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Lit. Festival promises unsurpassed excellence

by Glenn Corso

The 1970 Sophomore Literary Festival, carrying a national reputation for past excellence, promises to surpass the quality of the 1969 festival.

The Festival will be held the week of April 12th. Bob Hall, chairman of the festival, declared it will be "more contemporary than previous festivals, with a great deal of student contact with the authors."

"All the authors that have agreed to come have also agreed to stay on campus several days and meet with students in classes and in seminars," Hall said. "This will definitely include Saint Mary's."

The events will be held in Washington Hall, and Stepan Center, with a possibility of using the Convocation Center. The problem with the Convo center is the prohibitively high cost for rental.

Two eminent authors have definitely agreed to appear at Notre Dame. One is Theodore Salatoroff. He is editor of the *New American Review*, as well as a critic and writer for the *New Republic*, *Atlantic Monthly*, and *Life*.

Explaining why Salatoroff was picked, Hall said, "We picked him because he's young and in touch. This is because he works with authors as part of his work for the *New American Review*."

Student attitudes kill Honor Council for now

by Tim Treanor

Chances for the Honor Council, suspended last spring on the vote of its membership, to be resurrected in its past form, have dropped to near zero, according to many top officials in last year's Council.

The Honor Council which for a year and a half tried to implement the Honor Code of personal integrity, presently occupies the ambiguous position of theoretical existence while maintaining a temporary moratorium on activity.

Defense counselor, Dan McElroy, claimed that the Honor System was doomed from the start.

"The Honor Council," he said, explaining the decision to suspend activities, "felt it was enforcing a system that the students apparently didn't respect."

"The action was taken because the people didn't care," McElroy said. "As it was constituted, it would be extremely difficult to reinstate the Honor Council."

McElroy termed the Council's problem as a failure to be relevant, and explained the problem in this manner:

"There were two things working against us: the age-old custom of not ratting on your friend and the obsession for the grade game."

McElroy defined the "grade game" as primary interest in the

The second person who will be coming is Thomas Wolfe, renowned author of *Kandy Kolorado Tangerine Flake-Streamlined Baby*, the *Pump-house Gang*, and his latest work, *The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test*. Wolfe graduated from Yale, majoring in one of the toughest courses offered, American Studies. He is the most noted graduate of that program. He has worked for the *Washington Post*, and the *Herald Tribune*, and appears in *Esquire* and the *Saturday Review*.

Hall commented that Wolfe had been called "super contemporary and para-journalistic." He submerges himself "completely in these different scenes," of his work.

Bob Hall, and Rick Fitzgerald, associate chairman of the festival visited New York over the summer and talked to several authors, including Joseph Heller.

"Heller," Fitzgerald declared, "expressed a strong verbal desire to come back to Notre Dame."

Heller was last here for the 1968 Sophomore Literary Festival.

Fitzgerald went on to explain that Heller did not wish to hold an audience lecture, but rather to meet with small numbers of students and theater groups. Rick said Heller will be a "guest in residence."

"There are a group of peo-

procurement of a certain grade level as opposed to the assimilation of knowledge, and contended that the cause of an individual's "grade game" obsession was participation in courses not directly connected with his major.

He proposed as a solution to this problem reinstitution of the Honor Council on a departmental or college-wide system. McElroy was careful to note that this was not the only solution; it was, however, the only solution he could think of.

Alumni Hall President Tony Scolaro, who served in McElroy's committee, had a slightly more optimistic viewpoint regarding the Council's chances for revival.

"It's temporarily suspended, not terminated," he argued. "We'll come back when the student body shows some interest." He also said that there must be fundamental changes in education before the Honor Council can be reinstated.

"Not until the basic philosophy of the educational system is changed, can the Honor Council succeed. Competition must be lessened. Exams must go," Scolaro said.

"Students cheat," he continued, "because they feel the tests are not a fair academic representation of themselves."

However, Scolaro also felt that the question of moral

ple," Hall said, "we are very interested in having. These people include, W.H. Auden, known for his various poems, J. P. Donleavy, author of the *Ginger Man*, Philip Roth, who wrote the best seller, *Portnoy's Complaint*, John Updike, author of *Rabbit Run*, Henry Miller noted for *Tropic of Cancer*, Terry Southern, best known for *Candy*, and Jerome Ragin and James Rado, playwrights of *Hair*, Bob Dylan, and Joanie Mitchell, who wrote

Both Sides Now, among other songs."

"However there is no guarantee that we could bring these people to campus," Hall declared.

When asked why Bob Dylan and Joanie Mitchell, both noted for their work in music were being asked to a literary festival Hall said, "These two people

have proven through their songs to be quite excellent poets. The depth of sensitivity and meaning that is shown in their songs does not have to be bound to a written word."

Both Hall and Fitzgerald expressed their desire in having young "avante-garde poets" appear for what would be an evening of poetry reading. Both felt that poetry was "one of the neglected facets of literature."

Several Black authors and one authoress have also been asked to appear. The only reply received so far was from James Baldwin, who "wants \$4500 to talk at a white racist university such as Notre Dame." Others contacted include, Claude Brown, Ishmael Reed and Mrs. Carleen Hatcher Polite.

Funding has proven to be a difficult problem. There was

some money left over from last year's festival, which is now being used. In addition the sale of patron cards will be held sometime in October. The cards will enable the holder to reductions in price for the two movies, "Cat Balou" and "Wait until Dark" which will be shown during the year to raise money, as well as preferred seating at all other Festival activities.

Hall and Fitzgerald both emphasized that the festival would be definitely impaired unless Student Government grants them a substantial amount of money.

"We won't be able to afford some people, especially since we want them to stay on campus for several days," Hall commented.

Both men expressed their gratitude for the help of former

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Kelly proposes community plans

by John Shreves

Pete Kelly, Community Relations Commissioner, proposed some bold and progressive programs in a meeting Thursday night in the Main Ballroom, La-Fortune concerning the community relations and volunteer services between Notre Dame and South Bend. After three years work in the area of community relations, Kelly has introduced these programs in hope of an increased understanding between South Bend and the University.

The first program hopefully will be underway soon. It will be a series of community panel discussions, and informal meetings with key community leaders.

A sister program will send speakers from Notre Dame into local high schools. The latter project is being arranged very carefully, because it may be viewed by some as an attempt to

stir up trouble in the high schools.

Another program to begin sometime in February, will have the Student Government sponsor a conference that would involve South Bend officials and community leaders from every faction in the community. The conference would deal with the major problems between South Bend and Notre Dame, and the possible solution to them.

One of the most important and interesting programs would have select Notre Dame students "work for non-profit or volunteer agencies, or an individual project in community organizing in South Bend." The students would receive regular credit as in other University courses. Certain standards, such as a faculty advisor and some type of report by the student, would be required. It is hoped that the plan will begin in February.

The final program suggested, would initiate a Volunteer Services Bureau to "coordinate and

streamline the activities of all present and future, college based, volunteer services projects in the area." A director from Notre Dame, St. Mary's, Holy Cross, Memorial Nursing, and I.U.S.B., would act as a representative for their schools on the Bureau. The Bureau would aid existing or future programs in obtaining volunteers by providing man power, funds, and the experience necessary to carry on a campus wide recruitment.

Kelly also mentioned that he hoped his commission would soon become a cabinet post of the student government. He explained that the commission would be almost self-sufficient financially from the student government, and thus would not cause any fiscal problems, one of the basic reasons for excluding it now.

The entire theme concerning the new programs can be summed up in Pete Kelly's final statement, "Things are going to begin to move."



Phil Bosco

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Honor Code ruined by 'grade game'

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responsibility must be considered in any solution.

"Students did not want to be morally responsible for each other or for themselves. Only two or three per cent of the actual cheating was reported," he said.

Scolaro emphasized his opinion that "basic educational changes" come first, and that this must be followed by what he termed "positive student interest."

Jeff Gallagher, also a member

of the Honor Council when it disbanded last year, described the problem in basically the same terms McElroy did.

"The vast majority of students," he commented, "are opposed to turning in other students."

Gallagher added that a proposal from the Honor Council that would eliminate that required students to turn over fellow classmates they suspected of cheating was discussed and discarded. Gallagher said "You can't have an honor system without the clause. There are people who simply are not honest, and they would take advantage of the code."

Gallagher sees a basic change in student attitude towards scholastic honesty as a necessary condition for resurrection of the Honor Council.

"Without academic honesty and a willingness to insure the honesty of other students there is no honor concept."

Gallagher added that he is not optimistic about the Student Honor Council's chances for revival.

Jerry Burns, a junior who was a member of last year's council, contended that although a large percentage of the students themselves were personally honest, the "informer" clause of the pledge was largely ignored.

"I heard so often," he said, "the phrase, 'I think the honor council binds me, but I wouldn't turn in my friends.' I don't think the system can work, because it depends on people turning in other people."

Burns characterized the problem as one of commitment.

"A higher allegiance (than the allegiance of one person to another) is required. Informing is too much to ask of the ordinary guy."

Burns used a military institution as an example of the kind of college that has enough allegiance to a cause to be able to use the Honor System.

"If this thing is to be resurrected, it must contain a recognition that a majority of Notre Dame students are mature enough to take care of themselves, yet at the same time recognize the fact that a minority will take advantage of the situation and a majority will not be willing to turn them in. 'I'd like to see the Honor Council resurrected in some form, but I don't believe that resurrecting it in the form it occupied formerly will lead to any other results,'" said Burns.

According to Student Body Vice-President Fredrick Dedrick, the Student Body is cognizant of what he termed as a "gap" caused by the demise of the Honor Council. To fill the alleged gap, a bill that would create an Academic Grievances Committee may appear before the Student Life Council.

The bill, as written by Jim Smith, a senior active in academic affairs, would

construct a committee that would be composed of two students, two members of the faculty, and the head of the department.

It would handle grievances from students and faculty, and be given final disciplinary power in matters concerning cheating and plagiarism, as well as the power to make formal recommendations to the head of the departments.

Smith admitted the bill was in its formative stages.

"We're trying to talk to people — to get their reaction. Possibly this bill won't even be introduced. It's still open for discussion," he said.

He termed the proposed changed, "tremendously important." Neither Dedrick nor himself could name another college with a similar procedure.

The bill, if introduced and passed by the Student Life Council, would not go into effect until the 1970-71 fall semester.

Vice President in charge of Academic Affairs, Father Walsh, CSC, was not available for comment.

Two million searches held

(UPI) — Customs agents seeking marijuana and drugs conducted 2,384,079 searches of persons coming into the United States from Mexico during the first week of Operation Intercept, it was disclosed yesterday.

A Treasury Department spokesman at Los Angeles headquarters of the massive border surveillance released statistics covering the period from when the operation began Sept. 21 through midnight Saturday.

Thirty seven persons were arrested during the period, 26 of them on charges of transporting marijuana or drugs.

By yesterday afternoon traffic was jammed up at the Tijuana San Ysidro, Calif., crossing point with cars waiting more than two hours to be cleared.

Lit.Festival

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Soph Lit Festival officials, John Metzger and John Mroz.

"It would have been very difficult to learn the ropes without their help," Hall said.

They cited the group spirit which prevades their staff and characterized it as "an informal group rather than a large machine."

Faculty members who have been quite helpful include Prof. Donald Costello, Prof. Larry Murphy, Fr. Charles Sheedy, Prof. John Mathias, and Prof. Richard Bizot.

There will be a staff meeting for anyone who wishes to work on the festival at 6:30, Oct. 5th, in the library auditorium.



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'Dessert' vote set Tuesday

Notre Dame and St. Mary's students will vote Tuesday and Wednesday nights in the dining halls to determine the fate of a student proposed project that would ask them to forego their desserts for the remainder of the year.

The compensation for the desserts received from the Food Services at Notre Dame and Saga at St. Mary's would be used to serve breakfast to several hundred children in South Bend.

Supporters of the plan have discussed it with people from both food concerns, and the response has been essentially the same: they want to help the project, but before any commitments are made they want to know how many students support the idea.

Among the students who have helped organize the project are Brian McInerney, Glenn Smerillo, Dave Lammers, Sandy Hellrung, Tim MacCarry, John Gallagher, Bill Mitchell, Rick Burns, Maureen McCarthy, and Kathy Eglet.

Letters explaining the project will be distributed at the dining halls tonight. The letter says in part, "The cost of the dessert you'll eat tonight is not much (less than a dime), but if we can multiply it by several thousand students, seven days a week, two meals a day, its value will be considerably more significant."

Students will be responsible for the actual procurement of the food for the breakfasts each week. In plans outlined in the explanatory letter, the food would be distributed by personnel of "reliable, non-profit agencies in South Bend who know the people who

need it most."

The supporters have acknowledged that "a certain amount of waste is unavoidable in any project like this," but insist that "we believe the plan presented is the most efficient."

The group stressed the voluntary nature of the project, and said desserts would not be discontinued for any student who chooses not to sign them away.

After the voting is completed Wednesday night, the group will count the signatures. The letter says that "if a large enough

percentage of students sign, the names will be presented to administrators of Notre Dame and St. Mary's."

A spokesman for the group pointed out that the support of a large majority of students will be necessary in order to get firm commitments from the administration of either school.

The group hopes to expand the project gradually, both in South Bend and at Notre Dame via Corby Hall (a residence for members of the Congregation of the Holy Cross) and at Moreau Hall, a C.S.C. seminary.

Daley raps mass media

CHICAGO (UPI)— Mayor Richard J. Daley Sunday criticized the broadcast media for "presenting fragments of events" which focus on violence. In a speech to the Catholic Lawyers Guild of Chicago, at the Ambassador West Hotel, the mayor urged the media to attempt to cover more fairly events of a potentially violent nature.

Daley specifically mentioned events surrounding the trial of eight persons accused of plotting to disrupt the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

Daley said the eight defendants are making "a blatant attempt" through television and radio to shift the center of attention from the courthouse to the streets; where their supporters hold demonstrations.

"Television influences greatly its viewers and the event it is reporting, often at the expense of editorial judgement," Daley said.

"It presents fragments of events. Whatever is extreme and violent and moving it reports out of context without giving all the facts, a practice that would not be allowed in a courtroom," he said.

Delegation seeks word on relatives

PARIS (UPI)—Five women and a man related to Americans missing in action in Vietnam arrived last night to seek information about the servicemen's fate from the North Vietnamese delegation to the Vietnam peace talks.

Mrs. Sybil Stockdale, wife of Navy Capt. James Bond Stockdale, of San Diego, Calif., heads a group representing the National League of Families of American Prisoners in Southeast Asia.

The other four women and the man, Thomas Swain of St. Paul, Minn., father in law of missing Marine Capt. Patrick Murray, are seeking information on whether their relatives are prisoners of war or dead.

"I sent Delegation Chief Xuan Thuy a letter in August saying I was planning to come to Paris in early October and would like to talk with him about the situation," Mrs. Stockdale said. No response had been



Phil Bosco

Victorious Jack Mollenkopf accepts congratulations from disappointed Ara.

received by the time Mrs. Stockdale left for Paris Saturday. There also had been no response to two cablegrams. Thuy had been absent from Paris since he went to Hanoi for the funeral of the late President Ho Chi Minh. But he was expected to return in time for Thursday's 36th peace talks session.

Four women from Dallas and Fort Worth, Tex., who came to Paris earlier seeking information on their husbands were received by lower ranking members of the Hanoi delegation. They were told they would be sent letters from Hanoi telling them whether they were wives or widows.

The four other women with Mrs. Stockdale were:

—Mrs. Pat Mears, wife of Air Force Maj. Arthur S. Mears of Los Angeles, Calif. Maj. Mears has been missing since Nov. 11, 1966.

—Mrs. Andrea Rander, wife of Staff Sgt. Donald J. Rander of Baltimore, Md. Rander was captured in South Vietnam in February, 1968, and was injured.

—Mrs. Ruth Ann Perisho, wife of Naval Lt. Gordon S. Perisho of Quincy, Ill. Perisho has been missing since December, 1967.

—Mrs. Candy Parish, wife of Navy Lt. Charles C. Parish of Alexandria, Va. Parish has been missing since July, 1968.

All phone number changes for the Student Directory must be made by today. Call 6747 or 6736 and ask for Joe Green.

Station to air spots

by Dave Lammers

The Mutual Broadcasting Company and 6,000 independent radio stations have donated 26 public service spots to Notre Dame's Program for the Study and Practice of the Non-violent Resolution of Human Conflict. The radio spots, which are three and one-half minutes long, are to deal with the problem of violence in the family situation.

Public Service Information officials estimated that if each of the radio stations involved aired each script twice a day, an audience of 100 million Americans would be reached.

Rev. Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., who was influential in obtaining the public service time, recommended that professional writers write the radio scripts. However, Professor Charles McCarthy, the Director of the program here insisted that student writers would be better able to write the scripts.

"I felt that students at Notre Dame could be far more meaningfully creative than a couple of people for whom writing is simply a living," McCarthy said.

BC gets 4 grads

Four Notre Dame graduates have entered Boston College Law School this fall. They are: James Belanger, James Murray, Jr., David Ryan, and John Teahan.

All organizations requesting funds from Student Government must contact the Student Body Treasurer on or before Wednesday October 1.

Office Hours: 1 - 5 p.m.
phone 7668

McCarthy appealed for any student who would like to get involved in this project to visit him in his office in G90 in the basement of the library.

McCarthy said, "It's not often that an individual gets an opportunity to effect literally millions of people concerning such a serious and all pervading problem: violence in the family."

Upward Bound

Saint Mary's College Upward Bound fall program is looking for tutors for this year.

A meeting will be held for all those interested tonight at 6:30 in the Medeleve Scholars Lounge (1st floor-south side) in the Medeleve Classroom Building.

According to Sister Carolyn, Director of the program there are thirty high school girls from South Bend who have been enrolled in the program. Each SMC girl who signs up to tutor will be assigned to one girl.

Any interested person who can not attend tonight's meeting can call the Upward Bound Office 4350 between 9 and 12 a.m.

-Mental Health Meeting-

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Grace rebate

Father Whelan, Director of Student Housing, announced this weekend, that the completion of the new dorms will be further delayed due to the fact that "plaster was not drying rapidly enough."

The hold up in completion is regrettable and has been an inconvenience for not only the people displaced from the towers but also for the students in other dorms on campus who have been forced to take them into their rooms.

Room fee for living in the towers is higher than that for any dorm on campus. The displaced students who have paid that fee are now being forced to live in crowded quarters. In reality they are not getting what they paid for. The same goes for the students who are being forced to take them into their rooms.

Student government is working on getting a room fee rebate for all students involved. We support the move enthusiastically. It is the University's obligation to refund a certain amount since they are not providing the types of accommodations which the fees dictate. The rebate would seem to be not only a moral and legal obligation but also just plain common sense.

It is hard to ascertain exactly who is at fault in the delay in completion. It is entirely possible that unforeseen natural occurrences forced the delay. Perhaps though it is the fault of the contractor. In such a case, he is not living up to the obligations of his contract with the University.

The University has the option of exacting a set monetary penalty from the contractor for each day past the specified completion date in which work on the building continues. We feel that the University should make a thorough investigation of the causes of the delay. If the contractor is a fault we feel he should be penalized; the money to go toward paying the students who have been displaced.

The University Trustees meet this weekend at the Center for Continuing Education. Perhaps an examination of the situation in the new dorms could be the first item on their agenda.

Kennedy Institute

The inception of the Kennedy Institute to promote social action at Notre Dame is a step to be applauded and supported, and will prove to be, we believe, a fitting tribute to a great man.

The Institute will serve, if the dreams of the founders are realized, as an axis around which all social action programs by Notre Dame students will revolve.

The Institute is good in the sense that it will be able to co-ordinate efforts by different groups to ensure that they don't overlap. It has gained the University's support and national prominence and so ought to be able to easily raise funds for programs where smaller groups would have trouble. At the same time, the scope of the venture has prompted University officials into seriously considering granting credit for social action programs in the South Bend area.

The program faces certain dangers however, that we feel should be provided for from the outset.

First, if the program is to serve as an "umbrella" for all social service activities we feel it should be so only as far as it serves in coordinating efforts. The Institute should not be structured so that it must approve the content of programs or so that it has a veto over what programs can be launched. Any group of Notre Dame or St. Mary's students who want to begin work in an area in which they are interested should always be free to do so. The Institute should be more than ready to help them if the program is truly worthwhile.

The Institute has received a \$20,000 dollar grant from the University and more money is forthcoming the founders maintain from outside sources. Although the concept of structuring the program so that it is entirely student run is an admirable one, we feel that a permanent board of directors for the Institute must be found in order to lend stability to the program and to aid in providing sound financial management.

Although students are often not willing to admit it, there is often mismanagement and imprudent use of funds in programs that are entirely student administered. We feel that the program is too important to falter even for one year because of a mistake that could have been avoided if the Institute would provide for a full time financial board of directors and consultants.



It's another letter from your pen pal at the draft board!

Mike Kelly A good thing

Conservatives are noted for mourning the passing of good things. I do occasionally mourn the passing of good things no longer with us and have consequently been widely considered a conservative. I accept the title simply because there are too many liberals around already and, besides, I would rather confuse people when I do something especially progressive than have them murmur "traitor" and similar epithets when the dark, reactionary side of my personality asserts itself.

What I wish to mourn today is the Action Student Party.

After last year's Student Senate elections in which the ASP failed to gain control of the Senate, I was quoted in *The Observer* as saying the ASP had seen its "last Hurrah" and would disappear. I am sorry that my rather flippant prediction proved to be accurate.

The ASP was founded in 1966 by a group of the most intelligent students at the university. A philosophical maturity that was lost with their departure combined with a realistic attitude on matters such as a structure allowed students like Ed Kickham and Paul Higgins to create an organization with a clear purpose and concrete goals. In the 1967 Student Body President elections the ASP captured the Vice-Presidency and narrowly missed electing Denny O'Dea SBP (for ten points and one hundred dollars, who can tell me who put out the "A Riot A Day With O'Dea!" flyer the night before the election?).

The following years saw about fifteen ASP members in the Senate. Under ASP Chairman Jon Sherry, the ASP Senators kept student government alive with their demands and activities. However, it was in the Senate under Sherry that the ASP began to weaken philosophically even as it received the most publicity. Forced to deal in concrete terms and under parliamentary structure, the party began to lose its identity. Higgins and Kickham saw the ASP as remaining permanently in the minority, moving further left as its objectives were achieved. The original ideology of the ASP recognized the corruptive influence power had on revolutionary purity and was not eager to assume it, but new and younger forces in the party were out to rule and impose their ideology on the campus.

The crisis came to a head in the SBP election of 1968 when non-ASP liberal Richard Rossie was running. The purists in the ASP were determined to keep Rossie from taking the party without accepting the label. Higgins and Kickham attempted to get ASP Senators like Don Hynes and Mike Kendall to run, but Hynes was off in personal exploration and Kendall was backing Rossie.

At a meeting of the ASP, always a loosely-knit organization, the Rossie advocates, many of whom were at their first ASP meeting, narrowly voted an endorsement of Rossie over the opposition of Sherry, Higgins, and Kickham and most of the original ASP members.

By the Senate elections of 1968, the ASP had lost its ideologies and, under Pete Kelly, attempted a soft-sell campaign which contrasted sharply with the hard-line drives of previous years. The result brought no major improvements in ASP strength. To the old ASP that would have meant little, but the new victory-oriented ASP was disheartened and soon faded away without even so much as a whimper. By the time last year's SBP elections came up no one even noticed that the ASP weren't putting up candidates or even endorsing anyone.

The ASP is gone, but it served Notre Dame well while it was here and Notre Dame will never be the same because of its having been here. I usually opposed the ASP, but Ed Kickham and I could sit down and talk, recognizing that it is the part of the radical and the conservative to loudly protest at what they, in their philosophical purity, take to be evil and that it is the part of the moderate and the liberal to create a government out of what must be.

It was this philosophical perspective that left Notre Dame when Ed Kickham left for Ethiopia. In its place we hear the raucous voices of those demanding power they could not control.

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Tom Ehrbar

A man of principle

Those of you whose literary taste begins and ends on the *New York Times* "Best Seller List" (you philistines you) could not have missed tripping over a pithy, whimsical success called *The Peter Principle* (Nothing whatsoever to do with papal infallibility.)

Plodding my way down the *Times* listings last week, I read *Peter* while quaffing several tankards of mulled ale. Within an hour I was on my back in wild jubilation, singing out an erotic version of "Peter Piper" — such was my glee in catching the subtleties of Mr. Drecker's theory.

Which is — "Within any hierarchy or group, an individual will rise to his greatest level of incompetence." Anyone, meaning anyone, will naturally work his way up, through a series of promotions, till he is placed in a position where he is simply in over his head. I, for one, take my hat off to Mr. Drecker (which was, by the way, also over my head.)

And I would like to advance a maxim of my own which I insist, is even more preposterous, more brilliant than the *Peter Principle*.

The Thomas Tenet is this — "on any college campus, a particular issue or event will rise to its greatest level of over-significance." Along with it I will add the Charles I. McCorollary — "to heighten the impact of these issues or events endow them with the most trivial, most frivolous support." Thus the actions emerging from such banality will be assured a longer run within the public eye as they balloon on their flight to over-importance.

A forth-coming scene which should shed some light on these principles, and to which I will merely allude, is Thursday's home-coming of Father Hesburgh.

If UPI, AP and other sundry rumors hold true, there is outstanding chance that our weary citizen-of-the-world and/or university president will soon be arriving at South Bend International. The event itself is not particularly steeped in dramatic richness or other crowd-inciting charisma. One would assume that Father Ted, after his plain departure, would like nothing more than to quietly slip back to campus, sulk in a long hot bath, and climb into his bed beneath the Golden Dome. So one would assume.

But here the Thomas Tenet suddenly intrudes with a malignant, brute-like fist.

Already a perverse gathering of our more creative minds have been scheming and brewing up trouble like a covey of witches gesturing around a boiling caldron. In less mealy and toiling prose what they cunningly envision is an un-restrained, blatantly mocking Home-coming rally for Father Ted. As the Leer jet touches down on Thursday hundreds of leering students and Arthur Hailey, waiting in frenzied anticipation, will crush forward in a fit of enthusiasm shouting "Bring him out of the plane", "Remember?", "He's number 1", "Hate state universities". Some cynic might even venture a "Go, go, go."

From the airport, the entourage will move via motorcade back to campus, past thousands of sign-carrying students lining Notre Dame avenue, finally to the circle where the band will break out with "Hail to the Chief". White-colored streamers and snatches of friendly welcomes are sure to pervade the atmosphere.

Seriously, meaning seriously, this is what a bold, innane few are desperately hoping to pull off.

They're counting on the Thomas Tenet.

Everything is hush-hush right now (you might even say, maximum security.)

Mr. Drecker might just be able to write a sequel one of these day unless, of course, he Peters out on it.

Beethoven lives on

(UPI)—As a musical creator the world hasn't known his like before and probably will never know it again. As a man he was an irascible and untidy eccentric given to leaving scraps of sandwiches in his piano and to cheating his publishers.

That his camps the possibilities for eulogies of Beethoven the man. His music continuously commemorates the genius and so far the major American symphony orchestras have resolved to be contented with that.

In January Bernstein will conduct a version of his only

opera, "Fidelio," with the New York Philharmonic, and George Szell will conduct an all Beethoven program in March. Eugene Ormandy plans one for the Philadelphia Orchestra and Leopold Stokowski will close out the season of the American Symphony with the mighty choral symphony.

Only the Boston Symphony has undertaken a Beethoven "festival." It will run for four days in Boston in April. For the big scale hoopla Schroeder and other determined Beethoven's birthday celebrations will have to go to Bonn and Vienna.

Saturday's game was not a total loss for *Observer* Photo Editor Phil Bosco...as his roaming camera caught the essence of...



a cute face...



interesting chit-chat...



the glitter of
the Golden Girl...



ah, yes, Phil

The legacy of the desk

by Chuck Darst

When my grandfather died at the age of 89, he left me the desk he kept in his office on the seventeenth floor of the Hamilton Bank Building in Knoxville, Tennessee. It is a huge desk, solid oak, with all kinds of nooks and crannies, doors, drawers, shelves, a secret compartment, and best of all, one of those magnificent, Wells Fargo-looking roll-back tops. I really don't know why he left this half-century old relic to me of all his four children and eighteen grandchildren, but I do know I have admired that desk for about as long as I can remember. Maybe sometime long ago he caught wind of that.

Naturally, I have long wanted to transport this mammoth desk to Notre Dame. Finally, last week, I did so. It sits in my room now, beneath the window, perhaps the most prized possession I have. But the other night while I was lying in the upper bunk, I glanced lazily over at the desk, and for some strange reason, I hated it. Still, it was not until later that I was able to grab the handle of what I was feeling after bringing the desk back, arranging my room, and getting settled in. Stretched out

on the top bunk, I came to the sharp realization — as if I had climbed a hill and could see clearly for the first time the geography of the land below — that I really didn't hate the desk so much as I did the stark knowledge it gave me that my third year at Notre Dame has begun, that the express train called Time is rushing past, and that it is making no stops. When I looked on my desk with that funny hatred, I was merely cursing the rapidity of change, the precariousness of life, and the necessity of burning your bridges behind you.

Coming back to my old room, and all my papers, letters, and other belongings was like never having left. Like I was seeing the past two years in one fast, retrospective look, and like I didn't want to. I didn't want to be reunited with the myriad collection of molecules that I call mine and so meticulously, religiously, and foolishly save. Right now I would like to cut myself free from them to be more able to grow in the face of otherwise grotesque change. Ah, the sly, precariousness of life.

I think I am feeling, as one periodically does, as if the sand

in the hourglass of his life is running out much too fast. I am forced to realize that there is much to do and so little time to do it. And with that affirmation comes a particular sense of urgency. The sick feeling that time is now of the utmost, once fully realized, is enough to cause anyone to curse his complacency and failure to really use his energies. Ray Bradbury once said to me, "Remember this: at the end of life, when we must all lay ourselves out, with what thoughts will we do so? Will we think: I did my best? Or will we think: I never tried?"

I spent a most fantastic summer with four guys and five girls at one of several student-run live-in projects in Chicago. In that time I learned a lot and grew very close to nine very beautiful people. Yet now, it seems like only a few days ago that I was sitting at my old desk in the April sunshine, dreaming and planning on how I was going to bring my grandfather's big desk back to school with me next year. And that's the scary thing. "Next year" has already arrived. Now even more frightening is the question: what will I do with it?

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FEATURES

Letters to the Editor

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Ed.

JOYCE FEARED

Editor:

Thank you very much for listing the extra-curricular activities of Father Hesburgh. I've had a very difficult time the last few years keeping up with his global wanderings, and now I know why he spends so much of his time on the road. I only wish that you had further researched the subject so as to determine exactly how many days last year were spent by Father Hesburgh at Notre Dame. I'm sure that the amazingly few days a year that Father Hesburgh is "at home" would be an even more profound comment on his concern for the students here at Notre Dame.

Many, however, may question why it is important that Father Hesburgh have good rapport with the students of this university. Anyone who has had to deal with the administration realizes how difficult it is to get quick action on a student initiated proposal. One could point to Father Joyce as the ultimate authority on campus when Father Hesburgh is absent, but he is notoriously reluctant to make decisions on important matters. Remember, for instance, that day in April of '68

when Father Joyce refused to close the university so that the Notre Dame student body could join with the St. Mary's students who had been freed from classes to participate in the memorial march in honor of Martin Luther King. Nor can Father Joyce be pointed to as the ideal final judge on important student issues. Take, for instance, his meeting with Richard Rossie, Bill Wade, and Pat Dowdall last year. He called them "greedy, and out to get every penny you can" when they attempted to convince him that student sponsored events in the Convocation Center should not be charged the same exorbitant fees as any outside group. This was bad enough, but then Father Joyce went on to say that all profits from any student sponsored function in the Convocation Center should rightfully be given to the intramural athletics fund since the Convocation Center was built to promote sports at Notre Dame. The fact that the building could be used for social or cultural purposes was just a coincidence.

I would like to say that what Father Hesburgh needs is a new title--Chancellor of the University of Notre Dame. Thus he would still be around to attract dollars to Notre Dame, for no one can deny his great ability to raise money. This would allow for the appointment of a new president--one who could spend the majority of his time at Notre Dame and be the ultimate decision maker as to the daily operations of a university. The concept is the fear that then

Father Joyce might be appointed president.

Maybe we don't realize how well off we really are!

Sincerely yours
Richare J. Roddewig
54018 Ivy Road

BLUE CIRCLE

Editor:

This is in reply to Mr. Murphy's letter, condemning Monday's Freshman Activities Night. First of all, it should be pointed out to Mr. Murphy that the proceedings are run by the Blue Circle, not Student Union. This is merely a point of information. It would appear that Mr. Murphy and his organization could use a lesson in manners.

As one of the speakers on stage Monday night, I know that Ted Jones asked not only The Republicans but also several other groups to close down while people were on stage trying to speak. If Mr. Murphy was not personally interested in the words of the CPA, Students Against Racism, Free University and the Student Body President, he might have at least permitted other students to hear them. Could it be that the "CPA propaganda" was too much for Mr. Murphy, because it suggested he might be wrong?

Richard Libowitz
Free University

LYONS HALL

Editor:

In reference to the article in the September 24 issue concerning the Student Union ticket policy change - I must criticize Mr. Collins for making such an inane comment concerning Lyons Hall. Even moreso must I reproach The Observer for printing such comments from a person who is obviously throwing a verbal temper tantrum over the abolishment of a rather

debatable "right." Whether the residents of Lyons Hall sit on their butts all year or not is such an absurdity that any rational person would not be capable of dredging up such nonsense.

The printing of such unnecessary statements in a supposedly reputable college newspaper are an insult to the intelligence of your readers and can only serve to hurt the reputation of a hall. I request

and his staff regarding my letter that appeared in Thursday's Observer. I have since learned that the Blue Circle "organized" Freshman Activities Night.

I trust my error did not take away from the intended point (i.e. the injustice dealt to the campus political organizations).

Again, I am sorry for the mistake.

Tom Murphy
1103 Flanner

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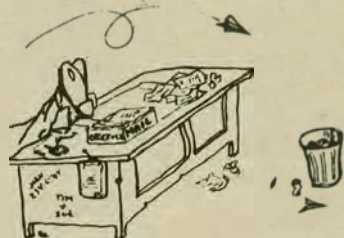
The following letter was forwarded to us to forward to you.

ed.

Dear President Nixon,

For several years now I have been smoking grass (marijuana to you I suppose) with my happy collection of oft-stoned friends. We dutifully followed your warnings and fearfully resisted those evil characters who tried to push us down the long road towards dirty-tenement heroin death. Now, great father, what are we to do? Our grass has run out, and there's a dark man with a black shirt and white tie sitting near me in the huddle. Oh well, no one cares for me.

Signed,
Phil Welchman, O.C.



that The Observer print an apology and refrain from such journalism in the future. As for Mr. Collins, I suggest to give him a pacifier and leave him to pout in the corner of his room.

Sincerely,
Jim Younger
333 Lyons

ACTIVITIES NIGHT

Editor:

My apologies to Denny Clark

Battle claims 18 dead

SAIGON (UPI) - U.S. troops using armored vehicles and supported by fighter bombers battled North Vietnamese soldiers for more than three hours yesterday just south of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). Fifteen Communists and three Americans were killed.

In the battle, three miles south of Con Thien on the eastern end of the DMZ, the North Vietnamese used rocket propelled grenades and mortars while the Americans of the 5th Mechanized Infantry Division fought back with heavy machine guns mounted on personnel carriers.

Communist forces also carries out three shelling attacks Sunday in the region just south of the DMZ. One, against the 3rd Marine Division's Quang Tri combat base, caused no casualties or damage.

The division is preparing to leave Vietnam under President Nixon's plan to withdraw 35,000 more troops by Dec. 15.

Other troops of the 5th Mechanized Infantry Division sustained light casualties with no fatalities in shellings of two of their positions four and six miles northwest of Cam Lo.

The U.S. Command said that a 120 man Army reserve unit from Kansas City, Mo., will leave Vietnam Tuesday under the redeployment plan.

U.S. forces fought two other

significant clashes with Communist troops in Vietnam Sunday, spokesmen said. An element of the 4th Infantry Division lost one killed and four wounded in a fight near Bong Son, about 305 miles northeast of Saigon.

Members of the 1st Air Cavalry Division reported killing six Communist soldiers in a battle near Tay Ninh City, about 48 miles northwest of Saigon. Helicopter gunships, artillery and fighter bombers supported the Americans, who lost one killed and seven wounded.

Elections held

BONN (UPI) - Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger's Christian Democrats came within seven seats yesterday of a parliamentary majority in an election which upset Adolf van Thadden's hopes of leading his right wing nationalists into the national legislature.

Unofficial final returns gave the Christian Democrats 242 seats in the new Parliament, to 224 for Foreign Minister Willy Brandt's Social Democrats and 30 for the Free Democrats.

Brandt announced he will attempt to force Kiesinger into opposition by forming a partnership with the Free Democrats. Other Social Democratic leaders urged the foreign minister and former mayor of West Berlin to try to form a government with himself as chancellor, even though it would have only a small majority.

The percentage of the vote, gave the Christian Democrats 46.1 per cent of the vote, the Social Democrats 42.7 per cent

Von Thadden's National Democratic party NPD, called neo Nazi by many Germans, fell just short of the five per cent of the popular vote needed to get into Parliament.

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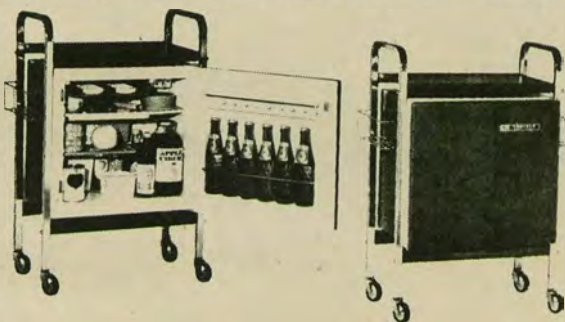
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Heller play opens year for ND - SMC theatre

by Paul Gallagher

Parts have been cast and practice has begun on *We Bombed in New Haven*, the first of six productions to be presented by the ND-SMC student theatre in a play season labelled "heavy with the serious" by director Fred Syburg.

According to Syburg, the season's opener, a comic-p a t h e t i c three act written by Joe Heller of *Catch 22* fame, was selected because of its widespread appeal to university audiences.

The setting of *We Bombed in New Haven* is for the most part "an ordinary American Air Force briefing room in a bungalow in a war somewhere." With the aid of a cleverly used technique that has characters stepping in and out of their assigned stage parts, the plays fifteen servicemen and lone Red Cross girl, "second prettiest girl in town," become more or less aware that there is at least an element — a terrifying element — of the real in the war game they are playing.

Leads for the play have been captured by senior Dick Riehle who plays the role Captain Starkey, the direct superior of most of the soldiers; sophomore Mark Genero playing Sergeant Henderson, senior Mike Kelley,

who becomes the Major, and senior co-ed Lanor Wright as Ruth, the Red Cross-doughnut girl.

"Society is to such a point that the individual gets lost," said Mark Genero commenting on the play. "Heller tries to bring this down to the individual. He throws it out to the audience."

In regard to his first major role, Genero adds, "Henderson is someone who knows what is happening. He tries to quit (the Air Force), but he can't; the whole thing has progressed too far."

"It is a very pessimistic play," explained veteran performer Dick Riehle, "even though it has a strong comic vein." As for the part of the Starkey, the captain responsible for handing out fatal assignments, he said:

"Starkey is sort of the everyman part in the play, probably Heller himself. He's a fellow who never bucked the system until now, never really thought about it. He is wishy-washy. He does his job well, but has been in the system so long, that when in the play he has to buck it, try as he may he can't," added Riehle. "It's a pathetic part," he adds.

Ruth, the Red Cross girl, "is in an enviable position. She's the only girl on the loose," joked

Lanor Wright.

Actually she's the most human character of the play," said the actress. "It's difficult to make the transitions in her part and make it believable," she says.

"It's a great show for a university," said director Syburg. "It is heavy handed, but will have great appeal," he replied. "The show opens on October 24, then plays on the 25, 26, 27, 30, 31 and the first of November," he explains.

The second show for the season, Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* is set for the first and second weeks of December. According to Syburg, Robert Spaight, an English actor, is coming to South Bend in

conjunction with the SMC 125 anniversary and will be guest director of the play.

Late February or early March will bring two plays by modern playwright Edward Albee, *The American Dream*, a one act farce, and *The Death of Bessie Smith*, a two act racial drama set in a white hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

In May, a serious drama with musical accompaniment will replace the traditional spring musical. The theatre department will present German playwright Bertolt Brecht's *The Good Woman of Setzuan*.

"We have a lot of new people on the faculty," explained director Syburg, "and we were hesitant to burden them with a

musical as well as their other duties." He continued, "Probably the students will miss the musical, but..."

Two other performances to be presented by the theatre will be studio productions on dates yet to be arranged. Syburg said, "Usually studio plays are of a less general interest to the students on campus." He suggested that the studio program helps give less experienced performers opportunity to develop their craft.

Only one studio production has been selected to date. It will consist of a marionette production of *Peter Pan* for children.

Official is optimistic of negotiations

PARIS (UPI)—An American official at the Vietnam peace talks said yesterday allied negotiators are optimistic the Communists will settle down to serious negotiations despite increased denunciations of the Nixon administration.

In recent weeks the North Vietnamese and the Viet Cong delegations in Paris have leveled attacks against President Nixon similar to those they directed at former President Johnson. American officials also reported the Communist stance at the conference table has become more rigid.

Over the weekend, both Communist delegations denounced Nixon's Vietnam statements at his Friday press conference and accused him of intensifying the war in South Vietnam.

The North Vietnamese

CORE steps up reparations efforts

HONOLULU (UPI)—The Congress of Racial Equality said yesterday it was "beating the war drums and mobilizing an army" to press its demands for \$6 billion in "reparations" from the American Bankers Association.

CORE National Director Roy Innis described the ABA refusal to pay the sum as "a weak, Mickey Mouse, mealy mouthed approach." The black leader said he would make "a final attempt to talk peace with the bankers" who are holding their national convention in Honolulu.

Innis said CORE was demanding the money as a "reparation to blacks for compound interest over years of exploitation and of earnings by Negroes which have never been paid."

ABA President Willis W. Alexander said Saturday bankers "have been prominent in organized efforts to deal constructively with the problems of racial minorities."

He said more than \$100 million had already been made available to minorities through the federal Small Business Administration office.

Alexander describes the reparations demand as "essentially a negative concept and unacceptable to the industry." He also said the ABA was a voluntary organization and "can only suggest. We cannot make the banks do anything."

statement said Nixon "showed once again that the Nixon administration still follows the aggressive policy of the Johnson administration against the Vietnamese people." The Viet Cong said Nixon's policies were "adventurous" and sought to prolong the war.

Sunday, however, American spokesman Stephen Ledogar, said, "We remain optimistic about the talks and that they eventually will settle down to a serious, business like attitude."

Ledogar would not comment on the latest Communist denunciations except to say they

were "typical." "We remain optimistic," he added.

Chief U.S. negotiator Henry Cabot Lodge took note of the rigid new Communist bargaining attitude at the last session of the talks Thursday.

"I am sorry to have to say that they seemed more rigid than they have been in months," he told newsmen.

The Communist delegates renewed their calls this weekend for a total immediate withdrawal of all American troops from South Vietnam and for the overthrow of the administration of President Nguyen Van Thieu before negotiations can begin.

Protest to be stated

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Dis-sident lawyers in the Justice Department will make public today their statement of protest against the Nixon administration's civil rights policies, particularly school desegregation.

The lawyers will distribute copies of two confidential statements which have circulated among Justice Department attorneys. The complaints, one made August 29 and the other last week, will be made public prior to an afternoon news

Czech Commies purge Dubcek from leadership

PRAGUE (UPI)—The Czechoslovak Communist party announced Sunday night it had purged Alexander Dubcek from his positions of leadership and had formally approved the Soviet led invasion as a "defense against...counter revolutionary forces."

The invasion "was not an occupation of Czechoslovak territory," according to a resolution issued after a two day meeting of the party's ruling Central Committee.

The resolution said the committee had fired Dubcek from the all powerful Presidium, the committee's 11 man executive board, and from his position as chairman of the national Parliament. The former party first secretary and leader of the 1968 reform period was left with only his seat on the Central Committee itself.

A new federal government, purged of liberals but still relatively moderate in character, was announced. Oldrich Cernik, another former Dubcek associate, was kept on as premier and party presidium member, but was greatly rebuked by being dropped from a party body directing party work in the Czech part of the nation.

conference by the maverick lawyers' boss, Asst. Atty. Gen. Jerris Leonard.

Leonard's news conference was called to discuss "reorganization of the Civil Rights Division," apparently as a result of the lawyers' protest. He announced earlier a reorganization would take effect Oct. 6 and would do away with geographical alignments.

The lawyers group, which may hold its own news conference after hearing what Leonard has to say, already has said it does not consider the reorganization a reply to its protest.

The group comprised of about 65 of the civil rights division's 74 staff attorneys plan to meet again Monday or Tuesday night to decide their next move.

Their original statement of protest was sent to President Nixon, Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell and Leonard. Leonard was the only recipient to acknowledge it, almost a month after it was declared.

In his acknowledgement, Leonard said political pressures historically have been brought to bear on every agency of the government. He said, however, political pressures would not influence civil rights policies.

His staff was not mollified. The lawyers said it was "intolerable" for the Justice Department to submit to political pressures.

They also expressed a belief Leonard's reply was an acknowledgement that politics will control decision making at Justice.

During an interview last Friday, Mitchell also acknowledged political pressures from congressmen, senators, and governors, but emphasized they had no effect on policy.

He was even more emphatic that "the Justice Department and not a group of lawyers in the civil rights division" will set policy while he is in office.

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Joe Theismann - butting his head against a wall

By Mike Pavlin
Observer Sports Editor

Last Saturday, Notre Dame was badly beaten by Purdue. There is no way getting around it.

This was no fluke victory, breaks played no major part. Notre Dame lost no fumbles, had only one pass intercepted, and was penalized only five yards. Purdue likewise lost no fumbles, lost one pass; but Purdue was penalized 104 yards.

Purdue beat Notre Dame in a variety of ways. Not only did Mike Phipps throw pinpoint passes all afternoon, but his runners slithered and powered past the exhausted Mike McCoy and Bob Olson (who were magnificent) for 201 yards. The Boilermaker defense held the Irish to 280 yards total offense and the lowest point output in 16 games.

Purdue also beat Notre Dame because Purdue made the old cliché about third downs stand up. ND's Joe Theismann was faced with 16 third or fourth down situations in which he elected to go for the first down. He was successful five times. Phipps, on the other hand, made 14 of 21 "big plays."

Badly beaten. And when this happens to a team which is ranked among the nation's top ten best, there usually ensues a search for the reason, a big reason for a big loss. It is frustrating to watch players try their best and fail, especially good players, especially Joe Theismann.

The Irish quarterback completed 14-26 passes for 153 yards, but he would probably be the first to tell you that those statistics are meaningless. Joe didn't have one of his better days. He couldn't find his receivers; he couldn't make the big plays. It is easy to pass everything off as a bad day against a fine team. But it just isn't that simple. Joe Theismann, I believe, is trying to quarterback an offense which is wrong for him and wrong for the whole team.

A few years ago, some soph-

omores named Hanratty and Seymour played unlimited pitch and catch for a National Championship. Also on that team was a splendid runner named Nick Eddy. When the next season rolled around, the coaching staff was faced with the prospect of the first two but not the latter. So Notre Dame began the season pass orientated, because there didn't seem to be any other course.

The first four games were an aerial circus, and the Irish lost two of them. Terry Hanratty threw interceptions at a record clip because it seemed that he had to throw all the time. After the disastrous Southern California game, the coaches reviewed the situation and decided that they had better develop a running game in a hurry. Suddenly, soph Jeff Zimmerman appeared and ran wild the rest of the year. A more secure and balanced Hanratty reduced his interceptions virtually to nothing, and the Irish ended up 8-2.

When Jim Seymour and Bob Gladioux left last year, not to mention Hanratty, the coaches were once again faced with a one-way situation. Or so it seemed. For receivers, they had Jim deArrieta, a "converted bowlegged punter" as *Sports Illustrated* called him; Tom Gatewood, a sophomore trying to shake off a succession of injuries; and Dewey Poskon, a largely unknown quantity who had played in the shadow of Jim Wingardner.

The coaches also saw a fine group of running backs. Slow they were, all Irish backs are slow the media claims, but powerful. Even better, the quarterback was a shifty some-of-a-gun with a pretty fair arm, albeit his size left something to be desired. The apparent solution was a ball-control offense, without the complicated pass patterns tailor-made to free receivers. If third down and ten ever rolled around (impossible), Theismann was good enough to pass for the

first down. Simple.

This kind of an offense was not new to Ara Parseghian. He had used it in 1965 when he had three fine backs and a so-so quarterback (Wolski, Eddy, Conjar, and Bill Zloch—Chuck's brother) in the wake of John Huarte and Jim Snow. That year ND was 7-2-1. Not bad really, but when the running machine faced Michigan State's super defense, the result was horrendous. Unable to run against Bubba Smith and George Webster, the Irish went down 12-3. And it wasn't even that close.

That frustrating afternoon foreshadowed last Saturday. When the same type ND offense ran into another fine defensive squad. Joe Theismann, like his predecessor, was forced to win through the air, and he couldn't.

It was not enjoyable for me to sit in the pressbox at Ross-Ade Stadium and listen to the comments about Joe Theismann's passing. As I mentioned before, Joe was fighting against a bad system.

Notre Dame's game plan so far this season has been ball-control running. Three runs get you a first down; a couple of first downs means a TD. Northwestern fell easily, because their defensive personnel were inferior and because their 6-1-4 defense was open to swing passes (to backs), which their inferior personnel couldn't compensate for.

Against Purdue's defense, the Irish game plan fell apart. Instead of three runs and a first down, it was two runs and third and five. Theismann was forced to get four, five, eight yards instead of the usual two or one. He had to pass.

And when he was forced to pass, Theismann had to use a poorly-coordinated offense. Think back to last year. When Hanratty passed, be it on first or second down as well as third, not only did he send out several receivers, but they worked hooks and crosses designed to get them free for that important

split second. Hanratty also went to his backs when spread-out defenses spread out too much.

Last Saturday, Theismann used a pass offense which seemed to be designed for minimum rather than Hanratty-maximum success. Splitting Tom Gatewood while keeping Dewey Poskon and three backs tight invited smother coverage on Gatewood. Theismann tried to work the short pass, but the hard-charging Purdue line forced him to throw hurriedly.

when he had the ball, while his speed and hands are more than adequate.

Theismann and his receivers finally got moving late on Saturday. They put together a 98-yard drive in 11 plays to score. Now granted that the game was over and that Purdue defense was not exactly going all out. But it was the NO. 1 defensive unit that Theismann rattled, and he did it all with passes when they knew he was going to pass. And he did it with ease.



Mike McCoy received credit for nine solo and eight assist tackles against Purdue, but his one blocked pass couldn't stop Mike Phipps. No. 60 for the Boilermakers is guard Tim Huxhold.

The depth of ND's passing desperation can perhaps be measured by the appearance this year of some strikingly un- Parseghian like plays, namely reverses and end-arounds. When was Terry Hanratty ever so unnerved by a third and ten situation that he had to go to an end-around? As a writer for the *Elkart Truth* put it when motion penalties kept pushing Purdue back, "What do five yards matter? Phipps will get 15 on the next play." And he did, again and again.

It may be argued that ND's passer and receivers just aren't good enough to warrant a large-scale passing attack, but let's examine:

Joe Theismann unveiled a fine passing arm when he shredded the Varsity in the Blue-Gold game two years ago. Using the same Hanratty offense, he beat USC everywhere but on the scoreboard last year. This year he has been thrown for a loss while trying to pass only once—vs. Purdue (he has, of course, lost yardage on runs and he lost 25 yards against Northwestern trying to recover a fumble). He has proven that he can be a dangerous scrambler.

Tom Gatewood and Dewey Poskon are no longer question marks. Poskon, though seldom called upon, has caught everything thrown at him. Battling against stiff coverage, Gatewood has performed excellently. To say he has great potential is to make an understatement. Against Purdue, he ran powerfully

If this article sound like 1.) a wholesale condemnation of the Notre Dame coaching staff, or 2.) a plea for 50 passes a game, then I haven't made myself clear. It is just that a situation has arisen which must be dealt with. Saturday showed that 1965 will not work this year either, at least against quality teams. But I believe that this year has shown that the ND quarterback can throw and that the ND receivers are dangerous.

I never saw Bill Zloch play, nor his receivers. But I wonder whether they were really that bad. Perhaps they were in the same position as Joe Theismann, butting their heads against a stone wall. Ara and his coaches cannot be blamed for Saturday's debacle—no one can. They had to go with what they thought was the best game plan. But just as changes were made during the 1967 season when it was apparent that something was wrong, so I would like to see the same thing done this season.

I would like to see ND's pass offense become more sophisticated. The Wishbone-T is pretty, but how conducive is it to a balanced attack? With two men split, with Allan, Gatewood, and Poskon working scientific pass patterns, with Ziegler, Allen, Huff, and Barz busting through a spread-out defense, and with a fine quarterback named Joe Theismann scrambling his line-opponents to death, I believe Notre Dame can come back, as in 1967, and finish, not 8-2, but 9-1.

Somehow, all this looks familiar

NOTRE DAME						PURDUE		PASSING		ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TD		
Total First Downs						21	19	Theismann	26	14	1	153	2			
Rushing Attempts						37	57	RECEIVING	NO		YDS	TD				
Net Yards Rushing						127	201	Ziegler	2	28		1				
Passes Attempted						26	20	Allen	1	11		0				
Passes Completed						14	12	Gatewood	4	42		1				
Passes Had Intercepted						1	1	Barz	2	14		0				
Net Yards Passing						153	213	Paskon	5	58		0				
Total Plays						63	77	PUNTING		NO		AVG				
Total Offense						280	414	deArietta		7		35.9				
Interceptions						1	1	PUNT RETURNS		NO		YDS				
Yards Returned						5	17	Gulyas		2		0				
Punts, Blocked						7.0	6.0	KICKOFF RETURNS		NO		YDS				
Average						35.9	35.8	Allen		1		29				
Punts Returned						2	7	Barz		1		14				
Yardage						0	34	Ziegler		1		13				
Kickoffs Returned						5	2	Lewallen		1		14				
Yardage						83	46	Cisszkowski		1		13				
Penalties						1	12	INTERCEPTION RETURNS		NO		YDS				
Yards Penalized						5	104	Lewallen		1		5				
Fumbles, Lost						0.0	0.0	PURDUE								
NOTRE DAME						0	7	0	7	14	RUSHING			ATT	NET YDS	TD
PURDUE						7	7	7	7	28	Cooper	25	92	0		
Pur: Cooper 37 pass from Phipps (Jones kick) 49 yds. 5 plays											Bullock	15	71	0		
Pur: Brown 3 run (Jones kick) 63 yds. 11 plays											Brown	5	19	2		
ND: Ziegler 10 pass from Theismann (Hempel kick) 79 yds. 11 plays											Phipps	12	19	1		
											PASSING	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TD
											Phipps	20	12	1	113	1
											RECEIVING		NO		YDS	TD
Pur: Phipps 1 run (Jones kick) 52 yds. 9 plays											Cooper	3	54	1		
Pur: Brown 2 run (Jones kick) 70 yds. 7 plays											Fenner	1	13	0		
ND: Gatewood 20 pass from Theismann (Hempel kick) 98 yds. 11 plays											Bell	3	53	0		
											Bullock	2	25	0		
											Brown	3	68	0		
ATTENDANCE: 68,179 (stadium record)											PUNTING		NO		AVG	
											Lougheed		6		35.8	
NOTRE DAME											PUNT RETURNS		NO		YDS	
RUSHING						ATT		NET YDS	TD		Foley		4		18	
Allen						7		63	0		de Grandmaison		3		16	
Barz						7		23	0		KICKOFF RETURNS		NO		YDS	
Gatewood						1		0	0		Brown		2		46	
Ziegler						9		24	0		INTERCEPTION RETURNS		NO		YDS	
Huff						1		3	0		de Grandmaison		1		10	
Theismann						12		14	0							