allowed them to play more open and aggressively.

Colorado tied the game for the last time as Feamster beat Peterson on the left side after the Notre Dame goalie lost sight of the puck.

With the series "Bad Boy," Dean Magee, off for slashing the Irish co-captains went to work. Walsh threaded the needle on a pass to Brownschidle who beat a dazed Scott Owens in the goal for Colorado to make the score 3-2. This duo teamed up again less than a minute later for another power play goal. The Brownschidle goal was his fourth of the series. Walsh also finished with four goals and

topped all scorers with a total of seven points.

While being slashed, held and roughed (mainly by Magee who picked up ten penalty minutes in the series) the Irish rapped up the scoring with goals by Hamilton and Steve Schneider and assists going to Tim Fairholm and Geoff Collier. "I was very proud of the discipline our team showed during the numerous penalty occurrences," added Smith.

The Irish move into fourth place in the WCHA as they evened their record at .500 on the season. Both the offense and defense skated superbly. Colorado's goalies could have gotten sunburned necks as the goal light went on 13 times in the two games (another season high for the icers). Overall Notre Dame outshot their opponents over the weekend 160-115.

The hockey team will break during exams and take their momentum with them as they travel to Boston to take on Harvard and Boston College on Dec. 19 and 20.

Swimmers third

The ND swim team placed third in the Notre Dame Invitational Relays Friday night at the Rockne Memorial Pool.

Drury College of Springfield, Mo., won the event for the fourth consecutive year with a total of 103 points. They captured first place in five of nine events.

Bradley University finished second with 92 points with four first-place finishes.

Oakland was fourth with 47 points, Wayne State was fifth with 40 points and Valparaiso placed sixth with 23 points.

Notre Dame opens its dual meet schedule this afternoon at Cleveland State. They return home to host Western Michigan Friday night at 7.

Tickets available

Ticket Manager Mike Busick has announced that a limited number of tickets have become available for Princeton (Jan. 3) and Villanova (Jan.5) basketball games. Both games are road games.

Tickets for the Princeton game are priced at \$3 apiece and tickets for the Villanova tilt are \$5 each. Tickets are available at the Gate 10 ticket window of the ACC.

Busick has also announced that refunds are still being issued to students who paid a deposit on season basketball tickets last spring and failed to pick up their tickets this fall. These refunds can be secured by going to the Ticket Manager's office on the second floor of the ACC.

*Observer Sports

Fred Herbst

Basketball at its Finest

It was all there - the color, the pagentry, the excitement. It was college basketball at its finest. Well, maybe if you have an incredible imagination it was. In actuality it was a farce.

There were missed layups, numerous turnovers and just more mistakes in general than one could ever think possible. But if you saw Notre Dame's women's basketball team beat St. Mary's last Saturday, you know just how many blunders are possible in a single basketball game.

In fact, things got so bad that statisticians lost track of the number of turnovers. When asked how many turnovers there had been, one observer replied, "I really don't know, I lost count at 999,999,999." A seemingly absurd answer to be sure, but it's probably as close as anyone could guess.

Not even the scoreboard operator could keep things straight. Fans who were trusting enough to believe the scoreboard went home convinced that the final score was 55-35. Actually the final score was 56-35.

The officials were altogether another story. Certainly they can't be accused of favoring either team, they were consistent - consistently terrible. They must have learned their basketball in the midwest.

What game would be complete without coaches? St. Mary's coach just sat passively on her bench and watched her team get blown away. Either she just didn't know how to turn her team around, or she just didn't care enough to do anything. On the other hand was Notre Dame's coach, Sally Duffy. She was like a little kid, jumping up and down clapping her hands when things went her way and pacing nervously, biting her fingernails when they didn't.

Amid such circumstances, the game itself never had a chance. It was close until Marge Meagher hit two consecutive bombs late in the opening half to put Notre Dame on their way. The Irish led 20-13 at the half.

Carol Lally paced Notre Dame in scoring, with 16 and 13 points respectively. Carola Cumming added seven points for the winners. Martha Kelly paced St. Mary's with 10 markers while Kathy Cullen and Nancy Nowalk each chipped in six points.

The highlight of the entire event was without a doubt the St. Mary's cheerleaders. Unlike the loud, obnoxious chants of those who believed themselves to be Notre Dame cheerleaders, the cheerleaders from "the other side of the road" provided the fans with some rather original cheers that made the game somewhat bearable.

"We eat Wheaties, we eat Wheaties, we are fit. Notre Dame, Notre

Dame - they eat sh...redded wheat." You have to admit, it's cute. St. Mary's cheerleaders gave them what Notre Dame lacked - personality. I'd rather have personality than a win any day.

So with the exception of the cheerleaders from St. Mary's, everything about Saturday's game was bad. If you get the impression that women's basketball and I don't agree, you're right. Somehow basketball that features more jump balls than points doesn't appeal to me.



Sally Duffy, Notre Dame's coach, provided much of the entertainment in Saturday's SMC-ND game with her actions on the bench. (Photo by Janet Carney)

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