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Irish eyes prepare to watch



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The Americans have invaded...

By CAROLINE BLUM
Saint Mary's News Editor

They began to notice it early last week, first around the airport, then in downtown Dublin, Cork, Galway, and Blarney. Everywhere they looked, they would see them.

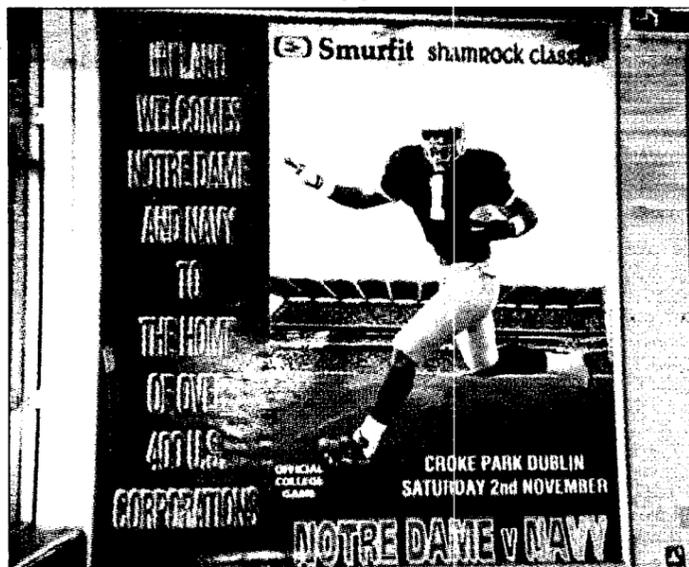
"I can't believe all of the Americans around here lately," Galway pub owner Frank O'Sullivan said. "It's like an invasion."

Twenty-five thousand to 50,000 Americans are estimated to take part in the "invasion," by visiting Ireland not as an off-season vacation, but as a chance to see Notre Dame play football at the "Shamrock Classic."

"They say it is the biggest tourist event in Dublin's history," Dublin resident Ellen Duggan said. "I'm going to the game, and I graduated

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Amid the rush of busy Dublin, native Irish welcome American visitors this week for the Notre Dame-Navy game.



The Observer/Caroline Blum

Irish Across the Sea
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One thing missing in Dublin: students

By PATTI CARSON
Managing Editor

DUBLIN, Ireland

It's just not the same. Tomorrow is a Notre Dame football Saturday, and it just won't be the same. Something is missing.

There are still plenty of pre-game festivities — that part of a football weekend is no different. Thanks to the Notre Dame Alumni Association, activities are scheduled to last throughout the weekend.

Friday commences with a game of flag football at the Royal Dublin Society Arena at 11 a.m., followed by the Notre Dame Marching Band parade at 1 p.m. At 3 p.m., the football team will practice at Croke Park, the site of Saturday's game. The practice is free and open to the public.

In the evening, an All Saints' Day Mass will precede a pep rally at 7 p.m. in the Simmonscourt Hall of the Royal Dublin Society.

All the activities are the same as usual, but the atmosphere is somehow different.

The atmosphere in Dublin is especially vibrant as the city is expecting up to 65,000 extra visitors this weekend because of the game and a European Bank Holiday, according to Marie Villa, an employee of the Dublin Tourism Bureau. On bank holiday weekends, many Europeans spend their free time in the city of Dublin because it is rather close, she said.

"The Shamrock Classic is supposed to bring anywhere from 25,000 to 50,000 fans from the states," Villa said. And according to the Irish Independent, the game is supposed to generate nearly 15 million pounds — \$25 million — for the Irish economy.

But something is still missing. Perhaps it's the lack of advertising. The only advertisements for the game which are clearly noticeable are concentrated in only a few parts of town — at the airport, at the tourism building, and the like. The advertising is all the same. It's a poster of Derrick

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The Observer/Katie Kroener

Feeding on the night

Students from 13 dorms spent the Halloween evening with children from the South Bend Boys and Girls Club, escorting them while they went trick-or-treating around campus. Above, a youngster gets a treat, while (left) another gives a fiendish glare as he accepts candy from one of the more than 250 volunteer students who helped out. The events of the evening were part of Keenan Hall's Great Pumpkin Contest '96.

SMC begins ad push for new president

By MAUREEN HURLEY
Associate News Editor

The search is on. A major advertising campaign is well underway for the search for the next president of Saint Mary's College, according to a Board of Trustees memo distributed to the College community.

College President William Hickey, who is currently in his 10th year as president of the College, announced his resignation in April. He will remain in the presidential role until a successor is found.

The responsibility for naming the 10th president of the College lies with the College Board of Trustees. The Board has appointed a Presidential Search Committee, led by former Board of Trustees Chair Sister Rachel Callahan, to oversee the search process.

To date, major advertising strategies have included placing advertisements in The Chronicle for Higher Education. In addition, over 500 letters soliciting nominations have been sent to all Catholic colleges, all women's colleges, and other selected institutions.

Calling for a candidate who "will inherit an institution which is strong intellectually and financially and prepared for a new era of growth," an advertisement for

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INSIDE COLUMN

Free Speech Misunderstood

What is "free speech?" Ever since the University administration denied permission for a recognized student group to hold a rally on campus, those two words, "free speech," have been uttered several times by genuinely well-meaning people at Notre Dame. But unfortunately, most of these have simply taken "free speech" to mean what the uninformed common opinion has defined it to mean, rather than digging deeper into the issue.

David Freddoso Copy Editor

For example, Matthew McCoyd (Viewpoint, Oct. 30) writes that the University's action "tramples on the rights of students," and violates our right to "free speech." "Though we may not all agree with what [certain] organizations...have to say," he writes, "we must fight for their right to say it." McCoyd thus defines our right to free speech by referring to a famous quotation from Voltaire, and many people across the country would probably do the same.

But is "free speech" in the United States really based on Voltaire's notion? Should we really fight to defend anyone's right to say whatever they want to in our country? For example, am I to defend someone's "right" to tell lies? Should I defend their "right" to slander my mother? Or should I defend their "right" to teach the youth of our nation that the holocaust never happened?

Nowhere in the Constitution am I obligated to fight for any such "right." The Constitution guarantees that none of us can be arrested for expressing our political views in print or in assembly. It does not by any means guarantee us the right to say whatever we want, and then, in addition to that, the right to expect that no one will hinder us from saying it publicly, whatever it is.

And just as the right to free speech does not guarantee that we may say whatever we want, it is even less the case that it allows us to say it wherever we want to. At the Democratic National Convention, protesters were kept far away from the festivities. And this is fine. No one in this country necessarily has the right to use a particular location to exercise his or her right to "free speech."

In conclusion, the "right to free speech" is irrelevant in the discussion of the administration's recent action. The administration is not obligated under the Constitution to endorse anyone's rally, whether it be proposed by the Neo-Nazis or the Boy Scouts. The University can legally refuse to allow any group to demonstrate on its campus, if it feels that that group's principles are incompatible with those of a Catholic university.

Nor does our right to free speech give us license to speak out wherever we want to. The University's refusal to allow a particular demonstration does not violate the Constitutional right to free speech, since campus protests involve the use of University property, and the University has no obligation to allow anyone to rally on its property.

In the end, regardless of how one feels about the issues at hand, it is only fair for everyone to recognize that no one's Constitutional right to free speech has been violated by the administration's recent action. If one goes deeper than the common opinion of what "free speech" really means, one will see that no such high and lofty ideal as "free speech" is at stake here, and so "free speech" need not even be discussed.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

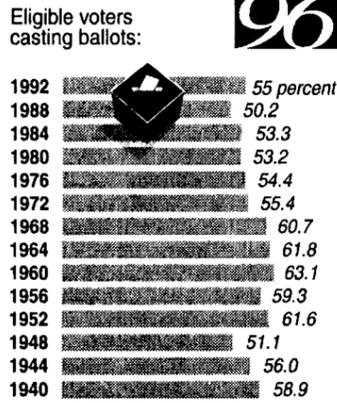
Few Americans participate in most celebrated democracy

WASHINGTON The election is almost upon the country and about all that remains is to browbeat the American people for the next six days to shame them into voting. Won't work. The experts say less than 55 percent of eligible Americans will participate, and they have some theories on what that says about the world's most celebrated — and maybe its most casual — democracy.

A century ago, 80 percent of eligible Americans routinely voted. But in the last 30 years, turnout has gone down. From 64 percent in 1960, when John F. Kennedy was elected, it slid to just barely above 50 percent in 1988 before squiggling up to 55.2 percent four years ago.

But the 1992 race had an incumbent president on the ropes, an attractive

Voter turnout Election '96



challenger and a feisty third-party insurgent.

This time around, none of those elements apply and that has a lot of people worried that the participants will barely outnumber nonvoters.

If people in only nine states got to elect the president next Tuesday, those in the other 41 would be outraged.

But that's what will happen, in effect. The number who will vote is roughly equal to all the voters in the nine largest states, California, New York, Texas, Florida, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and New Jersey.

"There seems little question that turnout will be down, perhaps sharply," says Curtis Gans, who has been thinking about voter turnout for 20 years. He directs the nonpartisan Committee for the Study of the American Electorate.

Quayle planning for 2000

Dan Quayle got the Arkansas briefing minutes after his chartered executive jet touched down: Don't get harsh with Bill Clinton at this campaign stop because it won't help the Republican House candidate in a district Democrats always have held. "I'm not here to talk about Bob Dole or Bill Clinton," the former vice president complied. "I'm here to talk about Warren Dupwe," the GOP congressional aspirant. This is Clinton's state, and even Republicans expect him to reap two-thirds of the vote in the 1st Congressional District. So Quayle's message at this stop is to split the ticket, to keep Republicans in control of Congress. Elsewhere, he challenges Clinton's honesty and character. And everywhere, he says that while he hasn't given up on Dole's chances next Tuesday, people who think there is going to be a second Clinton term should make sure there is a GOP Congress to keep him in check. Quayle is campaigning for Republican congressional votes nationally — 90 stops, 70 candidates, 30 states — but the tone is local. No more the motorcade sirens, speechwriters, advance people and Secret Service of his travels as vice president in 1992. Now it is a staff of two, arrangements by cell phone, a hasty call to reinstate the hotel reservations mistakenly canceled in Rockford, Ill.

HIGHLAND, Ark.



Jenny Jones on stand at murder trial

PONTIAC, Mich. A man accused of killing a gay admirer who revealed his crush on the "Jenny Jones Show" sometimes behaved erratically and had episodes of confusion, his father testified today. Allyn Schmitz said his son, Jonathan, mixed up names and addresses of his father's furniture business. He also said he whipped his son at age 10 in front of the boy's teacher and classmates for skipping school. Jones was expected to testify later today. Jonathan Schmitz, 26, was charged with first-degree murder for the March 9, 1995, shotgun slaying of Scott Amedure. Three days earlier, they were in Chicago to tape a "Jenny Jones Show" segment on secret admirers. During the taping, which was never broadcast but has been played in court, Amedure told the audience about his crush on Schmitz. Schmitz's lawyers have not denied that he shot Amedure, 32. But they believe Jones' testimony will bolster their claim that Schmitz was first misled and then humiliated on the show. That, coupled with his existing physical and psychological problems, left Schmitz unable to form the intent to kill Amedure, they say. "We know from her own producers that she wrote the whole script in her own hand. That makes her previous testimony that she is handing a script and goes on with the show pretty embarrassing," defense lawyer James Burdick told The Oakland Press. "It's clear she has a lot of involvement on the show."

West Point cadet charged with rape

WEST POINT, N.Y. A West Point cadet has been charged with raping a female cadet, the first such accusation since the Military Academy began enrolling women 20 years ago. James P. Engelbrecht, of Conroe, Texas, was charged Wednesday with raping the woman at a house in Stockholm, N.J., on Memorial Day weekend. He also was charged with committing an indecent act in the presence of another person, said Capt. John Cornelio. Few other details were released Wednesday. Lawyers for Engelbrecht told The New York Times in today's edition that the house is owned by another cadet and that someone was sleeping in the room when the alleged attack occurred, leading to the indecent act charge. The Army officer charged with investigating the incident concluded that there was insufficient probable cause to support the rape charge and recommended dropping it, the Times said. The officer also recommended that the Army handle the second charge administratively, but Army officials overruled him and referred charges against Engelbrecht, the Times said.

Inmates help catch car theft suspect

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. Two criminals gave police a lesson on how to catch a thief, chasing down a car theft suspect near an elementary school where they had been cutting grass. "It happened so fast, you really don't know what to think," said Chris Aufang, who has about a year to serve on a five-year drug sentence. "I was concerned about the elementary school kids," Brian Hockaday, who has two months to serve for probation violation, said of Tuesday's chase near Greenwood Elementary School and a connecting high school. Aufang, 29, Hockaday, 27, and their supervisor, Olin Taylor, 22, cornered the 16-year-old suspect in the woods near the high school, where police were waiting to arrest three students suspected of stealing three cars. Taylor first noticed two police officers running toward three youths, guns drawn, then saw the third run away. Aufang and Hockaday chased the suspect through the woods, grabbing at the teen until Taylor tackled him. Aufang expects a little ribbing from the inmates at Newport News City Farm, but said he doesn't care.

SOUTH BEND WEATHER

Table with 5 columns: Day, Weather icon, High, Low. Rows for Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday.

NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, Nov. 1. Includes a map of the US with temperature zones and a list of cities with their forecasts.

Car stereos among recent thefts at ND

By HEATHER COCKS
Associate News Editor

A multitude of thefts have recently been reported by Notre Dame students whose locked vehicles have been broken into and robbed of car stereos, according to Chuck Hurley, assistant director of Notre Dame Security. In the past six weeks, several cars parked in the D2 south lot and the C1 lot, south of the Joyce Center, have been vandalized and stripped of CD players and other audio equipment.

"The culprits have avoided all cars with visible security systems," stated Hurley. "They break the windows of locked automobiles and take whatever they can find."

Hurley advises students to keep a close watch on the lots, taking note of any remotely suspicious persons or activities. He also urges any concerned parties to call security immediately from the call-boxes located throughout the lots.

"Someone once telephoned us after they had already returned to their dorm room," he recalled. "We appreciated that, but we prefer to hear in a more timely manner so as to get someone out there right away."

Students are reminded not to leave any valuables in the car, if possible; in the event that this is unavoidable, Hurley offers the trunk as the safest place to stash them. "That way, they won't be visible to any curious eyes," he said.

This warning comes on the heels of an announcement about a series of laptop thefts that were prevalent before and during the week of midterm examinations.

Hurley stated that the computer thieves have not been caught, adding, "We have not had any incidents of that sort reported since the announcement." He maintains, however, that students should still be cautious about leaving their belongings unattended, even for a short time.

MULTICULTURAL BEAT

Students: 'Make OMSA an advocate'

By KELLY BROOKS
Assistant News Editor

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs (OMSA) needs to become an advocate for students of color, according to minority student leaders at Thursday's Coalition Council meeting.

Student leaders engaged OMSA in a discussion on what they felt the office should be doing for them. OMSA also updated students on the progress of hiring an assistant director.

Jose Gonzalez, assistant director of Multicultural Student Affairs, opened a roundtable discussion by asking "What do you need from OMSA to do your job better?"

Student responses varied, but they agreed that OMSA should become an advocate for students of color. Cristiane Likely, president of African American Student Alliance, felt that the office does its job as far as sponsoring clubs, acting as a liaison, and bringing in speakers, but that OMSA is not acting as an advocate for its students.

Luisa Heredia, president of La

Alianza, suggested that OMSA could become more pro-active with a published set of definitive goals. People would know what OMSA is working for and OMSA would have something to work towards.

"OMSA's goals need to be concrete in the next year for X, Y, and Z and concrete within the next five years for X, Y, and Z. It should not just be we want this, but this is how we plan to do it," said Heredia.

Students also expressed concern over progress in the hiring of another assistant director for OMSA.

The assistant director position that was left vacant last spring when Carrie Pew left still has not been filled.

"At this time we are still receiving resumes," explained Iris Outlaw, director of Multicultural Student Affairs. "Students who are interested in joining the interview team are encouraged to stop by the office and sign-up."

The interviews that went on this summer involved both students and administrators. Outlaw stressed the need for students to be part of the inter-

view process because the students are the ones who ultimately have to work with the assistant director.

Outlaw is looking for someone who is a good fit for the office and with whom students will feel comfortable working. In order to keep the multicultural balance of the office, they are trying to hire an Asian or Native American candidate.

Outlaw hopes to interview from mid-November through Dec. 1 and to have an assistant director in place by the start of the spring semester.

Club officers also announced upcoming events:

- La Alianza is celebrating Dia de los Muertos this Saturday starting at 7:15 p.m. at the Grotto and will conclude it with an 8 p.m. mass at the Keenan-Stanford Chapel.

- The Asian American Association is sponsoring a dance class at the GSC on Sunday from 1-3 p.m.

- The InterRace topic for Wednesday Nov. 6 is interracial dating.

- The first annual Asian Allure culture and fashion show will be Saturday Nov. 9.

SECURITY BEAT

MON., OCT. 28

12:55 p.m. Two Alumni Hall residents reported the theft of numerous items from their room during fall break. The room was locked at the time of the theft.

1:04 p.m. Two Flanner Hall residents reported the theft of numerous items from their room during fall break. The room was locked at the time of the theft.

2:38 p.m. Two off-campus residents' vehicles were broken into while parked in the C1 lot.

9:30 p.m. Security arrested a South Bend resident in the Hesburgh Library for criminal trespass.

TUES., OCT. 29

10:15 a.m. A university employee reported the theft of his decal from his vehicle while parked at the Joyce Center. The vehicle was unlocked at the time of the theft.

9:17 p.m. A Flanner Hall resident reported damage to his vehicle while parked by Flanner Hall. The damage was done when a dumpster rolled into the vehicle.

9:50 p.m. A Morrissey hall resident was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center for a sports injury.

Play weaves Black, U.S. history

Observer Staff Report

The first national tour of "Having Our Say," a play chronicling the lives and times of two African-American sisters, will make a stop at the O'Laughlin Auditorium at Saint Mary's College tonight at 8 p.m.

Nominated for a 1995 Tony Award for Best Play, "Having Our Say" tells the story of Bessie and Sadie Delany, who both lived well past the age of 100. The drama presents a family history containing the sisters' memories of significant events and personalities of the past century. The play also covers events from the often-overlooked perspective of the black middle class.

Presented in the Delany's own words, this production covers much history.

The two sisters were born before the Jim Crow laws were enacted in the American South and were active participants in the civil rights movements of the 1960s. After

moving to New York City during World War I, their social circle came to include such prominent figures such as W. E. B. Dubois and Paul Robeson. Later, the two "maiden ladies," as they referred to themselves, counted among their friends Eleanor Roosevelt and Martin Luther King, Jr.

According to critics, all the events and acquaintances are recalled in vivid detail and with straightforward insight. Clive Barnes of the New York Post calls the production "a window on a world full of love, pain and a wonderful deal of hope."

Vincent Camby of The New York Times calls it "200 years of black American life, which is also white American life."

Adapted from the best-selling book, "Having Our Say: The Delaney Sisters' First 100 Years," the production spent eight months on Broadway, where it garnered unanimous praise before closing its last run in December.

Micki Grant and Lizan Mitchell star in the two-character drama, which is written and directed by Emily Mann.

Tickets for "Having Our Say" are \$18 for adults, \$16 for senior citizens, \$10 for members of the Saint Mary's/Notre Dame community, and \$5 for students.

The play is part of the John M. Duggan series.

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Where: Senior Bar

Interviewing Date: Wednesday, January 29, 1997



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Mayes, now a member of the Green Bay Packers, in a Heisman Trophy-like pose.

Or perhaps what's different is the expected attitude toward the game on the part of Dubliners. "We Irish are crazy about football," said David Owens, a cab driver in Dublin. "But the 'football' we're crazy about is not American football. It's soccer. Our 'football' is your soccer."

"Not many Irish follow American football," he added.

But there is still definite interest in the game. All around Dublin, blue and gold can be seen. But it is almost exclusively worn by people who are not students. They are parents and graduates and lifelong fans, but very few are students.

Yes, there are fans here to support the team — managers, cheerleaders, and the

band. But the greater number of the fans are obviously not students.

Perhaps that is what's missing.

That's a theory held by Notre Dame Club of Ireland Vice-President Raymond Topley. According to Topley, the Notre Dame Club of Ireland wanted to provide affordable student travel packages so that the student population could attend the game, but the plan was "sidelined" by big business.

The University "basically sold out," according to Katie McBride, a 1992 graduate of Notre Dame and a member of the Notre Dame Club of Ireland. The University relinquished all rights for about \$1 million, McBride explained.

And from that point on, it was "hands-off."

The Notre Dame Club of Ireland hoped to put a travel package together at extremely reduced rates, but permission to do so was refused at a meeting held at Jury's Hotel

of Dublin within the last year. Present at the meeting was Tom O'Kane — owner of Ireland's luxurious Adare Manor, promoter of the Shamrock Classic, and controller of all rights to the game — and Michael Wadsworth, Notre Dame's athletic director. Even Irish coach Lou Holtz was present, according to McBride.

But all that came from the meeting was an absolute "no" for the Notre Dame Club.

And so, as of Thursday evening, there were still plenty of tickets available for the game, selling at either eight, 40, or 50 pounds, according to Villa of the Dublin Tourism Bureau. Croke Park, which seats 70,000, will not sell out.

There will be seats which could have been filled by Notre Dame students, who will instead watch the tape-delayed game in South Bend at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

They may be missing the game in Ireland, but at least they will not be missing the game altogether.

SMC promotes local schools

By SHANNON RYAN
News Writer

In an effort to reach out to educators in the surrounding area, Saint Mary's College has recently initiated programs specifically designed to enhance the education in local schools. Saint Mary's varying departments have attempted to promote the value of education this semester through a technology initiative workshop and a session concerning women in mathematics and sciences.

In support of President Clinton's Educational Technology Initiative, Saint Mary's welcomed local school teachers to a workshop as part of the "National 21st Century Teachers Project." This workshop was designed to promote technology and the knowledge of it among current educators, many of whom have not had the opportunity to develop their skills with modern computers.

Saint Mary's is also encouraging women to enter into the field of mathematics and sciences through

the session entitled, "Women in Mathematics: A New Release."

The inspiration behind this session was set in motion six years ago, when Sister Miriam Cooney of the Saint Mary's department of mathematics welcomed 20 teachers from the South Bend region to a seminar entitled, "Mathematics, Science, and Gender." These twenty teachers would meet once a week to study literature and to research the role of women in math and science. Each teacher then wrote the biography of at least one female who contributed to these fields which young women are often discouraged from entering.

These stories have now been republished and compiled into a volume entitled "Celebrating Women in Mathematics and Science," edited by Sister Cooney. Sister Cooney and the twenty authors will discuss their writing today at the Century Center and Marriott in South Bend. Afterwards, guests of the session are welcome to come to a book signing reception.

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from Northwestern."

Duggan currently works at a Dublin restaurant to earn money so she can travel Europe. My boss warned us that we will be busy," she said.

Several Americans will be attending the game who are not even alumni. One of these is Tim Healy, a Chicago native who made the trip across the Atlantic to see the game, despite the fact that he has no formal ties to the University.

"My brother and I have loved Notre Dame as long as I can remember," he explained. "We've always wanted to see a football game, and we've always wanted to see where our parents grew up. We thought that this trip would be

the perfect opportunity to investigate our heritage and see the Fighting Irish play."

But many Irish citizens do not understand what exactly the billboards, radio advertisements, television commercials, and signs at the airport mean when they say, "Come see the Fightin' Irish play football."

"You mean soccer?" a Cork resident responded when asked if he would be attending the football game. "We aren't big fans of the sport. American football is a weak version of rugby—that's what we play here."

Other confusion among Irish people arises from the mere phrase, "Fighting Irish."

"What do you mean, 'Fighting Irish?'" a Galway student asked Notre Dame Law student Tom Stienke. "Do you think we like to fight?"

Stienke, who is using this trip as an excuse to travel to Ireland,

explained the history of the phrase to the Irish student.

An influx of Notre Dame fans began arriving at Blarney Castle earlier this week, as crowds of Americans sporting various forms of Fighting Irish apparel sought their chance to kiss the Blarney Stone.

"I've never seen so many Americans over a week's time," the castle store's attendant remarked. Wednesday afternoon, the American invasion escalated when a flight arrived at Dublin Airport, carrying members of the Notre Dame band.

Everyone seems excited to see us," senior trumpet player Frank O'Linn said. "We feel honored to perform in our native land on Saturday."

The band will kick off the game events Friday, with a parade followed by the traditional pep rally.

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the position, featured in the Sept. 6 and 13 issues of The Chronicle of Higher Education, read, "The successful candidate will have an outstanding record of achievement in academic and spiritual leadership; management and community building; resource generation and

allocation; development of diversity; external relations; governance; and personal effectiveness."

Today, Callahan, along with Shelly Storbeck, the consultant hired by the College to aid in the search process, will be on hand to share information regarding the status of the search process.

Presentations will take place today at 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge in LeMans Hall.

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■ BRAZIL

Plane crashes in Sao Paulo; 98 reported dead

By STAN LEHMAN
Associated Press Writer

SAO PAULO, Brazil
A Brazilian jetliner crashed into a residential neighborhood in Sao Paulo shortly after take-off today, igniting flames that engulfed apartments, homes and cars. A civil defense official said all 95 people on board were killed.

Three other bodies were pulled from the rubble, and the death toll was expected to rise as firefighters searched homes and apartments struck and set on fire by the crash.

At least three Americans were on the plane, the U.S. consulate in Sao Paulo said.

Citibank identified one as David Francis Tobolla, a financial director at the company. His hometown was not released.

A second was identified as David Andrews, 49, of San Jose, Calif., a vice president of Behring Diagnostics Inc.-Americas, a subsidiary of the Hoescht pharmaceutical group.

There was no word on the nationalities of others on the plane. One resident of the middle-class neighborhood where the plane crashed said he saw "a river of fuel on fire flowing down the street."

Dozens of bodies lay covered with black plastic on the sidewalk, while firemen sprayed

water on smoking rubble. Pieces of the plane were strewn over the neighborhood, and parked cars were burning.

Thirteen people were treated for shock, burns and minor injuries at the nearby Jabaquara Municipal Hospital.

Seven were hospitalized, one in serious condition with burns.

Police and firemen used plywood planks as makeshift stretchers to carry bodies to black morgue trucks.

Roberto Pacheco de Toledo, head of the police's Special Operations Group, said 98 bodies were in the morgue.

"They all were mutilated and carbonized," he said, asking families to bring dental records

to help identify the victims.

"There's no sense in just coming (to the morgue), because they won't recognize anyone."

The vice president of the regional airline that owned the plane, TAM, said the plane's two flight data recorders were recovered from the rubble. They were sent to Air Force for investigation, Luiz Eduardo Falco said.

"When we arrived, we saw cars burning, houses demolished, and parts of bodies amid the wreckage," said Col. Leopoldo Correia of the Sao Paulo fire department. "It was like a scene from Dante's Inferno."

Fokker 100



Wing span: 92' 1-1/2"
Length: 116' 6-3/4"
Height: 27' 10-1/2"
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Black Catholic Mass



Sunday, November 3

4:00 p.m.

Fisher Hall Chapel



Theme:

Reflection on the Life of
St. Martin dePorres

■ ZAIRE

Aid workers to evacuate Goma

By KARIN DAVIES
Associated Press Writer

GOMA, Zaire
Warfare and looting choked off relief supplies for 700,000 refugees Thursday, sending tens of thousands streaming south in a desperate search for food and safety.

Ethnic Tutsi rebels closed in on the Zairian-held city of Goma, and aid agencies said looting by Zairian troops had forced them to halt food distribution in the area, which now includes the world's largest refugee camp.

The agencies also said they would evacuate foreign workers.

Cars packed with people and their salvaged household goods sped south. Streams of others trudged on foot, carrying reed mats and sacks on their heads and babies on their backs.

The fighting threatens to escalate the refugee crisis into a disaster as bad as the one

Goma experienced in 1994, when 1.1 million Rwandan Hutus fled into Zaire. Tens of thousands died then for lack of food, water and medicine.

Artillery battles raged all morning around Goma's airport — the only route for food supplies to the 700,000 Rwandan Hutu refugees living in sprawling camps near the shores of Lake Kivu.

Even that lifeline was cut Thursday; the airport remained in Zairian hands but was closed by fighting. Roads from Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda into Zaire were already shut.

The Tutsis are fighting to repel Zairian army attacks and to push the Rwandan Hutu refugees further into Zaire. After capturing the provincial capital of Bukavu on Wednesday, they closed in on Goma, 60 miles to the north.

After a late meeting, Zaire's parliament urged Hutus from Rwanda to join Zaire's army in fighting the Tutsi rebels. It also

urged Zaire's government to identify and expel all Rwandan Tutsis.

Shells fired from the hills across the border in Rwanda bludgeoned areas north of Goma on Thursday. From dawn into night, thudding booms and crackling gunfire sent thousands scurrying for safety.

Reports of a two-pronged Tutsi attack on Zairian positions north of Goma sent more than 110,000 Rwandan refugees from the Kahindo refugee camp and 20,000 local residents fleeing along dirt paths towards Goma's Mugunga camp.

Mugunga — swollen and miserable with some 400,000 inhabitants — is already the largest refugee camp in the world.

"This concentration is a recipe for rapid deterioration," said Ruth Marshall, spokeswoman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva.

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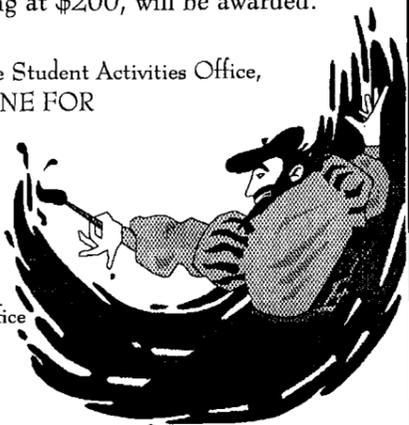
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■ AFGHANISTAN

Three children killed in air raids

By ANDREW SELSKY
Associated Press Writer

KABUL, Afghanistan
The day began with an air raid that killed three children and ended with artillery duels just north of the capital, caught in an escalating battle to oust the strict Islamic leadership.

At 7 a.m. Thursday, a plane flew in low and dropped two bombs on the northwestern edge of Kabul, destroying two mud-brick homes.

A 16-year-old girl and her 6-year-old brother died in one house, a 10-year-old boy in the other.

Relatives of the dead siblings collapsed into the arms of the children's grandmother at a neighboring home where the two bodies were laid out on mats.

"God! Why did this happen? What did we do wrong?" women cried.

Fear briefly interrupted the wailing when a plane flew low overhead.

The siblings' parents were among seven people wounded in the air attack. More bombs landed in a field and near Kabul Airport, the likely target

of all the explosives.

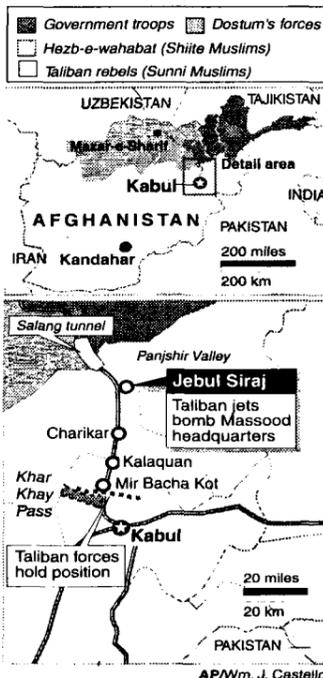
A coalition force trying to retake the capital from the Taliban Islamic militia has been bombing Kabul on and off since Saturday, but Thursday's raids were the first to kill anyone. Taliban shells and bombs have killed civilians on the other side of the front line.

The Taliban controls roughly two-thirds of the country, but its campaign has stalled since the group took Kabul last month. Ousted government military chief Ahmed Shah Massood, powerful northern warlord Rashid Dostum and the leaders of two smaller factions have banded together to fight the Taliban.

The three children who died Thursday were buried almost immediately in accordance with Islamic custom. Some 200 men gathered in a field about a block away to dig three graves in dry, hard-packed earth and to pray.

As the mullah, or cleric, recited from the Koran, artillery explosions could be heard from the front line, 10 miles north.

The allied forces have been skirmishing with Taliban soldiers along the front line for



the past week, with neither side gaining much ground.

Late Thursday, Taliban soldiers fired howitzers along the road heading north from Kabul, sending up geysers of smoke and dirt some four miles away.

■ VATICAN CITY

Pontiff celebrates golden anniversary

Associated Press

A choir and orchestra joined in Handel's "Messiah" for Pope John Paul II on Thursday to mark the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

The pope applauded then shook hands with some of the



John Paul II

7,000 spectators as he walked out of a Vatican auditorium. The 76-year-old pontiff smiled and appeared in good health during his most strenuous public event since surgery Oct. 8 to remove an inflamed appendix.

"I extend my gratitude to the many people I have met along my road and that, in different ways, have helped me on the way in these years," the pope said after the concert by the Salzburg Chamber Orchestra led by conductor Franz Welser Most.

■ LIBERIA

Liberian warlord evades death

By JONATHAN PAYE-LAYLEH
Associated Press Writer

MONROVIA, Liberia
Liberia's chief warlord escaped an assassination attempt Thursday but gunmen killed his bodyguard and at least two others in an attack that raised fears of renewed warfare in the capital.

Charles Taylor, the target of the assault, warned of "the probability of things getting out of hand" as a result of the incident.

Taylor, speaking on his private radio station KISS-FM, said he had ordered his forces to "remain calm," and there were no immediate reports of fighting in the city.

Officials announced a 7 p.m.-6 a.m. curfew, replacing a 10 p.m.-6 a.m. one that had been in force more than a year.

Taylor is one of six warlords jockeying for control of this West Africa nation, which was founded by freed American slaves in 1847.

A civil war that started in

1989 has killed more than 150,000 people.

Gunmen opened fire on Taylor's entourage as it arrived at the downtown Executive Mansion for a meeting of Liberia's interim government, said Nigerian Gen. Victor Malu.

He is head of the 8,500-strong multinational African peacekeeping army deployed in Liberia.

The assailants had been in a taxi that followed the motorcade past guards and into the compound, Malu said.

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E. coli bacteria infect fruit juice

By AUDRA ANG
Associated Press Writer

SEATTLE
A popular brand of fruit juices was pulled off store shelves in seven Western states and Canada after health officials linked the product to an outbreak of E. coli bacterial poisoning.

As of Wednesday, health officials in Washington state had confirmed 13 cases of E. coli infection and at least 10 of them involved Odwalla fruit juices.

At least eight possible cases were also being investigated. Most of the victims have been children. One boy remained hospitalized; the other victims were not seriously ill.

Health officials used dietary histories taken on the victims, coupled with genetic "fingerprinting" of the bacteria, to trace the outbreak to a batch of unpasteurized apple juice that Odwalla uses as an ingredient in many of its fresh mixed-fruit beverages.

"The public is admonished not to drink Odwalla fruit juice containing apple juice," Dr. Alonzo Plough, director of the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health, told a

news conference.

Odwalla Inc., based in Half Moon Bay, Calif., on Wednesday issued a nationwide recall of all its products containing apple juice.

Thirteen types of juice were being taken off the shelves, Odwalla said.

While they all contain some apple juice, most of them, like Blackberry Fruitshake and Mango Tango, do not have "apple" in their names.

"Our first concern is for the health and safety of those affected," Stephen Williamson, Odwalla chief executive officer, said in a statement.

Company spokeswoman Sydney Fisher could not say what volume of juice was involved in the recall or how much it will cost the company.

The stock of Odwalla plunged 29 percent this morning on word of the recall, falling \$5.37 1/2 to \$13 a share on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Odwalla sells its products in select markets in Washington, California, Oregon, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Texas and British Columbia. The company markets its drinks as natural.

Ten of the 13 confirmed victims drank Odwalla beverages

containing unpasteurized apple juice, Plough said. Nine of the 10 were children ages 10 and younger.

All drank the juice between Oct. 11 and 21.

Plough and officials from the state Department of Health said they did not immediately know if the other three victims also drank Odwalla juice.

Officials were alerted to the E. coli outbreak when five infected children were admitted to the hospital.

E. coli killed three children and sickened hundreds in western Washington in early 1993. That outbreak was traced to contaminated hamburgers served at Jack-in-the-Box restaurants.

The potentially tainted Odwalla flavors are: Apple Juice, Blackberry Fruitshake, Mango Tango, Super Protein, Strawberry Banana Smoothie, Raspberry Smoothie, C-Monster, Mo'Beta, Femme Vitale, Strawberry C-Monster, Superfood, Serious Ginseng and Deep in Peach.

Odwalla sells 12 other products, from strawberry lemonade to a vegetable cocktail, that do not contain apple juice and are not affected by the recall.

Strike drives GM profits down by millions daily

By BRIAN AKRE
Associated Press Writer

DETROIT
With General Motors losing millions of dollars a day because of strikes at two key plants, company and union negotiators met around the clock Thursday in hopes of reaching a settlement.

A United Auto Workers source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said negotiators were closer than ever to a deal. But GM spokesman Chuck Licari was more cautious.

"I don't think it's in anybody's best interests to characterize the talks now," Licari said. "Negotiators talked throughout the night and those discussions are continuing."

A total of 9,809 workers at three plants remained off the job because of strikes at GM's truck assembly plant in Janesville, Wis., and a metal-stamping factory in Indianapolis. A truck assembly plant at Fort Wayne, Ind., was closed Wednesday night because of a shortage of parts from Indianapolis.

Those layoffs were in addition to 19,958 GM workers idled from plants affected in Michigan, Missouri, Ohio and New York because of parts shortages that resulted from the Canadian Auto Workers strike earlier in October.

The company said single shifts returned to assembly plants at Kansas City, Kan., and Buick City in Flint, Mich. Only the Lordstown, Ohio, assembly plant was still idle because of the CAW strike.

A GM source said three more light-truck assembly plants that depend on parts from Indianapolis were tentatively scheduled to close Friday: Moraine, Ohio; Linden, N.J.; and Shreveport, La. Together, they employ about 9,000 UAW workers, though some may be kept on for maintenance and training.

The two strikes are hurting GM where it is most costly: its highly profitable production of pickups and sport utility vehicles.

GM is bleeding about \$5 million a day in profits from lost production.

Patients choose new technique

Prostate cancer victims' latest hope: seeds

By TARA MEYER
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA
When Wallace Black found out he had prostate cancer, he thought it was the end of a normal life.

Doctors told the 55-year-old Federal Express worker they

would remove his prostate, and he'd probably end up impotent and with little or no control of his bladder.

Instead, he chose to have the cancer treated by injecting it with radioactive pellets, a procedure that has slowly gained favor since the first such operation in the 1970s.

Skeptics say there's not enough evidence to prove that the procedure, called seed implantation, is as effective as surgery for prostate cancer.

"I was so excited that there might be another route, another way," said Black, of Powder Springs, Ga. "When some guy tells you he's going to make you impotent, and you'll lose your life ... you look at every avenue there is."

Cancer of the prostate, the walnut-sized gland at the bottom of the bladder, is the second leading cancer killer among men, after lung cancer. An estimated 317,000 men in the United States will be diagnosed with it this year; an estimated 41,000 will die of it in 1996.

Surgery, the most common treatment, removes the gland. In seed implantation, 60 to 100 rice-sized pellets packed with radiation are injected into the prostate. Both options are possible only if the cancer is caught early and has not spread.

The seeds later become dormant. The injections take about an hour and most patients can return home a few hours later.

Frustrated that his own doctor wouldn't tell him about it, Ed Lerner researched seed implantation himself.

"My doctor wanted to hurry me into the hospital to get the cancer out," the semiretired computer consultant said. "I wasn't sure I wanted to be in so much of a hurry. The whole idea was devastating."

He and Black both turned to Atlanta urologist Dr. Steven Morganstern, who has performed 500 seed implantations over the past six years. He has also patented a needle that strategically places the seeds to best attack the cancer.

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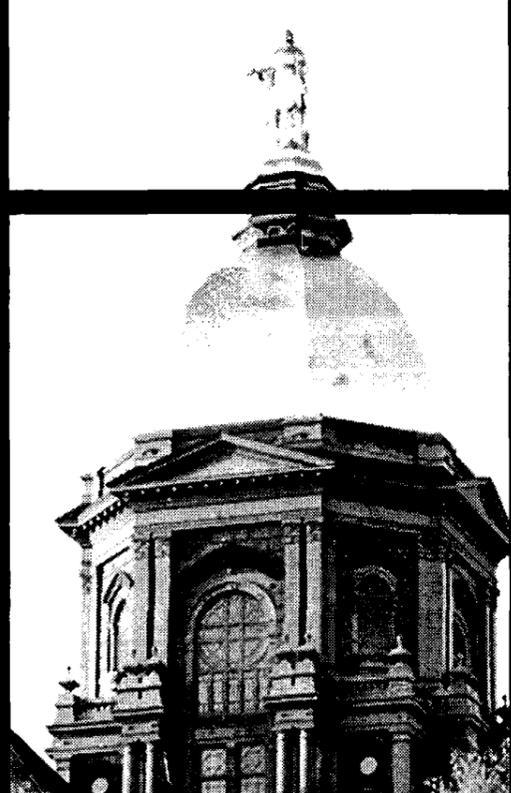
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Gore: GOP 'following siren song of right wing,' straying from roots

By JEANNINE AVERSA
Associated Press Writer

GALVESTON, Texas
Republicans have strayed far from their roots as the party of Abraham Lincoln, Vice President Al Gore asserted Thursday in pressing Texas voters to help re-elect President Clinton and return Democrats to control of Congress.

Gore strongly criticized former Senate GOP leader Bob Dole, the presidential challenger, and House Speaker Newt Gingrich in his remarks.

He has been emphasizing the importance the Democrats place on retaking the House and Senate, which they lost to the Republicans in 1994.

He said of Dole and Gingrich: "They are following the siren song of the right wing that has now captured control of the modern Republican Party in 1996."

"This is not the party on the other side that Abraham Lincoln founded. They have strayed far, far from their roots."



Gore

Clinton invades GOP turf

By RON FOURNIER
Associated Press Writer

PHOENIX

Looking for a lopsided victory, President Clinton campaigned Thursday in a state that has not voted for a Democratic presidential candidate since Harry Truman. He urged America to reject "the racial, the ethnic, the tribal and the religious divisions."



Clinton

Fighting back Republican attacks as the campaign nears an end, White House image-makers wrapped Clinton in the pageantry of the presidency: Swelling crowds and countless marching bands met Clinton at every stop on his six-day, 15-state trek to

Election Day.

He hopes to avoid the smudge of homestretch ugliness, particularly allegations that foreign campaign donors bought access to the Oval Office. Dole suggested that Clinton may have broken the law.

The White House refused to allow the president to be questioned by reporters. And aides deflected inquiries about the growing controversy, saying Clinton will address campaign finance reform Friday in Santa Barbara, Calif.

The president and his team were sticking to their play-it-safe script that put Clinton in front of Democratic voters with recycled speeches about American values and Republican excess.

"I want an America that is rejecting the racial, the ethnic, the tribal and religious divisions that are tearing apart so much of the rest of

the world," Clinton told thousands of supporters at Arizona State University. He was speaking in Los Vegas, Nev. and Oakland, Calif., before ending a 13-hour day.

Privately, the president has expressed mounting irritation with Dole, aides said. That may explain why his criticism of the former senator has slowly become more pointed.

Mentioning Dole by name, something he has rarely done so far, Clinton suggested that the former senator opposes student loans and called his tax-cut plan "a risky tax scheme." In a typical touch of hyperbole, Clinton said Dole and fellow Republicans "shut the government down to try to force us to keep police off the streets."

It was a reference to Clinton's budget plan to fund his project that may eventually hire 100,000 police. "I couldn't believe it," he said.

Perot pops up on the road and TV

By KATIE FAIRBANK
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS

Billionaire Ross Perot has money to burn in the waning days of the presidential campaign and he's using it to blitz TV viewers and pop up at rallies around the country.

Perot saved about 75 percent of his more than \$29 million in government financing to use during the election home stretch.

Television viewers are being inundated with 15-second spots

from Perot, airing nationally during prime-time sporting events and on various cable shows.

Perot, who for several months made only weekly public appearances, is attending campaign rallies daily now, hitting hard on President Clinton's ethics and the need for an outsider to reform the political system. He



Perot

had appearances planned Thursday in New York and Illinois.

"We're right on track now with our paid programing, advertising and appearances," said campaign coordinator Russ Verney, attributing Perot's recent uptick from single digits in national polls to his stepped-up campaign effort.

A Los Angeles Times poll earlier this week put Perot's support at 12 percent nationally, and a CNN-USA Today-Gallup tracking survey had him at 11 percent.



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Thurmond's childhood sitter to vote at 104

By JESSE J. HOLLAND
Associated Press Writer

SALUDA, S.C. — When Lois Crouch Addy first voted for president, Bill Clinton and Bob Dole hadn't even been born.

The 104-year-old woman can remember shaking Woodrow Wilson's hand at his presidential inauguration, voting in the first election after women's suffrage and baby-sitting Strom Thurmond.

Now he's the nation's oldest senator ever at age 93, and she plans to vote Tuesday to give him another six-year term. Campaign ads for Thurmond's 43-year-old Democratic opponent, Elliott Close, question whether the senator is still up to the job.

"It's not your physical condition that counts, it's the condition of your brain," said Mrs.

Addy, who will go to the polls with her 19-year-old great-grandson next week.

The retired schoolteacher and principal, who says she's gone to the polls for every national election since women were allowed to vote in 1920, was awarded South Carolina's "Golden Voter" award Thursday in honor of her voting record.

She gets around on her walker and volunteers at the local nursing home taking care of "old people," she said with a laugh.

Mrs. Addy definitely has developed her own perspective on the history of politics.

— Franklin Roosevelt? "I hated him," she says.

— Prohibition? "The greatest thing that ever happened to America," said the lifelong member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Dole: 'I want to shake up this race'

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — Bob Dole, looking for a dramatic climax for his uphill presidential campaign, announced a 96-hour, virtually nonstop final push through 15 states beginning Friday.

"I want to shake up this race," he declared.

Trailing badly in the polls with five days to go, Dole also appealed Thursday to Ross Perot's supporters in his most direct terms yet.

In what could be viewed as a concession that he could not win a three-way race against Clinton, Dole said, "I can beat one candidate. I can't beat two. So don't vote for Ross Perot."

Aides said that after an overnight stop in Columbus, Ohio, on Thursday night, the only hotel pauses before Election Day would be 90-minute stops every 24 hours so Dole and his entourage could freshen up.

Dole will both fly and take long bus trips as part of the coast-to-coast plan, aides said.

"Where's the map?" Dole asked aboard his campaign plane, indicating he was ready to go.

"Gonna wear you out," he told reporters.

The dramatic travel gesture — which would dwarf the 30-hour, 10-city blitz that Clinton himself did in 1992 — came as Dole and his strategists struggled to find a way to invigorate his campaign.

The race has been frozen for months, with Clinton holding a double-digit lead in the polls.

Dole compared the final effort to his wartime fighting in Europe.

"The last time I fought 'round the clock for my country was in 1945 in Italy," Dole said. "Beginning at noon tomorrow, I



Dole

will once again fight 'round the clock for America's future."

The trip is to take him to 15 states in roughly this order: Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska, South Dakota, Colorado, Nevada, California, New Mexico and Kansas, with side trips to New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Indiana.

"I will not rest until we have made my case to every worker, every family, and every voter," Dole declared.

"I am determined to make every hour of this decisive election count."

The Republican challenger said he would take his campaign "from the factories of Ohio and Michigan, through the bluegrass of Kentucky, in the towns and neighborhoods of the Midwest, across the Rocky Mountains, through the cities and streets of California."

Earlier, Dole shared a stage with former President Bush at a rally in a refurbished theater in Tampa.

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Absentees may hold key to House

By JIM DRINKARD
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The growing use of absentee ballots, particularly in Western states, is likely to complicate the reporting of election returns Tuesday night and could delay for days the determination of who controls the House of Representatives.

"You can have this overhang of hundreds of thousands of votes that haven't been counted," said Mark DiCamillo, vice president of California's Field Poll. "I would expect that in

any race where it's close, those votes will have a big impact."

Republicans currently hold narrow leads in both the House and Senate. Political analysts say there is a 50-50 chance that Democrats will pick up the 18 seats they would need to wrest away control of the House; the chances for a Senate takeover are rated somewhat lower.

If the outcome hinges on a half-dozen or fewer seats — a distinct possibility — close races on the West Coast, where polls close latest, could be the determining factors.

In Oregon, as many as a third of the state's 1.9 million voters are expected to vote absentee in Tuesday's general election. In Washington, the number of absentee voters may hit 1 million.

In Oregon, ballots must be received by election officials by 8 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 5, to be counted.

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■ OFTEN WRONG, BUT NEVER IN DOUBT

Forging the constitution for a kinder campus

Many people cite the Constitution as guaranteeing us a government of the people, by the people and for the people. They've never read it, of course, that phrase comes from the Declaration of Independence. I have grown weary of their shallow misperceptions and I've decided to put up, but not shut up. Today I present a modest proposal to

the English language. There being no neuter possessive pronoun, speakers are forced to presume that the subject of any statement is male — denying women the affirmation they deserve as legitimate members of or society. The implications of this linguistic sexism are increases in discrimination, date rape and the general enslavement of the fairer sex.

"Own" is a particularly offensive word, given that men own 95 percent of the property in the world. The United States continues to lag behind nations like Brunei in standard of living because of our outmoded notions of individual responsibility and its ties to concepts like "ownership" and "property."

"Opinion" is of course the worst word of all, implying as it does that there are no correct opinions to be held on matters of racial, religious and gender equality. It denies the central focus of my proposal which is this: Some people do not have a right to their own opinion because they have no idea what they're talking about.

We must ensure that the harmful views of others are not spread on this campus. We must guarantee that people who are wrong find no stage for their views on our campus. We must promise incoming freshman that at Notre Dame they will find refuge from error in all its forms.

There can be no denying it. This University is an institution of learning. If the things you learn are wrong, then you're not really learning, are you? The Colloquy for the Year 2000 may not have addressed this, but an Ad-Hoc Committee for the Eradication of Error should be convened immediately by the President.

No inaccuracy, be it political, theological, philosophical, metaphysical moral or otherwise should be propounded in the sight of the Lady on the Dome. No meetings shall be held and no classes offered which threaten to push impressionable students in the direction of solecism. This Ad-Hoc Committee, in its



Christopher Regan



begin reforming America where America began— on the campus of the University of Notre Dame.

It has been argued in these very pages that everyone has a right to his own opinion. This seductive phrase must be more carefully analyzed, the better to see its real meaning. "Everyone" is an inherently individualistic word, denying, in its very utterance that we are all members of religious, ethnic, racial and economic groups. It seeks to oppress disadvantaged groups by encouraging them to rely on themselves instead of the government, which must repay them for wrong inflicted across the wide stretches of history.

The notion of "rights" has long been exposed as a patriarchal term employed by dead white males to engage in cultural imperialism, enforcing their beliefs on slaves from Central America clear across to China. It evokes the same maniacal individuality that is responsible for, among other things, the Federal Budget Deficit. If we are to unite as the Global Village we now know we are and raise our children in that Village, "rights" as a concept must be frankly and explicitly abandoned.

The assumption that everyone is a "him" is part of the insidious sexism for

daily meetings, will review the transcripts of classes and student activity meetings, rigorously holding them up to our high ideal of accuracy as defined by Du Lac and the Catechism.

The benefits of this Committee's existence are myriad. To quote Du Lac's "Discriminatory Harassment Policy," Harassment is "... any hostile intentional, and persistent badgering, addressed directly at another, or small group of others, that is intended to intimidate its victims from any University activity..." We will just have to accept it: things are going to be a little more quiet at football games from now on and we may have to eliminate Bookstore altogether, but it is small price to pay for our newly cultivated sensitivity.

Furthermore we will see the elimination/prevention of any confusing clubs on campus. There will be no College Buddhists or Hindus holding meetings that distract from the purpose of this University or copies of the Tao Te Ching in the bookstore to confuse unsuspecting freshmen. We will teach the straight stuff the way it was meant to be taught.

The state of gender relations will of course be improved. Stanford Hall minutes will cease to exist and when sexist

speech and conduct is expurgated, we will begin to teach young men how to express themselves more truthfully. Dating might even be allowed after a necessary transition period.

There are some untoward consequences as well, but fear not, gentle reader, they can be borne and indeed must be borne if an enterprise so great as this one is to be undertaken. *On Liberty*, a mainstay in the philosophy and government department, will have to go. The marketplace of ideas is being replaced with an efficient American utility monopoly. Knowledge is power, after all. The PLS science courses are history, so to speak, but they won't be necessary when the core curriculum expands to 80 credits of required classes anyway. We will bid a fond farewell to The Observer. Not every error can be remedied.

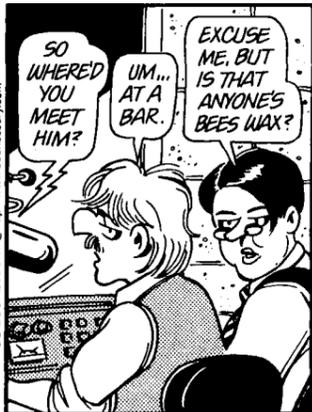
All in all, it will be a kinder, gentler campus we enjoy and our security in ourselves will be redoubled; if you can imagine that, you are well on your way to joining in my proposal.

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■ DOONESBURY

GARRY TRUDEAU

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY



"If a man hasn't discovered something that he will not die for, he is not fit to live."

—Martin Luther King, Jr.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Remembering a lost friend

Dear Editor:

This Saturday, Lyons Hall is sponsoring the Fourth Annual Mara Fox Scholarship Run. For the underclassmen, Mara Fox was a freshman, set to graduate in the class of 1997, who was hit and killed in an alcohol-influenced auto accident. Who, why, and how are the questions of great controversy — but the thing that is certain is that her death occurred and it was unnecessary.

I write this letter urging everyone to remember Mara and to think a little harder the next time they get behind the wheel of the car while drunk. This message is nothing remotely anti-drinking: it's just anti-drinking and getting behind the wheel of a car. If I sound like I'm standing on top of a soap box, I am sorry. But the loss of just one friend to drunk driving is more than enough to make me a firm opponent.

A friend sent me this poem that they found on an Internet chat group, and I think it brings up some timely questions. I can't track down the author's name, but he/she asked to have it circulated and this is the best way I could think of to do so.

CHRISTINE DUFFY

President, SADD

I went to a party, Mom, I remembered what you said
You told me not to drink, Mom, so I drank soda instead
I really felt proud inside, Mom, the way you said I would
I didn't drink and drive, Mom, even though the others said I should
I know I did the right thing, Mom, I know you are always right
Now the party is finally ending, Mom, as everyone is driving out of sight

As I got into my car, Mom, I knew I'd get home in one piece
Because of the way you raised me, so responsible and sweet
I started to drive away, Mom, but as I pulled out into the road
The other car didn't see me, Mom, and hit me like a load
As I lay there on the pavement, Mom, I hear the policeman say
The other guy is drunk, Mom, and not the one who'll pay
I'm lying here, dying, Mom, I wish you would get here soon

How could this happen to me, Mom? My life just burst like a balloon
There is blood all around me, Mom, and most of it is mine
I hear the medic say, Mom, I'll die in a short time
I just wanted to tell you, Mom, I swear I didn't drink
It was the others, Mom, the others didn't think
He was probably at the same party as I
The only difference is, he drank and I will die

Why do people drink, Mom? It can ruin your whole life
I'm feeling sharp pains now, pains just like a knife
The guy who hit me is walking, Mom, and I don't think it's fair
I'm lying here dying and all he can do is stare

Tell my brother not to cry, Mom. Tell Daddy to be brave
And when I go to heaven, Mom, put Daddy's girl on my grave
Someone should have told him, Mom, not to drink and drive
If only they had told him, Mom, I would still be alive

CAPITOL COMMENTS

Even cartoon characters can have their say

Six presidential elections ago, I registered in Indiana to vote for the first time. I had registered at an address off campus so I had to walk three miles to LaSalle High School in the rain to vote against Richard Nixon. I thought at the time that the feat might someday rival "Honest" Abraham Lincoln's legendary walk of a few miles to return a couple of

Gary Caruso



pennies in change he mistakenly kept. Only the history of Watergate vindicated my efforts since Nixon won Indiana along with 49 other states.

While watching last Sunday's Halloween episode of *The Simpsons*, which featured the abduction of Bill Clinton and Bob Dole by outer space aliens, I wondered how the average middle class worker views this year's election. I chose Groundskeeper Willie to ponder about how he might vote next Tuesday. After all, the balding red-bearded man wearing overalls is the character I think best represents the average American. He is the school's maintenance worker who immigrated from Scotland...the epitome of all who came to the U.S. seeking a better life. He also embodies the lifestyle of the typical American worker.

Surely Groundskeeper Willie would be concerned with the Republican Party's anti-immigration rhetoric, a hot divisive issue that evolved as the keystone of Pete Wilson's last campaign for governor of California. Willie would most certainly oppose California's Proposition 209, this year's ballot initiative that requires an end to affirmative action programs in the state. He probably would be upset with the Republican

agenda during the last Congressional session that attempted to cut education and environmental programs.

Willie is the type of man who does not fall for nonsensical campaign rhetoric or divisive straw man issues like "special rights" for homosexuals, "quotas" rather than equal opportunities in affirmative action programs, "moral decency" by returning prayer to schools or "protecting" the American flag from "radicals" who would burn it. To some extent, Willie seems like the type who can cut through the "anti" climate typical of recent Republican campaigns because he is a man full of common sense. He knows that negative advertising can be an effective tool in a campaign and that voters must bypass the candidates' spin to gather the facts. To do less would be extremely gullible.

It must tickle Willie to watch this week's new Republican television commercials that try to preserve their control of Congress by "scaring" the voter into checking the power of Bill Clinton. I am certain that Willie knows Bob Dole lost the election several months ago. And assuredly Willie faces a small decision regarding his Congressional vote.

Should Willie believe the sometimes desperate-sounding cries from Dole and Republican surrogates about the President's character and the "liberal" tendencies of Democrats? Does Willie really believe that Clinton would become more liberal with a Democratic House of Representatives? More importantly, would Willie rather have more so-called "liberals" in Congress than crusading Republican zealots who twice closed the government and threatened draconian cuts in a wide range of programs?

Willie knows that both parties and both candidates have warts, that nobody is perfect. He can find plenty of his own demons in his bagpipe and bottle of scotch. But Willie needs to choose from among the candidates presented. He can consider supporting the Republicans who opposed raising the minimum wage, cut health and safety programs,

tried to slow the rate of increase of Medicare by \$270 million more than Democrats, reduced education and scholarship programs and let the lobbyists of polluting companies write new environmental legislation in their Capitol Hill offices.

Willie remembers that Bob Dole helped thwart campaign finance reform while he was the senate majority leader. He can recall the Republican Congress siding with corporate interests by overriding a Clinton veto of the Securities and Exchange legislation that made it harder for investors to hold company officials responsible for fraud. Willie is aware that business interests have contributed more than labor interests by a ratio of 7-1, and he does not buy the "less government and less regulation" cry of Republicans, especially since Reagan and Bush had 12 years to gut regulations and reduce bureaucracy in various executive branch agencies.

While listening to Clinton and Dole campaign, Willie has noticed that Clinton addresses the issues and explains his plans for addressing the problems of the future while Dole keeps harping on what is wrong with Clinton. Our groundskeeper friend is impressed with Clinton's recent program that increases work study programs by one-third, up 200,000 students. He is particularly happy that 100,000 of those students are designated to teach children to read so that our country can set standards that allow us to compete throughout the world. Education is a matter Willie knows first hand.

Willie thinks that returning Democrats back to control at least the House of Representatives might be a good thing. These were the guys who enacted the family leave laws, fought discrimination on all levels, believe in checking corporate greed by providing a living wage for families and accept the principal that in a democracy, everyone can have a differing opinion, including the right to worship nothing or decide how to treat one's body, without having someone

Immediate gratification not the goal of an MBA

Dear Editor:

Michael Lewis (*The Observer*, Oct. 11) has obviously never applied to an MBA program. There are more than 500 MBA programs in this country, and no one, including *Business Week*, can tell you which one is right for you.

Many factors go into deciding where, when and whether to get an MBA. Cost is certainly one of these factors. But even *Business Week* pointed out in their article, "The Most Bang for Your MBA Buck," that selecting a school in order to get a quick payback has problems. There are significant intangible factors that should be part of the MBA decision. Major intangibles at Notre Dame are the alumni network and the school's overall name recognition.

Looking at payback time also gives a disproportionate reward to a one-year program, which ignores another key intangible: time. Many people get for an MBA because they want to make a career change, so they dedicate two full years to exploring management areas to help them focus on their future goals.

For career-changers, a two-year program, although it costs more than a one-year program, is a vital time investment, especially because a two-year program allows time for a summer internship, which can lead to a job offer at graduation. Sacrificing time for an internship represents a trade-off that everyone in accelerated programs, including Notre Dame's three-semester MBA candidates, calculates into the "cost" of an MBA program. Unfortunately, a payback calculation can't include that.

My main concern with Lewis' article, though, goes beyond my belief that *Business Week's* payback calculation was misleading. Lewis ignored the spirit of the Notre Dame program, which is that we are about more than money. We are not me-focused, short-sighted, company-hopping, sellers-out-to-the-biggest-at-graduation people.

Other MBA programs are finding that their images have suffered because they turned out too many graduates who were only interested in a quick payback. At Notre Dame, we learn that what's good for your community and the world is also what's good for your business and you in the long run. Notre Dame's MBA graduates score well consistently with corporate recruiters who share this view, and the graduates take the jobs that are right for them because of it.

That's all the payback I need.

JULIE HARRISON

First year MBA student

else's standards imposed upon all.

Groundskeeper Willie probably should vote for the Green Party candidate, given his first name. But he's been through tough times because he is different, because he has an accent and is an immigrant, because he works in a position many would frown upon. He knows a bunch of bull when he hears it, and he remembers the God-awful crusade by the Republicans during the last Congress.

Willie may have to think twice about his vote, but it will be for only a moment. He is better off now than four years ago, despite Republican claims that the economy is growing slower than it should. He knows that Barney is off the welfare rolls, that unemployment has gone down in Springfield, and that moderation, not hard-line dogma, will be the political bent of the future. Willie wants a vibrant four years as we approach the next millennium, not one run by someone whose generation cannot operate a computer.

Next Tuesday, Willie will grab his scotch bottle to celebrate after he returns from voting for the winning team. He'll sit in front of the television and watch the first returns from Indiana and Kentucky which will give an early indication of who will control Congress. Then, by 9:30 PM, Bill Clinton will be declared the winner. Willie will celebrate the obvious decision the American public made to insure progress for the next four years. And while he is celebrating, I'll tip my glass in celebration two blocks from the White House for all the Groundskeeper Willies out there who are smart as hell, and voted that way.

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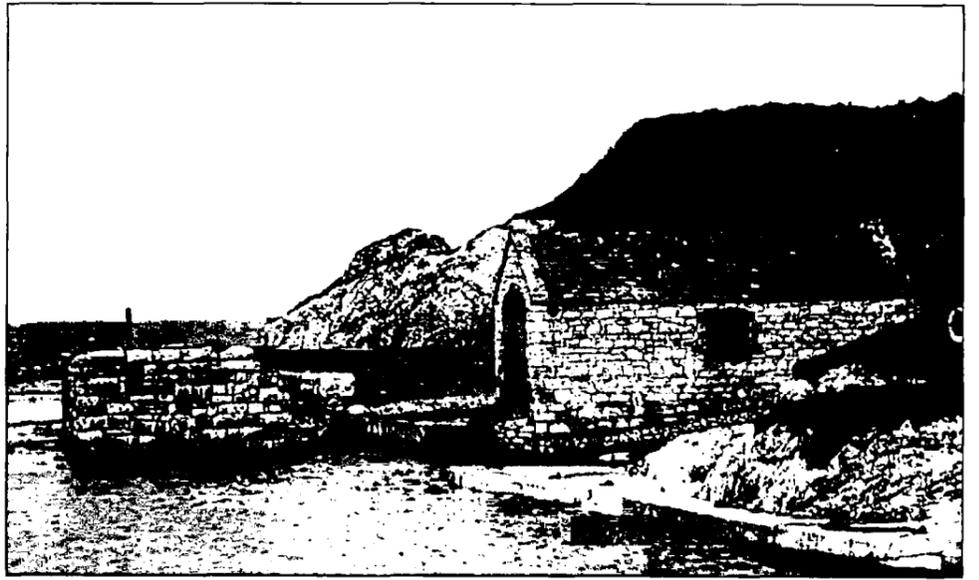
Northern Ireland. This place generally conjures images of bigotry and violence—a place where Catholics and Protestants hate each other, a place where people gun each other down in the streets. While in certain isolated regions this holds true, overall, Northern Ireland is “a brave wee place where all the lads (no matter what their religion may be) can go down to the pub and take a Guinness,” claims Michael Dunnigan, a local bartender in Ballamena.

For the most part, the people of Northern Ireland carry on with their daily lives without the threat of violence. Kids walk to school alone and the elderly can shop along the street without worry. “Oh sure every weekend some of the boys are going to march here or there, but we just drive by it,” explains Cathrein Finnley, a mother of six from Belfast, “We’ve gotten used to it by now — we just live out lives.” And live they do.

“In America, people arrange their social lives around their work lives. Here it’s backwards. We arrange our work lives around party time,” maintains Nial O’Hagean, a civil servant from Derry (according to Catholics) or Londonderry (according to Protestants). And spending nights at various watering holes around Northern Ireland attests to that statement.

For the most part, Northern Ireland is as warm and welcoming a place in the country as any.

—Rob Finch



Dunmouth Harbor, Northern Ireland

Rob Finch/The Observer



A Northern Ireland man cleans his windows on the streets of Belfast.

Rob Finch/The Observer



Patty O'Sullivan and Shamis McCallhah

Rob Finch/The Observer



Dermott and Bernie Connelly light a lamp during a power outage.

Rob Finch/The Observer



A “Lollipop Man,” who helps children cross streets, waits for the Belfast children to get out of school.

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An Irish youth smokes a joint at a renown drug dealing corner in Belfast.

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Protestants Davey O'Conner helps his brother Michael tie his tie early before school early before school

Rob Finch/The Observer

Irish PUBS-licity

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

CORK CITY, Ireland
In the truest sense of the phrase, it is a diverse night life. At one end of the street is the Bohemian coffee by day that relishes in its role of mellow lounge by night. Up the street a bit is what one could consider to be your classic sports bar—half the crowd is riveted by the football game on the big screen TV, the other is making casual conversation with the sounds of the Cranberries and Hootie and the Blowfish in the background. And of course, in seemingly every corner is your traditional Irish pub.

Sure, the above description may aptly describe any American city but it is actually a true perspective of Irish cities like Dublin, Cork, and Galway.

While much of Ireland, particularly small villages may still be centered around smaller drink and traditional music oriented pubs, the larger scale watering holes boast scenes far beyond the stereotype of Irish pub life.

"There's a little bit of something for everybody," claims 23-year-old John King of Cork. "Not everybody goes to a traditional pub. In fact, there really is no set definition of 'traditional.'"



Cork, Ireland's second largest city, is a shining example of such. In particular the Washington Street area presents a wide range of options to the Irish, especially the booming youth population.

While some are bound to follow in their father's footsteps and head straight to the pub for a pint of Guinness and some rebel songs, substantial amounts turn to more alternative establishments. There is a trend to be trendy.

At the aforementioned coffee bar, the remodeled Iso Bar, there is no fiddle filling the air. Nor is there a lot of stout filling the gullets of patrons. Instead, there is lounge music and calls to the barmaid for imports like Carlsberg, Budweiser and fruit drinks called Corky's for many of the women. And there are lots of men and women. "Women are allowed, or course. They

bring in like men," barmaid Katie Smith said. "Maybe in the strictest pubs you'll see mostly or just men, but not in new places."

Yet ever older establishments now welcome all sorts of crowds.

The Network in Cork is an example.

The bar may be your typical dark wood bar with carved Celtic designs but the arms rested on it are far from typical.

Sit below the classic wood rafters and you will see a rainbow sea of heads.

Green, reds and blues jump out like a setting in a punk rock bar.

They are a different kind of rebel than the ones who sang songs 100 years ago about getting the English out of Ireland, but the black-clad, multiple-ear-ringed patrons are rebellious in that they are purposefully unique and proud of it.

"Some of us just want to be different," said a rather angry skinhead type who would only identify himself as "Mutt."

"This place (Ireland) is boring. Someone has to be different," he added.

But at the other end of the spectrum, some find the need to be the same.

And when being the same amounts to going out to a favorite local public house (pub) on a consistent basis, there is plenty of it.

"We come to the same place, Nestor's, a lot on Mondays," said King. "We know the crowd and it's a great place to start the week with some (fun)."

While Americans like to end their weeks at the local watering hole, residents of Cork have no such marked night to go out.

"If I'm looking for a pint, I don't care what day it is,"

said

Dublin taxi-driver David Owens.

"Irish like our pubs."

Dublin offers even more opportunity than Cork.

Now Europe's third most popular weekend destination according to a recent European Community study, Dublin offers great music and great clubs — and great drinks, the best of all.

"Don't be fooled, most everybody comes out to do one thing," said King. "That one thing is to drink."

The Tumultuous Bus Trips of Ireland

By CAROLINE BLUM
Saint Mary's Editor

GALWAY, Ireland
Ireland. A land famous for its livestock, fields, pubs, and let's not forget—adventurous bus tours. It is often said around Ireland that a bus tour is not complete without an accident. What a reputation to live up to.

In Galway, a city near the western coast of Ireland, several bus tours offer such sights as Connemara, the Aran Islands, and the Cliffs of Moher.

It was a rainy Monday, typical of Ireland weather, when a group of 40 tourists boarded a bus bound for the cliffs of Moher.

The bus departed at 10 a.m. sharp, with the non-English speaking people coincidentally cropped to the front and the first ruins were visible in the distance just a few short minutes later. The guide told the tale of the hated Englishman, Oliver Cromwell, who had stripped the roofs off the churches as a sign of English dictatorship a century before.

During this time, a Catholic widow married a Cromwell soldier in order to save her castle from the British. When she still lost all of her money, she became angry and threw her husband out of the castle window.

Thrilled by the mention of the word "castle," the tourists stared out of the window for a glimpse of the structure.

The tour guide inquired if the sight needed a stop for pictures, but the front, oblivious to English of the bus failed to answer. The driver must not have heard the affirmative shouting from the rear, and continued the journey.

An hour later, the guide explained that the bus had then begun its trek down the 26 mile Burren Way. The Burren meaning, "great rock," begins around the town of Lisdooniarra, leading motorists and tourists to the Cliffs of Moher.

When the guide first pointed out signs of the Burren, tourists looked around in wonder trying to

figure out what the driver was referring to.

But then they saw it. Not typical Ireland green grass, but just rocks, as far as the eyes could see.

The guide described the formation of the land, what scientists claim occurred during the last Ice Age. The limestone rocks were then brought to the surface by earthquakes.

Ten minutes into the ride through the Burren, the guide told the passengers about the Dolmen, an ancient burial sight. The Dolmen was built during the third millennium B.C., over a grave of 200 people. Atop the grave stands two parallel upright blocks of limestone, with a larger placed above to connect the two. Again, the tourists looked for the sight but could not find it. Finally, the bus stopped and the tourists climbed over a tall row of rocks to walk toward the Dolmen.

The walk was not easy, especially in the midst of the torrential downpour. The tourists soon realized this while trying to jump from rock to rock to arrive at the Dolmen. They took turns posing in front of the structure, and watched cows in the distance jump from rock to rock.

After examining the land for 45 minutes, the group crowded back onto the bus. They looked mystically at the land of limestone, until they were interrupted by the voice of their guide. He explained that the Cliffs of Moher were probably closed that day, due to the rain and fog.

The whole bus moaned, even the non-English speaking whined, understanding the tone of the other hapless passengers. Sulking, they accused the bus driver of embezzling their money and fibbing in the hopes of getting to the pub earlier. He drove on, chuckling to himself as he let the crew out at the parking lot near the Cliffs of Moher. The gullible ones apologized as they climbed off the bus.

The tourists climbed steps for about 10 minutes before seeing the first cliff. But they expected this, as a 700 foot cliff is not usually noticeable at eye level.

The cliff marveled them. Short grass and vegetation grew where they were standing, but looking down-

looking straight down 700 feet into the Atlantic Ocean—was a different story.

Rocks extended in layers down to the ocean, where loud waves crashed up against them and blew bubbles to the tourists. The tourists strictly followed the safety wall until they reached the cliff's highest point, the marvelous O'Brien Tower. It was then that they felt winds from Hurricane Lilly.

At first, hats flew off and tourists crouched down to avoid winds. Some of the more daring tourists hopped the barbed wire fence marking the end of the trail and climbed even further.

But soon the winds grew stronger. Children were unable to stand upright, and others held on to the railings or poles for support.

Taking one last look at the cliffs and the shadows of the Aran Islands, they could see through the fog, and the tourists surrendered. They journeyed back to the stairs and back to the bus.

The new tourists began walking up the stairs watched the veterans being thrown down the stairs by the wind, and quickly changed their minds.

After purchasing postcards and other memorabilia at the gift shop, the group reoccupied their seats and warmed up to the breath-taking Atlantic Coastline on their way back to Galway.

But just as the crowd was situated, they flew to the front of their seats. The bus had come to an emergency stop—at the expense of a car on the opposite side of the road.

The tour was complete, the bus had collided into another vehicle.

Absolutely stunned by the incident, the crowd pushed to the front of the bus to get a glimpse of the damage. Those that could not speak English, tried to explain the accident to the inquiring back of the bus, but could make only hand gestures.

The tourists needed only to look out the window at the "fighting Irishmen" to figure out what had happened. A crazy driver had tried to pass the bus, only to be sideswiped off the road.

■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Lions next up for Cardiac kids

Cats look to avenge last Big Ten loss

By DAVE IVEY
Associated Press Writer

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. Northwestern won 13 straight Big Ten games since losing 45-17 in its last visit to Penn State in 1994.

"In the league today, as tough as it is, that's an amazing feat," said Nittany Lions coach Joe Paterno. "It's extraordinary. They are playing with as much confidence as a football team can have."

Wildcats coach Gary Barnett is not intimidated about returning to Beaver Stadium, where Paterno's teams are 50-8 in November in his 31 seasons.

"We enjoy road trips. There are fewer distractions," he said. "You've got 60 or 64 guys who are really focused. This is where you want to be. It's what you do in November — that's when champions are made."

No. 11 Northwestern (7-1, 5-0), which has won four straight games in the closing minutes, travels to No. 15 Penn State (7-2, 3-2) Saturday. The 'Cats won last season's meeting, 21-10 in Evanston, Ill.

The main objective for both teams will be halting the run. Darnell Autry of Northwestern and Penn State's Curtis Enis are both nursing sore shoulders but are expected to play Saturday. Autry has 10 rushing TDs and is averaging 132.4 yards per game. Enis has also scored 10 touchdowns on the ground while averaging 95.5 yards per game this season.

"I think Autry is as good a tailback as there is in the country," said Paterno, whose team has allowed 152.8 yards per game rushing. Indiana's Alex Smith had 130 yards on 30 carries a week ago.

In its 27-24 win over Illinois last Saturday, the Wildcats were scorched for 166 yards by Robert Holcombe.

"We have to stop the run and force 'em to throw the football," Barnett said. "No question about it."

The quarterbacking edge clearly belongs to Northwestern and Steve Schnur.

"He's smart. A great, great competitor," Paterno said. "He just loves to be in the situations he has been in. You can almost sense it. He is a kid who just loves competition — thrives on it."

Schnur's favorite targets are D'Wayne Bates and Brian Musso. Bates leads the Big Ten in receptions per game (6.38) and yards per game (107.8) and

has caught nine touchdown passes.

"Schnur may not be the fanciest guy, but performance-wise, he's as good as any quarterback in the country," Paterno said.

The passing game has been a big problem all season for Penn State, which ranks dead last in the conference at 161.7 yards per game. Against many fans' wishes, Wally Richardson remains the starting QB over Mike McQueary.

McQueary guided the Lions to 38 second-half points in a comeback victory over the Hoosiers last week — the first time all season Penn State has shown any life in the second half. The 38 points was more than the Lions scored in the second half in their previous four Big Ten games combined.

Northwestern, meanwhile, has thrived in the late going.

"They've been counted dead about three or four times this year and they have been able to make the big play in the clutch," Paterno said. "We have got to be ready to play the full 60 minutes against them."

Penn State tight end Keith Olsommer and linebacker Aaron Collins agreed.

"We haven't played a 60-minute game this year," Olsommer said. "If we don't do it this week, we could be in some serious trouble. Northwestern has the talent to really lay a beating on us if we don't."

Collins said: "You have to put them away, they won't go away. They're a tough bunch. They never, ever quit."

'Cocktail party' a Florida tradition

By DOUG FERGUSON
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JACKSONVILLE

Florida banners are strung from one motor home to the next. Len Williams is sipping on a beer while his dachshund, wearing a "Gators" collar, sits in his lap. He is counting the days.

Across the lot, the Georgia Bulldogs' flag waves from top of Nat and Karin Smith's motor home. She can't decide whom she despises more — the Florida Gators or Steve Spurrier.

"I don't think it makes any difference," says Brenda McCollough, who drove down with the Smiths from Milledgeville, Ga. "Just beat the hell out of both of them."

The annual Florida-Georgia game is back in Jacksonville for the first time since 1993. Kickoff is still three days away, but the "World's Largest Outdoor Cocktail Party" has already begun.

"I think people may have forgotten a little bit of just how unique it really is," said Jake Godbold, mayor of Jacksonville in the 1970s when the series was at its best. "But it won't take long to remember once they step in that stadium."

The stadium is what brought this storied game to a halt the past two years. For the first time since 1933, the Florida-Georgia series was moved on campus while the aging Gator Bowl was rebuilt to house the

NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars.

The seats are painted teal now, but they will be filled with the black and red of Georgia on one side, the orange and blue of Florida on the other. The Gators' recent dominance may take away the edge of the game, but not the passion of the pageantry.

"There is a certain atmosphere there that creates a mystique," said Georgia athletic director Vince Dooley, who had a 17-7-1 record against the Gators as the head coach.

It's not hard to find it. Just look up and down the Atlantic Coast, where fans dock their boats from St. Augustine up to St. Simons Island in southern Georgia.

The motor home lot across from Jacksonville Municipal Stadium is full by Thursday. Most folks won't even leave until the morning of the game, when thousands of fans mingle outside the stadium hours before kickoff.

Spurrier remembers one of his freshmen telling him he didn't realize how raucous the game was until the team bus rolled into the parking lot in 1992.

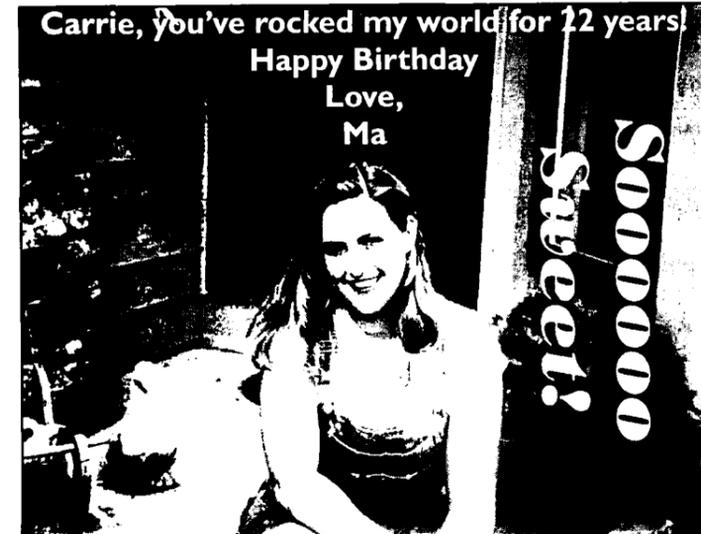
"Fans were lined up and down the sidewalks," Spurrier said. "A lot of Georgia fans ... of course, we weren't No. 1 then, but they were giving us that No. 1 sign — just the wrong finger. It's a special game in Jacksonville."

The last game played in Jacksonville was another frenzied affair, despite a ferocious rain that turned the field to slop.

Trailing 33-26, Georgia's Eric Zeier threw an apparent touchdown pass with five seconds left, but officials ruled cornerback Anthone Lott had called timeout before the ball was snapped.

Zeier's pass into the end zone on the final play fell incomplete.

"That was the best environment I've ever been in down in Jacksonville," said Georgia quarterback Mike Bobo, a freshman in 1993. "It was just amazing. It was pouring down rain, and riding in on the bus with our fans rocking the bus."



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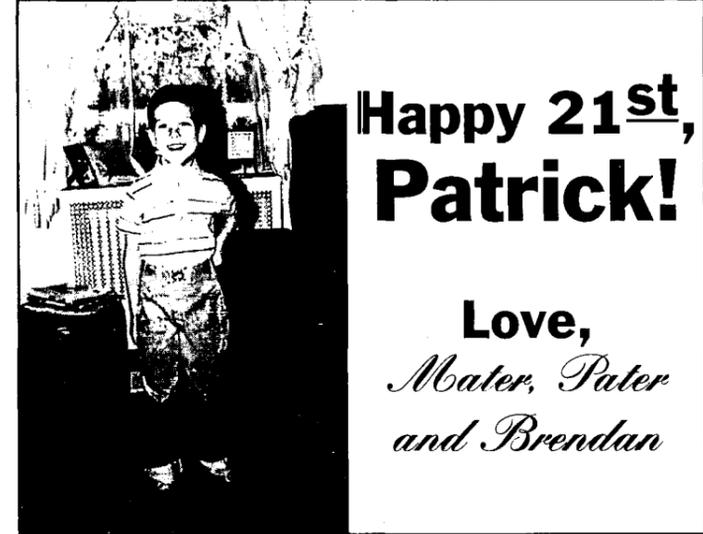
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■ NBA

New Blazer runs into more legal trouble

By BOB BAUM
Associated Press Writer

PORTLAND
Isaiah "J.R." Rider, who has said he looked forward to a fresh start in Portland, has been cited for possession of marijuana less than two days before he is to play in his first Trail Blazers game.

Rider, 25, was cited at 11:30 p.m. Wednesday when sheriff's deputies found him sitting in the back seat of a car parked alongside a highway in Lake Oswego, an affluent suburb south of Portland.

"They observed Mr. Rider holding a pop can and a lighter near his mouth," Clackamas County sheriff's spokesman Damon Coates said. "Deputies seized the items and found the can to be converted into a smoking device, which contained a small amount of marijuana."

Rider, already suspended for Friday night's season opener because he missed the team's final exhibition game last Sunday, said after Thursday's practice that he was only sitting in someone else's car.

"The bottom line is I happened to be a back seat passenger in someone's car," Rider said, "but I'm a big name. The cops didn't find a damn thing on me. But I'm a big name. I happened to be in someone else's car, so it's kind of messed up."

Coach P.J. Carlesimo said Rider still would play Saturday night at Seattle and no decision would be made on any action against the star guard until the team investigates.

"It would be terribly unfair to jump to a conclusion without knowing anything," Carlesimo

said. "It's unfair to anybody. It wouldn't matter whether it was J.R. or any of our players. You people are implying that because there's a past here, we should jump to a conclusion. That's not fair."

Rider had a history of off-court problems in his three seasons with the Minnesota Timberwolves and was arrested this summer in his hometown of Oakland, Calif., on charges of marijuana possession, illegal gambling and possession of illegal cellular phones.

Blazers management came under considerable criticism when it went ahead with a trade that brought Rider to Portland.

In Oregon, possession of less than an ounce of marijuana is a non-criminal offense subject to a minimum \$500 fine. Rider was cited to appear in court on the charge Nov. 18.

The sheriff's department said two deputies had parked their car nearby and were on foot investigating an unrelated matter when they noticed two cars pull off the highway and turn off their lights. Deputies thought it was probably some teen-agers drinking, Coates said, but as they approached they saw someone, later identified as Rider, lift a soft drink can and a lighter to his mouth.

Rider was the only person cited. Neither the cars nor the others inside them were searched, Coates said.

Rider said he planned to discuss the situation with Carlesimo and Blazers president Bob Whitsitt.

"It looks bad now, but it will work out," Rider said.

Whitsitt was traveling and unavailable for comment.

■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Rodriguez named baseball's best

By BEN WALKER
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK

Alex Rodriguez, who began the season batting ninth for Seattle and became the top hitter in the majors at age 21, was voted The Associated Press major league player of the year Thursday.

Rodriguez hit .358 with 36 home runs and 123 RBIs in his first full year in the big leagues. He set modern-day marks for shortstops in hits (215), extra-base hits (91) and runs scored (141).

"It was a very humbling year," he said. "All they asked me to do was hit .240, hit 10 home runs and drive in 40. But I still need to improve."

Rodriguez received 103 votes from a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters. San Diego third baseman Ken Caminiti was second with 12 votes, and Atlanta pitcher John Smoltz third with nine in balloting completed before the playoffs.

The overall No. 1 pick in the 1993 draft, Rodriguez made his major league debut the next year at 18. During the 1995 season, he was sent down to the minors four times by the Mariners, hit .232 in 48 games and backed up Luis Sojo in the playoffs.

"I came to spring training this year and had to win a job," Rodriguez said.

He earned it, and Seattle manager Lou Piniella said Rodriguez would stay in the lineup as long as he made the routine plays at shortstop.

On March 31, in the earliest major league opener, Rodriguez was 0-for-5 before hitting a game-winning single in the bottom of the 12th inning against Chicago at the Kingdome.

Soon, he blossomed into a leading candidate for the AL

MVP award, which will be announced Nov. 14.

Slowed by a hamstring injury that put him on the disabled list for 13 games in April, Rodriguez was moved up from ninth to second in the batting order on May 8. He quickly became a key part of a potent lineup that included Ken Griffey Jr., Edgar Martinez and Jay Buhner.

At age 20, he was the youngest shortstop to appear in the All-Star game, playing behind his boyhood role model, Cal Ripken. Rodriguez has patterned his fielding style after Ripken, along with his cool demeanor.

On Monday, Rodriguez and Ripken worked out together in Los Angeles in preparation for a tour of major league stars to Japan.

"What I've learned from Cal is to respect the game, respect the fans," he said. "Nothing fancy out there. Just do your job."

By mid-July, Rodriguez proved he could field as well as hit. Along with making the routine plays, he showed great range and a strong arm.

Rodriguez turned 21 on July 27 on his way to becoming the third youngest AL batting champion, behind Al Kaline and Ty Cobb, and the third youngest player in history, behind Mel Ott and Frank Robinson, to hit at least 35 homers.

Rodriguez hit for the highest average by an AL right-handed batting champion since Joe DiMaggio in 1939, and became the first AL shortstop to win the batting title since Lou Boudreau in 1944.

He finished with 54 doubles, most in the majors, and three grand slams, tied for the most in the big leagues. He also tied a team record of five hits in a game and finished with a .631 slugging percentage, the highest ever by a shortstop.

Rodriguez also stole 15 bases, and made a relatively low 15 errors. But he says there's room for improvement in all areas.

"I need to make more contact. I struck out more than 100 times," he said. "I can cut down on my errors, and I'd like to steal 30-40 bags. I made a lot of dumb baserunning mistakes this year."

Piniella liked what he saw, however.

"We expected him to do the job defensively for us, which he has," Piniella said. "We expected him to hit for some power. But not like this."

The main disappointment for Rodriguez was not making the playoffs. The Mariners slumped in September, finishing 2 1/2 games behind Baltimore in the wild-card race.

Caminiti hit .326 with 40 home runs and 130 RBIs for the NL West champion Padres.



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■ NFL

'Air' McNair ready to launch

By JIM COUR
Associated Press Writer

SEATTLE

Still holding true to their belief that later is better than sooner, the Houston Oilers would rather have Steve McNair watching on Sunday.

Instead, McNair will be on the field, because coach Jeff Fisher has no other choice.

With Chris Chandler sidelined with a strained groin, McNair will make the third start of his two-year NFL career when Houston (5-3) goes against the Seattle Seahawks (3-5).

McNair, 23, made his first two starts at the end of last season, when the Oilers were out of the playoff chase. This time it's the start of the second half of the season and they're in the race.

The Oilers have a lot of confidence in McNair, the first quarterback and third player chosen in last year's draft.

"I think he's made a lot of progress," Fisher said. "I think at this point he's ahead of schedule."

"We feel very comfortable with McNair coming in and doing the things that he can do," linebacker Micheal Barrow added.

The former Alcorn State player presents a dilemma for opposing teams. He's a big, outstanding athlete with a strong and accurate arm who can run. It's his scrambling potential that sets him apart, sort of a young John Elway.

McNair will go back to the bench when Chandler gets healthy. He says he agrees with

Fisher's premise that it's better to sit and watch at the start of his career. Sort of.

"A lot of quarterbacks who have come in and started in their first year have not been successful," McNair said. "But it's been very hard sitting on the sidelines, because I'm a competitor."

The only player in NCAA history to gain more than 16,000 yards in total offense played in his third game of the season in a 10-9 loss to San Francisco last Sunday. He replaced Chandler during the opening drive of the second half and was 5-for-9 for 45 yards with one interception. He also had a 10-yard run.

Nothing special to scare an opposing team, right?

The Seahawks disagree.

"We're not looking forward to chasing him all over the Kingdom," Seattle defensive end Michael Sinclair said.

McNair's first two starts came at the end of last season and he helped the Oilers beat the New York Jets and Buffalo.

McNair liked that experience. He's looking forward to this start more, because it matters if the Oilers win or lose Sunday. It didn't matter last season.

"This year we're in the battle to go to the playoffs and this is something I'm thinking about," he said.

After a 1-4 start, the Seahawks will be trying to go 3-1 since John Friesz replaced Rick Mirer as their starting quarterback.

In McNair, they will be facing their third backup quarterback in four games. They won at

Miami when the Dolphins were without Dan Marino and they beat the Chargers 32-13 in the Kingdome last Sunday when San Diego was without Stan Humphries.

"Hopefully, we can disguise some things and confuse him into throwing an interception," Seattle coach Dennis Erickson said.

The Seahawks secondary had its best day of the season against San Diego's Sean Salisbury, intercepting four passes and also recovering a fumble. Darryl Williams had two of the interceptions and ran back one 79 yards for the first touchdown by the Seattle defense this year.

The defensive backs — Williams, Robert Blackmon, Carlton Gray and Corey Harris — benefitted from a strong pass rush from tackles Cortez Kennedy and Sam Adams. And Erickson said it was the best the defense has played in his two seasons here.

Sinclair, who leads the league with nine sacks, said Seattle's secondary must play aggressively for the team to be successful.

"Those San Diego receivers had all those arms when they came across the middle," he said. "We got the message to them early."

Seattle's defense is allowing 134 1/2 yards rushing a game and it'll be facing rookie sensation Eddie George. George rushed for 717 yards and three touchdowns. He's challenging Earl Campbell's Oilers' rookie rushing record of 1,450 yards in 1978.

Young Jets search for respectability

By BARRY WILNER
Associated Press Writer

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.

They stared history in the face and didn't flinch.

Now, can the New York Jets do the same with their formidable schedule over the next seven weeks?

After losing their first eight games in all variety of manners, the Jets certainly looked capable of perfection.

Wouldn't 0-16 have been historic?

And hysterical?

A 31-21 victory at Arizona last Sunday took care of that. But it also came against the only weak team remaining on the Jets' schedule.

No matter, they claim. Neither is the fact that their next seven opponents have a combined 30-18 mark.

"There have been a lot of road bumps in our way," says Wayne Chrebet, one of the few standouts during the Jets' 1-8 start.

"But it's something to build on. It feels like a long time. ... It's a good thing it happened, because it was starting to get crazy in here."

So crazy that talk of 0-16 came up constantly.

"We were aware of it," says running back Adrian Murrell, another bright spot in the first two months.

"We kept getting asked about it. But we knew it wouldn't happen, that there was the talent here to win games."

Much of whatever talent the Jets have will be back from injury following this week's bye. Quarterback Neil O'Donnell, who came from Pittsburgh as a \$25 million free agent, should have recovered from a separated shoulder.

Defensive end Hugh Douglas (broken ankle) and middle linebacker Marvin Jones (knee) already are practicing. Wide receiver Webster Slaughter (hamstring) could have pushed it last weekend but took advantage of the bye to heal completely.

Getting those players into the lineup is critical, coach Rich

Kotite says.

He's stressed it time and again, obviously forgetting that the Jets didn't win when they were available, either.

"We cannot sit back and say, 'Whew! Thank God!' " Kotite said of the win over the Cardinals that ended a team-record 12-game losing streak. "I think this team will take the time to work hard and pull this thing together. We know we've hurt ourselves with self-inflicted wounds. But we're getting some people back that we haven't had in a while."

They've also lost linebacker Mo Lewis — consistently their best defensive player for several years but a disappointment this season — for the duration.

This season was not supposed to be this bad.

Jets owner Leon Hess, whose "Win Now" mandate upon hiring Kotite seems like a cruel joke these days, approved longterm contracts worth more than \$80 million.

Signed were O'Donnell, wide receiver Jeff Graham, tackle Jumbo Elliott and David Williams and top draft choice Keyshawn Johnson, all for big bucks.

Murrell was re-signed. The offense, impotent a year ago, became promising.

The defense improved in 1995, even though the 3-13 record was the Jets' worst ever.

Based on the enhanced talent level, the Jets felt their prospects were bright. They quietly mentioned contending for the playoffs.

Instead, the only thing they're in contention for is the first overall pick in the draft. Again.

Yet they seem committed to the program under Kotite, whose job almost certainly is safe for the remainder of 1996.

"I think that any dispassionate observer looking on would feel that in the last few games, our team has improved in every one of them," Jets president Steve Gutman says.

"I felt we devised a plan. The results would have to come. I still feel the same way."

Gutman and Kotite continually praise the players for working hard and playing hard throughout the losing streak. And they probably will be praised by the same people for the same things as the season winds down.

But if there aren't more victories, if the Jets aren't any better than last year's dismal record, then what?

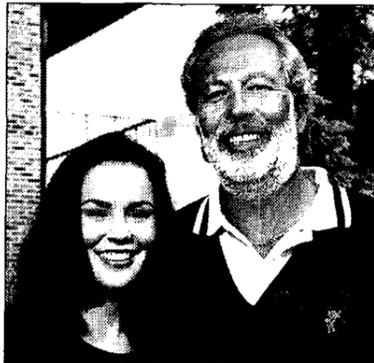
"We're aware there's a deep problem that has to be resolved," Gutman says.

"They know this is only the beginning," adds Kotite. "If we can cut out some of things we do to ourselves, we can be a different football team."

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■ NFL

Broncos bound for Super Bowl?

By JOHN MOSSMAN
Associated Press Writer

DENVER
Finally, in his 14th NFL season, John Elway has it all, and he is taking his Denver Broncos along for the ride.

The Broncos have the best record in the AFC (7-1), as well as the NFL's top-rated offense and running attack and third-best defense. Like it or not, league observers are beginning to tout the four-time Super Bowl losers as favorites to make another run at pro football's coveted trophy.

Elway, at 36, is playing better than ever. On a pace to set a number of career records, he threw for 300 yards in three straight games before settling for 286 yards and three touch-down passes in three quarters as the Broncos dismantled their AFC West rivals, the Kansas City Chiefs, 34-7 last week.

At the halfway point, Elway has completed 169 of 273 passes (62 percent) for 1,998 yards, 17 touchdowns and 10 interceptions.

Despite his Hall of Fame numbers, he has thrown for 4,000 yards only once in his career and has never thrown more than 26 TD passes in a season. He could surpass both figures this year.

"John is playing better right now than I have ever seen him play," said Chiefs coach Marty Schottenheimer.

Mike Shanahan, whose imaginative offensive schemes helped Elway thrive in the 1980s, is back with Denver in his second year as head coach. He deserves much of the credit for Elway's productivity.

"I've seen John play so well through so many years and do things that most human beings can't do," Shanahan said. "It doesn't surprise me that John is playing at the level he's play-

ing. After the fourth game of the season — when our running game was going so well and people were asking, 'What's wrong with John?' — I said I wouldn't be surprised if John has his best year and is the highest-rated quarterback. Everybody looked at me like I was half-crazy.

"But John is feeling more comfortable with the system, and we've got some players around him who complement his talents. If he would have had this system and these teammates a number of years ago, I don't think there's a record he wouldn't own right now in the NFL."

Never in Elway's three previous Super Bowl campaigns — after the 1986, 1987 and 1989 seasons — did he have the supporting cast he has now.

Second-year back Terrell Davis is the NFL's leading rusher with 894 yards and six TDs.

Tight end Shannon Sharpe also is on a record-setting pace, having caught 54 passes for 729 yards and seven scores. The NFL record for catches by a tight end is 96 by the Patriots' Ben Coates in 1994, and the yardage record is 1,290 by the Chargers' Kellen Winslow in 1980.

Ed McCaffrey, Anthony Miller and Davis all have caught at least 20 passes.

More anonymously, but just as effectively, the offensive line has been equally adept at run-and-pass-blocking. The ever-active Elway has been sacked only 15 times, and the relative lack of contact has made him appear more nimble in escaping the rush.

Against the Chiefs, he scrambled for a career-high 62 yards to join Fran Tarkenton as the only quarterbacks with both 40,000 yards passing and 3,000

yards rushing.

But no longer must Elway depend on freelancing and making a big play on the run; he now makes plays within the system.

When Elway signed a five-year, \$29.5 million contract last spring, no one seriously expected him to fulfill the term of the pact. Now, said Shanahan, "I'm going to be pushing for it."

Then there's a revamped defense, which held the Chiefs offense scoreless last week. Kansas City's lone score came on a kickoff return.

A unit that ranked dead last in the NFL in 1994 has been stubbornly stingy. Free-agent acquisitions Bill Romanowski and Alfred Williams have blended with holdovers Steve Atwater, Michael Dean Perry and a healthier Dan Williams to give Denver the second-best run defense in the league, always a critical statistic.

Shanahan, fired in his second season as head coach of the Raiders in 1989, has matured upon his return to Denver. Still a brilliant Xs and Os tactician, he has learned to make solid personnel decisions. He also has learned the value of being a players' coach.

During the preseason, he helped create a close-knit team by taking his players on a fishing trip, playing golf together and inviting players, coaches and their wives to his home for a cookout.

"I think this is my best team ever," Broncos owner Pat Bowlen said this week. "And I think the chemistry is as good as it ever was. Some people may think we're a flash in the pan. But it's becoming tougher and tougher to disguise the fact that we're a good football team."

■ MEN'S SOCCER

Badgers deal yet another blow to Irish

Berticelli 'disappointed' with defeat

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Sports Writer

The men's soccer team had yet another opportunity to prove that they belong among the top teams in the nation. That opportunity came in the form of a home date with the defending national champion Wisconsin Badgers last night at Alumni Field.

Despite outshooting the visitors 9-8, the Irish were unable to beat Badger goalkeeper Todd Wilson and were shutout 1-0.

The Irish controlled the first half of play, recording five shots on goal in the period. Wilson was forced to make three key saves, two on shots by forward Ryan Turner from inside the penalty box, to preserve the scoreless tie.

"I'm real disappointed with the result," said Irish head coach Mike Berticelli. "I thought it was obvious that

we dominated the game."

Despite the solid play by Notre Dame, Wisconsin finally broke through the Irish defense. Defender Ted Storm headed the ball past sophomore goalkeeper Greg Velho on an assist from midfielder Doug Watson with less than 20 minutes remaining in regulation time.

"After the goal, I thought we broke down," Berticelli acknowledged. "We were sending more people forward so we were less organized."

Notre Dame made a strong push down the stretch to tie the score, but their efforts went unrewarded. Todd Wilson continued to baffle the Irish attackers and time ran out on a potential comeback.

Berticelli explained his disappointment after the game.

"It's a frustrating game to lose because I thought we were the better team."

The Irish have one game remaining on the regular season schedule and hope to make it a springboard to success in the Big East post-season tournament. The game is Sunday at conference rival Boston College.

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Pangborn was unable to handle the nasty Badin defense, allowing the Attitudes to win for the first time.

Badin picks up first victory

By NICOLE JOHNSON
Sports Writer

The night may have been bitterly cold but there was plenty of heat on the gridiron last night as the women's interhall football regular season comes rapidly to a close.

In the first contest the 2-1-2 Pangborn Phoxes set out to tame the 0-4 Badin

Attitudes. The first half yielded no touchdowns but a Phox fumble in the endzone gave the Attitudes 2-0 lead at the half.

The safety was all that was needed to give Badin the edge to win as a touchdown just minutes into the second half by Stephanie So showed the Attitudes were playing with just that.

Badin went on to win their first game 8-0, with their final contest versus Howard on Sunday.

The Howard Ducks hoped to follow Badin in what looked to be a night of upsets as they faced undefeated Lyons.

An interception by Lyons' Paige Capacci was run back for a touchdown.

The Ducks came right, back however, with a touchdown by Nicole Torrado, to lead the game 7-6, earning her the distinction of the first player this season to score on Lyons.

The lead did not last long as a touchdown from Kathy Tschanz to Kerry Callahan and an extra point to Kerry Yanez brought the halftime score to 13-7.

The frostbite seemed to set in as both offenses remained scoreless despite frequent turnovers. With nine seconds left in the game, it was Kathy Yanez again to score both a touchdown and the extra point to put the game out of Howard's reach 20-7.

The undefeated women of Lyon's will play their final regular season game this Sunday in their march towards the title.



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'Potential' abounds for Belles' swimming

Youngsters up for challenges

By STEPHANIE VILLINSKI
Sports Writer

It is not unusual for a sports team to pick a phrase to describe themselves. The phrase "small but mighty" has been chosen by this year's St. Mary's Swimming and Diving team.

This is fitting for the eight membered swim team and four membered diving team who open their season Saturday at Grande Valley State.

Although the Belles pre-season swimming practices were delayed because of the lack of a coach, they are now under the guidance of first year coach Angela Addington. Addington and the team are not letting their size and late start affect their performance.

"The team realizes that such a small squad is a problem, but they don't let it bother them. They all have a high level of dedication, and I have seen improvement in the last two weeks of practice," said Addington.

High goals have been set, and the team is confident these goals can be reached.

"We hope to improve last year's record and build a good solid foundation so the team can be bigger next year. Also, there are a few swimmers who can qualify for nationals, and we think they can do it," said Addington.

The team has named senior Shannon Kelleher and sophomore Tara Thomas as captains.

Addington is pleased with the leadership the two bring to the team.

"Both Shannon and Tara have an exceptional work ethic. At every practice they give two hundred percent," said

Addington.

Thomas, who broke the SMC swimming record in the 100 and 200 backstroke last year, is looking forward to the start of the season and the opportunity for team bonding.

"I see a lot of potential for team unity because there are only four returning swimmers from last year," said Thomas.

Addington is most proud of the way the team has worked together so far.

"Each member of the team watches out and motivates the other. They are all aware of the day each other has had. This is a good strong team," said Addington.

The St. Mary's Diving Team can best be described in one word—*young*. Three out of the four divers have never dove competitively before.

However, coach Dan Slattery believes the team is up for the challenge.

"All the divers are serious about the sport and they are progressing quickly. They have a whole sport to learn from scratch so every practice is a new challenge," said Slattery.

Slattery looks toward sophomore Sara Levandusky, the only returning diver, to show guidance to the new divers.

"Sara shows leadership that you would see from a junior or senior," said Slattery.

Levandusky has set many goals for the team and herself this year.

"The team goals are to keep a positive attitude, support each other, and become confident in our diving. For me personally, I want to learn new dives and polish up on the ones I already know," said Levandusky.

Both Addington and Slattery are looking forward to seeing their teams hard work be put into action in their season opener on Saturday.

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begins. "We have been working on supporting each other on the field," said Sobrero, "We are getting everything down."

"The team has been working on one touch passing," said Brown. "Also we have been working on improving the quickness of our game."

Last year the Irish had quite a scare thanks to the Buckeyes. Last year in a regular season game at OSU, the Buckeyes managed to match the Irish's effort. The game finished regulation all tied up, and was forced into overtime. Senior Cindy Daws ended the possi-

ble upset for OSU, when she put in the winning goal. "There is no big revenge for us against Ohio State," said Sobrero.

"We have not even talked about last year," said head coach Chris Petrucelli about whether or not the team is seeking revenge.

This year the Irish are not going to let the Buckeyes get that close. Although OSU might prove to be a challenge for the team, as the Buckeyes return ten to their starting lineup. "It is a game where we will have to play very fast."

Sunday will also be a big day for the Irish. Not only does the team take on the Villanova Wildcats, but it is senior day. "A big factor will be Sunday for our kids,"

said Petrucelli.

"It will be a great deal of emotion because it is senior day."

A couple of the Irish will step on the field Sunday, for their last regular season game. Irish starters seniors Jen Renola, Kate Fisher, Amy VanLaecke, and Daws will try to crush the Wildcats in their final regular season appearance at Alumni Field. Seniors Stacia Masters and Megan Middendorf will also be participating in their final regular season match.

The Villanova game will be a chance for the team to prepare for their first game in the Big East tournament. The Irish are scheduled to play the Wildcats in the first round of the tournament.



The Observer/David McCaffery

Junior defensive stud Kate Sobrero will lead the defense in preparation for the upcoming Big East tourney.



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Senior Jen Renola, along with the rest of her fellow seniors, will feel deep emotions in their last career regular season game.

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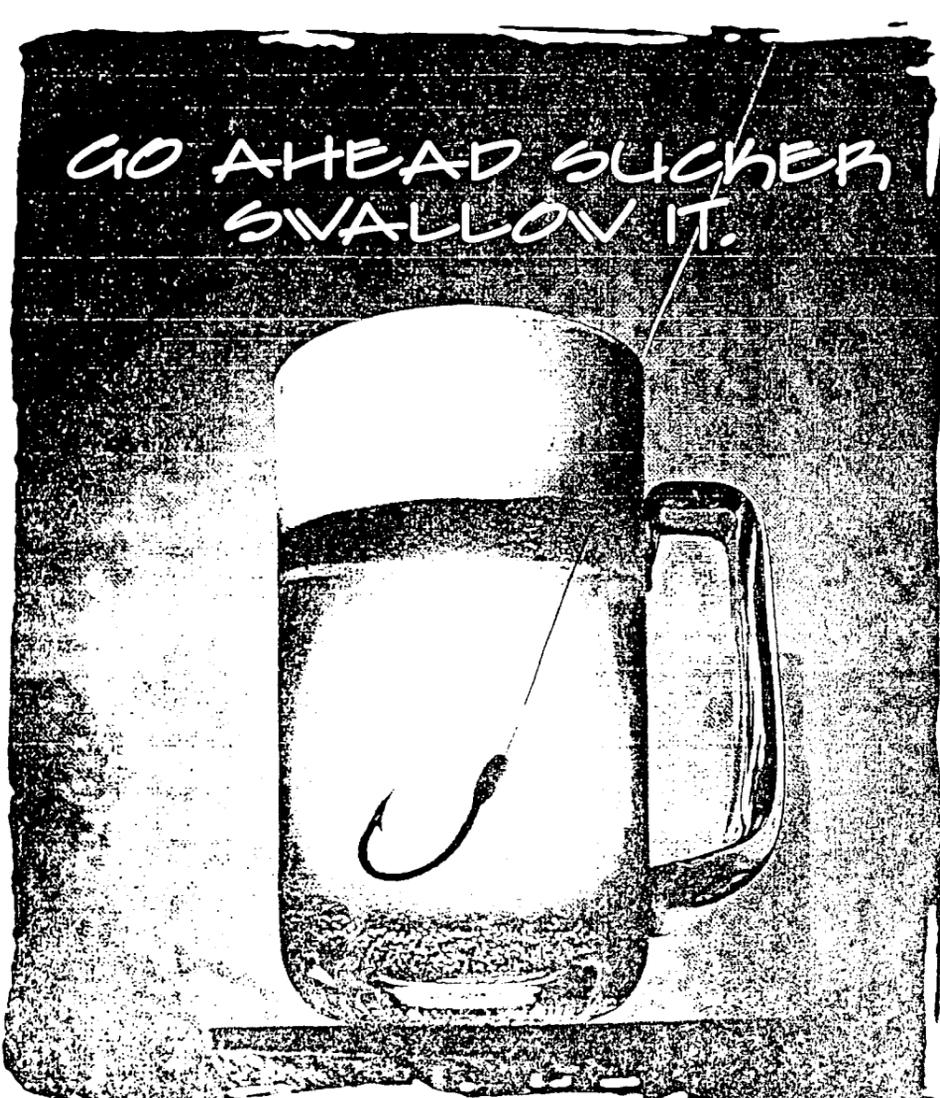
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seemed to be moving slower. A couple of times I was just in the right place at the right time, but you seem to get the breaks when you're playing well."

Notre Dame head coach Dave Poulin emphasized Eisler's importance in that game.

"That's the first time since I've been here that a goalie has won a game for us. Going into the year, he's one of the best goalies in the country. I don't think there's any question about it."

The next night, against Miami of Ohio, Eisler took a shutout into the third period, but the Redskins spoiled it in the third period with a pair of goals. Combined with the final 19:35

of the Oct. 18 tie against Western Michigan (3-3), Eisler did not allow a goal for 120 minutes and 34 seconds before Miami's Joe Bodnar found the net. Eisler had made 75 consecutive saves without allowing a goal prior to Bodnar's score.

Eisler's totals for the OSU and UM games were 68 saves and 2 goals (97.1% save percentage) allowed. For the season, he has allowed just six goals in four games, for a 1.48 goals-against average that ranks first in the CCHA among goalies who have played more than 200 minutes. His 95.4% save percentage also ranks first among CCHA goalies with 200-plus minutes and trails Miami's Trevor Adair (95.7% in 150 minutes) among all conference goaltenders.

The attention Eisler's play has attracted is no news to ardent followers of Notre Dame

hockey. As a freshman he was the team MVP and rookie of the year. As a sophomore he made 26 starts, finished fifth in CCHA action with 564 saves, and posted his fifth career shutout against Ohio State. And now it appears that Eisler is continuing his success. Where is this success leading?

"My dream is to play professional hockey," declared Eisler. "I'm going to give [the pros] my best shot. I don't know what if it will be the IHL or the NHL, but I'd definitely like to play for at least a couple of years."

Notre Dame (2-1-1, 1-1-1 CCHA) has an important weekend ahead of them. Tonight they take on Michigan, ranked number one in the country, at the Joyce Center at 7 p.m., and tomorrow they travel to Bowling Green for another CCHA game.

"This is a huge weekend for us," explained Eisler. "We're very excited to have the opportunity to play these teams. We have the chance to show the league and the country that we're for real."

For the meantime, the country knows that at least Eisler is for real.

■ CROSS COUNTRY

Challenges abound in Big East tourney

By WILLY BAUER
Sports Writer

After a successful regular season, the Notre Dame cross-country team is prepared to compete in the Big East Championships, Friday November 1 in Boston, Massachusetts.

The Irish will be facing tough competition from its Big East rivals Georgetown, Providence and Villanova, which are ranked in the top 25 nationally. The Irish finished third in last year's Big East tournament, running behind the Friars and the Hoyas.

The top team of the Big East, which is regarded by many as the toughest cross-country conference in the nation, is Providence. The Friars are ranked ninth in the nation and are being touted as a team that could challenge for the NCAA championship later in the month.

Georgetown again returns as a formidable team in the meet, and along with the Irish is expected to challenge the Friars for the Big East championship. The Hoyas also boast a national ranking and finished second in last season's meet.

This will be the first look for

the Irish at Big East competition, as they have not faced any of its Big East competitors any meets so far this season.

"There are four teams ranked in the top 25 (in the meet)," said coach Joe Piane. "Providence is an underrated team and they're number nine (in the nation). They could be in the top three at the NCAA's. Georgetown and Villanova will also challenge."

Last year, the Irish used the Big East meet as a springboard for a successful post season. Notre Dame placed third in the Big East, then finished second to Wisconsin at the District IV meet. It culminated the season with an eighth place finish, tied with Providence, at the NCAA championships.

To repeat or better last year's finish, the Irish will once again rely on its foursome of Matt Althoff, Derek Seiling, Jason Rexing and Joe Dunlop. If anything, this group of runners have exhibited consistency. They have continually been the first four runners to cross the finish line, often in the top-10. Althoff and Seiling had their string of top-10 finishes snapped at three straight. The runners' high finishes have enabled the Irish to win two of its four meets.

The Irish is coming off its toughest outing of the season at Arizona. Nine teams in the top 20 were at the site of the 1996 NCAA championships. Notre Dame's seventh place finish was its lowest placing of the season. The Irish seem to have saved its toughest competition for the end of the season. In its first two meets, only the University of Michigan had national acclaim. With Arizona and the Big East championship, the Irish face 13 of the 25 nationally-ranked teams, including six of the top 10, in the span of three weeks.

"It was good preparation," said Piane. "We beat some teams that we needed to jump in Wake Forest and Texas, and we did that handily. There was some fantastic competition. We hope to be back there for the NCAA championships."

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was the only squad to push the Irish to a fourth game, and they did so twice. In the regular-season match junior Jaimie Lee lead the squad to a 15-13, 15-9, 14-16, 15-8 triumph with 19 kills. In the Big East championship game it was Lee's classmate's turn. Angie Harris notched 18 kills in a 5-15, 15-7, 15-1, 15-4 win. Last year the Orange could only manage 7 points against the Irish.

"They (Pitt) are the strongest team in the Big East (other than the Irish) and it is definitely an important match for us," commented Brown. "We have the rest of the Big East and the tournament so we would definitely like to be going into the tournament being seeded first and remaining undefeated in the conference."

The Panther tandem of setter Stephanie Dufresne and hitter Jennie Driscoll will hope to lead their squad past the Irish whose emphasis on blocking has given them one of the best blocking averages in the country (2.97/game). 6-4 freshman Mary Leffers has made her presence felt with an average of 1.51/game. Senior Jen Rouse also gets her share of blocks with her imposing 6-5 frame.

Coach Brown voiced some of her Panther concerns.

"They are going to compete real hard. One of the things they have done is adjust their block and make us hit angle, so we have been working on that in practice. Their setter, Dufresne, and senior hitter Jennie Driscoll are both really good and have been playing together for a couple of years so they have good timing."

Some of Brown's players explained that they need to stay focused on their side of the net as the Irish have been upset several times this season.

"Pitt has been the best team in the Big East that we have played, and at this point we can't take anyone for granted," Lee stated.

"I don't think we should concentrate on them as much as we should concentrate on our

side of the court," senior hitter Jen Briggs expressed. "If we play our game than no one in the Big East will be any kind of competition. It is a pivotal match for us because it is becoming that time in the season when we need to start playing, start picking it up."

Harris' knees make her 'a little bit questionable' for this weekend's action. In addition, setter Carey May is still not fully recovered from her shoulder injury as she continues to get more comfortable and is developing her timing with the hitters.

May's injury has certainly been a setback for the team. However, the starting lineup has been in tact for the last seven matches in which the Domers have gone 3-4, with two of those losses at #1 Hawaii, but a sense of urgency might be felt as time is running short on the squad.

"We are searching for an answer and if we knew it we would have fixed it by now," Briggs noted. We know that time is running out, but we're just going in there everyday and are pushing away at it."

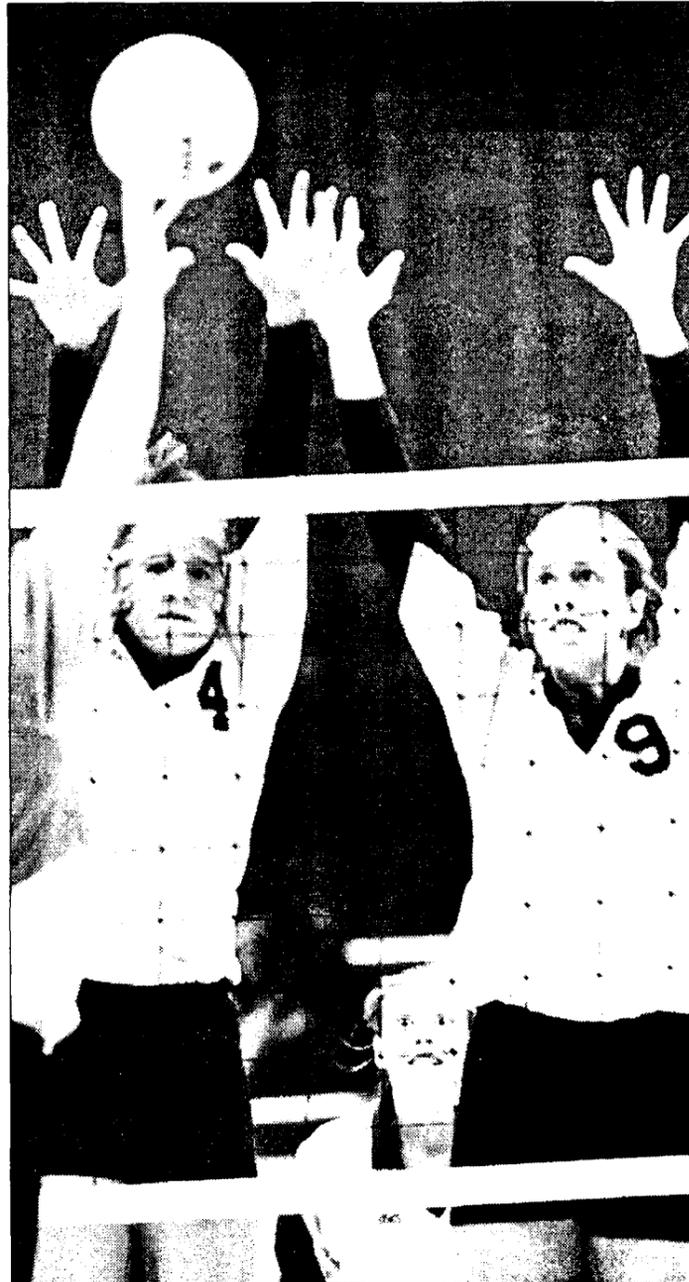
For a team that put up an impressive 27-7 mark a year ago, one wonders how this team tries to remain confident when they have already lost eight this season.

"It's tough at this point to stay upbeat and confident in light of everything that has happened this year," said Lee. "But, I think everyone is really trying to block out the negatives and focus on what we have left and realize that this is the beginning of the second half of the season."

"It's been hard, losing that much and still being confident," Briggs said. "But, I think the last game in the Hawaii match was important, how we ended it. We didn't just roll over and die, we saw a spark so I think that has helped a lot."

So the team's attitude remains positive as they don't look back and refuse to give up. The team can still see the light at the end of the tunnel, as Jaimie Lee mentioned.

"I guess everyone is hanging on to hope in the rest of the season because that is all we have."



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Junior outside hitter Jaimie Lee (left) and senior middle blocker Jennifer Rouse know that the season is not yet over.

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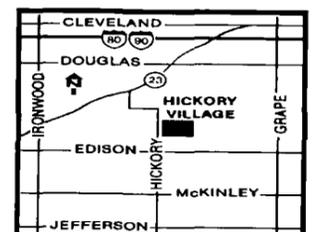
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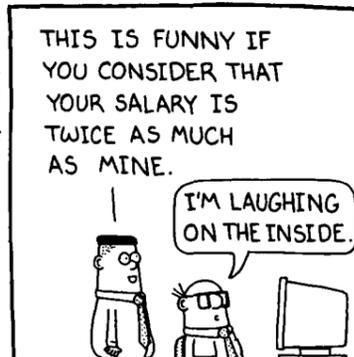
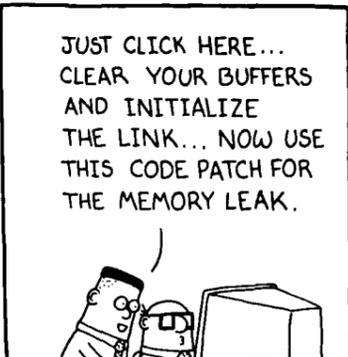
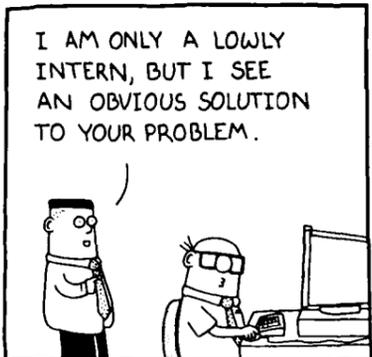
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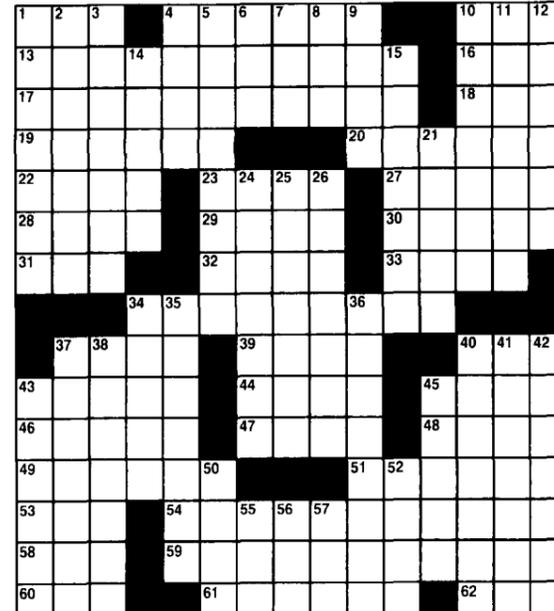


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 - 18 Where the C.S.A. was organized
 - 19 Cherry
 - 20 With greater rainfall
 - 22 Has — (knows somebody)
 - 23 Angel's dread
 - 27 Like a highway
 - 28 Settlements
 - 29 Tear apart
 - 30 1990 Best Actor
 - 31 Lapse
 - 32 Standout
 - 33 Elects
 - 34 Margays, e.g.
 - 37 "... bring forth —": Matt. 1:23
 - 39 Woeful word
 - 40 Year in Septimius Severus's reign
 - 43 Muffler
 - 44 Soft rock
 - 45 King of clubs?
 - 46 Up (to)
 - 47 Flirtatious one
 - 48 Singers Shannon and Reeves
 - 49 Pen
 - 51 Theorize
 - 53 French biography
 - 54 Champion
 - 58 Afore
 - 59 Bit of theatricality
 - 60 Cherry
 - 61 Prompt
 - 62 Some A.L. batters

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- 1 Gentrified
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- 4 Phoenix five
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- 8 Retreat
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- 12 Grants
- 14 Doris Shannon novel " — Daughters"
- 15 Old Possum, really



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- 36 Attributed
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- 42 Stays, e.g.
- 43 "Miracle Mets" pitcher
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Guest artist David Dattl will perform an organ recital in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Sunday, Nov. 3, at 8:00 p.m. His program will include works by Vincent Lubeck, Dame Ethel Smyth, Hans Olav Lien, Fanny Mendelssohn, Michel Corrette, Marcel Dupre and Cesar Franck. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, please call the music department at 631-6201.

MENU

- Notre Dame**
- North
- Cream of Mushroom Soup
 - Mexican Beef Pizzas
 - Baked Cod with Herbs
 - Cold Shrimp Fajita
- South
- Vegetarian Vegetable Soup
 - Cajun Chicken Breast Sandwich
 - Shrimp Poppers
 - Apple Crumb Pie
- Saint Mary's**
- Country Fried Steak
 - Cajun Honey Roast Loin of Pork
 - Veggie Taco
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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Road to a repeat



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Two-time All American goalkeeper Jon Renola leads the Irish defense along its road to repeating as national champions.

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Sports Writer

There is no other way to describe them but focused. The top-ranked women's soccer team is setting their sights on a repeat. This weekend the Irish will play their final regular season games at Alumni Field. Tonight, they will face the Ohio State Buckeyes. Then on Sunday afternoon, they will take on Big East rival Villanova.

"We are getting excited

about the Big East tournament," said freshman Kara Brown. "But we are taking it one game at a time."

In the past few weeks, the Irish have steadily improved after their loss to the Santa Clara Broncos. "We have been playing so much better in the last couple of weeks," said junior Kate Sohrera.

The team has been doing some last minute fine-tuning before post season play

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HOCKEY

'One of the best'

BY CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

Notre Dame junior goaltender Matt Eisler (West Milford, New Jersey) was named the Central Collegiate Hockey Association defensive player of the week after posting a 120-minute shutout streak in action this past weekend.

This is an incredible honor for Eisler.

To put the significance of this achievement into perspective, consider the following facts. The CCHA includes eleven

teams and is the most competitive hockey league in the country, boasting perennial powerhouses like Michigan and Lake Superior as members. From all of these teams, the CCHA picks one defensive player per week to honor. Usually this honor is reserved for a player whose team went undefeated for the week, but Eisler's accomplishments during the week were so outstanding that they outweighed Notre Dame's loss to Miami of Ohio.

"I was a bit surprised because we went 1-1," stated

the netminder, "and the award is normally reserved for players whose teams went undefeated. But it was definitely a pleasant surprise."

Just what did Eisler accomplish this last weekend?

On Friday night he posted a shut-out against Ohio State, making 47 saves and literally carrying his team to victory.

"I was just especially focused that night," recalled Eisler. "I was seeing the puck well, I was playing confidently, and things

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The Observer/Jed Donahue

Irish hockey coach Dave Poulin is glad that he has junior Matt Eisler (pictured) tending goal for his squad.



The Observer/Rob Finch

Outside hitters Jenny Birkner (left) and Angie Harris hope their team can break out of a season-long funk this weekend.

VOLLEYBALL

Irish seek consistency

Pitt, 'Cuse next tests

By JOE CAVATO
Sports Writer

During the course of a sport's season a team usually has to persevere through times when things aren't going that team's way or they can't seem to hit their stride.

Unfortunately for the Notre

Dame volleyball team this stretch has lasted the entire year.

The Irish began the season ranked sixth in the nation but with their record now standing at 13-8, coach Debbie Brown finds her team has fallen to the twenty-fourth slot in the USA Today/American Volleyball Coaches Association poll.

After a 1-3 road trip that took the Irish out west, they will head back to the Big East where they have thrived in hopes of finding their stride for

the second half of the season. Since joining the Big East, Notre Dame boasts an 18-0 record with 15 of those wins coming by way of sweep.

This weekend they will do battle with Pittsburgh and Syracuse.

The Panthers' 5-0 Big East record puts them in a first place tie with the Irish setters which also places more importance on Saturday's match-up. In last year's campaign, Pitt

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE



vs. Navy,
November 2, 8 a.m.
vs. Ohio State
Today, 7:30 p.m.
at Boston College,
November 3, 1 p.m.
at Pittsburgh
November 2, 2 p.m.



Big East Championships
November 2
vs. Michigan
November 1, 7 p.m.
at Grand Valley State
swimming, November 2



■ Cross-country team weekend preview
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■ McNair to start for Oilers
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The Observer/Brandon Candura

Despite an ankle injury, tight end Pete Chryplewicz has notched 18 receptions.

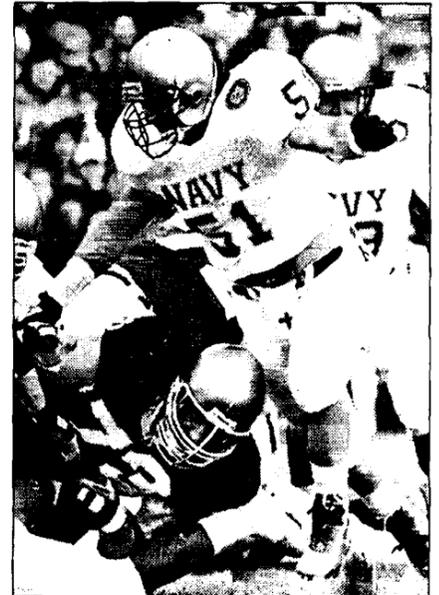
FIGHTING IRISH



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45	46	34	38	163	Denson	86.8	105	521	5.0	4	47	Smith	26	43.8	0	65			
22	38	10	27	100	Edwards	44.3	67	266	4.0	4	11	KICKOFF RETURNS							
TEAM STATS					Farmer	29.5	27	177	6.6	2	21	Denson	4	19.5	0	35			
					Kindler	39.0	34	156	4.6	1	28	Rossum	4	39.0	1	9			
					PASSING					Farmer	3	16.7	0	24					
					Powlus	88	154	57.1	1197	6	3	48	Mosley	2	19.5	0	21		
					Jackson	4	6	66.7	65	1	0	28	INTERCEPTIONS						
					Smith	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Cobbins	1					
					RECEIVING					Edison	1								
					Johnson	18	290	16.1	1	48	Johnson	1							
					Chryplewicz	18	215	11.9	2	31	Tatum	1							
					Mosley	14	176	12.6	0	34	Rossum	1							
					Edwards	13	153	11.8	2	39	Cooper	1							
					SCORING					DEFENSE									
					Edwards	6	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	38	Cobbins	31	21	52	0	0	2	1
					Sanson	0	0-0	17-19	6-8	0	35	Tatum	31	16	47	1	0	1	1
					Denson	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	30	Dansby	16	22	38	0	1	1	2
					Farmer	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	12	Rossum	21	14	35	0	0	2	0
					FIELD GOALS					Maiden	13	20	33	0	0	0	0		
					Sanson	6-8						Covington	25	8	33	0	2	4	0
					Cengia	0-1						Guilbeaux	22	11	33	0	0	0	1
												Wynn	22	10	32	0	0	0	4.5

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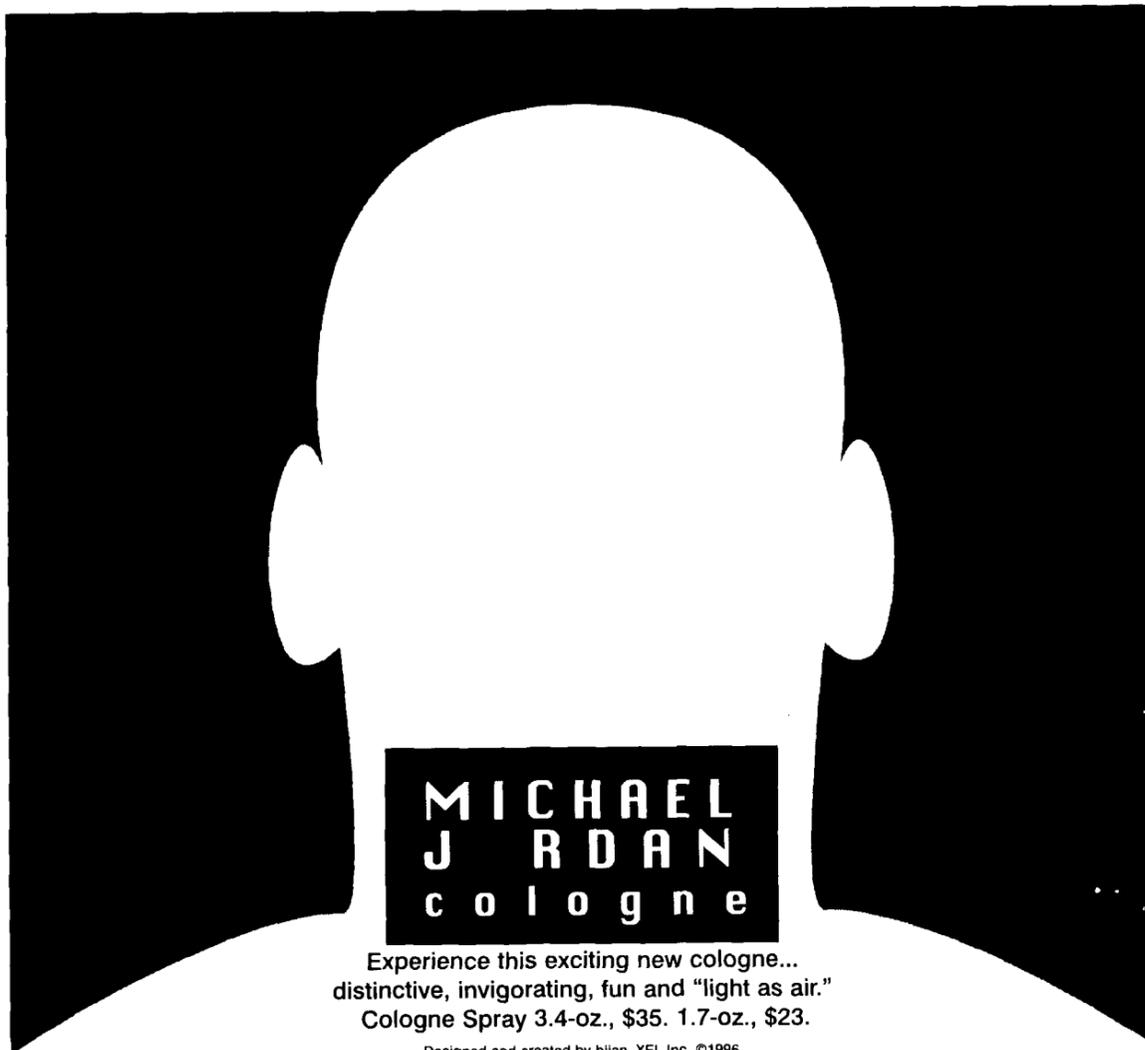
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50	36	53	59	198	McCoy	121.8	139	731	5.3	9	50	Covarrubias	35	39.1	2	71			
16	42	26	44	128	Nelson	82.8	65	497	7.6	5	51	McCoy	1	27.0	0	27			
TEAM STATS					Cannada	40.0	56	238	4.3	2	32	KICKOFF RETURNS							
					McGrew	13.6	24	132	5.5	0	26	Hunter	10	25.0	0	39			
					PASSING					Bryant	7	14.1	0	32					
					McCoy	24	54	44	334	3	2	40	Scott	1	26.0	0	26		
					Fay	19	42	45	203	1	0	45	Smith	1	17.0	0	17		
					Bryant	1	1	100	41	0	0	41	INTERCEPTIONS						
					RECEIVING					Smith	2								
					Heaven	9	131	14.6	1	45	Green	2							
					Butts	9	114	12.7	1	24	Scanlan	1							
					Schemm	8	85	10.6	1	26	Lewis	1							
					McGraw	6	84	14.0	0	27	DEFENSE								
					SCORING					Bruce	38	19	57	1	1	4	2		
					McCoy	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	54	Alota	30	17	47	0	0	6	0
					Nelson	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	36	Cooley	20	21	41	0	2	0	1
					Vanderhorst	0	0-0	17-19	5-6	0	32	Smith	23	11	34	2	2	0	1
					Schemm	2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	14	Snider	20	12	32	0	0	1	4
					FIELD GOALS					Pouller	25	6	31	0	0	0	1		
					Vanderhorst	5-6						Green	20	5	25	0	0	4	0
					Shubzda	1-3						Creccion	13	6	19	1	1	1	0



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Navy linebacker Clint Bruce (51) leads the Midshipmen with 57 tackles.

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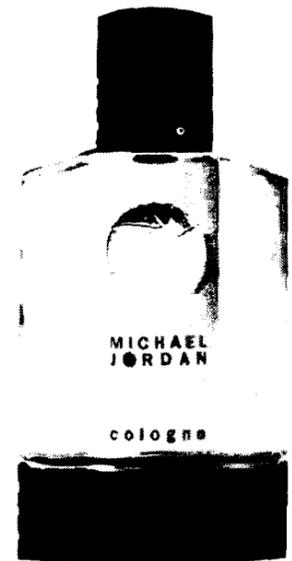
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NOTRE DAME SCHEDULE

Sept. 5	at Vanderbilt	W 14-7
Sept. 14	PURDUE	W 35-0
Sept. 21	at Texas	W 27-24
Sept. 28	OHIO STATE	L 16-29
Oct. 12	WASHINGTON	W 54-20
Oct. 19	AIR FORCE	L 17-20
Nov. 2	Navy (Dublin)	
Nov. 9	at Boston College	
Nov. 16	PITTSBURGH	
Nov. 23	RUTGERS	
Nov. 30	at USC	



11th season at Notre Dame

Career record: 212-94-7
At Notre Dame: 96-29-2
Against Navy: 11-0

Key Matchup

Navy sails into Dublin this weekend with the nation's third-best rushing attack. Currently averaging 306.8 rushing yards a game, the Midshipmen have submarined opponents all year with their feared triple-option wingbone attack.

Junior quarterback Chris McCoy has been the catalyst of Navy's attack, compiling 731 yards and 9 touchdowns on the ground in leading the

Navy Ground Game vs. Irish Front Seven

Midshipmen to a 5-1 mark. Fullback Omar Nelson has also shone, averaging 7.6 yards a carry and scoring 5 touchdowns.

Dominant against the run early on in the season, the Irish front seven have had problems stuffing opponents' ground games lately. Air Force quarterback Beau Morgan, similar in style to McCoy, ripped the Notre Dame defense for 183 yards in the Falcons' 20-17 win.



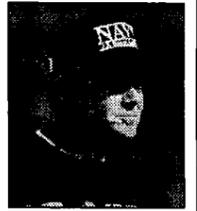
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Minor, Dansby and Co. struggled two weeks ago.



Photo courtesy of Navy Sports Information
Fullback Tim Cannada gives Navy another option.

NAVY SCHEDULE

Sept. 7	at Rutgers	W 10-6
Sept. 21	SMU	W 19-17
Sept. 28	at Boston College	L 38-43
Oct. 5	DUKE	W 64-27
Oct. 12	at Air Force	W 20-17
Oct. 26	at Wake Forest	W 47-18
Nov. 2	Notre Dame	
Nov. 9	DELEWARE	
Nov. 16	TULANE	
Nov. 23	at Gerogia Tech	
Dec. 7	ARMY	



2nd season at Navy

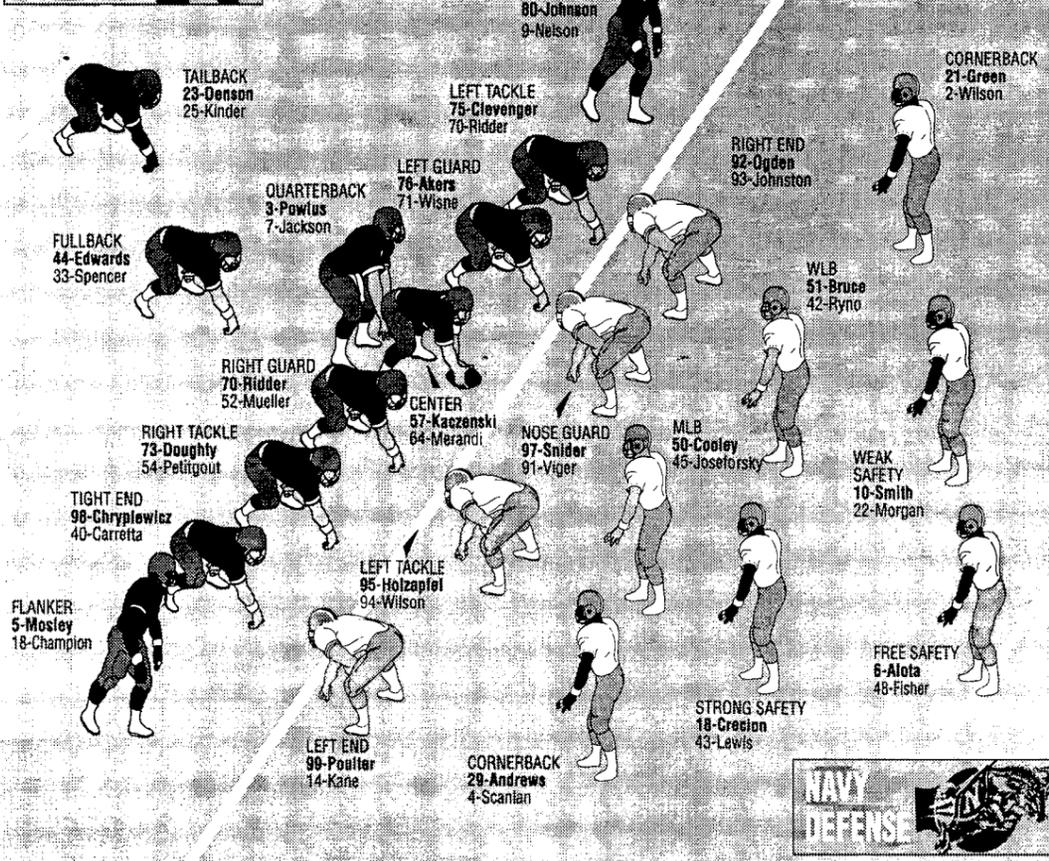
Charlie Weatherbie

Career record: 25-26
At Navy: 10-7
Against Notre Dame: 0-1

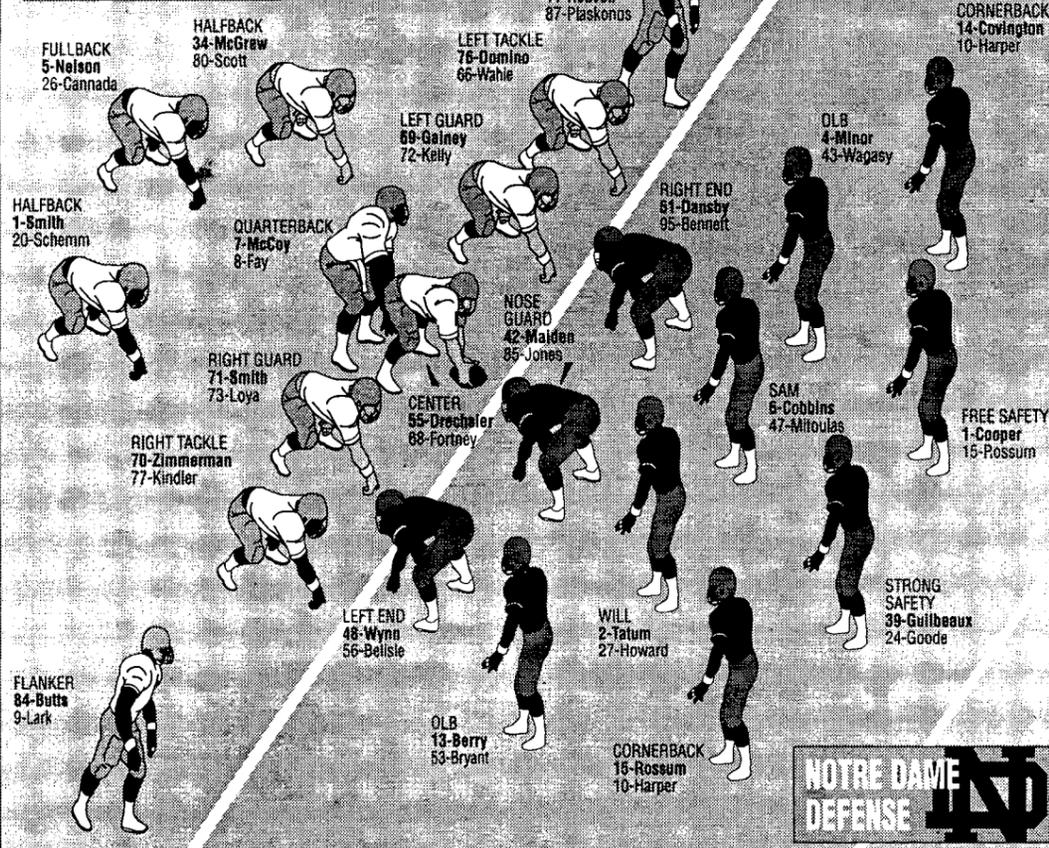
NOTRE DAME

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR.
1	Deke Cooper	WR	6-4	205	FR
2	Kinnon Tatum	ILB	6-0	224	SR
3	Ron Powlus	QB	6-2	212	SR
4	Kory Minor	OLB	6-2	235	SO
5	Emmett Mosley	FL	5-8	184	SR
6	Lyron Cobbins	ILB	6-0	246	SR
7	Jarious Jackson	QB	6-1	218	SO
8	Eric Chappell	QB	6-5	220	FR
9	Raki Nelson	WR	6-1	178	FR
10	Mike Perona	QB	6-2	197	SR
11	Jay Johnson	WR	6-2	170	FR
12	Mario Strayhorn	FS	6-1	210	SO
13	Scott Cengia	K	5-10	180	SR
14	Bert Berry	OLB	6-3	245	SR
15	Ivory Covington	CB	5-10	168	JR
16	Tony McGunigal	QB	6-3	190	SR
17	Allen Rossum	CB	5-8	178	JR
18	Paul Rogers	QB	6-2	220	SR
19	Todd Dvorak	K	5-10	175	SO
20	John Shingler	QB	6-1	231	SO
21	Hunter Smith	P/WR	6-2	210	SO
22	Mark McKenna	QB	5-8	194	SR
23	Cikai Champion	SE	5-10	183	FR
24	Jim Sanson	K	5-11	185	FR
25	Wayne Gunn	SS	6-2	210	SO
26	Kevin Kopka	K	5-7	196	SO
27	Byron Joyner	FS	6-2	180	SO
28	Shannon Stephens	CB	5-10	179	SO
29	Kevin McDonnell	K	5-11	180	SO
30	Jay Vickers	RB	6-1	205	FR
31	Autry Denson	WR/TB	5-10	189	SR
32	Ty Goode	CB	5-11	189	JR
33	Randy Kinder	TB	6-1	204	SR
34	Lee Lafayette	CB	5-10	188	FR
35	Matt Mammolenti	TB	5-8	165	SR
36	Bobbie Howard	ILB	5-10	228	SO
37	Ken Barry	FB	6-0	224	JR
38	A'Jani Sanders	SS	5-11	182	SO
39	Jarvis Edison	FS	6-4	219	JR
40	Robert Farmer	TB	5-11	227	SR
41	Jarvis Spencer	FB	6-0	247	SO
42	Ronnie Nicks	DB	6-1	215	FR
43	Scott Palumbo	P	5-11	189	SR
44	Robert Phelps	CB	6-0	185	SR
45	Tim Lynch	DB	5-9	170	JR
46	Chris Wachtel	P	6-0	211	SR
47	Paul Grimm	DB	5-9	169	JR
48	Benny Guilbeaux	SS	6-2	202	SO
49	Kevin Carretta	TE	6-1	239	SR
50	Joe Babey	ILB	6-2	222	SR
51	Alton Maiden	NG	6-4	271	SR
52	Bill Wagasy	OLB	6-3	225	SR
53	Marc Edwards	FB	6-0	237	SR
54	Joey Goodspeed	FB/LB	6-0	230	FR
55	Chris McCarthy	K	5-11	213	JR
56	Phil Sicuso	DB	5-11	175	SO
57	Bill Gibbs	FS	5-10	171	SR
58	Bill Mitoulas	ILB	6-1	229	JR
59	Rinaldo Wynn	DE	6-3	275	SR
60	Joe Thomas	ILB	6-2	226	SO
61	David Payne	OL	6-1	284	SO
62	Melvin Dansby	DE	6-4	288	SR
63	Alex Mueller	OG	6-6	275	SO
64	Lamont Bryant	DE	6-4	253	SO
65	Ed Casieri	LB	6-1	230	SO
66	Shelton Jordan	DE	6-3	241	SO
67	Kurt Belisle	DE	6-3	251	JR
68	Rick Kaczanski	C	6-4	224	SR
69	Mike Burgdorf	TE	6-1	282	SR
70	Matthew Kunz	SS	6-1	216	JR
71	Antwoine Wellington	LB	6-2	230	FR
72	Sean Rogers	OT	6-0	292	SR
73	John Farrell	C	5-10	253	SR
74	John Merandi	C	6-3	273	FR
75	Mike Denvir	TE	6-4	246	SR
76	Matt Griesbach	OG	6-1	258	JR
77	Jeff Kilburg	C	6-4	283	SR
78	John Wagner	OT	6-7	320	SO
79	Matt Brennan	OL	6-5	270	FR
80	David Quist	NG	6-5	290	SR
81	Tim Ridder	OT	6-7	297	SO
82	Jerry Wisne	OG	6-7	285	SO
83	Leon Hires	OL	6-6	280	FR
84	Mike Doughty	OT	6-8	313	SR
85	Rob Mowl	OL	6-5	290	FR
86	Chris Clevenger	OT	6-8	290	SR
87	Jeremy Akers	OG	6-6	300	SR
88	Brad Williams	DL	6-6	250	FR
89	Jon Spickelmier	C	6-3	267	JR
90	Mike Rosenthal	OG	6-7	310	SO
91	Malcolm Johnson	SE	6-5	203	JR
92	Lewis Dawson	WR	6-0	180	FR
93	Mike Gandy	TE/DE	6-4	235	FR
94	Deveron Harper	CB	5-10	175	FR
95	Albert Jones	WR	5-11	183	SR
96	Antwon Jones	NG	6-3	258	SO
97	Dan O'Leary	TE	6-5	230	FR
98	Jimmy Friday	DE	6-2	240	SO
99	Bobby Brown	SE	6-3	185	SO
100	John Cerasani	DE	6-4	258	SO
101	Lance Legree	LB	6-2	248	FR
102	Darnell Smith	DE	6-5	276	SR
103	Joe Ferrer	LB	6-3	230	FR
104	B.J. Scott	DL	6-4	250	FR
105	Justin Orr	WR	6-2	235	SR
106	Corey Bennett	DE	6-1	251	JR
107	Jim Jones	DE	6-4	260	FR
108	Pete Chryplewicz	TE	6-5	265	SR
109	Jason Ching	DL	6-4	270	FR

NOTRE DAME DEFENSE



NAVY DEFENSE



NAVY

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR.
1	Will Smith	SB	5-4	175	SR
2	Fresh Prince	RAP	6-4	180	SR
3	Gerald Wilson	DB	5-11	196	JR
4	Enrico Hunter	DB	5-11	191	SO
5	Matt Scanlan	DB	5-8	180	SR
6	Omar Nelson	FB	5-9	228	SR
7	Gervy Alota	DB	5-10	190	JR
8	Chris McCoy	QB	6-10	191	JR
9	Ben Fay	QB	6-1	202	SR
10	David Lark	WR	6-2	205	SR
11	Rashad Smith	WR	6-0	205	JR
12	Astor Heaven	WR	6-3	205	SR
13	Jason Covarrubias	KS	5-10	181	JR
14	Denis Kane	DE	6-5	225	JR
15	Howard Bryant	SB	5-11	202	SR
16	Charles Dudik	DB	6-0	200	SR
17	Mark Mill	WR	6-0	181	SO
18	Adam Creacion	DB	6-0	200	SO
19	Jon Lambert	QB	5-10	195	SO
20	Cory Scherm	SB	6-1	205	SR
21	Robert Green	DB	5-9	186	SR
22	Desmond Morgan	DB	5-10	202	SO
23	Brian Kennedy	QB	5-11	180	SO
24	Daniel Kelly	DB	6-0	184	SR
25	Manny Metcalf	SB	6-0	186	SO
26	Tim Cannada	FB	5-10	195	JR
27	O Canada	SONG	5-0	100	OLD
28	Matt Shubzda	DB	6-1	202	JR
29	Sean Andrews	DB	5-10	185	JR
30	Christian Gaskill	DB	6-0	194	SO
31	Brad Chatlos	DB	6-0	202	SO
32	Jason Wolf	SB	6-0	196	SO
33	Pat McGrew	SB	6-0	222	JR
34	Irv Dingle	FB	5-11	213	SO
35	Drew Higgins	DB	6-0	191	JR
36	Quaye Quartey	DB	6-0	190	SR
37	Heather Cocks	DORK	5-5	120	SO
38	Matt Harden	FB	5-11	220	SO
39	Maurice White	FB	5-10	200	JR
40	LeRoy Dennis	DB	6-1	200	SR
41	Josh Massie	LB	6-0	216	SO
42	Tom Ryno	LB	5-11	225	SR
43	Kevin Lewis	DB	6-0	206	JR
44	David Joseforsky	LB	6-1	220	SR
45	Aaron Rigby	LB	6-1	222	JR
46	Greg Kirwan	FB	6-0	218	SR
47	Charles Fisher	DB	6-1	200	JR
48	Bobby Brown	LB	6-0	230	SR
49	Johnny Gill	SING	6-1	280	JG
50	Travis Cooley	LB	5-11	232	JR
51	Clint Bruce	LB	6-0	238	SR
52	Allen Szczepek	DE	6-4	225	SO
53	Keith Mier	LB	6-0	230	SO
54	Will Farnham	OT	6-3	260	SO
55	Brian Dreschler	C	5-11	250	JR
56	Chris Person	DE	6-3	238	JR
57	Jason Coffey	LB	5-11	227	JR
58	Greg Summa	OT	6-3	270	JR
59	Russ Tale	LB	5-11	222	JR
60	Newt McKissick	C	6-3	230	SO
61	Drew LaBaw	OG	6-4	272	JR
62	Kyle Turner	C	6-2	240	SO
63	Brian Nowitzki	DT	6-4	270	JR
64	Hunter Jones	OG	6-4	285	SR
65	Michael Wahle	OT	6-5	261	SO
66	Kurt Herspring	OT	6-6	275	SO
67	Lester Fortney	C	6-3	245	SR
68	J.D. Gainey	OG	6-1	281	JR
69	Scott Zimmerman	OT	6-3	246	JR
70	Jeff Smith	OG	6-2	279	SR
71	Chris Kelly	OG	6-3	275	SO
72	David Loya	OG	6-1	282	JR
73	Cecil Collins	C	5-7	230	JR
74	Cecil Fielder	DH	6-2	369	NYU
75	Derek Peterson	OG	6-6	300	SO
76	Alex Domino	OT	6-4	275	SR
77	Fats Domino	BIG	6-0	400	SR
78	Blaine Kindler	OT	6-0	255	SO
79	Tom Vanderhorst	KS	6-0	185	SO
80	Jared Jacobs	OT	6-5	274	JR
81	Ross Scott	SB	5-11	190	SR
82	James Ison	WR	6-1	185	JR
83	Shane Kenney	WR	5-10	187	SO
84	LeBron Butts	WR	6-2	201	JR
85	Ryan Buccianeri				

Center of Attention

By JOE VILLINSKI

Assoc. Staff Sports Editor

Notre Dame center Rick Kaczenski doesn't think about it. Doesn't think about his size. Doesn't think about the guys 50 pounds heavier lining up against him in the trenches.

After 17 consecutive starts on the offensive line, those bigger guys tend to run together in a hazy blur.

No matter that the Irish senior is 6-4, 255 pounds. The only thing that matters to Kaczenski is getting in someone's way.

No matter what it takes.

"He's (Kaczenski) got to do anything he can and that's how he plays," offensive coordinator Dave Roberts said. "He's got to grab you by the top of the shoes and bite you on the ankle. Right now, he's not the biggest guy in the world, but he's got so much guts."

Enough guts that these size differences make no difference to him.

"I try not to even think about it," Kaczenski said. "I just go out there and play. Once you're on the field, it doesn't matter. Weight, height, speed. It all doesn't matter. You've just got to go full blown."

That type of attitude quickly earned the respect of his teammates when he entered the starting lineup last year. With Kaczenski starting the final 11 games of 1995, the Irish finished 6th nationally in rushing, averaging 233.5 yards per game. His quickness and tenacity made him a favorite of the coaches.

"Rick's not the biggest guy, but he is the toughest," Roberts added. "There's no question about his athleticism or his heart."

"He's a warrior. He looks up and sees all these bigger guys and you wonder how he does it. But sometimes the bigger guys don't have the heart, that Rick Kaczenski does."

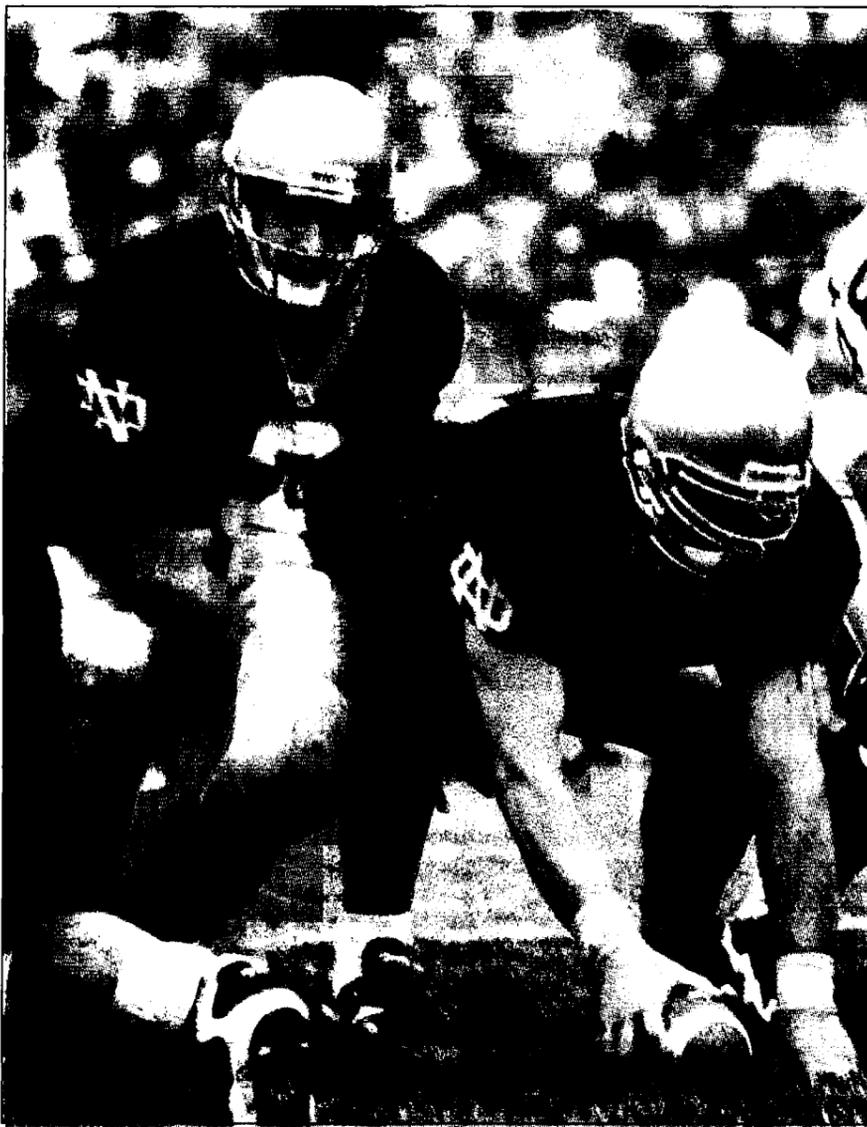
Like so many underclassmen, Kaczenski toiled in practice for the first two years, wondering if he would ever receive the minutes he desired. With future NFL players like Tim Ruddy and Dusty Zeigler in front of him, question marks filled Kaczenski's head.

"You always wonder if you're ever going to play," he remembered. "I never thought I would be big enough or good enough to play."

Once the starting job opened up, however, Kaczenski's confidence soared.

"I think with the respect of his teammates and his work ethic, all of a sudden he found out he's a football player," Roberts said. "He started playing and quickly became a leader, and I think people look up to him or look down to him. You know some of the linemen look

Rick Kaczenski often finds himself in the middle of things



down to him."

Nevertheless, Kaczenski realizes that he cannot merely show up and start every week. It is this attitude which has endeared him to coaches and players alike.

"You can't be happy with just starting," Kaczenski said. "If you don't perform well and improve every week, starting is meaningless."

Under the tutelage of offensive line coach Joe Moore, Kaczenski has refined his skills and learned how to neutralize the advantage larger linemen possess. By constantly staying low in blocking, Kaczenski rose higher on the depth chart.

"I listen to what coach Moore teaches,"

he said. "You can weigh 200 pounds and if you do what coach Moore teaches, you're going to block people."

Kaczenski has displayed the guts coaches respect not only on the field but off it. Following an uninspired performance against Air Force where the Irish rushed for only 67 yards, the lowest in the Lou Holtz era, the middle man in the line also puts himself in the middle of the blame.

"We embarrassed ourselves against Air Force," Kaczenski said. "Personally, you've got to look at yourself. I look at myself and I'm not very happy with my performance."

The offensive line, once thought to be rock solid, has now become a question mark. The loss of sophomore guard Mike Rosenthal to a broken ankle only makes matters worse. In two out of the past three games, the Irish have been dominated on the line of scrimmage. Dismal rushing performances against Ohio State and Air Force have stalled the

offense.

While many believe the offensive line cannot be singled out as the only problem, Kaczenski feels they can.

"We (offensive line) deserve the blame," he added. "If we don't play, the team is not going to win."

There is often a tendency to not credit the offensive line during the good times, but criticize that same unit when problems arise. Kaczenski does not concern himself with this seeming contradiction.

"Football is a team game," he said. "If we do well, we're not worried about us. We're worried about the team. We don't care if our names are in the papers."

The reason Kaczenski's name might appear in print can largely be attributed to his honesty. Rather than skirt an issue, the Erie, Pennsylvania native addresses it. Outside the locker room following the Ohio State game, Kaczenski flat out said the Irish did not play Notre Dame football. When asked about the surprising Buckeye blitzing, Kaczenski responded that this is a Division I program and it should be able to handle anything thrown its way.

His ideas regarding the loss to Air Force were no different.

"We're just trying to wipe the embarrassment off right now," Kaczenski said. "We're an embarrassed offensive line. I'm embarrassed personally. We're trying to practice so that doesn't happen again. We've got to come out intense and go live every play. We can't afford to take a play off."

The conviction in his answers displays the leadership Kaczenski has assumed since he was named a starter just a season ago. Initially, it appeared Kaczenski would spend the year in a backup role, but an injury to Jeremy Akers forced Dusty Zeigler to the guard spot and thrust Kaczenski into the spotlight.

His first start was the culmination of his toiling at the center position for two years. Originally, Kaczenski was recruited out of high school as a tight end, but it wasn't too long before he had to adjust to being in the middle of things.

"The center position is so important," Roberts said. "It's so complicated with every blocking call. You've got to be intelligent and be able to recognize things. It takes a very special person to be able to do what we have to do."

Despite a rocky start, Kaczenski soon proved to be an invaluable commodity on the line.

"Rick went in there and kind of gelled the whole offensive line as far as effort and attitude," Roberts said. "That's what he's going to have to do the next five weeks of the season. He's one of the leaders, if not the leader. We can't afford to have a good game and then a bad one. We've got to start getting some consistency."

"For the rest of the season, I'm just going to try and get consistent," Kaczenski said.

As with everything else, Kaczenski puts himself in the middle of that challenge too.



Senior Rick Kaczenski (57) leads the Irish offensive line out of the huddle. It is a line that has been plagued by injury and inconsistency this year.



Kaczenski, shown here celebrating with fullback Marc Edwards after the 35-0 victory over Purdue in the second game, has since seen Irish fortunes change for the worse.

IRISH ON THE OFFENSIVE...

When a team rushes for only 67 yards against an unranked team, it can expect to undergo some changes. That's the situation facing Lou Holtz and the Irish offense. Notre Dame's rushing total versus Air Force was the lowest in the Holtz era and the smallest since 1985.

"(Over the past nine or ten days) we just tried to get it where we could gain some degree of consistency," Holtz said. "I wished I could stand here and say we achieved that, but we haven't."

Because of Notre Dame's inconsistencies, Holtz has decided to shuffle the deck at some key positions. Let's start at tailback.

"Right now Randy Kinder will start at tailback in all probability," Holtz said. "We may also see Marc Edwards."

"This is not a demotion of Autry Denson. This is due to the fact that Randy Kinder has worked very, very hard. He has done a nice job out there and deserves to have the opportunity to start."

The Irish will sorely miss the absence of starting right guard Mike Rosenthal, who will miss at least four weeks because of a broken ankle.

"Mike Rosenthal was one of our leaders on the offensive line, even though he's a sophomore," Holtz said. "We miss him drastically."

Tim Ridder and Alex Mueller are expected to be Rosenthal's replacements.

At fullback, Jamie Spencer is expected to get more playing time, especially if Edwards plays tailback. At tight end,



The Observer/Mike Ruma

After a lackluster showing against Air Force, the Irish hope to add a spark to their rushing attack with Autry Denson (above) heading to the bench and Randy Kinder moving into the starting lineup.

Kevin Carretta should start because of Pete Chryplewicz's sprained ankle. Chryplewicz has missed most of the team's practices for the past few weeks.

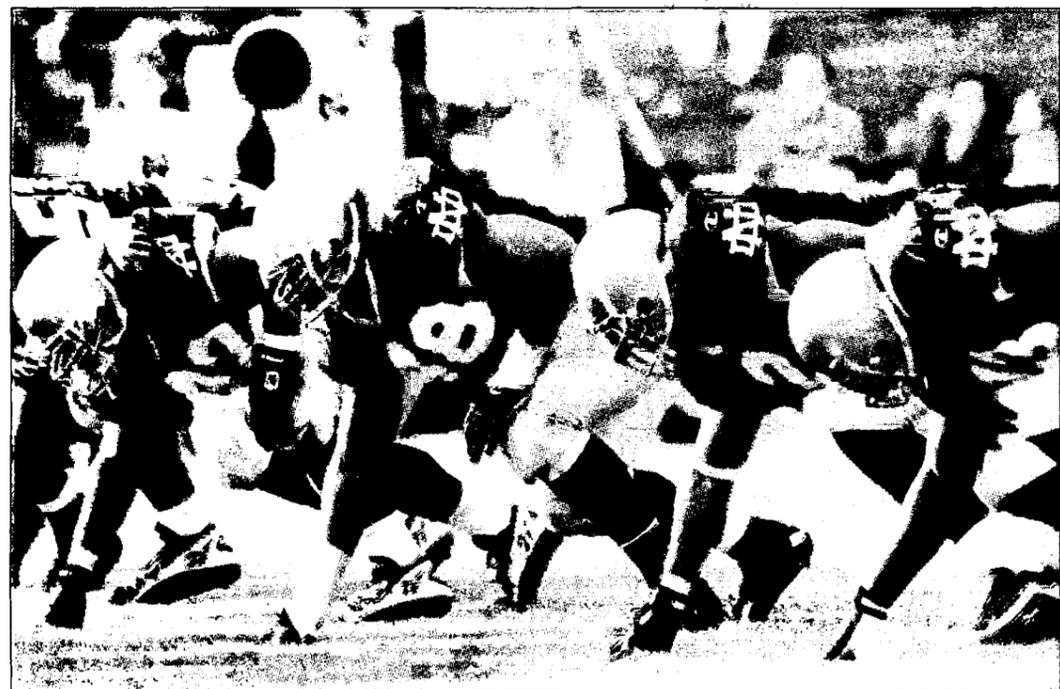
Holtz is concerned about improving the Irish running game against Navy's defense.

"Navy did an excellent job on us last year as far as stopping our run. We had difficulty running the ball in the first half,"

Holtz said. "They haven't changed much defensively, except they're probably a little bit stronger. The main thing is they're playing with great confidence."

Navy may have a great deal of confidence right now, but that is one ingredient the Irish are lacking. Holtz hopes his offense can regain some of that confidence in Dublin.

- Todd Fitzpatrick



The Observer/Mike Ruma

The Notre Dame defense hopes to rebound on Saturday after struggling against Air Force two weeks ago.

avy quarterback Chris McCoy presents a stiff challenge for the Irish defense this weekend.

At first glance, it looks as if linebackers Lyron Cobbins and Co. must step up their play if they hope to avoid experiencing *deja vu* over two weeks ago when they overran the ball and continuously missed Beau Morgan.

McCoy is a virtual clone of Morgan, and heads up a triple-option, wishbone offense that ranks third nationally in rushing offense at 306.8 yards a game.

Such offenses give Notre Dame head coach Lou Holtz fits.

"I would much rather face a team that throws the ball 70 times than I would an option football team like Navy and like the Air Force academy that executes it as well as they do," summed up Holtz earlier this

week.

But while Navy looks a lot like Air Force to the casual observer, there are differences, the most obvious being that Navy utilizes its backs more than Air Force. Fullback Omar Nelson, at 5'9 and 228 pounds, is a hoss who has run for 498 yards this season and is currently averaging 7.6 yards a carry.

"Their fullback, Nelson, is a very strong threat," said Holtz. "They run him much more than Air Force does (their fullback). Their offensive line is bigger and stronger than Air Force, which may be one of the reasons they have more of a fullback-oriented offense."

On paper then, Notre Dame seems to be swimming in trouble. After all, Irish defenses have allowed over 800 total rushing yards in three of their last four games against service academy teams (Army '95, Navy

'95, Air Force '96).

The trouble runs deeper, though, on review of Navy's peppering passing game and bigger offensive line.

"They do a couple of things differently," noted strong safety Benny Guilbeaux. "They throw the ball more. Our key is to take care of each guy, and focus on the individual assignment. That's the bottom line."

Perhaps the most crucial battle lies in the mental game. Against Air Force this year, Notre Dame's linebackers left any sense of discipline in the locker room. And against Navy last season, the Irish defense yielded 303 total yards in the first half alone.

Cobbins and Co. need to bear down on the very first series, or it could be a somber seven-hour plane ride home.

- T. Ryan Kennedy

The MATCH-UPS

A position by position look at who holds the advantage



Quarterbacks



Powlus is passing extremely well this season, but recent fumbles have hurt. Navy's Chris McCoy is doing his best Beau Morgan impersonation.



Running Backs

Irish backs have been disappointing this season, but they get the edge based on sheer numbers. Navy's Omar Nelson has caused fits for opponents.



Receivers

Easily the most improved unit for the Irish, but still far from dangerous. Navy's receiving corps spend most of the day blocking for McCoy and company.

Offensive Line



A major sore spot for the Irish lately, unit is even more suspect following loss of Rosenthal. Navy's line has helped churn out big yardage all year.



Defensive Line

Despite a poor showing against Air Force, the Irish D-line remains a formidable trio. Navy's line has also been strong in stuffing the run.



Linebackers

Irish's fab four were also quiet against the Falcons, but it's hard to keep a good thing down. Navy co-captain Clint Bruce is as gritty as they come.



Secondary

While their complexion is constantly changing, the Irish unit is holding their own. Navy's solid bunch is led by Second Team All-American Sean Andrews.



Special Teams

A much improved unit against the Falcons, the Irish have a dangerous return man in Rossum. Navy has excelled on punt returns so far this year.

Coaching



Navy's Weatherbie has righted a once sinking ship, propelling them to a 5-1 start. Holtz's erratic play-calling hasn't helped the Irish cause this year.



Overall

The Irish can't blow a game in their "homeland," right? What once looked like a laugh may turn into a nailbiter, however.

- Dylan Barnhart

IRISH INSIGHT

Holtz must inject life into fading Irish

I made a prediction at the beginning of this football season. I declared that no opponent would invade Notre Dame Stadium and leave with a victory.

Well, we all know what happened against Ohio State. So, I guess I was wrong. But OSU was expected to be a tough game, and the Irish made it competitive. There were simply some inconsistencies, and it cost ND the game.



Dave Treacy
Associate Sports Editor

But after the loss, I figured that the losing well at home had run dry. The rest of our opponents would surely not give us fits, I assumed.

So when the Irish trounced Washington in the Stadium, all was well under the Dome. Back to normal.

Now maybe I'm the only one on campus who thought this, but there was no doubt in my mind that the Irish would handle Air Force in Rock's House. The Falcons would throw the wishbone at us, but surely that wouldn't be too big a problem. After all, the team had to know that every game counts. An Alliance Bowl bid was in our future if we kept winning, and unranked opponents traveling here should be on the endangered species list.

Well, we all know what happened against Air Force. To summarize, the Irish played remarkably poor football. Numerous adjectives were used to analyze Notre Dame's performance: flat, uninspired, unfocused, inconsistent.

Inconsistent. Again.

As a matter of fact, the only consistency Notre Dame has shown is that they are inconsistent every week. They have not performed well on offense, defense, and special teams in a single game thus far. That's not a desired kind of consistency for the Irish.

The other kind of consistency Notre Dame has shown is an inability to win at home against weaker competition. In fact, a lower ranked opponent has won here in each of the last seven seasons. In the last four alone, the Irish have lost to Air Force, Northwestern (a game they should've won no matter how good the Wildcats turned out to be), BYU, Michigan, and Boston College. And 1996 isn't over yet.

A successful team must win at home. Florida loses at home about as often as Halley's comet passes overhead. Nebraska, Washington, Miami, Florida State—all successful programs notorious for home field prominence. But that can't be said for Notre Dame anymore.

Pointing fingers can be an art form. How many people, including myself, complained about fair-weather fans?

But now, maybe it's time that somebody point the finger.

A little while back, an individual sent in a column to The Observer, complaining about the coaching style of Lou Holtz. The response to the letter was phenomenally negative.

Well, send those letters this way. In my opinion, the individual who represents Notre Dame football, in success or in failure, is Holtz. If we win the national championship, who gets his picture taken with the trophy but Holtz? Who has his own Burger King commercial? Lou Holtz. Who has his own tribute after the third quarter? Lou Holtz.

Who should be accountable for recent Irish disappointments? Lou Holtz.

Now, I am not claiming to be a coach on any level, and Holtz has proven himself often enough. I'm going to steer clear of his play-calling. And Lou hasn't worn pads and fumbled the ball. But even an amateur like myself can tell when something's wrong. So now I'm going to criticize him on his own turf.

Holtz is a renowned motivational speaker. Maybe he should practice on

his team.

The team that lost to Air Force was by-and-large the same one that slaughtered Washington.

So the difference from one week to the next must lie somewhere else. I say it is motivation. Notre Dame did not look intense against the Falcons, and they have rarely displayed life at home this year, especially on offense.

One telling statistic is that in Notre Dame Stadium this season, in only four games, they have had 11 fumbles, losing eight. Where's the intensity, the killer instinct?

It is the duty of the coaching staff, Holtz especially, to keep the players intense, game in and game out. And I see no reason why Notre Dame should not play motivated football.

We're talking gold helmets here. We're talking the House that Rockne built. We're talking about every game played here being broadcast across the country on Notre Dame's own television station. How on earth can the team be complacent?

Well, they have been, and now they have little better than an outside shot at actually earning a bowl bid.

Notre Dame plays in an entirely different home this week. The Fighting Irish are visiting another country, representing more than Notre Dame with the aforementioned nickname. If ND loses in Ireland, the U.S. may have to send a diplomat over there to beg forgiveness. And if they don't play motivated football, they're going to lose. Again.

Lou Holtz had better start talking. And the team had better listen.



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Lou Holtz must pull together a struggling Irish team if they are to salvage the season.

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	12.	Louisiana	6-1	868	13
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	22.	Miami	5-2	265	25
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'Cats face crucial Big Ten test, Trojans look to spear Washington



By TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

#11 Northwestern at #15 Penn State

After last year's dream season at Northwestern, many people thought the overachieving Wildcats would stumble in 1996. The critics were wrong. Northwestern has fought and scratched its way to a 7-1 record thanks to several come-from-behind victories.

Adrian Autry, no relation to Darnell, filled in admirably in the latter's absence last weekend against Illinois. Defensively, linebacker Pat Fitzgerald is one of the Big Ten's best.

Penn State was one of Northwestern's many upset victims last season, but the Nittany Lions hope this year's game at Happy Valley will yield different results. Tailback Curtis Enis has the potential to run wild if Northwestern loses their battle in the trenches.

#5 Nebraska at Oklahoma

This Big 12 rivalry produced some memorable matchups in the 1980s, but the Sooners have derailed in recent years. The

Cornhuskers, on the other hand, are the two-time defending national champions.

The Cornhuskers are anchored by a massive offensive line that includes Eric Anderson, Aaron Taylor and Chris Dishman. The man who earned the unlucky task of replacing Tommy Frazier at quarterback has been Scott Frost. With the exception of a shutout loss at Arizona State, he has been solid.

Oklahoma's first-year coach, John Blake, led the Sooners to an upset victory over Texas three weeks ago. But this is the upset he would really like to have.

#21 Washington at USC

When the season began, many experts predicted that these two teams would fight for the conference title. But undefeated Arizona State has left the Huskies and Trojans to fight for second place.

Washington's strength on defense is its linebacking corps. In particular, Ink Aleaga has already drawn comparisons to NFL Pro-Bowler Junior Seau. On offense, freshman quarterback Brock Huard must main-

tain his composure against the Trojans' defense. Tailback Corey Dillon ranks among the nation's leading rushers and scorers.

Brad Otton was supposed to be the next great Trojan quarterback. At 6-6, he'll have to settle for being the tallest. Defensively, cornerback Daylon McCutcheon will give Washington's receivers big problems.

#3 Florida State at Georgia Tech

Each team knows the importance of winning this game. The Seminoles hope to keep their national championship hopes alive, and the Yellow Jackets just want to crack the Top 25.

The Seminoles want to continue their ACC dominance with another win on the road. They'll rely on a big game from Heisman hopeful Warrick Dunn, the only two-time, 1000-yard rusher in Florida State history.

The Yellow Jackets must display some threat of a passing game to complement their strong running game. If they don't, Florida State could dominate.

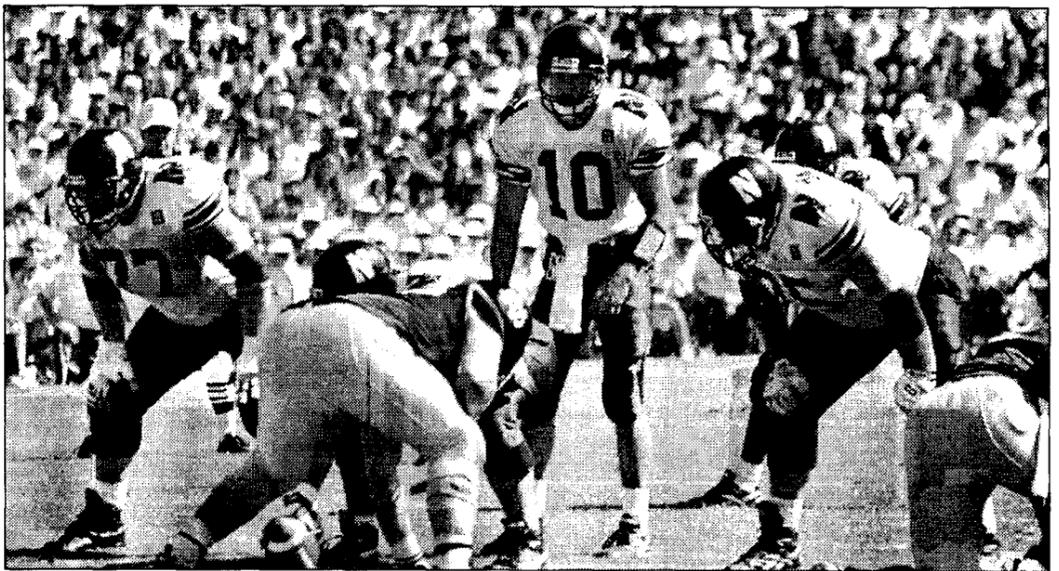
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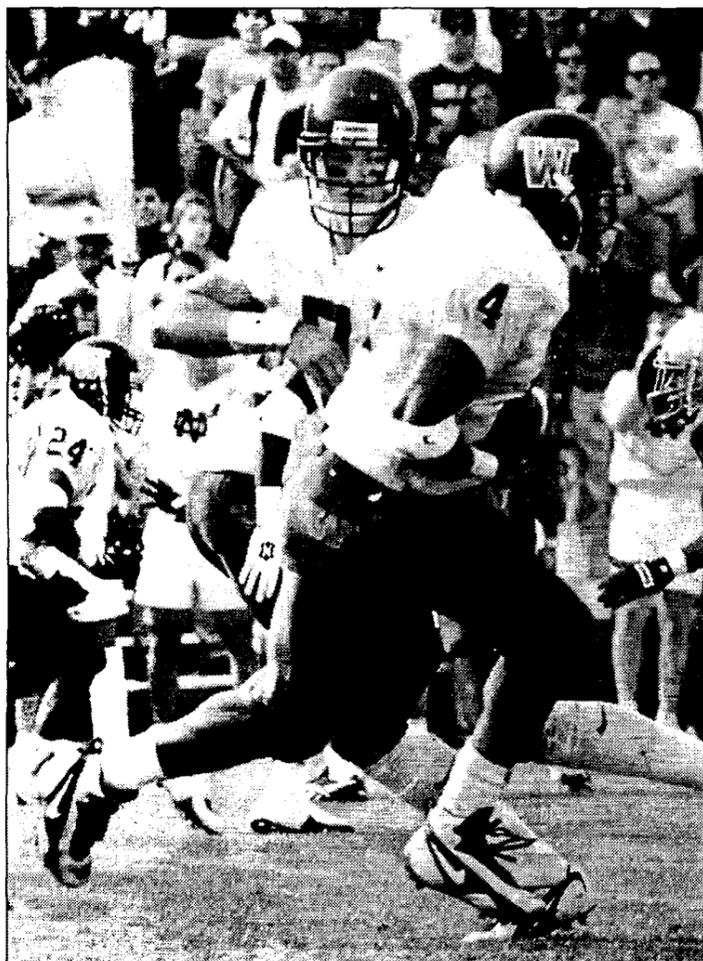
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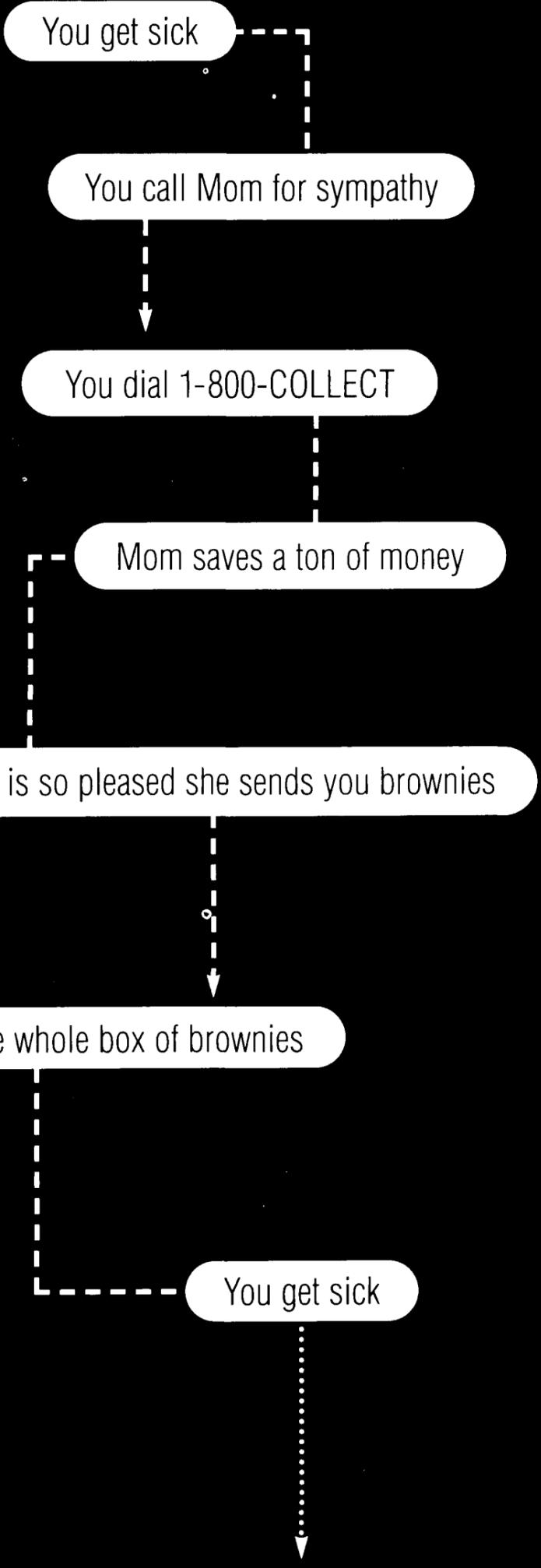
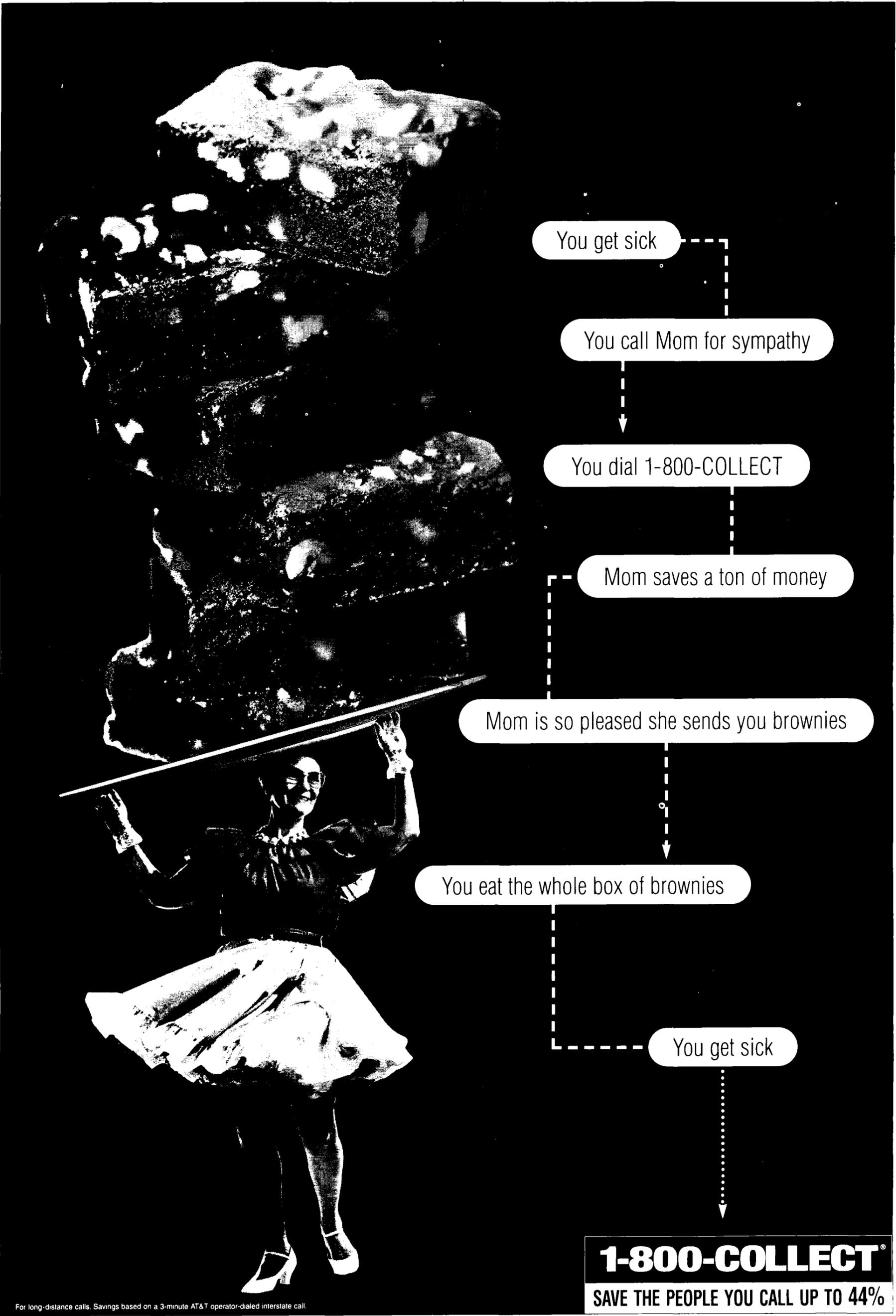
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With Darnell Autry nursing an injury, Northwestern QB Steve Schnur will face a big test versus Penn State.



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Washington tailback Corey Dillon (4) will lead the Huskies into USC this weekend in a battle for second place in the Pac-10.

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