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Faulty sprinkler drenches Hesburgh Library

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
News Writer

Students attempting to study on the second floor of Hesburgh Library Saturday morning were greeted by water-logged books and a flooded floor. Now, only yellow tape prevents access to air blowers drying books on tables near the library computer cluster.

"There was water everywhere on the second floor. People were going around with Shop-Vacs sucking up the water and drying out the books," observed Brian Tomeik, a freshman from Keenan Hall.

The flood began early Saturday morning when a sprinkler head in a maintenance room on the third floor froze, then burst. Water built up in the room and leaked down through the floor in the common area on the second floor.

"Lots of people from different departments pitched in to clean it up," said Bob Miller, director of University Libraries. "It took members of Library Staff, Building Services, and other areas from about 9 a.m. to about 5 p.m. to clean it up."

The faulty sprinkler head, which has been replaced, was a part of a new system recently installed in the library. The exact cause of the pipe bursting is unknown, but it is thought to have been caused by the recent dip in temperatures.

"There was no major damage done," according to Miller. "Some of the books are beyond repair, and the drying process ought to take until Monday. But there was no structural damage or damage to the furniture."

While the process of saving the damaged books may take considerably longer, the actual problem caused by the water that flowed down the walls and through the ceiling has been solved.



The Observer/David Murphy

A faulty sprinkler head caused extensive water damage to the second floor of Hesburgh Library. While no structural damage was suffered, many books remain water-logged.

'Acid' captures literary prize

Special to The Observer

A collection of short stories by Edward Falco entitled "Acid" was selected as the first winner of the University of Notre Dame's Sullivan Prize for short fiction.

The prize, which will be awarded biennially by the University's Creative Writing Program to authors of short stories, honors a distinguished member of Notre Dame's English faculty, the late novelist and short story writer Richard Sullivan. The Sullivan Prize in-

cludes a \$500 cash award and publication of the winning work by the University of Notre Dame Press. "Acid" will be published next February by the press.

Valerie Sayers, professor of English and director of the Creative Writing Program and William A. O'Rourke, professor of English, both novelists, served as judges for the award. "The Sullivan contest confirmed my belief that the short story is not only alive and well, but alive and kicking," said Sayers. "Ed Falco's collection

caught my eye immediately, with its edgy, compelling prose and its insistence on facing the realities of American life in the 90's."

Falco, whose short stories have appeared in the Atlantic Monthly, TriQuarterly, The Southern Review and the Virginia Quarterly Review, is the author of an earlier collection, "Plato at Scratch Daniels," and a novel, "Winter in Florida." He also has a collection of hypertext poetry on the Internet.

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Minor fire in Badin Hall pending investigation

By LIZ FORAN
Associate News Editor

The smell of smoke by a dorm monitor led to the discovery of a small fire in Badin Hall early Saturday morning, according to Chuck Hurley, assistant director of Notre Dame Security.

At 1:20 a.m., the dorm monitor smelled smoke on the second floor in the laundry room. She discovered a small fire in the garbage can that had burnt itself out without causing any damage. She alerted the Notre

Dame Fire Department, and the matter is still under investigation.

The dorm fire alarm did not go off because it is heat sensing and not smoke sensing, Hurley said.

Hurley said that the fire could have been caused by a discarded cigarette, although smoking is not allowed in Badin Hall.

"We do not know if the fire was purposeful or accidental," he said. "We are investigating the incident along with the fire department."

Militant group threatens to avenge Sheik's sentence

Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt

A militant Muslim group has threatened to attack American targets to avenge the life sentence imposed on Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman for plotting to blow up New York landmarks, a newspaper reported Sunday.

"All American interests will be legitimate targets for our struggle until the release of Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman and his brothers," the Al-Hayat newspaper quoted the Islamic Group as saying.

"As the American government has opted for open confrontation with the Islamic movement and the Islamic symbols of struggle, al-Gamaa al-Islamiya (the Islamic Group) swears by God to its irreversible vow to take an eye for an eye," the statement said.

The Islamic Group has been blamed for much of the violence in a nearly four-year campaign

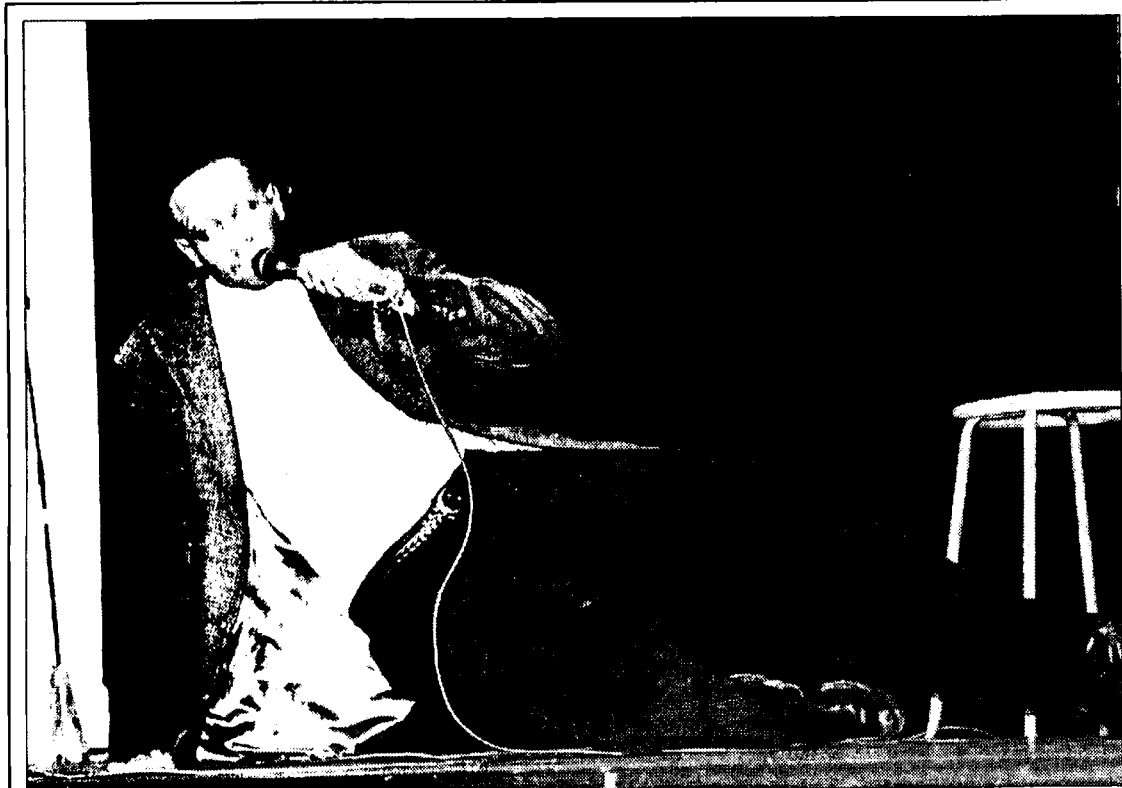
aimed at overthrowing Egypt's secular government and replacing it with strict Islamic rule.

The group considers the Egyptian-born Abdel-Rahman as its spiritual leader.

Abdel-Rahman was sentenced to life in prison on Wednesday by a U.S. District Court after being convicted in a plot to bomb the United Nations, a federal building, two New York tunnels and a bridge. Nine others were convicted in the conspiracy.

The U.S. Embassy has warned Americans to exercise caution because of possible violent reaction in Egypt to the court ruling. The embassy was closed Sunday, and spokesmen could not immediately be reached for comment on the Islamic Group statement.

There was no way to independently verify the statement. Similar claims from the group have gone in the past to Al-Hayat.



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Get Down

Notre Dame graduate Owen Smith performs in a comedy show Saturday night in Washington Hall. Smith opened for the comedy duo Arceneaux and Mitchell, whose act has been featured on MTV, HBO and FOX.

■ INSIDE COLUMN

Finally, getting a real education

I attended a small, mid-western high school for Catholic women and needed a change of pace. So for college, I went to another small, midwestern school for Catholic women. I filled up the minivan with Yaffa Blocks and headed to Saint Mary's. Friends had various reactions.



Mary Beth Ellis
Saint Mary's Accent
Editor

Some were amused. "Tell the Von Trapp children I said hi, Maria!" Others were horrified. "What did you do—lose a bet with your parents?" But all were fascinated. "Do they only admit girls with 'Mary' in their names?" It's been a semester now, and I have resolved myself to the idea of sharing a living space with a person who finds it necessary to blast "Goin' Through the Big D An' Don't Mean Dallas" at six AM. I have learned also how to sacrifice quarters for the luxury of clean socks, as well as carrying the terrible picture of myself immortalized in plastic for the next four years.

What I couldn't get used to was feeling stupid. Bleached blonde stupid. Constantly. My first week of school was the Idiot Olympics. I was perpetually lost: "Have you seen my dorm?"

I couldn't associate myself to the local lingo. "Who's this JAAC guy?"

And classes were just scary. "You want *how* many pages on *what* by *when*?"

Fortunately, the people of Saint Mary's and Notre Dame are kind to the faintly ignorant. There's always been a benevolent upperclassman to take pity on me ("It's pronounced 'La-FOR-chun', you idiot, not 'La-FOR-TUNE'." Oh.) I've found that folks are simply nice in general around here: it's always "Please" and "Thank you" and "Sorry about that" if you get thrown up on at a dorm party.

I think I have become conditioned to ask dumb questions. People back home, when they found out just what Saint Mary's is across the street from, were asking me continually what I now recognize to be a terrifically stupid question: "Can you get me football tickets?" Even I know the answer to that one: Riiiiight. Around here you have to be one of two people to get football tickets:

1. Lou Holtz.
2. God.

Yet, I'm clawing my way out of my little pit of ignorance. Look what I have learned already:

- The official pick-up line of a Domer for a SMC chick is: "There's a great view of the Dome from my dorm room." Yeah. Sure, pal.
- Profs get a little upset if you show up forty minutes late for class and ask in a hurt voice, "What, you didn't wait for me?"
- It appears—and I'm going out on a limb here—that home football games are somewhat significant events.
- Avoid dining hall pudding consisting of more than one color.
- Avoid dining hall pudding, period.
- There are three types of people in this world: Optimists, who see the glass half full; pessimists, who see the glass half empty; and college students, who don't really care if the glass is half full or half empty so long as it contains some sort of alcohol.

Now all I need to know is the name of that big building with the mural behind the football stadium....

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■ WORLD AT A GLANCE

Flooding devastates Ohio River area, death toll at 36

PENNSYLVANIA
Flooding on the Ohio River forced hundreds of people from their homes Sunday, while residents of flooded towns upstream in Pennsylvania and upstate New York scraped mud from soaked homes and historical monuments.

The past week's burst of flooding, snow, ice and cold had been blamed for at least 36 deaths from the Plains into New England. In upstate New York, five members of one family died when a washed-out road sent their car into a reservoir.

"It's just a big puddle of soup," said Tami Taylor of Harrisburg, Pa., whose 13-story apartment building was closed by floodwaters. "It looks like there's 10 feet of water in there, at least."

Officials in many areas had not yet fully measured the damage.

"It's like the first precinct to vote in New Hampshire for the presidential election. Those first returns don't tell you a heck of a lot," said Don Maurer of the New York state Office of Emergency Management.

President Clinton on Sunday declared Pennsylvania a disaster area because of the flooding.

The Ohio River crested Sunday at several spots along West Virginia's Northern Panhandle.

Wheeling Island, a low-lying, urban enclave of some 3,500 residents connected by bridge to Wheeling, W.Va., was 95 percent under water as the Ohio rose 10 feet out of its banks before beginning to recede. About 700 people fled the island.

"Every home on the island is damaged," said Gene Barker, Ohio County deputy director of emergency services.

Connery honored at Golden Globes

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif.

It took three big Hollywood names, Nicolas Cage, John Travolta and Michael Crichton to present the Cecil B. DeMille Award for career achievement to Sean Connery at Sunday night's Golden Globes. That showed how Hollywood regards the sturdy Scottish originator of the movies' James Bond. The standing ovation also attested to the 65-year-old actor's prestige, and he needed to hold up a hand to end the applause. "I've made a lot of films, some of which I've forgotten and some I would like to forget," he reminisced. "I've traveled to scores of exotic places, met many interesting people, kissed dozens of beautiful women and actually been very well paid for it. I'm very grateful," he said. "The point is, I think, if actors and actresses are good at what they do, and if you the audience are affected, moved by the stories we help to tell, then that's the real reward," he said.



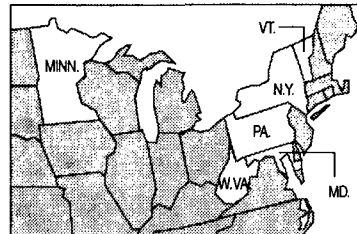
GOP request turned down

WASHINGTON

CBS became the second network to turn down an unusual request from Republican leaders, who want their response to President Clinton's State of the Union speech to air a day later in prime time. The network considers it in the public's interest to air both the president's speech and the GOP response on Tuesday night, Andrew Heyward, president of CBS News, said Sunday. "We feel strongly that these two events have been linked through long tradition for a very good reason," Heyward wrote in a letter to Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole and House Speaker Newt Gingrich. "Presenting the two speeches back-to-back will ensure the widest possible audience for both points of view," Heyward wrote. ABC turned down the Republicans' request last week; NBC has yet to respond. Dole said he hoped for the 24-hour-delay after Clinton's speech "to sort of let him have his day and let us have our day." Dole and Gingrich asked Friday by letter if they could deliver their response on Wednesday at 9 p.m. EST. The letter went to news executives at ABC, CBS, NBC, CNN, PBS and the Fox Broadcasting Co.

Blizzard of '96 flooding

Melting snow from the Blizzard of '96 combined with heavy rains, unleashed a torrent of mud slides and flooding in the U.S.



MARYLAND: Rescuers in boats and helicopters evacuated residents coping with flash floods.

MINNESOTA: At least six deaths blamed on the storm.

NEW YORK: High winds caused the 110-story twin towers of the World Trade Center to sway. Gusts of 61 mph closed the Verrazano Narrows Bridge at midday and ripped a 9-by-12 foot section of the dome above the U.N. General Assembly.

PENNSYLVANIA: More than 100,000 residents of Wyoming Valley, including all of Wilkes-Barre, were ordered to evacuate as the Susquehanna River rose to alarming levels.

VERMONT: A teenager drowned.

WEST VIRGINIA: Several towns were warned to evacuate as rivers swelled from a combination of 3 feet of melting snow and 2.5 inches of rain.

AP

Inmate earns college degree

PLAINFIELD, Vt.

Death-row inmate Mumia Abu-Jamal was awarded a bachelor of arts degree in psychology Sunday from a small college, earning about half of his credits from prison. "He put all his energy and a heart into getting the degree. He didn't take his education as seriously as he should when he was young, so it means a lot to him," said his son, Jamal. Abu-Jamal, a former reporter and Black Panther, was convicted of the December 1981 shooting death of Philadelphia police officer Daniel Faulkner and was scheduled to die by injection last August. A judge granted him an indefinite stay of execution and he is seeking a second trial. Abu-Jamal went to Goddard College near Montpelier between 1978 and 1980. He reapplied last year and was accepted into the off-campus program. He did all his work through the mail. His adviser, Margot Macleod, said Abu-Jamal wrote his final 75-page study titled, "The Emergence of a Black Psychology" in longhand because he was not permitted to use a typewriter in prison.

Mother enraged by abortion law

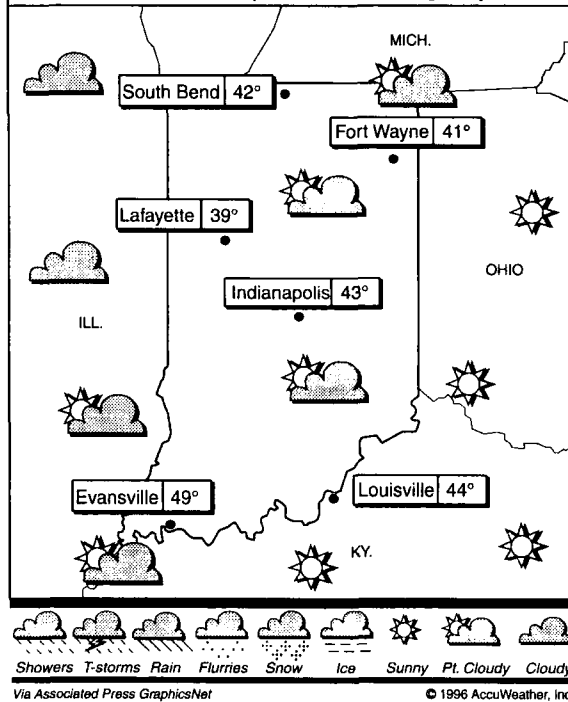
PHOENIX, Ariz.

A proposal to require parental consent for minors seeking abortions in Arizona could endanger the lives of some girls, says an Indiana woman whose teen-age daughter died after having an illegal abortion. Becky Bell, 17, of Indianapolis kept her pregnancy secret for three months until she died in 1988 after having an "illegal, botched abortion" in which dirty instruments were used, her mother, Karen, said at a news conference here on Friday. Bell said she blamed an Indiana law requiring parental consent for minors seeking abortions. Arizona lawmakers are considering a similar law, which would require any girl younger than 18 to obtain the written consent of one parent or legal guardian before an abortion. "I have to say it's a killer law," Bell said. "My daughter is dead and I blame the law." According to Bell, her daughter went for a back-alley abortion after hearing about the consent law because she didn't want to disappoint her parents. Abortion opponents disputed that Becky died from an illegal abortion and insisted that parental consent laws work.

■ INDIANA WEATHER

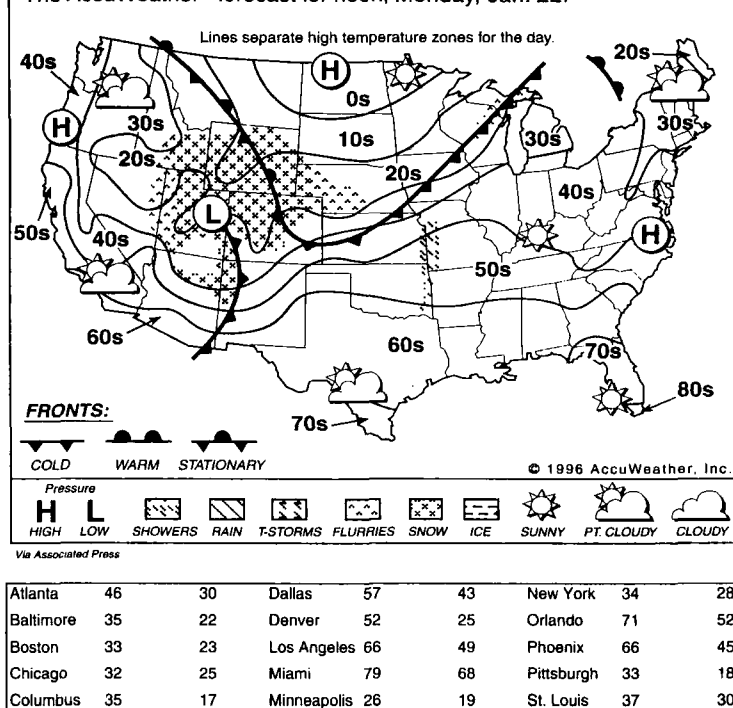
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■ NATIONAL WEATHER

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Abortion opponents mark anniversary of Roe vs. Wade

By DARLENE SUPERVILLE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
As Congress moves closer to banning some rare late-term abortions, abortion opponents gathered in the nation's capital for their annual march to the Supreme Court to protest its landmark Roe v. Wade decision 23 years ago.

The abortion debate appears to have taken a back seat to budget and tax matters in this presidential election year. Nonetheless, it remains one of the most emotional and divisive public and political issues facing Americans.

Thousands of abortion opponents from across the country were to rally near the White House at lunchtime Monday before marching to the Supreme Court, as they have done every year since 1974.

The event comes as Congress is moving closer toward dealing a major blow to the 1973 court decision by prohibiting a specific abortion procedure used in late-term pregnancies.

The Senate and House have

each voted to ban the rarely used procedure, marking the first time since Roe v. Wade that Congress has acted to prohibit a specific abortion method. Differences in the House and Senate versions of the bill must be reconciled before it can be sent to the president.

President Clinton has threatened to veto any such legislation.

Among those in Washington for the anniversary is Norma McCorvey, the "Jane Roe" in the 1973 decision. McCorvey, who attended a memorial service Sunday at Georgetown University, shocked abortion advocates last year by announcing that she now opposes the procedure.

Meanwhile, abortion rights supporters were marking the anniversary as a day to celebrate.

"Roe vs. Wade is arguably the most important decision affecting the lives and health of women in this country," said Kate Michelman, president of the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League.

Serbian atrocities unearthed

Evidence of 7,000 Muslims in mass graves

By TERENCE PETTY
Associated Press

BOSNIA
New evidence that Serb militias massacred up to 7,000 Bosnian Muslims will be handed over to the Yugoslav war crimes tribunal, a top U.S. official said Sunday.

John Shattuck, the assistant secretary of state for human rights, was in eastern Bosnia collecting evidence, interviewing survivors and checking conditions that war crimes investigators will face in the coming weeks.

"We believe there are up to 7,000 missing, and I'm afraid their fate could very well be very clear from the mass graves and mass executions we've heard about in the area," he told reporters.

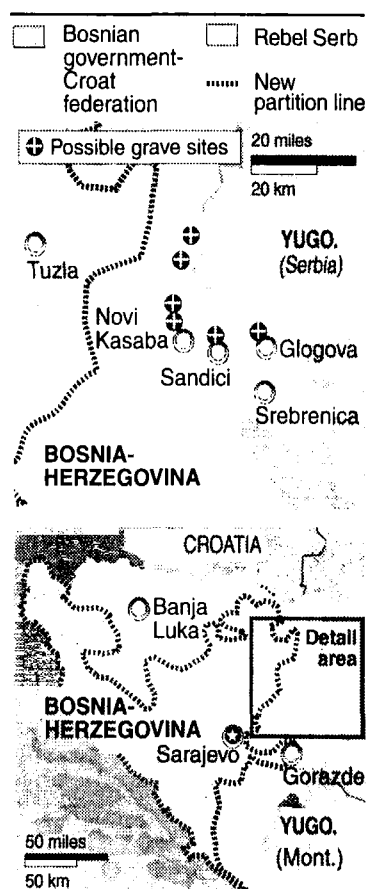
Shattuck said survivors have named the abandoned, bombed-out village of Glogova, nestled among snowy hills, as the grave of those killed in one of the worst of the alleged war crimes.

"Up to 2,000 people were herded into a warehouse and then fired upon by grenades and other weapons, and anyone who was left was shot when they left" the town of Kravice, just up the road, Shattuck said.

Kravice was part of the eastern Muslim enclave of Srebrenica that was overrun by the Bosnian Serb forces on July 11, 1995. Shattuck did not explain how or why the bodies were moved from Kravice to Glogova.

Shattuck said he could see blood spatters and massive holes in the warehouse from the heavy weapons and grenades.

"Two thousand missing peo-



operation."

"We have had security provided by Bosnian Serb and Serbian authorities," he said. "I have had no restrictions on the places I've gone."

Shattuck also toured Nova Kasaba, another reputed mass grave, and Konjevic Polje, where witnesses say 200 people were shot as they tried to flee along the road.

In the town of Karakaj, Shattuck said his team looked at a school house and gymnasium where Muslims were reportedly held before being taken out in groups of 30 and shot before open pits.

"This is the evidence many eyewitnesses have provided," he said.

Other reputed sites are at nearby Bratunac and an abandoned mine near Prijedor in the northwest.

The war crimes tribunal, a U.N.-appointed court based in The Hague, the Netherlands, was losing hope that NATO forces would help secure mass grave sites and arrest indicted war criminals.

"We will provide whatever support we can," said a written statement by U.S. Adm. Leighton Smith, commander of the NATO troops enforcing the Bosnian peace plan.

Smith did not say how much military muscle would be needed, but noted NATO soldiers would "provide an environment in which (investigators) can accomplish their missions."


In another probe, the chief Muslim investigator in central Bosnia, Safet Hadrovic, is trying to determine whether Croat militiamen are linked to the fate of over 500 Muslims missing from the towns of Vitez and Zepce. Croats and Muslims, now allies, fought each other there in 1993.

Croats suggest that his probe could undermine the Muslim-Croat federation that has been given 51 percent of Bosnia under the U.S.-brokered peace plan.

Hadrovic said he would push ahead regardless. "In order for there to be a state, there has to be justice," he told The Associated Press.

Shattuck said he believed NATO forces would be securing the alleged war crimes sites in the "very, very near future," after the primary task of separating forces was accomplished.

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Award

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His short story, "The Artist," has been selected by Pulitzer prize-winning novelist Jane Smiley for inclusion in "Best American Short Stories 1995."

Richard T. Sullivan was graduated from Notre Dame in 1930 and worked as a freelance writer before joining the University's faculty as a writing instructor in 1936. In addition to writing numerous book reviews for the New York Times and the Chicago

Tribune, he wrote several short stories and novels, including "The World of Idella May," "The Three Kings," "Summer After Summer," "The Dark Continent," and "First Citizen." His personal history of the University, "Notre Dame: The Story of a Great University," was published in 1951 and reprinted in 1961 with an epilogue and a new title, "Notre Dame: Reminiscences of an Era." A popular undergraduate teacher, he is remembered for his description of writing as "hard work requiring patience and idiotic perseverance." He died in 1981.

D'Amato denies conflict in dual leadership roles

By SONYA ROSS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The chairman of the Senate Whitewater Committee said there is no conflict between his dual roles as leader of the panel examining the Whitewater controversy and as promoter of Bob Dole's presidential bid.

Responding to a question, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., said he doesn't intend to stop campaigning for Senate Majority Leader Dole, R-Kan., while continuing to hold hearings on the president and Hillary Rodham Clinton's involvement in the Whitewater real estate venture. "One has nothing to do with the other," D'Amato said on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press." "I don't go around campaigning and making charges or whatnot as it relates to Whitewater. I campaign for Senator Dole because I think he will be a great leader."

The Clintons' supporters have accused congressional Republicans of trying to keep the Whitewater investigation alive long enough to make it an issue in the president's re-election campaign.

D'Amato made it clear Sunday that he intends to ask Congress to extend the life of his committee for several months beyond its Feb. 29 expiration date.

"When is enough going to be enough here?" White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta asked on NBC. "In the end, the public and everyone has to ask the question: Is this a legitimate inquiry into wrongdoing, or is this political harassment?"

D'Amato, who campaigned door-to-door for Dole in New Hampshire on Saturday, insisted, "The activity of the committee will not, in any way, be prejudicial towards the first family or anyone else because of what their politics is or isn't."

Republicans say they want to know whether Mrs. Clinton, while working as a lawyer in Arkansas, had more extensive ties than she has claimed to Madison Guaranty, the failed savings and loan at the heart of the Whitewater real estate deal.

Last week, the first lady said she would be willing to testify before Congress if her testimony would end the matter. D'Amato said she would be welcome, but would not be forced to appear before his committee.

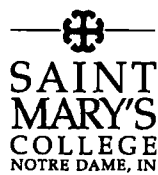
"Imagine what we would be accused of if we were to summon the first lady," he said.

D'Amato said he would seek additional funding to extend the Whitewater committee past its Feb. 29 deadline.

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GOP to set debt ceiling

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Contradicting other Republican leaders, House Majority Leader Dick Armey said Congress will refuse to raise the federal debt ceiling next month unless President Clinton agrees to GOP budget-cutting measures.

Armey's statements on NBC's "Meet the Press" put Republicans on a collision course with the White House that could bring the fiscal integrity of the country into question.

House Republicans in particular have been reluctant to pass stopgap funding measures for the 1996 budget and raise the debt ceiling until the White House moves closer to the Republicans' seven-year balanced budget plan.

Talks on the balanced budget broke down last week, and it's unlikely there will be any progress in settling the differences before President Clinton delivers his State of the Union address on Tuesday. Congress returns from a two-week

recess on Monday.

"Let's not play games with the future of this country or the economy of this country," White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta said later on "Meet the Press," warning that Clinton would not accept a debt limit extension with strings attached.

Last week on the same news program, House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, gave assurances that Republicans would extend the government's borrowing authority before Feb. 15, when interest due to bondholders would push the debt beyond the current \$4.9 trillion limit.

"John Kasich's willingness to vote for it to the contrary," said Armey, R-Texas, "it's not coming through the House unless it carries with it something that is a substantial share of our agenda of decreasing the size and the intrusiveness of government."

"We have a House that is committed to getting this job done, and we're going to use every instrument we can to move the ball forward," he said.

Armey said he would support linking the debt limit increase to language terminating the Commerce Department, a top priority of the Republican Congress, and preventing the Treasury secretary from "ever again raiding the trust funds of federal workers' retirement programs."

After Clinton last November vetoed a debt ceiling measure with similar restrictions, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin twice tapped government trust funds to avoid exceeding the borrowing limit.

Rubin said last week that he would be forced to take further actions so the government can avoid default after Feb. 15 and suggested that this time finding appropriate accounting maneuvers might be more difficult. He said a legal review was continuing because proposals being considered did not as yet "fully pass muster."

Armey said Congress would probably agree to another temporary spending bill when the current measure expires on Jan. 26, avoiding a third government shutdown.

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Hawaii considers gay marriages

By BRUCE DUNFORD
Associated Press

HONOLULU

A thorny issue facing Hawaii's reluctant Legislature has the potential to affect laws in all 50 states: whether to allow men to marry men, women to marry women, and thereby grant them the social, legal and financial benefits afforded married heterosexuals.

Prodded by a special commission's 5-2 vote last month urging legalization of gay marriage, Hawaii's lawmakers — who just over a year ago voted to ban same-sex unions — face fresh debate on the question in this high-profile election year.

There is good reason one vote in distant Hawaii is carefully watched by 49 other state legislatures — and anticipated hopefully by hundreds of thousands of gay Americans. Heading a clause in the Constitution, states generally agree to recognize each other's statutes — from driver permits and vehicle registrations to court decisions and marriage licenses.

Thus, in theory, two women or two men legally married in

Hawaii would be considered legally married in any other state. Several states are already mulling ways to sidestep such recognition.

Hawaii legislators convened their 60-day session last Wednesday and promptly predicted the issue might take another year to resolve.

Complex issues like this take time, said Senate President Norman Mizuguchi. He also said the Legislature was more likely to consider the commission's secondary recommendation — to devise a comprehensive domestic partnership law.

This also seems to be the path favored by Gov. Ben Cayetano, who appointed the seven members of the Commission on Sexual Orientation and the Law last August.

Cayetano last week suggested the state should establish legal rights and obligations for domestic partners of the same or opposite sexes. Weddings would be religious matters, he said, and the government should quit the business of issuing marriage licenses altogether.

"The institution of marriage should be left to the church,"

Cayetano said. "The government needs to explore its role in marriages ... (and) should not be in the role of sanctifying marriages. That's when they run into problems."

Hawaii was pitched into the push-and-pull of one of the nation's most contentious social dilemmas May 27, 1993, when its Supreme Court agreed with three gay couples that they had been unconstitutionally denied marriage licenses in 1990.

The justices said the state had to show a compelling interest to ban such marriages and sent the case back for trial in a lower court.

Trying to bolster the state's court case by establishing legislative intent, lawmakers in 1994 clarified the somewhat vague Marriage Law to spell out that marriage was solely the union of a man and a woman.

They hedged their bet by also establishing the special commission to recommend a solution to the 1996 Legislature, and the lower court postponed action pending the commission's report. The court has now scheduled arguments in the same-sex marriage case for July 15.

The commission gave lawmakers four reasons to establish the right of homosexual couples to marry:

- To deny it conflicts with equal protection rights in state and federal constitutions.
- Hawaii has no compelling state interest to deny it.
- The argument that same-sex marriages won't produce children is invalid because heterosexual marriages aren't held to the same standard.

Internet deemed safe for cyber-credit card sales

By ELIZABETH WEISE
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

You're bopping around the World Wide Web checking out cool sites and you stop in at one of the shiny new on-line malls sprouting up everywhere. There's that CD you've been meaning to get. You pull out your credit card, and you —

Stop. Technology hasn't stopped you; the technical part of making a purchase by computer was worked out long ago. The gods of commerce haven't stopped you; they're eager to sell through cyberspace.

What has stopped you is your own mistrust — the fear that by inputting your credit card number into a computer, you are opening yourself up to fraud. Perhaps, you think, some hacker will take my number and buy himself a new skateboard.

In fact, public fear of security risks on the Internet is stalling the boom many companies anticipated. But experts say sending your credit card number over the Internet to buy something is as safe as calling up L.L. Bean and ordering a sweater.

It's not that the computer security flaws being discovered every other week by bored graduate students — and trumpeted by the media — aren't problems. They're just not problems for the average user.

"If a person's standards are that they're not willing to send their credit card over the Inter-

net, they probably shouldn't order anything by phone or from a store where they don't know the proprietor," said Rod Kuckro of Information and Interactive Services Report.

Says Douglas Barnes, who helps build secure computer systems for Electric Communities in Los Altos, Calif.: "Credit card information is given out to hundreds of thousands of low-paid clerks all over the country every day — it would be hard to imagine a less secure approach."

Stories about wily hackers stealing thousands of credit card numbers have created the public perception that the Internet is a dangerous place to do business. When the FBI's "most wanted hacker" Kevin Mitnick was arrested last year, one of the things he was credited with doing was for stealing a file from an Internet service in California that contained information on 30,000 credit card accounts.

What wasn't as widely reported was the fact that Mitnick apparently never used any of the accounts, and probably only wanted the file as a trophy.

Security problems have been overhyped, even according to Simson Garfinkel, author of a book on one of the strongest publicly available encryption programs, Pretty Good Privacy. Encryption uses complex mathematical algorithms to turn computer files into a soup of letters and numbers unreadable by anyone except the person for whom they are intended.

Scares about security loopholes on the Internet only really affect large corporations who use computers to transfer sensitive information. Individuals buying a few CD's on-line aren't at risk, Garfinkel said.

"The whole thing about encryption over the Internet is that it's not to protect the customer — it's to protect the credit card companies. By law, if there is no signature, the customer is liable for nothing. If there's a signature, they're liable for \$50. The reason the credit card companies want (cryptography) is to limit their own liability. It has nothing to do with protecting the consumer," he said.

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■ ROME

Pope calls for Christian unity before year 2000

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY
Pope John Paul II called on Christians on Sunday to smash the "walls of division" by the end of the century.

The pope used the occasion of his first visit to a Rome parish this year to preach for Christian unity, and returned to the issue later during his regular Sunday message from his window overlooking St. Peter's Square.

Preaching to parishioners at the St. Anthony of Padua church near Rome's ancient Appian Way, the pope cited the words of the apostle Paul that Christians should speak with one voice.



John Paul II

"How we need to take to heart these reflections of the apostle to knock down, at the end of the 20th century, the walls of division and find the road of full unity," the pope said.

The pope has spoken often on this subject in recent years, as Orthodox-Catholic divisions flared during the war in Bosnia and surfaced in post-Communist societies of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

The pope devoted an encyclical to Christian unity last year, and has made conciliatory statements toward Protestants.

In St. Peter's Square, the pope said Christian unity does not have to lead to "flat uniformity" of religion.

John Paul has made it his practice to visit Rome parishes on Sunday mornings in his capacity of bishop of Rome.

■ RUSSIA

Russian assault razes village

By CHRIS BIRD
Associated Press

DAGESTAN

This quiet farming village in southern Russia has been pulverized.

Patches of gray ash are all that remain of the village's winter hay. Most of the houses, made of mud and reeds, have been obliterated. Blood darkens the snow around the bodies of dead Chechen rebels.

One cow stands quietly, still alive, with her stomach hanging out from a gash in her side.

Dazed villagers huddle in small groups, asking one another if they should rebuild or move on after a massive Russian assault last week that came out of the blue.

"Nothing's left — no animals, nothing," sobs 65-year-old Patimat Gadzhieva, lifting her arms in despair. "What am I going to do? I'm old."

"Two buckets — that's all I have left," cries Sukaymat Yakhayeva, 39, holding them aloft next to the charred walls of her house.

Magomed Makhmudov just stares dumbfounded at the remains of his home. "It's winter," the 65-year-old says simply. "Where will I go?"

What's left of Pervomayskaya stands on the snow-blown steppes of Russia's mainly Muslim republic of Dagestan, near the border of breakaway Chechnya. Before last week, its main assets were farm animals.

Then it became a battleground when the Chechen rebels, trying to escape back to their separatist homeland after raiding nearby Kizlyar for hostages, were stopped at Pervomayskaya by Russian troops.

The town and surrounding villages were sealed off to reporters after the troops assaulted Pervomayskaya last week with heavy artillery, helicopter gunships and rockets following a five-day siege.

Nearly all the rebels were wiped out or taken prisoner.

The death toll among the 120-odd hostages and the villagers is still not clear, although President Boris Yeltsin has claimed that most hostages were saved.

The village was finally reopened to outsiders last weekend. An AP reporter who drove into town on Sunday was one of the first foreign correspondents to survey the destruction.

Everything in Pervomayskaya changed between Monday and Thursday, when Russia declared the four-day assault over. Not much had changed, apparently, between Thursday and Sunday.

Cows and sheep lay dead and bloated in the frozen streets. Timbers that once had been roofs loomed like ghostly skeletons in the icy fog. Not one house escaped the hail of metal that ripped through the town.

Trucks drove out of town laden with furniture, rugs and any other belongings the inhabitants could save.

Shrapnel lay strewn next to Pervomayskaya's new mosque. It stood roofless, the iron structure of the minaret blown flat onto the ground.

Four male corpses lay unclaimed in the streets, one wrapped in the parachute from a flare. They were almost certainly dead Chechen guerrillas.

One wore a bloodied green headband, the symbol of the rebels' willingness to die in the "Gazavat," or holy war — their 13-month-old struggle for independence from Moscow.

A young man from the village pulled back the blanket covering one dead guerrilla, spat

away in anger and swore. "Why did he have to come and fight here?" he said.

"Mercenaries," cursed another man.

An explosion rent the still air — Russian sappers detonating a mine.

"I nearly walked into a trip-wired mine yesterday," said Sasha, a major from Russia's Emergency Situations Ministry, who led a team clearing away bodies. He did not give his full name.

His men, dressed in red overalls, worked near a pile of rubble crowned by an iron chimney stack. It was all that was left of the village school, where some hostages allegedly had been held.

Russian authorities had denied that the school had been targeted.

They said Saturday that 26 Russian soldiers and 153 Chechen guerrillas were killed, and 30 guerrillas were captured. The guerrillas' leader apparently got away with some fighters and some hostages.

Authorities said 82 hostages were freed and the rest were unaccounted for. At least 40 more people had died when the rebel raid began in Kizlyar.

"The disinformation here has been awful," said Sasha, the emergency worker, shaking his head.

The key to the guerrillas' four-day resistance lay in the trenches and dugouts built under walls and even in the living rooms of some houses. Only a direct hit would have harmed such a shelter.

■ THAILAND

Peace between rebels, military questionable

By ROBERT HORN
Associated Press Writer

BANGKOK

Khun Sa, Burma's notorious opium warlord, stood at a table in his jungle headquarters this past week with Burmese generals he has been fighting for nearly two decades, raised a glass of whiskey and toasted to the end of war.

Peace in Burma, however, may still be far off.

Khun Sa's surrender of his territory in eastern Burma does bring the Burmese army a step closer to gaining control of the chaotic hinterland and borders for the first time since independence from Britain in 1948.

Burma's military rulers are eager to achieve that goal for more than security reasons. Analysts say the junta believes that would legitimize its rule, support the argument that only it can unify the insurgency-ravaged nation and improve an image tarnished by brutal handling of democracy activists.

The prospect of peace with the various rebel movements raises some fears. Democracy advocates contend the government would use peace as an opportunity to tighten its grip on power and dismantle their movement.

Some analysts also are concerned that a strong Burmese army controlling the frontiers

would create problems for neighboring countries.

The army, which killed thousands of unarmed pro-democracy demonstrators in 1988, has shown no willingness to compromise over its role in ruling Burma. Arrests of followers of democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi are continuing.

"The military is using the border situation to try and gain support from the international community," said Josef Silverstein, a leading Burma expert at New Jersey's Rutgers University. "If they get it, that will be a crushing blow to the democracy movement."

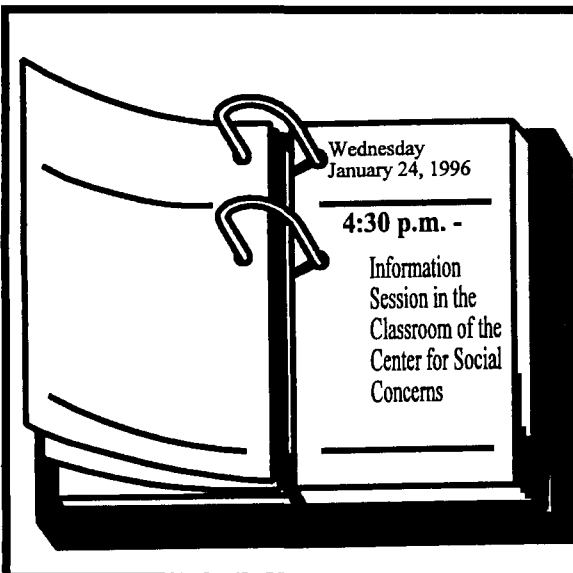
But the junta may not be able to focus just on political dissent.

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■ BELGIUM

EU promotes Euro-currency, plays down recession fears

By PAUL AMES
Associated Press

BRUSSELS
More than 400 of Europe's brightest economic minds gather here Monday to explore how skeptical Europeans can learn to love the "euro."

The three-day seminar kicks off a multimillion-dollar marketing campaign to convince citizens that the euro — the European Union's planned single currency — will bring peace, prosperity and comfort to the continent.

EU finance ministers will also consider measures to allay fears that Europe will soon be hit by a recession that would drown hopes of meeting the 1999 deadline for adopting the common currency.

A drop in German growth last year coupled with high unemployment and social unrest in France has sapped business confidence and cast doubt on the ability of the 15-nation EU to stick to the schedule.

Many Europeans blame economic stagnation and unemployment on the tight fiscal policies nations must pursue to join the monetary union.

Hoping to counter that perception, the EU's executive commission has invited leading

politicians, economists, business leaders and consumers' representatives to discuss how to market the euro.

"We have to help public opinion discover the euro and teach them to love it," EU Finance Commissioner Yves-Thibault de Silguy told the French National Assembly last week.

First, he must address concerns that the current signs of a slump may be a portent of dark economic times ahead.

When he briefs EU finance ministers at their monthly meeting here Monday, de Silguy is expected to repeat his message to the deputies in Paris: "We're going through a crisis of confidence, not a recession."

He is also expected to ask ministers to boost confidence by increasing private investment, introducing more flexibility into labor markets and sticking to monetary union targets of low inflation, narrow budget deficits and falling public debt.

The problem is, most EU members have tamed inflation but have failed to control unemployment. To reduce the EU's 17.5 million unemployed, economists suggest some nations should cut taxes or boost public spending to create new jobs, even if it means a short-term deficit rise.

■ NORTH KOREA

Thousands near starvation

Associated Press

BEIJING
The Red Cross says it needs more money to feed North Koreans or else 120,000 of them could die before the next harvest.

The Red Cross received only 70 percent of the \$4.5 million it requested to help victims of last summer's devastating floods in North Korea, said Simon Missiri, deputy director of the Red Cross' Asia-Pacific department.

A new appeal will be launched, Missiri said Sunday, but he declined to estimate its goal until after he holds talks with the North Korean Red Cross. Missiri said he will

leave for North Korea on Monday for a five-day tour of areas hit by the flooding.

The Red Cross and other international aid groups have warned that millions could starve in the secretive, totalitarian country without concerted intervention.

Donors have not been forthcoming, in part because of rival South Korea's objections and suspicions the North is exaggerating the damage. South Korea has also accused North Korea of leaving vast stores of grain for the military untouched.

Missiri dismissed accusations that North Korea is hoarding grain or overestimating the scale of its needs.

"These issues are not our concern," Missiri said. "People will not survive unless the Red Cross provides humanitarian assistance."

Food remains the most urgent need and will continue to be until the next harvest, in September, he said.

Missiri said the Red Cross had to divert funds earmarked for construction equipment to rebuild homes damaged by the floods to buy food for 120,000 people instead.

Under normal circumstances, the Red Cross would have turned its operation over to North Korea by February, but Pyongyang's inability to provide enough food for its people makes that impossible, he said.

■ AUSTRIA

Leaders learn of hidden weapons

By ROLAND PRINZ
Associated Press

VIENNA
Fearful of a Soviet invasion after World War II, the United States hid at least 79 weapons caches in Austria for anti-communist partisans. Now the American ambassador has apologized for not telling the current government about them.

An unspecified number of weapons, pistols and explosives were hidden by U.S. occupation troops in the 1950s in case of a Soviet takeover of Austria, the Kurier newspaper reported Sunday.

U.S. Ambassador Swanee Hunt told Austrian Chancellor Franz Vranitzky and President Thomas Klestil about the sites in a meeting Saturday.

"I would like to apologize

that Austria was informed so late about the matter," Hunt told Austria Press Agency late Saturday. "This is a relic from the Cold War."

Vranitzky said he was astonished Austria had been left in the dark for so long.

The belated disclosure "does not correspond with the excellent level of our countries' relations," the APA quoted the chancellor as saying. He said it was imperative "to find the places of these caches together with the U.S. authorities as soon as possible."

Hunt promised within days to provide details on the sites, which are said to be concentrated in the western province of Salzburg. She said they did not pose any danger to the population.

However, Fritz Molden, a

former Austrian journalist, said Sunday that the secret weapons depots were established at the initiative of the Austrian government led by Chancellor Leopold Figl, and planning for them began in 1948.

He claimed that some depots were also placed in the Soviet occupation zone in eastern Austria.

Molden told the APA he had acted as a liaison between the Americans and the postwar Austrian government. However, it was not clear why the information was not handed down to subsequent governments.


According to Kurier, a U.S. congressional committee monitoring CIA activities found documents on the weapons caches that had not been known to the Clinton administration.

A report Saturday in the Boston Globe prompted Hunt to inform the Austrian government, Kurier said.

The Boston Globe report said CIA agents stashed the weapons while the U.S. military conducted loud military maneuvers.


For 10 years from the end of World War II, Austria was occupied by the four wartime Allies, with both the country and the capital of Vienna subdivided into American, Russian, British and French occupation zones.

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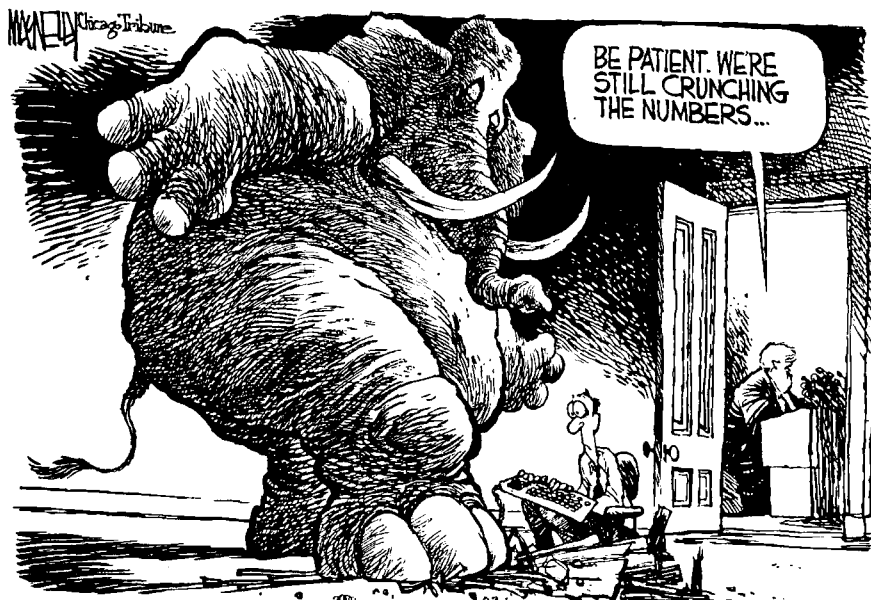
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■ RIGHT OR WRONG?

Notre Dame rejects proposed Catholic ordinances

Our last column, of November 20th, discussed the 1967 transfer of Notre Dame from ownership by the Congregation of Holy Cross to control by lay trustees. That transfer was in the spirit of the Land O'Lakes declaration, adopted later in 1967, in which Notre Dame and other Catholic universities resolved that "the Catholic university must have a true autonomy and academic freedom in the face of authority of whatever kind, lay or clerical, external to the academic community itself."

That severance of the University's juridical link with the Church, the November column suggested, was the decisive cause of Notre Dame's overemphasis on research and of its drift toward secularization. The column recommended, but lacked space to discuss, the article by Fr. James T. Burtchaell, C.S.C., in the April and May, 1991, issues of "First Things". Taking Vanderbilt as an example, Fr. Burtchaell described the secularization of various Protestant universities once they had severed their juridical and authoritative link with their founding church. According to Fr. Burtchaell, that severance made total secularization inevitable. The article, without naming any institutions, also details the journey of Catholic universities along the same path. Let me try to explain why the Burtchaell article is relevant in 1996.

In 1994, the American Catholic universities, including Notre Dame, rejected ordinances proposed by the American bishops to enforce *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*, the 1990 Apostolic Constitution on Catholic Universities.

Ex Corde says some things that make it unpopular with some on this campus and elsewhere. "Every Catholic

University" it says, "has a relationship to the church that is essential to its institutional identity.... assuming consequently a special bond with the Holy See... [T]he institutional fidelity of the university to the Christian message includes a recognition of and adherence to the teaching authority of the church in matters of faith and morals." No. 27 *Ex Corde* also provides that "Catholic theologians, aware that they fulfill a mandate received from the church, are to be faithful to the magisterium of the church as the authentic interpreter of sacred Scripture and sacred tradition."

The bishops are considering this year new ordinances to enforce *Ex Corde*. If they adopt them, Notre Dame's relation to the Church will be a hot topic again. So let's look at it in the context of the Burtchaell article.

The Burtchaell analysis can be disconcerting. For example, *Ex Corde* mandates that "the number of non-Catholic teachers should not be allowed to constitute a majority within the institution." For the past several years, fewer than half of the new faculty at Notre Dame have been Catholic, including as "Catholic" all who checked that box on the form. The issue, however, is not merely statistical.

Fr. Burtchaell does not name any institution, but we should consider whether his analysis could be applied to Notre Dame: "The Catholic colleges... have begun, one century after the Protestants did the same, to welcome an increasingly diversified faculty in which the communicants of the sponsoring church are fewer, and often a minority. But statistics tell only part of the story. The opening to noncommunicants appears to reflect a spirit not so much

ecumenical as indifferent. Non-Catholics are welcomed not as allies in a religious undertaking; instead, they are recruited, evaluated, appointed, and welcomed without any frank word about religious commitment, the college's or their own, unless by way of apology. While the remaining believers of the sponsoring church may imagine that the newcomers are being incorporated into the traditional undertaking of the college, in fact the opposite seems to be happening.

Instead of their even being asked to defer to the college's religious commitment, the college stands ready to defer to their many individual commitments or anti-commitments, out of what it calls hospitality but what may frankly be called a failure of nerve. The ancient tokens of hallmark faith are withdrawn, evacuated, or desecrated so as not to make anyone feel estranged."

Fr. Burtchaell suggests that "secularization is rapidly bleaching the Catholic character out of that church's universities... with all the elements... typified in the Vanderbilt story.... As with the Protestant alienation a century earlier.... the Catholic institutions enjoyed an immediate honeymoon period wherein autonomy actually enhanced the institution as both a faith community and a house of liberal learning. But then the slow and inexorable gravity pull of the secularism dominant in the force-field of the academy begins to retard and then counteract the inertial momentum that has hitherto set the course of the Catholic college or university, until, after a period when the forms and symbols of Christian identity are gradually evacuated of their conviction, the institution finally emerges as a wraith of the Christian community it once was."

Fr. Burtchaell's suggested cure is

strong medicine:

1. "The only plausible way for a college or university to be significantly Christian is for it to function as a congregation in active communion with a church.In Christianity, communities that float free are not viable.

2. "[T]he academy must have a pre-dominance of committed and articulate communicants of its mother church. This must be regarded, not as an alien consideration, but as a professional qualification....

3. "A Christian college or university must advise noncommunicant members... that the institution is constitutionally committed to its church in a way that must transcend and transfigure the commitments of individual members. Similarly, any institution will decline to let its foundational norms of scholarship yield to the private and personal standards of each individual scholar. Though the appropriate freedom of inquiry and advocacy will be protected procedurally for all, it cannot be done with prejudice to the school's filial bond to the church." (Emphasis in original)

In Colloquy 2000, Notre Dame proclaims its Catholic identity in a mission statement that does not even mention the Catholic Church. Having cut any authoritative tie with the Church, Notre Dame defines its "Catholic" identity, as a Protestant would, according to its own lights. Before this issue comes up again, the Notre Dame community could well reconsider the Burtchaell article and reflect on whether Notre Dame is fated to verify by its own degeneration the accuracy of his analysis.

Prof. Rice is on the law school faculty. His column appears every other week.

Charles Rice



'Fr. Burtchaell's suggested cure is strong medicine.'

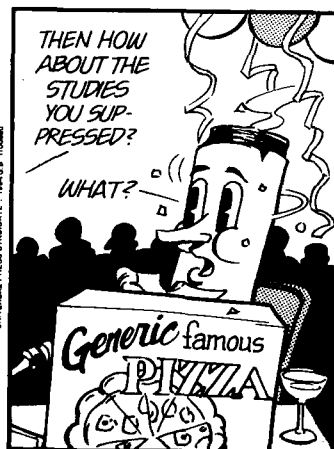
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■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The world is equally shocked at hearing Christianity criticized and seeing it practiced."

—Dr. Elton Trueblood



■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Remembering a Son of Notre Dame with love

Editor's Note: Dave Treacy is a Sports Copy Editor for The Observer. His father passed away over winter break.

Dear Editor:

Dave Treacy left his mother's side to deliver the hardest speech of his life. He was supposed to tell friends, family and strangers how he will remember his father. It was hard for him since his father had picked him up from school just days earlier. They jammed to Elvis all the way back on Route 80. Mr. Mark Treacy was a music lover.

Dave spoke about how his parents had met, how his father often engaged in the ritual of the screaming monkey. Mr. Treacy had a million impressions. Though I remember little about my childhood, I volunteered with him at a nursing home. He impersonated Ed McMahon. I heard that those old people smiled like they hadn't in a long time. Mr. Mark Treacy was a lover of volunteer work.

Dave was not in my seventh grade CCD class; he missed seeing his father in action. Every Wednesday, Mr. Treacy opened his home to fifteen teenagers

and captivated us, the way his religion captivated him. He showed us videos, he read to us, and he brought God nearer to us, if only for an hour a week. Mr. Mark Treacy was a God lover and fearer.

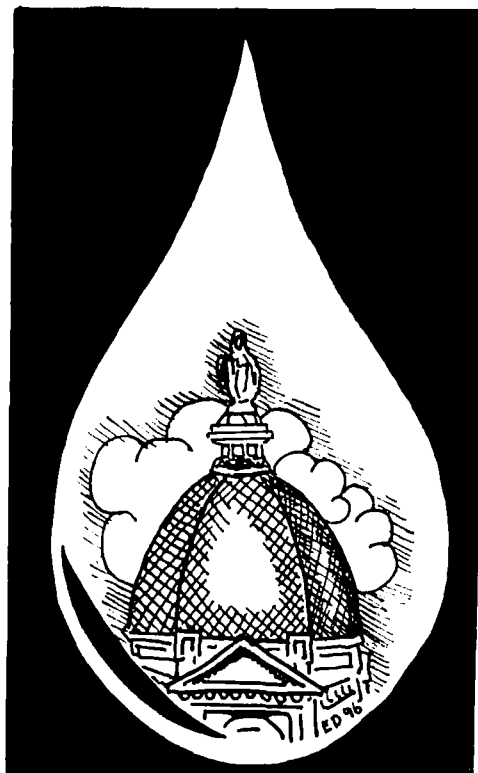
Unlike his father, Mr. Treacy did not get into Notre Dame as an undergrad, despite two years of applying. Nevertheless, he took the LSAT, received a great score, and was accepted to his beloved university as a law student, where he graduated four years later. He has enjoyed a successful practice since then. Mr. Mark Treacy was a lover of justice.

Dave dreamed of following in his father's footsteps and going to Notre Dame for as long as he could remember. Dave spoke about the bond he shared with his father when he was young, how they fervently watched games, visited the campus, and told stories. It gave them a special bond. That bond was strengthened immeasurably when Dave was accepted to Notre Dame. Since then, he has played in the most famous college band in the world, he has written for the 1995 Women's Soccer

Champions and he will write for the football team next fall. This spring, Dave will study abroad in London. How proud Mr. Mark Treacy was of his only son. Mr. Mark Treacy was a Notre Dame lover.

I never really bought into the whole Notre Dame mystique and rah-rah Rudy stories until I sat in the chapel the day of Dave's speech. I felt honored to be part of the same Notre Dame that created such an inseparable bond between father and son. This is a beautiful family bound by God. I ask you, in the midst of the whirlwind of the first weeks of this semester, to pray for the Treacy family, especially for his beautiful wife, a Saint Mary's graduate, his daughter, Theresa, and Dave, as he embarks on a truly enriching experience on the other side of the world. Dave will not be far in thought, though, from the memory of Mr. Mark Treacy, a lover of life, family and people.

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The March: African-Americans come home reaffirmed, ready to affect change

Editor's Note: The following is the fourth in a five-part series on the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Dear Editor:

Shortly after I returned from the Million Man March I was invited to write about my experience for publication in The Observer sometime in January. I agreed and was glad to receive so much notice. Yet, like many of us I found myself waiting until the last minute to write this. Before I share my feelings about my experience I think it is necessary to write about a few of my observations and experiences before the March.

The March began to get mainstream media coverage about three months before the Oct. 16 date. However, many African-American-owned media and publications (such as Emerge and BET) began giving it in-depth coverage almost immediately. Six to ten months before the March it was not uncommon for me to ask an African-American what they thought about the March and be told "what March?". I frequently found myself educating people about the March before NBC, CBS and ABC began to discuss it. This shows how mainstream media shapes the opinions of the citizens of our country. In part, the March was necessary because of the often distorted coverage of African-American men in mainstream media. Yes, some African-American men do commit acts of violence, abuse their wives and are not very productive citizens. Yet, the vast majority of them are law-abiding citizens whose spirituality, ethics and morals are above reproach.

Most of the media has depicted Minister Louis Farrakhan in a very negative light. Therefore, as I talked to people about the March, generally there were two reactions. They thought the March was a good idea but could not support Minister Farrakhan or they were very supportive. Very few people I encountered before the March thought the purpose of the March was inappropriate. Some had such a strong disdain

for Minister Farrakhan, that I found myself regretting entering the conversation.

For me the March, more than anything else, was a very moving spiritual experience. Clearly God was doing his work. I consider myself very educated and secure about my culture and race. Yet, before the March, I often felt burdened by the negative stereotypes and oppression of African-American men. I knew the content of my character, like millions of African-American men, was not what I frequently saw and read in the

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media. This burden in part causes the high incidents of high blood pressure and strokes among African-American men. For me the March also affirmed the greatness of African-Americans. One million African-Americans came to Washington, D.C. and not one incident of violence occurred.

In spite of what most Americans think about Minister Louis Farrakhan, they now realize he is currently the most influential African-American leader in our country. No other African-American leader could have garnered the support necessary to have one million men and women come to Washington. Minister Farrakhan for me is like any

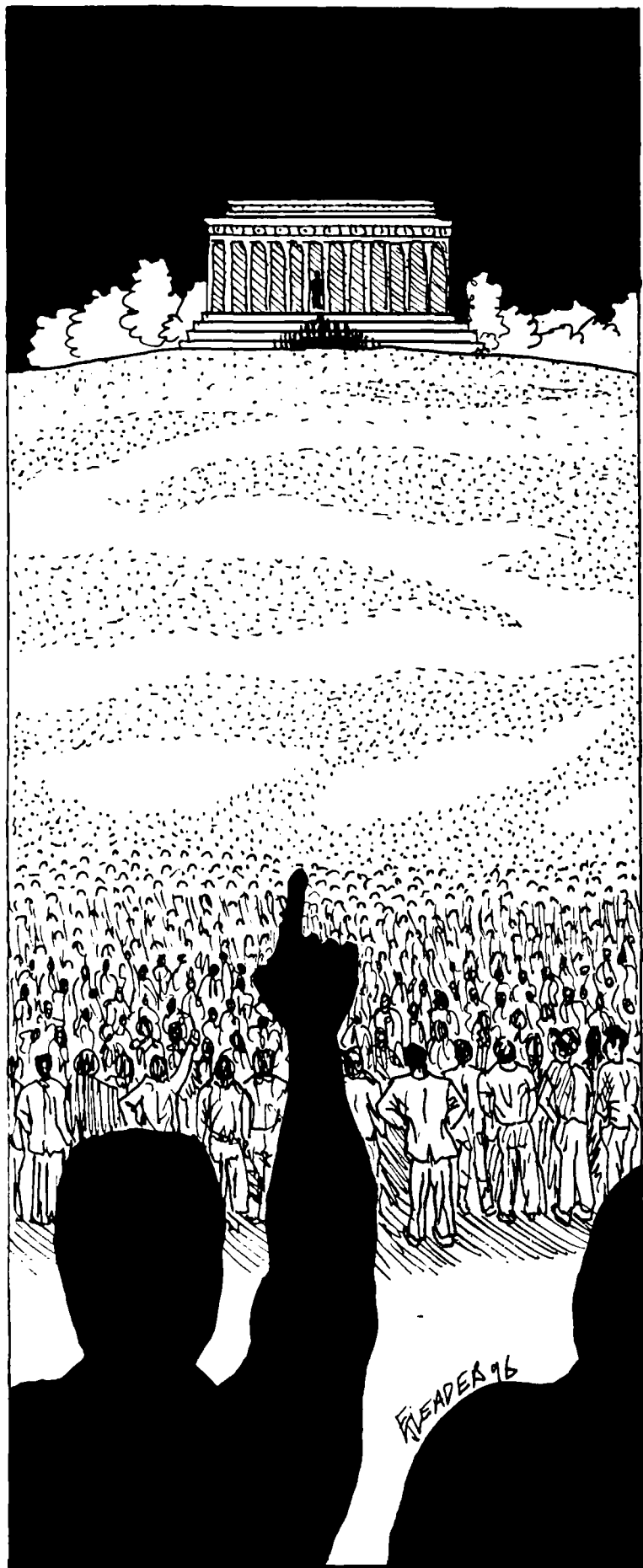
other leader, I agree and disagree with him. I strongly agree with his message of self-reliance. I think African-Americans should make an effort to empower themselves economically and politically. Many messages I heard on Oct. 16 emphasized these points. The March refueled a sense of resolve and determination to begin to increase the economic and political empowerment of African-Americans using a model of self-reliance. Certainly, other racial groups will help with this effort, however, the major thrust and effort will come from African-Americans.

Besides being affirmed in the greatness of African-Americans I am convinced African-Americans will be moving from affirmation to action. Since the March, I have worked with a group of African-Americans (most of whom are men) to begin to make a positive impact in South Bend. The most enjoyable activity I have participated in is going into the South Bend schools and talking to young African-American males. Many of these students live in single-parent households headed by females, and often do not have the opportunity to interact with African-American men. Our talks center on moral and ethical values, and having a strong spiritual foundation. The effect of having ten to twelve African-American men talk to them about what constitutes manhood is incredible.

I recognize that the Million Man March still remains controversial and much debate has taken place as to how effective it will be in the long run. My participation reaffirmed my culture and race. It also renewed my determination to make a positive change in the African-American community, and demonstrated to me the power of God. Since the March, I have frequently described the experience as almost moving as seeing the birth of my children.

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■ AT THE MOVIES WITH FATMAN AND DADDY...THE FATMAN'S BACK!

Tarantino's latest offers vampires, gore, and lots more

"From Dusk 'Til Dawn"
Directed by Robert Rodriguez
Written by Quentin Tarantino
★★★★
(out of four)

Synopsis:

Two criminal brothers, Seth and Richie Ghecko, have just taken down a bank in New Mexico and are on their way to the Rio Grande. They abduct an ex-minister and his family and use their R.V. to cross the border into Mexico.

The brothers decide to pass the night at a bar called the "Titty Twister" as they wait for their Mexican connection. Unfortunately, the bar is run by vampires.

Daddy: Although Daddy is not one to get overtly philosophical or disgustingly sentimental, I can easily admit that there are certain events that we all wait for in life. These occurrences, when the correct mix of environmental circumstances permit, often become what, in a colloquial sense, are referred to as "special moments."

Daddy is just confident enough in his masculinity to admit that the return of the Fatman, when coupled with the blood-soaked mayhem of a devilishly delightful vampire movie, has moved him to the point of sentimental ebullience. Now, as I wipe away the final tears of ecstasy, it is time to review "From Dusk 'Til Dawn."

As a creature of complete honesty, I am compelled to first reveal my background as a fledgling undead enthusiast; a personal characteristic that often becomes an irritating foible while witnessing the seemingly incessant flow of vampire drivel that trickles out of Hollywood.

Despite the omnipresent degree of trepidation that accompanies me like an unrelenting incubus to every vampire movie I attend, it is completely free of compunction that Daddy gives "From Dusk 'Til Dawn" an eager thumbs up.



George Clooney is reunited with director Quentin Tarantino in a new kind of "night shift" with the new thriller "From Dusk 'Til Dawn."

Although this movie contains several logistical (in the fantastic sense) problems that are guaranteed to raise the hackles of many a Nosferatu aficionado, the pulse-pounding action of the narrative and acerbic wit of the dialogue are enough to sweep these particular defects under the proverbial rug.

Granted, "From Dusk 'Til Dawn" contains all of the traditional parlor tricks associated with the salty dogs of the Silver Screen's pack of past horror monstergs (like Fright Night, or perhaps even Salem's Lot).

The sheer magnitude of bodily fluids and miles of intestinal tract provided for your viewing pleasure more than compensate for the flaws that will send the D & D nerds into an impotent rage.

What Daddy is trying to say is that the final, cumulative impact of the movie outweighs the fact that these victims become vampires in under five minutes and behave like underage Notre Dame

students at Bridget's on free beer night.

On a completely different tangent, kudos to director Robert Rodriguez who, in realizing the previously dismissed theatrical prowess of Cheech Marin, gives the hero of East L.A., not one, but two roles!

In conclusion, "From Dusk 'Til Dawn" is a deftly entertaining movie that leaves its audience wishing that they too, could pick up a broken pool stick and skewer some spawn of the night (or shoot somebody in the face).

Fatman: After a semester of jetting around the Old World doing time as a workingman's sex symbol, the Fat Man once again eased his girth into the cushioned comfort of the local South Bend theater scene.

From "Dusk 'Til Dawn" did not spoil my return to this virgin land. A macabre play of gruel, blood, and severed flesh, Robert Rodriguez's film had more gratu-

itous violence than the RSC's staging of "Coriolanus."

Robbers, Texas marshals, vampires and strippers are placed into a sharply written script which celebrates their campy absurdity. Guided by the extremely well executed limb tearing fight scenes, "From Dusk 'Til Dawn" never slackens its fast pace.

The major weakness of the film is Quentin Tarantino's acting. Although his penchant for directing brilliant films is undeniable, I fear that his acting ability can compare only with the screen prowess of Gary Busey. His whiny voice and constant squinting make him look ridiculous.

To compensate for this embarrassment, George Clooney and his haircut bust a lot of heads. His role, the central role in the film, carries the entire story. He plays the part well enough to make the plot and dialogue come across sharply in the production.

Harvey Keitel once again does a fine job playing the only role in the film that is more nefarious than a vampire - a servant of Jesus.

His understated tone in the film seems a little forced, but he is classic Keitel in the brilliantly choreographed action sequences. Juliette Lewis also deserves recognition for once again playing the innocent adolescent to perfection.

The real value of "From Dusk 'Til Dawn" lies in its stylish violence. Watching a vampire's heart explode and Harvey Keitel ironically wielding a shotgun crucifix provided me with much utility.

I also like seeing nasty little creatures dying; I didn't mind watching the annoying child in the movie being devoured by frenzied vampires.

Good action movies come along only so often. Ones that take place at a Mexican bar called the "Titty Twister" come along maybe once in a generation. We heartily recommend that those of you of the cultural proletariat attend this film in support of fine violence over bougous pretensions.

■ ANOTHER MOVIE REVIEW

12 Monkeys: Unsettling vision of the future

By MARK TORMA
Accent Movie Critic

Back in the mid-seventies, an American animator made his directorial debut in a movie with his buddies in a British comedy troupe. On a bare-bones budget, they made a Medieval period piece that put audiences in stitches and generated a huge cult following. Perhaps you've heard of it - "Monty Python and the Holy Grail" is still pretty popular. With its success, Terry Gilliam got the momentum he needed to work on his own projects. Twenty years later, after several box-office failures, his project "12 Monkeys" is his biggest hit since his Python days. Yet where John Cleese and Co. used to fill the screen, now stands Brad Pitt of all people, alone in the only even remotely comedic role of the film. And before I start suggesting any other possible parallels, let me just say this: there are none whatsoever. Gilliam has diversified.

This is no revelation to fans of his earlier movies ("Brazil," "Time Bandits"), but while those films mixed an apocalyptic vision of society with Pythonesque humor, "12 Monkeys" is a suspense-filled thriller which will remind you of the "Terminator" films in some ways - and it should. All of those films were inspired by the same French short film, in which the main character is sent by those in the future back to the present. In "12 Monkeys," Bruce Willis is a prisoner who "volun-

teers" to travel in time and find the origin of a virus so potent that it decimated the human race in 1997 and made the earth's surface unfit for human habitation, as it continued to be in Willis' "present day," the year 2031. His motivation is rather unheroic, and actually pretty pathetic: he's convinced that no time-traveler can keep the worldwide infection from occurring, so he's working to make the surface inhabitable again. This could be just a pipe dream, because it is doubtful that the wacky prison autocracy that holds sway in the future world (it's the only authority we see, anyway) is going to give up its power in the event of a massive disinfection, but Willis' character can dream, can't he?

Those very prison authorities are also in charge of the time-traveling process, but they are bombastic bunglers (hearkening back to Gilliam's "Brazil") and send Willis to the wrong year at first (1990), where he's stunned to find that no one believes his claim of impending doom. He's placed in an insane asylum where, still stunned, he meets Pitt, a lunatic who nevertheless may be the most rational person in that Cuckoo's Nest writ large. Pitt prods Willis to get out (somehow he knows our hero is sane), but before he does, the two discuss Willis' mission and the possibility of a viral holocaust. This conveniently sets up the plot later on, but that's okay, it's Hollywood (it could be the only clue

the audience ever gets).

In the same asylum, Willis meets Madeleine Stowe, who plays his psychoanalyst. She's sure that he's crazy, but is also sure that he's harmless - no sparks fly yet, however. Even though he's stuck in a building with the girl of his dreams (literally), Willis is returned to his "present," where they get it right the second time and send him to 1996, just before the virus is unleashed. He kidnaps Stowe, and believes he can convince her of the serious threat to humanity lurking in some lab somewhere. She's a hard sell, but when she finally falls for the story, she also falls for Willis, and the two, in their desperation to save the world, actually make a cute couple.

The mind games the movie plays with both the characters and the viewers would take up this whole article. The beginning is hard to follow (we simply don't get any information), but the visual setting of this prison/time machine is breathtaking, even if Gilliam merely recycled the set pieces from "Brazil." Fortunately, the movie soon evens out and becomes a complex race against time for Willis and Stowe. The movie also fulfills its promise of action and becomes rather tough, reminding us that no one punches like Bruce Willis.

This isn't an action movie, though; it's a puzzle more than anything, but manages to be more exciting than con-

fusing. Willis is sometimes so ruthless that you don't really know if you like his melancholy character - maybe he really does deserve to be in prison. You know the relationship between the two protagonists is inevitable, but Stowe doesn't merely swoon over his die-hard character. Her change of heart is gradual and convincing, and her beauty takes a back seat to her struggle with so many desperate situations. The viewer knows where Willis and Stowe fit in, but they're not so sure about Pitt's lunatic (neither are the characters), but this is for sure: his lunacy is fun to watch, even if it makes the plot seem even more convoluted than it already is. He has no hard edge, but he has acquired several great facial tics and a madcap demeanor that challenges Jim Carrey's Riddler.

Even when the moviegoer is at wits end puzzling over the plot, the performances made it more than just an intriguing movie. Supported by Frank Gorshin and Christopher Plummer (who looks like he just stepped out of "The Sound of Music"), Stowe, Willis, and Pitt help Gilliam make this movie a real pleasure to watch. But don't expect "Terminator" meets "Outbreak" - be prepared to think. Right on the heels of "Seven" and "The Usual Suspects," Gilliam has made another intelligent thriller with a deft hand, and while his ending may frustrate you, give him a break - at least no one's turned into a newt.

WHAT THOUGH THE ODDS: Father Robert Griffin

A priest's thirty-year relationship with the university continues, despite obstacles

By CATHERINE DEELY
Assistant Accent Editor

A Notre Dame alumnus. A priest, chaplain, rector. A gifted writer whose often controversial yet widely-praised column appeared in *The Observer* for twenty-five years. A man well-known and even more well-loved by the entire campus community, who has counted among his friends a variety of Notre Dame personalities...ranging from Father Theodore Hesburgh to a succession of cocker spaniels named Darby O'Gill.

Such a colorful array of descriptions belong to Father Bob Griffin. None who have been touched by his inspiration would deny the influence he has had upon their lives. And yet, when asked what impact he feels he has had upon Notre Dame, Father Griffin remarks with simple sincerity, "I do not feel that I have shaped Notre Dame. It has shaped me."

The remarkable story of Father Griffin's journey into the heart of Notre Dame began in 1965, when the native of Portland, Maine came west to the alma mater where he had studied as a philosophy major years before. Struggling with both illness and family tragedy, the young priest entered the solace of Holy Cross House...and ended up never truly leaving the lady on the Dome again.

Father Griffin soon became an active

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Father Robert Griffin

figure in the dorm life of the then all-male campus, acting first as Keenan Hall's chaplain, then as its rector after Father James McGrath left the position. Father McGrath, now Associate Professor of Biology at the university, remembers the days of Griffin's rectorship fondly. "He was excellent...such a great 'people person.' The only part of

the job he probably didn't like was the disciplining...it wasn't quite his chosen bag," he laughs.

The experience of presiding over a male residence hall during the upheaval of the 1960's was one which required more than just authority, Griffin recalls. "It was a very troubled time," he reflected. "In one sense, it was an offbeat, silly time...I enjoyed the students, and they seemed to enjoy me. Yet at the same time, it was a tremendously scary time; drugs were around, and tragic things happened. I would get calls at 1 a.m. on a Saturday morning about a kid on a bad drug trip, and all I could do was talk to him. It was like acting as Mission Control to keep them in reality."

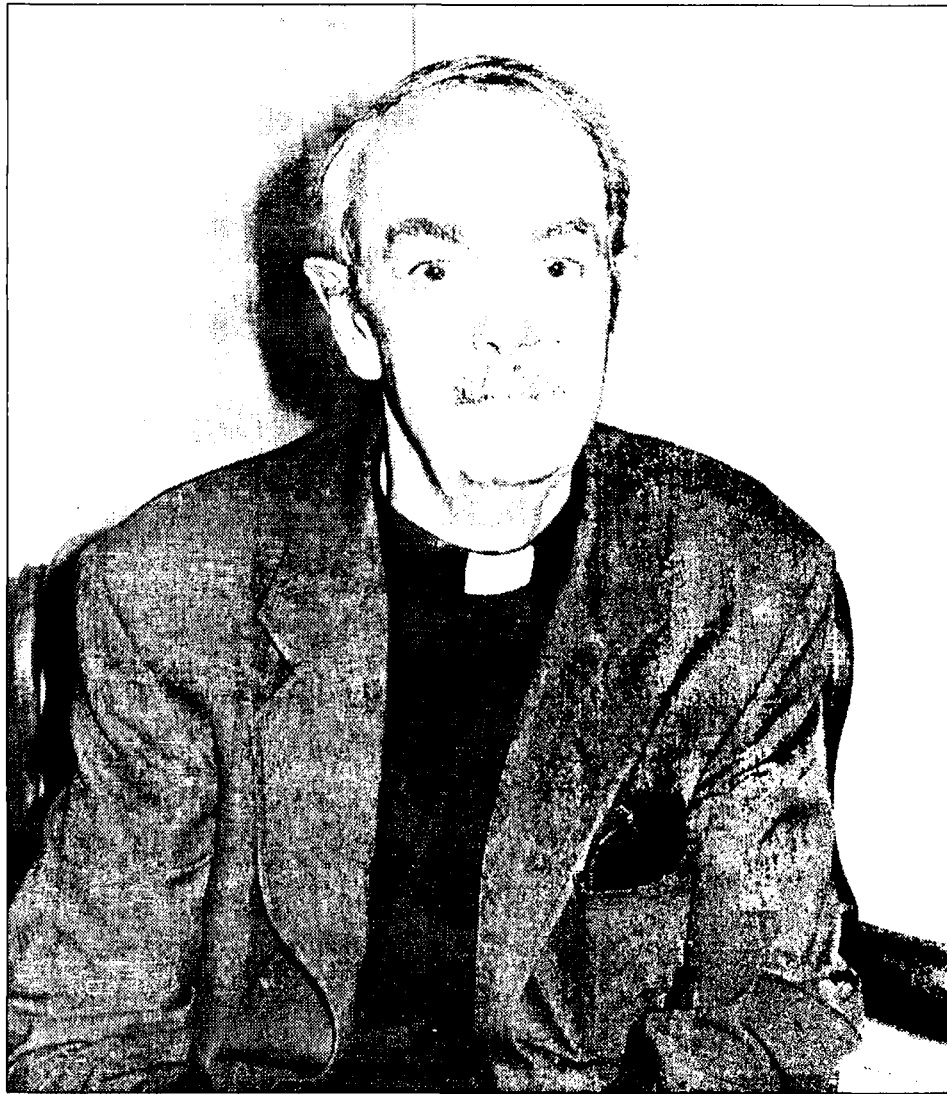
The sobering fact of the Vietnam War, too, colored the lifestyle of the campus. "It was fun, of course, yet there was deep emotion under the feeling of joy. The effort was to turn the war hawk into a peace dove," Father Griffin says. And yet, throughout his own inner turmoil, his concern remained with the students. "The idea seemed to be, then as now, to be there for them."

On a lighter note, Father Griffin's image cannot be invoked without a picture also of a dog named Darby O'Gill. During the 1970's, Notre Dame was not what could be described as a canine-friendly community, as Father Griffin soon found out. A call from Student Affairs briskly informed him that Darby would have to go. "Why?" Father Griffin protested. "This is a time when young people are alienated from the church, and the dog is a bridge. No dog is an island."

Darby stayed, becoming a beloved fixture in his many travels across the quads. He even served as the inspiration for "Darby's Place," the establishment Griffin set up in the LaFortune basement to offer snacks, coffee, and a mixing opportunity for students. Darby was a frequent and popular guest. Upon his death, his ashes were buried in the Grotto; he was then succeeded by Darby II and III.

Father Griffin's unwavering imagination and enthusiasm for Notre Dame students led him to excel in a variety of pursuits. After noting with concern how easily children grew restless at Sacred Heart masses, he created a special children's mass, aided by ND and Saint Mary's students, designed to explain and even act out the teachings of adult sermons. For twelve years, community children and students alike enjoyed the experience. "The children made it beautiful, but it was the students who brought their own creativity," Griffin remembers.

Father Griffin's creativity also brought him into contact with the worlds of music and literature. Over twenty-seven



The Observer/Katie Kroener

Father Robert Griffin, currently residing in Corby Hall, has served the Notre Dame community in a variety of capacities. From serving as Rector of Keenan Hall to keeping the first dog on campus, Father Griffin has truly done it all.

years, he developed a deep devotion to the Glee Club, of which he acted as chaplain. Years spent touring with the group across the globe formed a bond which remains strong today.

The power of the pen inspired Griffin's long-running *Observer* column, "Letters from a Lonely God," which ignited opinions on both sides of every issue—but never diminished his readers' respect. "I don't always agree with him, but that's the beautiful thing about our friendship," longtime confidant Father Hesburgh observes. Griffin's talent led to the compilation of his *Observer* columns into two volumes carried by the Hammes Bookstore, as well as publication in the Catholic newspaper "The Sunday Visitor."

Perhaps Father Griffin's most impressive accomplishment, however, has been his courage in the face of adversity. "He's had his share of health problems, but he's always bounced back. He's always been so wonderful in continuing his relationship with the students,"

Father Hesburgh states. After his years as Keenan rector, Father Griffin went on to spend six years at Pasquerilla West before making his home at Stanford, where he resided before health difficulties led to a stay in Holy Cross House. He now lives in Corby Hall, and hopes to eventually return to dorm life—with Darby O'Gill III by his side.

"It's been said that evening is the best time of life—but when does one reach evening?" Griffin questions, his kind eyes shining intently. "This could be my evening, or it could be my late afternoon."

"I have needed a lot of healing in my life," he continues, "and Notre Dame is the place I came to save my soul. My involvement with the students has been part of finding my way home."

With this incredible and yet incredibly humble member of the Notre Dame family guiding their travels through ND and through life itself, many who have felt Father Griffin's presence in their lives might say they found home long ago.

■ DAYS OF OUR LIVES UPDATE

Lady in white haunts Stefano

By CHRISTINA FTICARS and ERIN KELSEY
Days of Our Lives Correspondents

Happy New Year Day's Fans! It's been a long month for the show. The most interesting news is about Stefano. Lightning struck causing him to regain his memory. However, only the judge presiding over John's trial knows since Stefano threatened to kill him if he doesn't find John guilty.

Yes, John's been charged with Tony's murder, and he is currently in jail. Although John still gets conjugal visits from Kristen (in ugly underwear), he cannot wait to get out to be with Kristen "forever." Unfortunately, Kristen is not as wonderful as her testosterone body appears.

She has some serious doubts about John's innocence and even offered to marry John to get out of testifying against him. (Do not worry, John, Marlena would be happy to take Kristen's place, if Stefano

does not get in the way.)

The Lady-in-white has expanded her role as a crying freak to include haunting Stefano. She lost Tony's diary which proves "Johnny's" innocence and knows it is in Stefano's room. However, it is hidden in a very tricky place (on the table next to Stefano's bed), so the Lady-in-white is having trouble finding it.

Peter is still trying to mess up Jennifer and Jack's investigation of Jude. He is finally convinced that by destroying the latest evidence, he has severed his ties from Jude forever. Unfortunately, Jack still holds the matchbook with the code for the bank account Peter set up to pay off Jude. Watch out Peter!

How about the new Jennifer? The old one quit suddenly after being on the show for over 10 years, and we wish she would come back. The new one has all the acting talent of Sean D. with none of the personality.

Speaking of Sean D., his parents are really getting it on. However, they warn Sean D., and us, not to read too much into this one. But do not fret, this relationship will take off, especially after Hope's encounter with the dangerous avalanche.

Sami strikes again! This time she drugged Carrie to get her into bed with a passed out Lucas. Dumb-as-a-rock Austin didn't see the similarity between this situation and the one with him and Sami. Luckily, Jamie finally spoke out and told Austin to be wary of Sami's motives. She also pointed out that he, out of everyone, should understand waking up in someone's bed and not remembering how you got there or what happened. Touché Austin!

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Second half surge propels Irish past Lady Hoyas, 92-61

TIM MCCONN
Sports Writer

The approximately 1500 people that came to the Joyce Center Sunday afternoon thought that Georgetown's Allen Iverson had come and gone earlier in the week. What they saw in the first half of this 92-61 Irish victory, however,

made it look as if he had returned in female form.

The Irish size advantage seemed to be playing against them for the first twenty minutes of the game. The undersized, mighty might Lady Hoyas came out of the gate pressuring the Irish guards all over the court. Just as Iverson does against his opponents, smallish

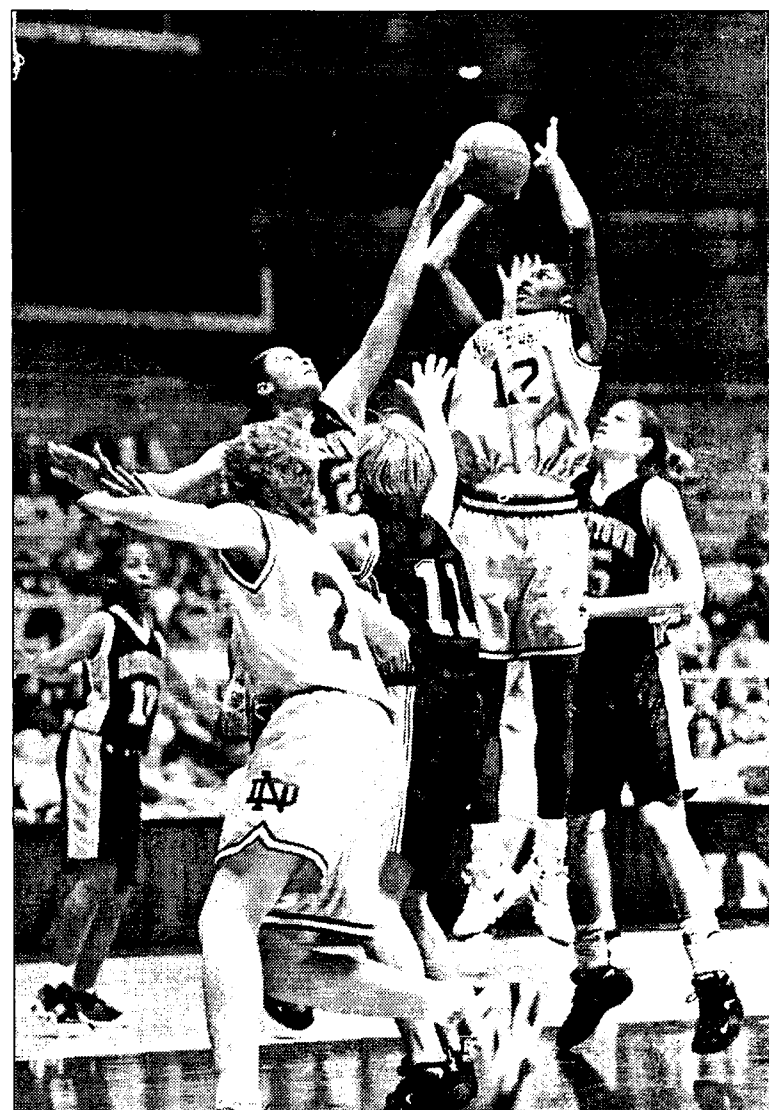
guards Kimberly Smith and Kim Gallon harrassed Irish ballhandlers, such as Molly Peirick and Jeannine Augustin, by means of a frantic full-court press. This resulted in 14 first half turnovers by the Irish.

"What hurt was their quickness," said Peirick. "At least I know it hurt me."

Because of these miscues, combined with the Irish sluggishness in getting back on defense, the Hoyas were only down by 2 at the half, 39-37. Notre Dame kept the game from getting out of hand by riding on the shoulders of the outside shooting of Beth Morgan (13 points, 3 of 6 from 3 point range) and the inside toughness of Katryna Gaither (11 points, 6 rebounds).

Fortunately for the Irish faithful, the second half turned out to be a completely different story. After Smith tied the game at 39 in the opening seconds, the Big East co-leaders went on an 18-4 run that included 8 points by Gaither.

A timeout at the 12:37 mark by the Hoyas proved to be no help in their cause to get back in the game. The Irish defense was stifling. Peirick, Augustin, and Sheila McMillen contested every perimeter shot by the Hoyas, forcing them to shoot a lowly 26% from the field in the second half. The intensity on defense led to 14 second-half turnovers by the Hoyas. To finish each series off, Gaither and Carey Poor pulled down rebound after rebound, pre-



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Katryna Gaither powers above the Lady Hoya defense. She finished with 11 points and six boards, including eight points in a dominating 18-4 second half run.

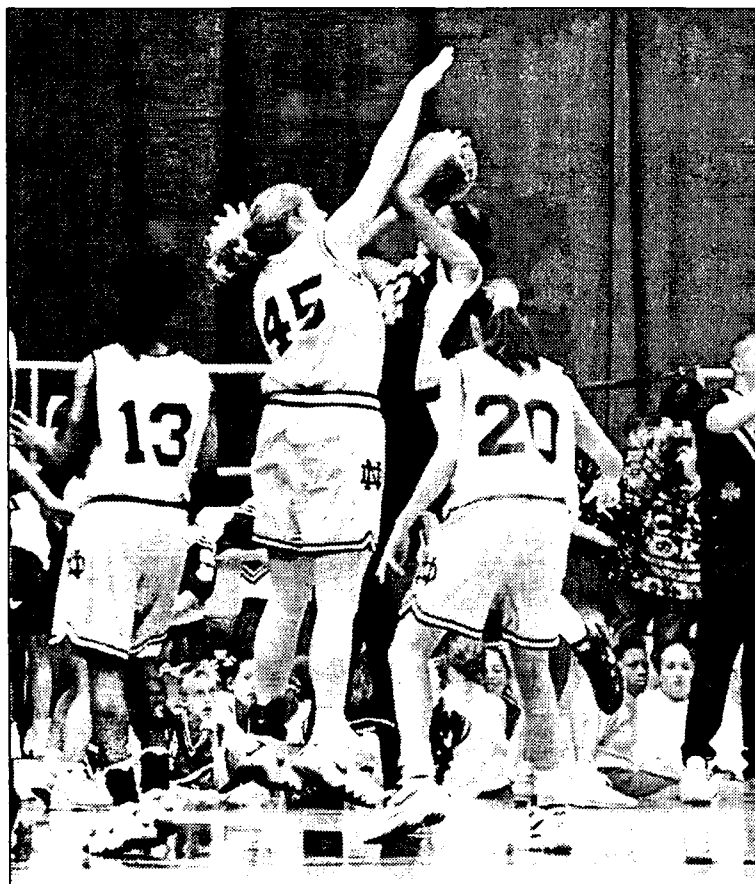
venting Georgetown from getting second chances.

Meanwhile, the Irish offensive surge continued. It seemed the only way to stop Gaither and Morgan was to foul them. Also, the trend of turnovers was reversed, as Notre Dame gave the ball away only 4 times.

Said Peirick, "In the second

half, we were much more poised handling the ball."

As a result, the Irish outscored the Hoyas 53-24 in the second half. They were led in the scoring department by Morgan and Gaither, who poured in 25 and 22 points, respectively. Poor also added 16 points.



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Freshman center Diana Braendly anchors a tenacious Irish defense. Classmates Danielle Green (13) and Sheila McMillan (20) were also integral to Notre Dame's victory.

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■ AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Agassi poised to usurp Sampras' No. 1 ranking

By STEVE WILSTEIN
Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — Andre Agassi pulled one more great escape in the Australian Open on Sunday and grabbed a shot at grabbing the No. 1 ranking Pete Sampras abdicated in a stunning loss to a giant Aussie teen.

Pushed to five sets for the second time in defense of his championship, Agassi overcame Jonas Bjorkman 4-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 and reached the quarterfinals against another beleaguered former champion, Jim Courier.

"If I don't win this tournament, I don't want to be ranked No. 1," said Agassi, who is now competing with Thomas Muster for the top spot. "I would fear playing Pete 99.9 percent of the time more than Thomas."

Muster, who came into the Australian ranked No. 3, lost to Mikael Tillstrom 7-5, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 in the fourth round but still could take over the top spot if Agassi doesn't reach the semifinals.

Courier, playing consecutive five-setters, edged Marcos Ondruska of South Africa 7-5, 2-6, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

"He's definitely a rock 'em, sock 'em kind of tennis player," Agassi said of Courier.

The prospect of three former champions, all Americans, losing within 24 hours seemed real enough as Agassi and Courier struggled the day after Sampras' abrupt departure.

As fast as 29 aces flew past Sampras, that wasn't the only reason for a whipping that cost him the No. 1 ranking.

It was the way Mark Philippoussis, a taller, stronger, younger Aussie-Greek clone of Sampras, never relented in any manner, never gave Sampras a chance to take charge.

In a zone of his own throughout a 6-4, 7-6 (11-9), 7-6 (7-3) third-round victory, the 6-foot-4 kid called "Scud" produced the most stunning win by an Australian since Pat Cash captured Wimbledon in 1987.

The top-seeded woman, Monica Seles, had no trouble rolling into the quarters Sunday morning, 6-1, 6-3 against No. 15 Naoko Sawamatsu. Seles hasn't lost a set so far, yielding only 14 games in four matches.

No. 3 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario reached the quarters without dropping a set, beating No. 9 Mary Joe Fernandez 6-3, 6-3. Sanchez Vicario next plays No. 13 Chanda Rubin, who knocked off No. 6 Gabriela Sabatini 6-2, 6-4.

No. 5 Michael Chang breezed into the quarters, beating Jean-Philippe Fleurian 6-2, 6-3, 6-4. But one of the most dangerous seeds who could have stood in the way of Philippoussis, No. 10 Goran Ivanisevic, fell to Italy's Renzo Furlan 2-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

At 19, Philippoussis put on a show of power tennis reminiscent of Sampras when he became the youngest U.S. Open men's champion at the same age in 1990.

"I didn't have a sniff at getting a serve back," said

Sampras, who barely beat Philippoussis in four sets in the U.S. Open last September. "When he's serving that big, there's nothing you can do."

Fans gasped and giggled at the speed of Philippoussis' serves, up to 129 mph, and the distinctive thud of his forehand when he'd take a full windup, let out a loud "AAARGH," and slug it into the corners. No one in tennis hits the ball harder, and on this night, no one could have been more precise.

"I felt like I could just toss it up and ace how I wanted to," Philippoussis said. "It was an unbelievable feeling. ... I did feel like I was in the zone."

Philippoussis' biggest struggle was trying to contain his soaring emotions, especially on the final point.

"My hand was shaking when I was just about to serve," he said. "I was just happy to get the serve in."

Sampras netted a backhand on that serve, setting off a throaty roar by the crowd that lasted several minutes as Philippoussis paraded around the court with his arms raised.

They played with the retractable roof closed, though the day's rain had long stopped, and Sampras felt that gave Philippoussis an advantage.

"The fact that it was indoors made his serve that much better," said Sampras, who often stared at the imprint the aces made on the court as if he couldn't believe how they clipped the corners. "It's an outdoor tournament. It would have been nice to have that roof open if it wasn't raining."

But Sampras, who served only five aces, didn't use that as an excuse.

"He was just on today, plain and simple," said Sampras, whose No. 1 ranking will go to either No. 2 Agassi or No. 3 Muster when the tournament ends.

"It's obvious he's very talented," Sampras said of Philippoussis. "Time will tell if he can be that consistent. When I played him at the U.S. Open, he had his ups and downs that I was able to take advantage of. Today he didn't give me those opportunities."

Sampras, who was seeking

his third straight Grand Slam title after winning Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, couldn't capitalize on the solitary break points he had in each of the first two sets. He won only five points overall on Philippoussis' serve in the third set.

Philippoussis played superbly at the net and from the baseline, mixing up speeds, showing touch as well as strength, beating Sampras at his own serve-and-volley game.

"We both are Greek, that's similar, and we both serve well and go for our shots," Sampras said. "I think he takes a lot more chances than I did at 19. I was still green at that point, and so is he. But he's got the game and the strength to overwhelm you. You just hope that throughout a three-of-five set match you have a sniff or a crack in his game where he misses some shots. He never did tonight."

Two weeks ago, Philippoussis lost in the first round of a tune-up in Sydney to Britain's Tim Henman, who called him "one-dimensional." Philippoussis studied a tape of that match, agreed he "looked stupid" by overpowering everything, and made adjustments when he arrived in Melbourne.

"He made me feel like a king tonight," his coach, Nick Bollettieri, said. "Pete must have said, 'What am I playing against?'"

Bollettieri had made plans to leave Sunday, figuring Philippoussis would lose. Now, he'll be sticking around at least until the next match against Mark Woodforde, an equally popular Australian.

Asked about that match, Philippoussis said: "Am I playing Mark? I've got no idea. I didn't look past Pete."

Bollettieri sent Philippoussis a letter last month, telling him not to worry about his rankings or the expectations of everyone around him.

"I told him to just forget about everything and build for the year," Bollettieri said. "You have to put it into proper perspective. It'll take a couple of years for him to develop. You can't call him a star player right now. Maybe in a couple of years you can."

■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Michigan ends Penn State's streak

Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Penn State is no longer unbeaten. But the No. 14 Nittany Lions don't exactly look ready to fold, either.

"I've always felt we've had a pretty good team," first-year Penn State coach Jerry Dunn said after No. 20 Michigan beat his team 67-66 on Sunday. "We'll have to learn from this one painfully and move on to the next game."

Dunn had to spend much of his first season defending his team's record against skeptics who say Penn State (14-1 overall, 3-1 Big Ten) has played a weak schedule.

Sunday marked the Nittany Lions' first game against a ranked team. But they fell only when Michigan's big players made a couple of big plays in the final seconds.

The win by Michigan (14-4, 3-1) created a three-way tie with Purdue and Penn State atop the Big Ten.

"It's a good tough league and you have to be ready to play every game," said Michigan coach Steve Fisher. "We saw proof of that today in our own building."

Penn State took a 66-65 lead on a short jumper by Donovan Williams with 24 seconds remaining.

After two timeouts with 16 seconds left, Michigan's Dugan Fife set a screen on Penn State's Calvin Booth and Travis Conlan made the pass to Taylor.

"Dugan set a phenomenal screen to leave Maurice wide open," Conlan said after the biggest of his game-high eight assists.

Penn State came back upcourt without calling timeout before Baston blocked Earl's last-gasp shot.

"I just followed the ball," Baston said. "I knew time was running down, so he had to put it up."

It marked the third time this season Baston made a decisive block in a Michigan home victory. He also did it in December against Duke and Washington.

Baston scored 13 points and had a team-high seven rebounds with four blocked shots, all of the latter in the second half, to lead the Wolverines. Louis Bullock also had 13 points while Taylor and Robert T aylor added 10 each for Michigan.

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■ NBA

Shaq, Magic outlast Rockets

By MICHAEL GRACZYK
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON Shaquille O'Neal's layup with 4.7 seconds left after snaring a rebound lifted Orlando to a 97-96 victory over Houston Sunday in a rematch of the teams that made last season's NBA Finals.

O'Neal, who finished with 29 points and 16 rebounds, then blocked Sam Cassell's layup attempt at the buzzer to seal the victory.

Anfernee Hardaway had 13 of his 28 points in the final quarter as the Magic turned away a Houston rally. The Rockets, losing for the fourth time in seven games, had gone ahead 86-78 with six minutes to go before O'Neal and especially Hardaway took over.

Hardaway, whose jumper at the buzzer gave Orlando a

Christmas Day victory over Houston in the first meeting between the teams this season, hit a 3-pointer with 2:39 left to tie the game at 90. His flying dunk with 1:37 left put the Magic ahead 93-92.

After Hakeem Olajuwon, who finished with 30 points on his 33rd birthday, hit a 17-footer to give Houston a 94-93 advantage, Hardaway rammed through another dunk with 42.6 seconds left to regain the lead for the Magic.

But the Rockets weren't finished. Mark Bryant fought through traffic under the basket to put Houston ahead with 28.1 seconds to go.

The Magic ran down the clock, and when Dennis Scott's long jumper missed, O'Neal grabbed the rebound and laid in the winning basket.

Cassell took the inbounds pass after a Houston timeout and appeared to be fouled by Hardaway, but there was no call, and O'Neal diverted Cassell's desperation shot at the buzzer.

The Rockets shot a miserable 3-for-22 from 3-point range, missing their first 10 shots from behind the arc.

Orlando finished a five-game, nine-day road trip, the longest of the season for the Magic, with a 2-3 mark.

BULLS 111, PISTONS 96

AUBURN HILLS, Mich.

The Chicago Bulls extended two streaks Sunday, winning their 11th straight game and beating the Detroit Pistons for the 13th time in a row.

Michael Jordan scored 36 points and Scottie Pippen added 22 as the Bulls rolled to a 111-96 victory over the Pistons, who had won five in a row at home.

The Pistons, led by Grant Hill's 24 points, were no match for the Bulls, who began their streak against Detroit on March 14, 1993.

The Pistons, who led briefly in the first quarter, narrowed the Bulls lead to 36-35 on Otis Thorpe's basket with 5:02 left in the half. Then the Bulls went on an 18-4 run for a 54-39 halftime lead, holding the Pistons without a basket over that stretch.

Jordan, has scored over 30 points in 22 games.

■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Allen, UConn shine in Big East matchup

By JIM O'CONNELL
Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn.

It's almost impossible to talk about Connecticut and not have the conversation dominated by Ray Allen's name.

The junior swingman had some serious competition in the praise department Sunday after the fifth-ranked Huskies won their 15th straight game, 79-70 over No. 12 Syracuse.

Freshman Ricky Moore, who entered the game with as many career points (67) as Allen manages in about three games, was the player who drew most of the attention after the win that kept the Huskies (16-1, 8-0) perfect in the Big East.

"When Ray and I were walking off the court the first thing he said was that Ricky was great," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said. "When a player says that about another player it really means something."

Allen finished with 27 points, 22 in the second half, but it was Moore's 13 points and four assists in 17 minutes that had Calhoun swooning.

"That was Ricky Moore's finest performance for us," Calhoun said. "He changed the game with his explosiveness."

The Huskies led 33-31 at halftime after having problems with the 2-3 zone of Syracuse (13-4, 4-3), which has lost four of its last six games. Allen was 2-of-9 from the field at halftime and his backcourtmate, Doron Sheffer, was scoreless, having missed three shots.

That changed when the 6-foot-1 Moore started penetrating the gaps in the zone.

"He accelerated the pace of the game," Calhoun said. "He pushed the ball. We have to find a way to keep him on the floor."

Allen agreed.

"He beat his man every time and he penetrated a lot," Allen said of Moore. "They tried to pick us up at halfcourt and he beat his man every time, and that allowed a lot of shooters to get open and that blew the game open for us."

Allen scored 10 points — including a four-point play on a pass from Moore — in the Huskies' 16-4 run that gave them a 62-46 lead with 9:08 to play.

"I had a shot there, but Ray was wide open," Moore said of the four-point play.

Syracuse came right back with an 11-2 run that made it 64-57 with 6:31 to play, and the Huskies called a timeout.

Allen nailed a 3-pointer on the play off the timeout to restore the margin to 10, and he made it 10 again with another 3-pointer with 2:15 left.

Consecutive 3-pointers by John Wallace and Marius Janulis brought the Orangemen (13-4, 4-3) within 72-68 with 1:32 left. But Connecticut made seven of nine free throws, and Syracuse missed its last three shots from the field — all 3-pointers.

"They made some pretty tough shots," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said of Connecticut. "We made it hard for Ray Allen in the first half, and we didn't do that in the second half. He had a lot more open looks, something you expect him to get. In the first half, we were aware where Allen and Sheffer were. In the second half, we just lost where Allen was."

Allen finished 10-of-20 from the field, 6-of-10 from 3-point range.

Travis Knight also had 13 points for the Huskies, while Sheffer had nine points and 10 assists.

Wallace led Syracuse with 28 points, while Otis Hill had 14 and Janulis 13.

Wallace was 12-of-25 from the field, including 4-of-7 from 3-point range.

"John's been shooting the ball well from the outside all year," Boeheim said. "Down low everybody's doubling him, and outside they can't do that. We have to get help for him. Allen has five points at the half, and they're still up three. If John does that, we're down about 12."

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Photo courtesy of Connecticut Sports Information
Ray Allen scored 27 points as the Huskies increased their winning streak to 15 games with a 79-70 victory over Syracuse.

Grades

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from any contact," he noted.

The problem for Notre Dame's small forwards is just that - they're small. Derek Manner is a natural at the position, but reserves Pete Miller and Antoni Wyche should be shooting guards, and don't pose any threat inside.

Manner is consistent candidate for the all-hustle squad, but finesse hasn't caught up with his fervor. His forays into the lane are worthy of the suicide squad, and meet with success about as often. However, if there is a loose ball, Manner will track it down, and he does the little things it takes to win.

Grade: B-
Centers

Notre Dame employs its own version of the three-headed monster at this position, with mixed results. Usual starter Matt Gotsch has hinted at a deft scoring touch, but can't seem to stay in games long enough to showcase it. Reserve Marcus

Young has the same problem, having fouled out of two of the six games he's seen action in.

What's worse, a good portion of the fouls are picked up 15-feet from the basket, while the much chronicled Ross brother problem with setting legal screens seems to have become an unwanted tradition.

Notre Dame's post defense, though, has been solid, and has prevented opposing centers such as Villanova's Jason Lawson and UConn's Travis Knight from having big nights.

Grade: C
Bench

In Saturday's victory over Rutgers, the Irish got a spark off the bench from Miller, who came in to bury two key three-pointers. Young provided a solid 22 minutes in the post.

That hasn't been the story all season, however. In Irish victories, heroes have come off the pine to make contributions, most noticeably Phil Hickey's two foul shots with five seconds left in the victory at Xavier.

Consistency, though, has been lacking. When Hoover was struggling early in the year, no

one came in to pick up the scoring slack. Although healthy so far, senior Keith Kurowski has not been able to provide the quick points that were hoped for. Wyche started fast, but has looked more unsure of himself on the court of late. **Grade: C+**

Coaching

It was pretty clear entering the season that the Irish would need some time to adapt to conference play, and 1-6 is a large hole to climb out of.

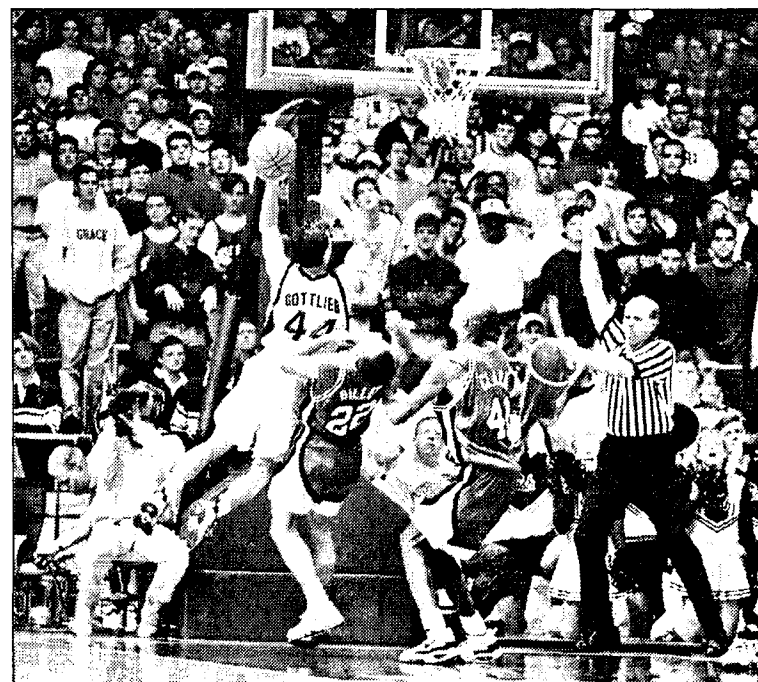
Notre Dame has been competitive, though, and has played hard in every contest. Their have also been no debacles like the UCLA or Kentucky games of last season.

Head coach John MacLeod has had to adapt on the fly for much of the season, maneuvering around injuries to Manner, Young, and currently freshman Gary Bell. Recently the Irish have been as healthy as they have been all season, and consequently are playing their best basketball.

Strategic wrinkles have also worked relatively well, especially the zone defense instituted against Georgetown.

Substitutions have not had the consistency one would like, as some players are still struggling to define their niche, but injuries have impacted on this as well.

The one thing missing is an upset win over a ranked team. If the Irish are to achieve that, though, they will now have to do it on the road. **Grade: B**



The Observer/Kevin Klau
Freshman point guard Doug Gottlieb has been maturing on the job, and the Irish look to reap the benefits in the second half of the season.

Hockey

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the third period, the Irish took advantage of a power play opportunity to grab 3-2 lead. Noble, playing his best game of the season, found freshman Brian Urick wide open for his eighth goal of the year.

"Steve Noble's game has stepped up considerably for us," said Poulin. "He finally looks like he's at full strength since his back surgery two years ago. It was good to see him step up out there tonight."

UIC tied the game at three, but the Irish answered back when defenseman Ben Nelsen slapped the puck past Flame goaltender Adam Lord for his first goal of the year and a 4-3 lead. However, moments later the relentless Illinois-Chicago squad sent the game into overtime on center Jeff Edwards' second goal of the evening.

In overtime, Notre Dame turned to their leading scorer to win it for them, and the senior center delivered. In scoring his tenth goal of the season, Jaimie Ling took advantage of a Flame miscue to cap an electrifying 5-4 victory

for the Irish.

"He has taken his game to a whole new level for us," said Poulin. "Coming in, I heard he was a good offensive player, but he has more than exceeded the expectations I had of him."

If Notre Dame believed the momentum would carry them into Saturday's matchup with Michigan, they were dearly mistaken. The 19-4 Wolverines barely broke a sweat in handling the 6-14-3 Irish their most embarrassing loss (11-1) of the season.

"We ran into a team on a streak and at the top of their game," said Urick. "We played a strong game on Friday, but we came out flat against Michigan, and they made us pay for it."

Indeed, the tale of two teams did not have a happy ending.

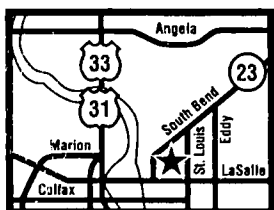


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Freshman Brian Urick scored his eighth goal of the year as the Irish posted a 4-3 overtime victory over UIC.

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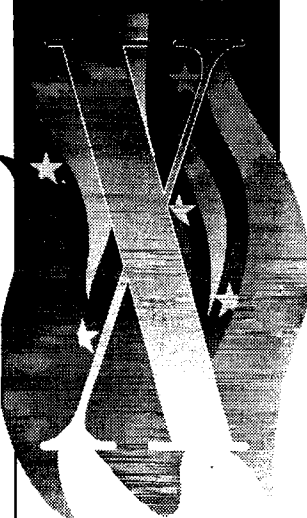
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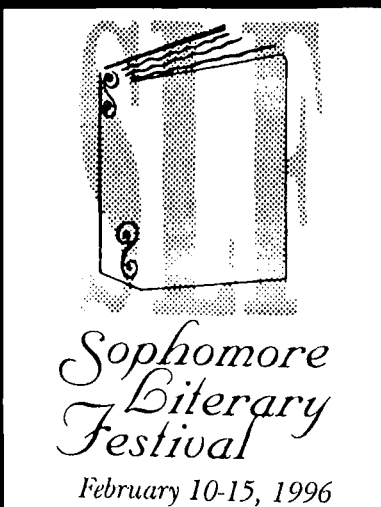
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During the contest Rutgers was content to play from beyond the arc. With a weak inside game, Rutgers' guards were forced to carry the scoring load as senior Damon Santiago had 26 and freshman Geoff Billet finished with 19. The only other relief was provided by small forward Albert Karner who had 12.

Despite shooting 40 percent from three-point area, the Irish defense held Rutgers to just 35 percent from the floor. The additional pressure on the Rutgers backcourt combined with an aggressive Irish defensive effort, similar to the Georgetown game, forced the Scarlet Knights into 22

turnovers. Notre Dame recorded 12 steals as Hoover and freshman Doug Gottlieb had three apiece.

"We really didn't play well enough ball-handling to win the game," Wenzel said. "Notre Dame played strong defense and they forced some turnovers. Part of that is that we were careless with the ball. 22 turnovers is very uncharacteristic for our team. We certainly didn't play well enough to win the game."

With poor shooting and a high number of turnovers, Rutgers embodied the perfect foil to the Irish who shot 55 percent in the second half to put the game away. Notre Dame also committed only nine turnovers.

"We handled their changing defenses and pressure reasonably well," MacLeod noted.



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Pat Garrity dunks for two of his 23 points against Rutgers.


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The Irish dominated the middle of the second half as they went on a 13-0 run to take a 55-43 advantage. Appropriately enough, a steal and layup by Pete Miller sparked the run which was also capped off by a similar chain of events with Hoover doing the honors this time.

Rutgers would pull within three with just over four minutes left, but after two sparkling assists from Gottlieb, Rutgers would never threaten again. The latter assist found Hoover coming around a screen to hit a three-pointer from the top of the key. With his second straight 26-point performance, Hoover is beginning to locate a groove.

"(He's) settling down," MacLeod said of the Irish captain. "For the most part today and against Georgetown, he waited. He didn't shoot any quick shots. He's not forcing it or rushing it."

One problem that was highlighted for the Irish on Saturday involved their inability to finish the first half solidly. Notre Dame squandered an eight-point lead and trailed by three at the break as Santiago hit a three-pointer with time expiring.

"I don't know what the problem is," MacLeod commented. "We can't seem to go into the locker room on a roll. We're having some difficulty finishing the first half. That's an area we need to get straightened out here."

Along with Hoover and Garrity, MacLeod was also pleased with the play of Miller and Derek Manner who both had eight points. This balanced scoring is a factor MacLeod would like to see on a consistent basis.

Something else the crowd might enjoy seeing on a regular basis happened at the start of the second half when Gottlieb lofted a perfect lob up to Garrity who threw it down for a dunk, electrifying the fans.

It would be one of the plays remembered in this historic win.

"The first win is always special," MacLeod added. "I think our players recognize the fact that we are improving and making progress. I think our mental health is quite good right now."

"It's quite ironic I guess that we beat Notre Dame in our first Big East victory and they beat us in their first Big East victory," Wenzel said. "I don't know what that says, but it's certainly fact."

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■ SAINT MARY'S BASKETBALL

Belles defeat Franklin, room for improvement



Freshman Charlotte Albrecht gathered seven rebounds against Franklin, six of which were on the offensive end.

By CAROLINE BLUM
Saint Mary's Sports Editor

At least it is a step in the right direction. After blowing their 12-point lead at the half, the Saint Mary's basketball team hung on in the last minutes of a heart-pounding second period Saturday to beat Franklin College 70-66.

"This was our first win in a tight last few minutes of the game," Coach Marvin Wood said. "In the past we had a terrible tendency to loose our alertness and let the other team take the game. Saturday we tightened up our defense and stayed calm."

Unlike their opponents and most other teams in the league, the Belles did not play any games over their long winter break. For senior forward Jennie Taubenheim, Saturday's game was the first she had been able to play since the beginning of December.

The crowd never would have known, however, as Taubenheim led her team with 20 points and scored several excruciating free-throw goals in the last minutes of the game. Although pleased with the Belles' ability to keep their opponents from stealing the win, she admits that in the future

she would like to see the team avoid the situation all together.

"We still need more teamwork," Taubenheim said. "We need to keep our minds attune to the game and play our best throughout the whole game. Then we will stop blowing our leads."

Coach Wood designates his team's ability to stay calm and read their opponent's defensive strategies to the win.

"Freshman forward Charlotte Albrecht really came off the bench and contributed against Franklin," he said. "On the board and on the field she helped sharpen up the passing and the defense."

Other remarkable performances were executed by freshman forward Sheila Sandine who scored 19 points, and by sophomore forward Julie McGill and freshman guard Nicole Giffin who stunned the crowd with an array of 3-pointers.

Wood's biggest aim this week is to try and get his team back to the level they were at when they left for break. Tonight at 7 p.m. in Angela Athletic Facility the team will play a 10-6 Bethel, who defeated Saint Mary's by only eight points in the Saint Mary's Roundball Classic earlier this season.

■ SWIMMING

Mixed results for Irish swimmers

By BRIDGET CASEY
Sports Writer

The return to competition for the Irish swimmers found the teams in good form to dive into the second half of the competitive season.

The Purdue Quadrangular dual meet in Indianapolis featured stiff Midwest competitors Minnesota, Indiana, Southern Indiana and host Purdue in the men's field with Toledo replacing Minnesota on the women's side, provided the swimmers with the opportunity to put their heavy training sessions over the semester break to the test.

"We were really happy to race so well coming off of training trip. We were really broken down so it was nice to rest a little bit and come through with fast swims", commented senior captain Joy Michnowicz.

"The competition was definitely a challenge but it will prepare us for some upcoming dual meets that should be really close", added men's captain George Lathrop.

Overall results found the Irish women victorious over Southern Illinois by 49 points and Toledo by 104 points with the only hands coming at the hands of a strong Purdue team.

Individual highlights include a first place finish by sophomore Courtney South in the 100 Free (53.14) followed in third place by junior Amy Bostick (55.16). Sophomore standout Lauren Relay finished second in a close race in the 200 Fly in

2:06.83 a mere eight one-hundredths of a second off first place. Junior Erin Brooks was a double winner taking both backstrokes in 58.90 in the 100 and 2:05.07 in the 200 respectively.

For the men, the Irish lost to host Purdue, Southern Illinois and Minnesota but had several strong individual performances.

Freshman Scott Zumbach finished fourth in the 400 Individual Medley in 4:07.59.

Fellow freshman Wes Richardson paced the Irish distance swimmers, with a sixth place finish in the 500 Free (4:46.13), followed by captain Tim Sznewajs in tenth (4:52.80).

Coming off a week of tough competition, the Irish look forward to hosting annual rival St. Bonaventure at the end of the week.

■ SPORTS BRIEFS

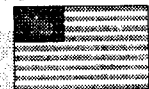
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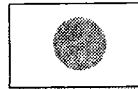
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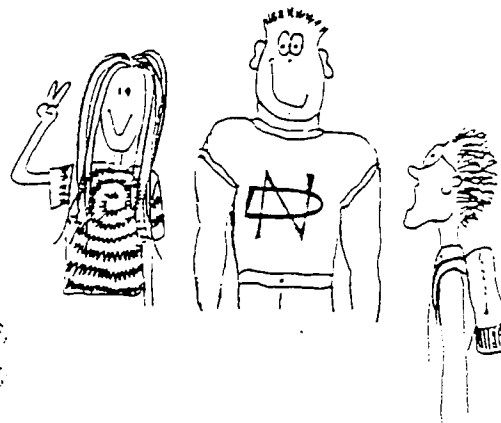
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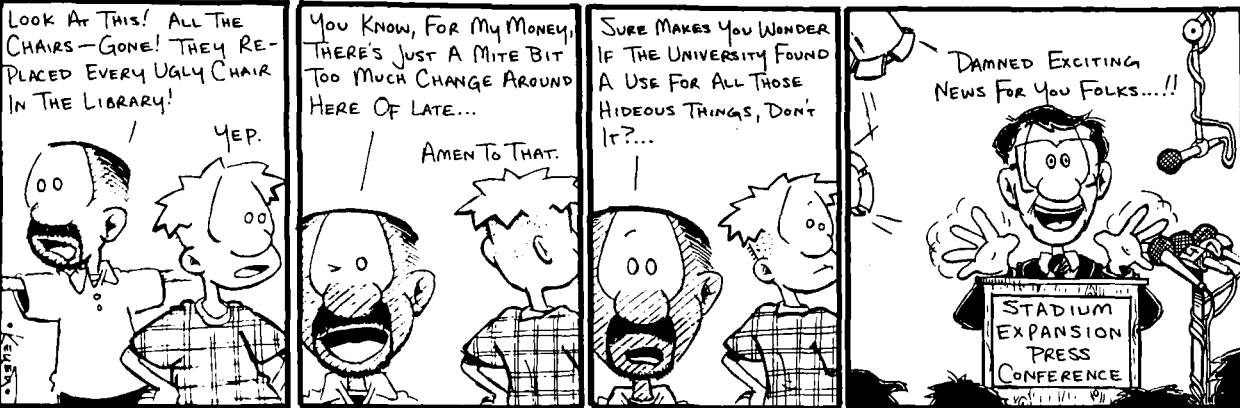
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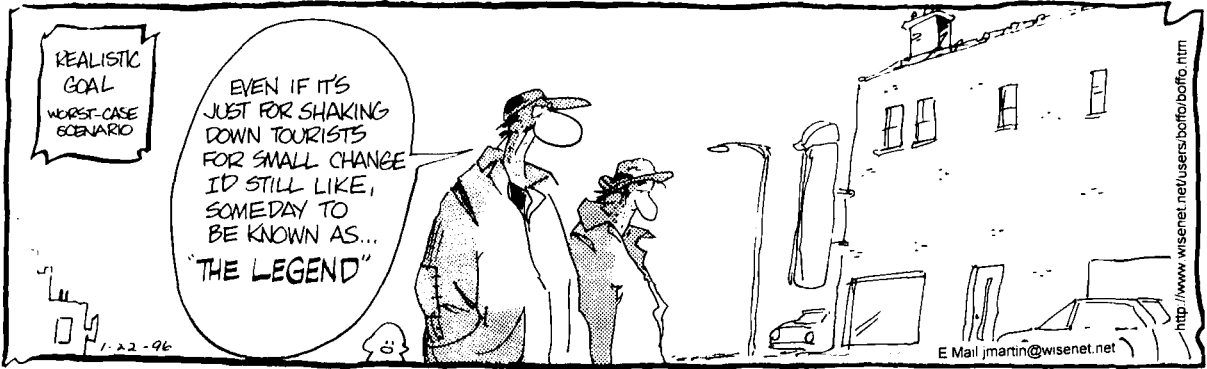
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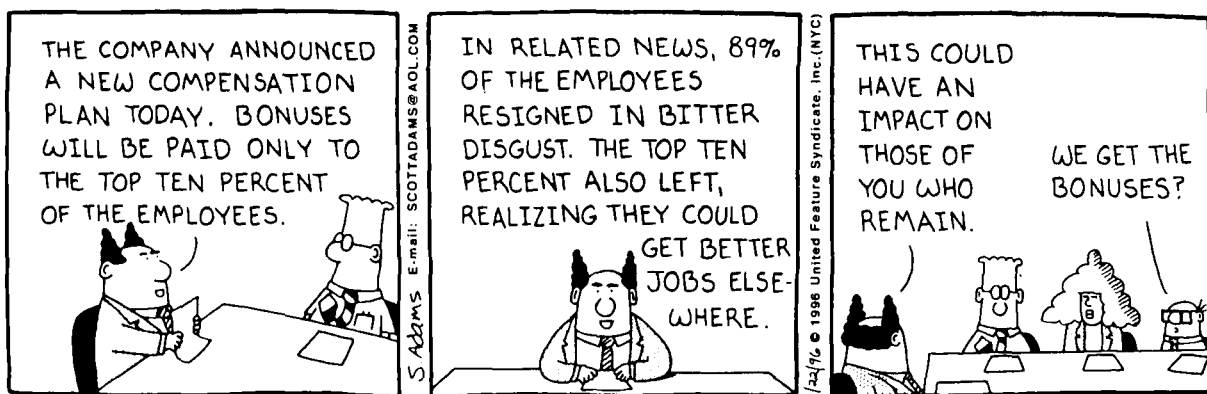
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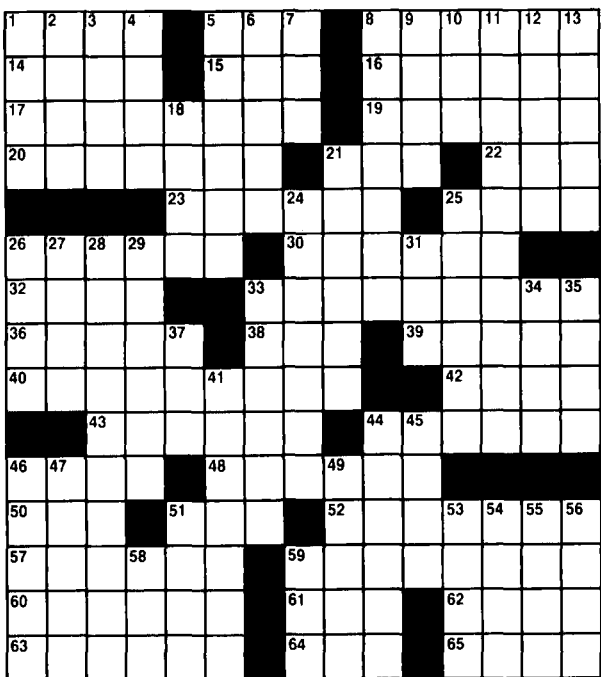
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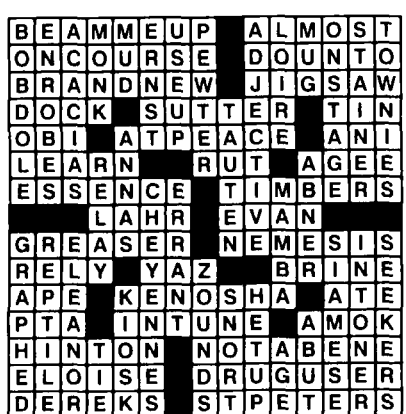
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Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Gorski

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■ OF INTEREST

- The newly-recognized Lithuanian Awareness Club will hold its first meeting today at 7 p.m. at Regina Hall lobby on the Saint Mary's campus to prepare for a folk dancing presentation at the upcoming ISO Festival and to plan future activities.
- The Wrestling Club practices Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of this week from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the JACC Wrestling Room in preparation for the Edinburgh Open on Feb. 20.
- Lector Auditions for the Junior Parents Weekend Liturgy will take place on Jan. 23 and 24 at 4 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. All juniors are invited to audition.
- Pre-registration for all undergraduate students must be completed by Wed. Jan. 24. If you have not returned your pre-registration deposit form and the \$100 deposit (if necessary), stop at the student Accounts Office. Failure to pre-register will prevent you from being able to DART for the Fall Semester 1996, and will make you ineligible for room picks.

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Mid-Season Report Card

Guards	B+
Hoover starting to find consistency	
Forwards	B-
Garrity excels, but needs help on boards	
Centers	C
Foul problems limit opportunities	
Bench	C+
Key to victories, invisible in losses	
Coaching	B
Team plays hard every night	

Patient Progress

Big East has been a big test thus far for Notre Dame basketball

By TIM SEYMOUR
Associate Sports Editor

The Irish roll into midseason not with a bang, but not with a whimper either. Notre Dame's victory over Rutgers proved that the Georgetown game may not have been a fluke, but the big picture still puts the Irish at 6-8, and more importantly, just 1-6 in the conference.

Still, the Irish are a young team, and every freshman takes some time to adjust to the rigors of college life. No deficiencies here, but some substantial need for improvements. Before the season, a 3.0 would have been seen as a long shot, but if the improvement shown in recent games carries over, Dean's List may not be out of the question.

Guards
When you commit to a freshman point guard, you have to be prepared to deal with the growing pains. Doug Gottlieb has been a quick study, but the rest of the team is still trying to adjust to his court leadership.

Gottlieb's passing has been highlight film material from day one, but his shooting is a concern. A point guard who hits 40% from the line does not inspire confidence at the end of a close game, and every three-point shot is an adventure. Still, he's stared down Allen Iverson and has lived to tell about it, and he's becoming more vocal on the floor. It never hurts to have a point guard that hates to lose.

Shooting has not been a

concern of late for the other starting guard, senior marksman Ryan Hoover. Back-to-back 26 point games show that Hoover has regained the touch he lost earlier in the season, but he's yet to prove that stifling man-to-man won't slow him down, as it did against Connecticut and Villanova.

To an extent, Hoover's been the beneficiary of Gottlieb's penetrating abilities, but he does not appear comfortable with his backcourt mate yet. That relationship needs to develop further. What doesn't is the shooting stroke, because when he's in rhythm, Hoover's one of the most dangerous shooters in the country. **Grade: B+**

Forwards
Sophomore Pat Garrity has been the most consistent performer for the Irish so far, which explains his team leading 16.6 points per game average. Garrity's outside touch hasn't excelled this season, but he's the only legitimate scoring threat in the paint.

Garrity is also the key reason why Notre Dame is considered one of the more physical teams in a physical conference. A concern before the season, the Irish have proven that if you come into their paint, you'll pay the price. Garrity sets the example in this department, as the omnipresent cut on his chin attests. "We might not be as athletic inside as some teams, but we're not backing down

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Men's BASKETBALL

One for the win column

Hoover and Garrity key second half comeback over Rutgers

By JOE VILLINSKI
Assistant Sports Editor

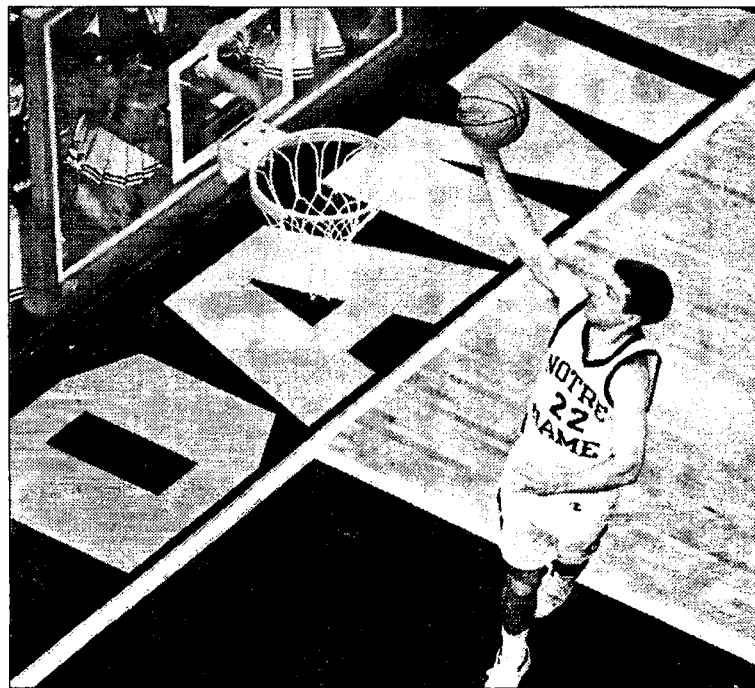
No one ever said Notre Dame's entrance into the Big East conference would be easy.

In fact, most people made sure men's basketball coach John MacLeod knew just how difficult this adjustment was during the first half of the season.

On Saturday at the JACC, that adjustment was made slightly easier as the Irish notched their first ever conference win with a 79-67 victory over Rutgers, ending their six-game Big East losing streak and avenging an earlier loss to the Scarlet Knights.

"We've talked about the Big East and everyone has talked about how difficult it is and they're right," MacLeod said. "It is a difficult, competitive, challenging conference. There's a special significance attached to any conference game and our players were happy to get the monkey off their back."

Guard Ryan Hoover and forward Pat Garrity helped to get the primate off the collective backs of the Irish as they scored 26 and 23 points,



The Observer/Kevin Klau
Junior Pete Miller came off the bench to score eight points, igniting Notre Dame's second half comeback against Rutgers.

respectively.

"It feels good getting our first win in the conference," Hoover added. "We felt like we should have won a few more of these. Hopefully, now we'll go out and win a lot more."

The hot shooting of Hoover along with Garrity's strong inside play against Rutgers'

zone defense complemented each other, allowing Notre Dame to tally 50 points in the second half.

"He (Hoover) extends the defense and that helps their inside players," Rutgers head coach Bob Wenzel said.

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HOCKEY

Irish douse Flames, lose at UM

By MIKE DAY
Sports Writer

It was the best of times. It was the worst of times. Notre Dame hockey fans just happened to experience it all in a span of less than 24 hours.

This weekend was a tale of two teams, and as the case has been all season, one would have a dickens of a time trying to figure out which team is the real Notre Dame squad and which one is the imposter.

In displaying their split personality, the Irish defeated Illinois-Chicago 5-4 in overtime on Friday before being humiliated 11-1 at the hands of first place Michigan on Saturday.

"The whole team really pulled together and played well on Friday," said Garry Gruber. "It was just unfortunate that we had to run into a team like Michigan the next night. They were easily the best team we've played all season."

One couldn't have written a better script Friday evening against the 8-13-3 Flames. The

Irish bolted to a 2-0 lead midway through the second period and never looked back. Five different players found the net for the Irish, and senior goaltender Wade Salzman came up with 18 saves to record his first victory of the season.

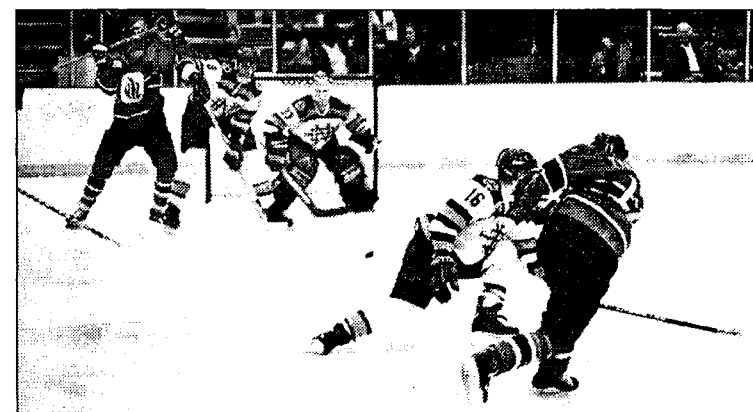
"He (Salzman) has been playing extremely well for us," said head coach Dave Poulin. "It was good to see him get a win tonight after coming so close over the past few weeks."

Poulin gave junior right wing

Ryan Thornton the starting nod and it paid immediate dividends. The third year forward recorded his first career goal with 14:02 remaining in the first period to break a scoreless tie. Sophomore left wing Steve Noble also got into the act, adding a score with 11:30 left in the second to give the Irish a 2-0 advantage.

After the Flames bounced back to tie the game early in

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The Observer/Dave Murphy
Goalie Wade Salzman made 18 saves against UIC to record his first win of the season.

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