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ND students 'speak out' about policy toward Iraq

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

More than 50 students, faculty and community members braved the 42-degree temperatures last night to voice their discontent with U.S. policy toward Iraq in a "speak out" held on the Fieldhouse Mall.

"The United States moves unilaterally," argued Betsy Erbaugh, a graduate student in peace studies. "The U.S. has made it clear that it will go on with whatever it wants to do regardless of what the U.N., the international community or Americans think."

She further commented that the U.N.-imposed sanctions are harmful to a majority of the Iraqi people. To illustrate her point she cited a statistic that attributed 200,000 deaths to the actual Persian Gulf conflict.

However, she claimed that one million people have died as a direct result of the sanctions.

The rally, which was registered in the name of graduate student Aaron Kreider, proceeded informally with seconds of silence between speeches and no list of speakers.

Anne Monaghan, also a

peace studies graduate student, related the situation in Iraq to that in her home of Northern Ireland.

"The United States' policy is discriminatory," she said. "I know, because in Ireland, the policy is completely biased towards the Catholic Nationalists."

"The Protestants tend to feel like they are being discriminated against. I think that it is promising and great that the U.N. seems to have reached a deal in Iraq, but the U.S. has to respect that."

T.J. Vanderbeek, a freshman, spoke up as the only voice of dissent in the rally. Vanderbeek, whose father is in the Army, was asked to come to the microphone as a different point of view.

"This is an ongoing situation," he said. "It would have been something if Saddam Hussein had never used biological weapons before, but he has."

"I have a friend in Israel, who I just talked with last week," he added. "She told me that she is getting fitted for a gas mask."

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Above: Notre Dame students gather to voice their opinions about U.S. policy towards Iraq.

Right: President Clinton's official statement on the Iraq conflict based on the agreement between the United States and Iraq.

President Clinton's statement on Iraq

Iraq government has committed to:

- Provide "immediate, unrestricted, unconditional" access for U.N. inspectors to all sites as called for by U.N. Security Council resolutions
- If done, this commitment will allow UNSCOM to fulfill its mission:
 - Find and destroy all chemical, biological and nuclear weapons
 - Find and destroy missiles to deliver those weapons
 - Institute a system for long-term monitoring to make sure more are not built

- Commitment applies to all sites anywhere in country including eight previously denied presidential sites
- Senior diplomats appointed by Secretary-General will accompany UNSCOM with repeat visits and no deadlines on completion
- All areas, facilities, equipment, records and means of transportation shall be open to UNSCOM, including those previously denied



AP

Speaker believes in cure for homosexuality

By ALEX ORR
News Writer

The pathology of homosexuality is treatable through Christian love and community support, or at least according to Father John Harvey, the founder of Courage, an organization for the treatment of Catholic homosexuals.

In a talk given last night, which was part of the Maritain Center's lectures on the issue, Father Harvey began by outlining the position of the Catholic Church regarding homosexuality.

"The Church teaches on the basis of Scripture and natural moral law that homosexuality is immoral. Homosexual activity is never moral. That is what the Church teaches in its documents," said Harvey.

He then went on to cite Genesis and the gospel of Matthew, drawing parallels between the Old Testament writers and the words of Jesus

that indicated a heavenly sanction of the relationship between males and females.

Harvey noted that "whenever God wants to express love for an individual soul, He uses language of heterosexual love, like the bridegroom. Christ loves the Church as a man loves his wife."

He added that "homosexuality in the Old or New Testament is always condemned."

Father Harvey backed this biblical base up with the argument of natural law, and the awkward physicality of certain homosexual acts. "There is no true union," he pointed out.

"It is a violation of the body's structure. No one talks about it, but anal intercourse is simply a pathological act. And the act is immoral."

Though the church is the first to condemn this sort of backward sexual activity, it has distinguished over the years

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The Observer/Jeff Hsu

Father John Harvey speaks about homosexuality in a lecture held yesterday.

ND architecture team to attend world engineering conference

Fifth-year students gain national recognition for 'kinetic skyscraper'

By MARY ZAKAS
News Writer

A Notre Dame architectural team has been invited to a world conference in Kyoto, Japan, to share its original design for creating "super-tall" buildings.

Fifth year architecture students Shelley Hoenle, Geoffrey Locksmith, Christopher Podstawski and Jennifer Rice have been working on a "kinetic skyscraper" design with associate professor I-Kwang Chang and professor Bob Amico since last fall.

The idea behind the design is to construct a building within an aerodynamic "foil" that rotates with the wind in order to keep the building from swaying back and forth, as existing tall structures do. The foil is supported by a circular cage that surrounds the functioning structure.

This method of construction, the team argues, would reduce the wind's effect on a building to virtually nothing. The use of a foil would also allow the functioning structure to be almost any shape.

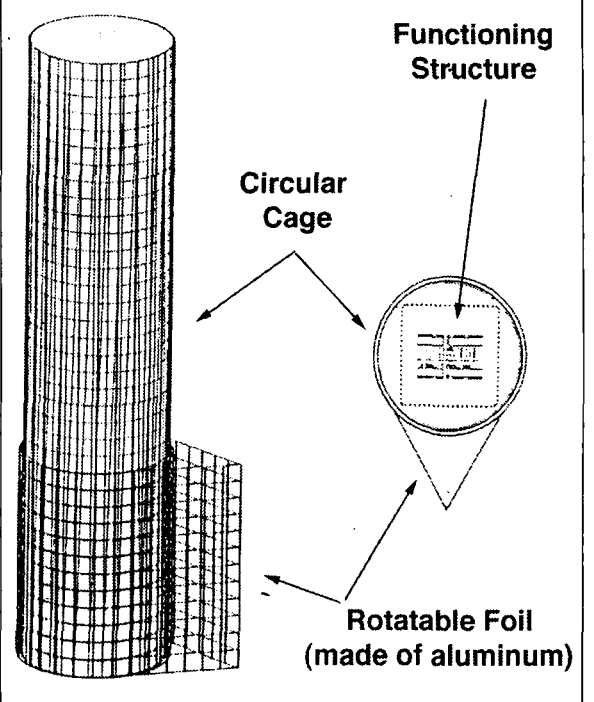
"I believe this project leads to the re-thinking of the way buildings are made," said Hoenle.

This plan, which was Chang's concept originally, has now been recognized on an international scale.

The Second World Conference on Structural Control in Japan, typically a gathering of engineers, has invited the Notre Dame architectural team to lecture on its kinetic skyscraper concept at the conference this summer.

However, the whole group may not be able to attend the conference due to a lack of

Kinetic Skyscraper



funding.

"It isn't often that an undergraduate project is given such significant international attention as is the case with the kinetic skyscraper," said Hoenle.

"Being recognized on an international level is an honor to our school and the University."

"The project brings a breadth of scope to the architecture school," said Locksmith.

"This proves that we are capable of other things, as well as designing traditional architecture."

INSIDE COLUMN

Change it

Many have heard the old adage, "Those who can, do, and those who can't, teach." Notre Dame attracts many students "who can." Notre Dame, however, doesn't even have an education department (I suppose that is a commentary on the market for \$25,000-per-year job training that yields a \$20,000-per-year job). Many feel they shouldn't teach, as they must spend all their college education taking "education" classes. What if that weren't the case?

What if each state recognized that all classes taken in college are education classes? That each teacher, in lecture, either teaches how to teach or how not to teach? (Here's a tip: if your professor is so interesting that you're reading my column during class, that would fall under the category of "teaching how not to teach.") It seems to me that, after majoring in history or math in college, one would have both the knowledge of history or math to teach those subjects, and a feel for what works in teaching it.

It also seems to me that the classes essential to teaching could all be squeezed into a summer. Maybe a psychology course pertaining to the age group you intend to teach. An ethics course, I suppose. And maybe a few of what are now generally called education classes. I could see one being prepared after four or five years of a subject and a summer of polishing one's teaching skills.

With the well-documented breakdown of the American family unit, one is left to wonder where America's youth is to look for role models. Sport? No, they're entertainers, not role models. Politics? Yeah, right. Interns? Then where?

The answer may be the classroom. Imagine actually wanting to go to high school. Instead of going to school for eight classes with career teachers, one could go to school for class with three or four of those teachers and class with four or five of these new type of teachers. Outside of the classroom, where today's society tells us we need the most help, these new teachers would more than make up for what they may lack in the classroom. They would provide new ideas and energy. They would be more approachable, more prone to coach, more willing to sit around and talk with students.

This is not to say that older teachers can't connect with students, so put down your angry quill and hear me out. Career teachers would be needed. Three needs that immediately come to mind are the needs for wisdom, mentoring, and stability.

Students would do this, too. This is a chance to "give back" like our society says one should, an opportunity to "find oneself" and figure out what one wants to do before the demands of family start pushing down. And, contrary to popular belief about the value of youth on the job market, it would actually make one more mature, and, logically, more marketable at, say, age 30 or 31.

Institutions must adapt to suit the changing needs of society. Many would agree that society has changed since the 1950s. But our educational system has not. The restoration of family values is a nice cause, but instead of lamenting the fact that those days are over, it seems to me we should do something about dealing with the change. The educational institution is one that could help solve many of the problems that plague today's youth. And Bill Clinton would no longer need to be a role model.

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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Official fires UW sophomore for 'inappropriate' comment

MADISON, Wis. Jenni Cole-Opitz learned an important lesson Feb. 18 — don't joke with the almighty of Wisconsin politicians.

The 19-year-old UW-Madison sophomore, a state assembly page for 13 months, was abruptly fired last Thursday morning for comments she made to The Badger Herald about working as a "go-fer" to Wisconsin politicians.

In the front-page article headlined "Raise the Roof: A look inside the Capitol and how UW students help make it work," Cole-Opitz spoke about the occasional absurdity of pandering to legislators.

She described a scenario in which assembly speaker Scott Jensen wanted a Coke when there was only Pepsi left in the Capitol. Cole-Opitz told The Herald she was sent to Walgreen's for

the speaker's preferred cola, prompting the comment: "I was just standing there in awe. He's the speaker of the house, not Jesus Christ."

"It didn't mean anything," said Cole-Opitz, who has retained a lawyer to contest her firing. "I told the story because I thought it was funny."

The comment ignited a series of events that left Cole-Opitz without a job, the state Capitol without copies of The Herald and a lot of questions about First Amendment rights.

"Employees have work rules they are expected to follow, and there are consequences when they are not followed," said sergeant-at-arms Denise

Solie, though she would not cite the exact rule Cole-Opitz broke.

In a letter Cole-Opitz read to The Herald — her lawyer asked that it not be released — she was told by Solie that she was fired for the comments that appeared in The Herald. Cole-Opitz said she was told they were disrespectful and violated the pages' code of conduct.

"I'm very upset about this," said Cole-Opitz, adding, "I've learned more about politics in the last day than I did in the past year."

Solie had close ties to Jensen. The speaker directly appointed her as the Capitol's first woman sergeant-at-arms on Jan. 1 and has worked at the job for five weeks.

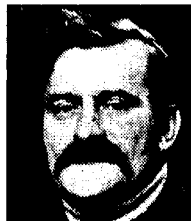
Jensen's office said the relationship had no impact on the decision to fire Cole-Opitz.



AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

Walesa calls for values in world affairs

WASHINGTON



Without a basis in shared values and a foundation in personal conviction, international law has no standing. Lech Walesa, 1983 Nobel Peace Prize winner and former president of Poland, told a crowd in excess of 1,000 in AU's Bender Arena Thursday. His Kennedy Political Union-sponsored speech was also a part of homecoming week. Walesa emphasized the power of personal convictions in creating success. He briefly discussed the triumph of the 10-million-member Solidarity movement which helped topple Poland's Communist regime in the 1980s. Polish civilians faced not only the fear of secret police squads, but the Soviet Union's million-man army, which was stationed largely in Poland. "It was our common effort at the time," Walesa said. "We, along with Reagan, Bush and the Holy Father, won the third world war without firing a single shot." Walesa urged students to take a role in the future of foreign policy.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-LOS ANGELES

UC may alter admissions to up diversity

LOS ANGELES

In an attempt to increase the pool of UC applicants, the UC Board of Regents discussed qualifying the top 4 percent of students from every California high school for admission to the UC system. An estimated 3,500 additional students would be added to the applicant pool, while the amount of students admitted would not increase, said Terry Lightfoot, spokesperson for the UC office of the president. Because of this, Lightfoot estimates that 10 to 15 percent of all applicants could be affected by this plan. UC regents speculate that admitting the top 4 percent of each high school's students would help increase the diversity of UC applicants. "One would hope it would broaden the number of schools from which we are drawing and add a more diverse element to the student body," said regent Judith Levin. "It also might encourage schools to make more students eligible."

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

31 student groups lose recognition

EVANSTON, Ill.

The Associated Student Government announced Monday the immediate derecognition of 31 student organizations, and many student group leaders said the move came as a complete surprise. An additional 11 student groups were demoted from A- to B-level status, meaning they can no longer apply for funds from the Student Activities Funding Board. Many group leaders said they plan to appeal the change in status at Wednesday's ASG meeting. For a group's original status to be restored, a majority of the senate must vote to overturn the executive committee's decision. The committee looked at groups' membership, financial conduct, quality of programming and how similar they are to other groups during the student group review, said executive vice president Andrew Mohraz. The committee graded student groups and dropped those that scored below a predetermined cutoff mark. "We've had groups that weren't maintaining standards, and other groups that should be recognized by another department," said Mohraz.

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Students falling deeper in debt

EAST LANSING, Mich.

Justin Wood probably wouldn't be at MSU if he didn't get financial aid. But the biosystems engineering junior said the debt he's accumulating is worrying him. "I'm a little bit scared, because I don't know if I really comprehend what I'm getting into," Wood said. "It was my only choice, though — that or don't go to school." And Wood isn't alone. A new study shows more than half of all undergraduate and professional students borrow to finance their educations and find themselves in debt when they graduate. The statistics are about 10 percent higher than surveys compiled from 1992-93. But an MSU official said there isn't solid evidence to show that students suffer from financial aid debt after graduation. "We don't really know what kind of negative effect it is having on students, because there isn't much research," said Tom Scarlett, director of MSU's Office of Financial Aid.

SOUTH BEND WEATHER

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NATIONAL WEATHER

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Columbus	57	31	Miami	78	54	Seattle	47	36
Dallas	72	61	New York	46	34	D.C.	57	39

Women's News

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WOMEN IN THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION

Debate surrounds ordination of women

By ANNE SCHNEEMAN
News Writer

Since the inception of their religion, Christians have been taught that "in the beginning was the Word."

But ever since, they have argued about the meaning of "the Word." Currently, they are debating the significance in terms of women being ordained as priests.

In 1996, 65 percent of Roman Catholics supported the ordination of women. Yet, Pope John Paul II has made clear that the Church has a different position.

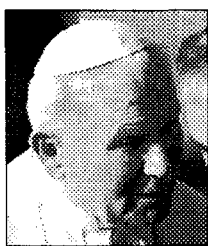
"One can also appreciate that the presence of a certain diversity of roles is in no way prejudicial to women, provided that this discrimination is not the result of an arbitrary imposition, but is rather an expression of what is specific to being male and female ... these role distinctions must be understood according to the particular area of criteria of the sacramental economy, i.e., the economy of signs which God freely chooses in order to become present in the midst of humanity," he said.

The Roman Catholic Church asserts

that the tradition to restrict priestly ordination is founded on the word of God. Biblical evidence suggests that Jesus chose only men as his apostles, and it was only to them that he said, "Do this in memory of me."

Proponents of ordination believe that

'THE PRESENCE OF A CERTAIN DIVERSITY OF ROLES IS IN NO WAY PREJUDICIAL TO WOMEN, ... BUT IS RATHER AN EXPRESSION OF WHAT IS SPECIFIC TO BEING MALE AND FEMALE ...'



POPE JOHN PAUL II

because Christ left the Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, it is unlikely that he meant for exclusion among those who would preside at the Eucharist.

In 1995, a statement was issued from the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith stating that the case was closed on women's ordination.

But last June, the Catholic Theological Society issued a different resolution. The statement said, "There are serious doubts regarding the nature of the authority of this teaching."

The criticism was not directed at the Pope, but at Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Ratzinger relies on scripture and church tradition in asserting that the exclusion of women is infallible.

Theologians are skeptical of Ratzinger's appeals to church tradition. They argue that it is a tradition that rests on a cultural belief about women's inferiority.

Since the Pope has yet to declare it an infallible teaching, it must meet other tests before it becomes truly binding to all Catholics.

Pressure from a clergy shortage in the Catholic Church has led many to believe that eventually the Church will have to take some serious measures.

"All I can say is that the church has

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'FIFTY YEARS AGO, A WOMEN COULDN'T EVEN GET INTO A PH.D. PROGRAM; NOW, THEY'VE

CHANGED THE FACE OF THEOLOGY.'

SISTER REGINA COLL
NOTRE DAME THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Feminist theology important part of Christianity

By ANNE SCHEEMAN
News Writer

If theology is the science of God, then feminist theology is the science of God according to women.

In 1952, almost a decade after Sister Madeleva founded a doctoral program in theology for women, Pope Pius XII created Regina Mundi, a pontifical institute in Rome, to prepare women to teach theology at women's colleges.

Shortly after the birth of this institute, feminist theology has been infused into literature, doctrine and the classroom.

The ideology behind feminist theology centers on re-evaluating traditional theology. These new theologians called for fresh methodological approaches, the posing of new questions, identifying new explanatory categories and proposing new data for theological analysis and reflection.

The first phase of feminist theology suggested reform, because it demanded that women be included as full participants in social and ecclesiastical life and in the practice of theology.

Sister Regina Coll, a professor in the Notre Dame theology department, discussed the evolution of women in theology.

"Fifty years ago, a woman couldn't even get into a Ph. D. program; now they've changed the face of theology," said Coll.

The different subgroups of the developing theology are not easily categorized. What started out as a white women's movement has significantly diversified. Now, feminist theology has turned into secular, evangelical, African, Asian and Native American feminist theologies.

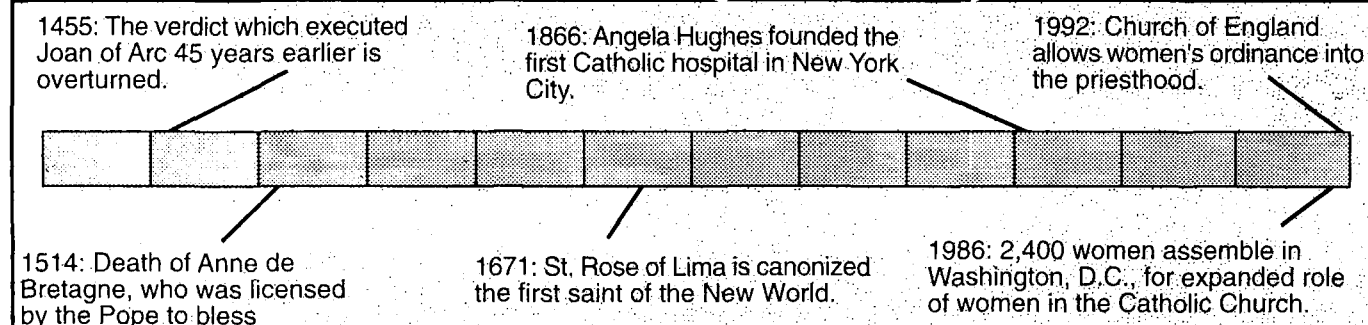
One clear change that feminist theology has brought is the inclusion of gender sensitive language.

"It's amazing how threatening female language can be to people. They aren't used to hearing God referred to in any way but 'He.' It may be difficult for students to think of women in leadership position when they can only use masculine images and language for God," said professor Joseph Incandela, a theology professor at Saint Mary's.

But feminist theology's most important role so far may be calling attention to the invaluable roles women have played throughout history. In the discovery of these essential roles, feminist theology has served as an indictment against the abuse and oppression that women have suffered.

Theological feminists facing a new era have begun to focus on the destruction of natural resources, pollution, militarism and poverty. These issues will continue to be the focus of feminist theologians well into the 21st century.

Women in Religious History



Sister Madeleva's life proof of devotion

By LISA MAXBAUER
News Writer

Out of Cumberland, Wis., emerged one of the 20th century's most influential poets, prophets and theologians. Sister Madeleva Wolff never anticipated the reputation she achieved.

Upon arrival at Saint Mary's, Mary Evaline Wolff was immediately recognized as a rebellious student who held parties in her room, habitually missed class and sought to challenge the confines of authority. When the college confronted her regarding her wild nature, this free spirit claimed, "Some of the rules, I think, are rather foolish."

Twenty-five years later, this woman returned to Saint Mary's campus, both as a nun and as the president of the college.

It was precisely this enthusiastic independence of Wolff's that allowed her to make a revolutionary impact on the religious world after she became Sister Madeleva. The woman who once feared that "God did not make sisters out of girls like me," became a successful force in gaining status for lay people, especially women, who

desired to study theology.

Sister Madeleva, who chose her name by combining the three names of Mary, Mary Magdalen and Eve, furthered her education with a master's degree from Notre Dame in 1918 and a doctorate degree from Berkeley in 1925. She was the first sister to receive this well respected honor from Berkeley's institution.

Sister Madeleva became the third president of Saint Mary's in 1934. She brought with her the qualifications of "my ability to dream and my capacity to work."

Sister Madeleva is remembered for numerous achievements, but one particularly remains influential on an international level. At the time, there was no place in the world where theology could be studied by women and lay people. It was only a set curriculum for men studying in the priesthood. This restriction became

Sister Madeleva's concern and passion.

Gail Porter Mandell, professor of humanistic studies at Saint Mary's and recent author of the book, "Madeleva, A Biography," believes this woman was motivated because "religion seemed to be the worst taught, even though it was the cornerstone of Catholic education."

Sister Madeleva believed religion should be better integrated into the minds of educated individuals.

"The liberal arts are most liberal, most liberating when they rest on complete rather than partial truths," Madeleva stated.

After many struggles, Saint Mary's became the site for the very first School for Sacred Theology in 1943. This unique program allowed the opportunity for women to gain higher degrees in theology.

The curriculum was approved by the Vatican

'THE ESSENCE OF OUR COLLEGE IS NOT ITS BUILDINGS, ITS ENDOWMENT FUND, ITS ENROLLMENT, OR EVEN ITS FACULTY; THE ESSENCE IS THE TEACHING OF TRUTH.'

SISTER MADELEVA WOLFF

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Father Michael Baxter urged students to carry on the mission of peace beyond the scope of the protest, saying that even though a peace agreement has been signed, the situation with Iraq is not over.

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"Basically, it is good that there is an agreement," he concluded. "But if Saddam continues to break the agreements, we should bomb him or punish him in some way."

Father Mike Baxter, assistant professor of theology, stressed the fundamental need for peace within the global situation, regardless of how the Iraqi situation ends.

"We need to continue to make witness for peace after this is all done. We need to be assured of the ultimate happi-

ness and relief of the world," Baxter said.

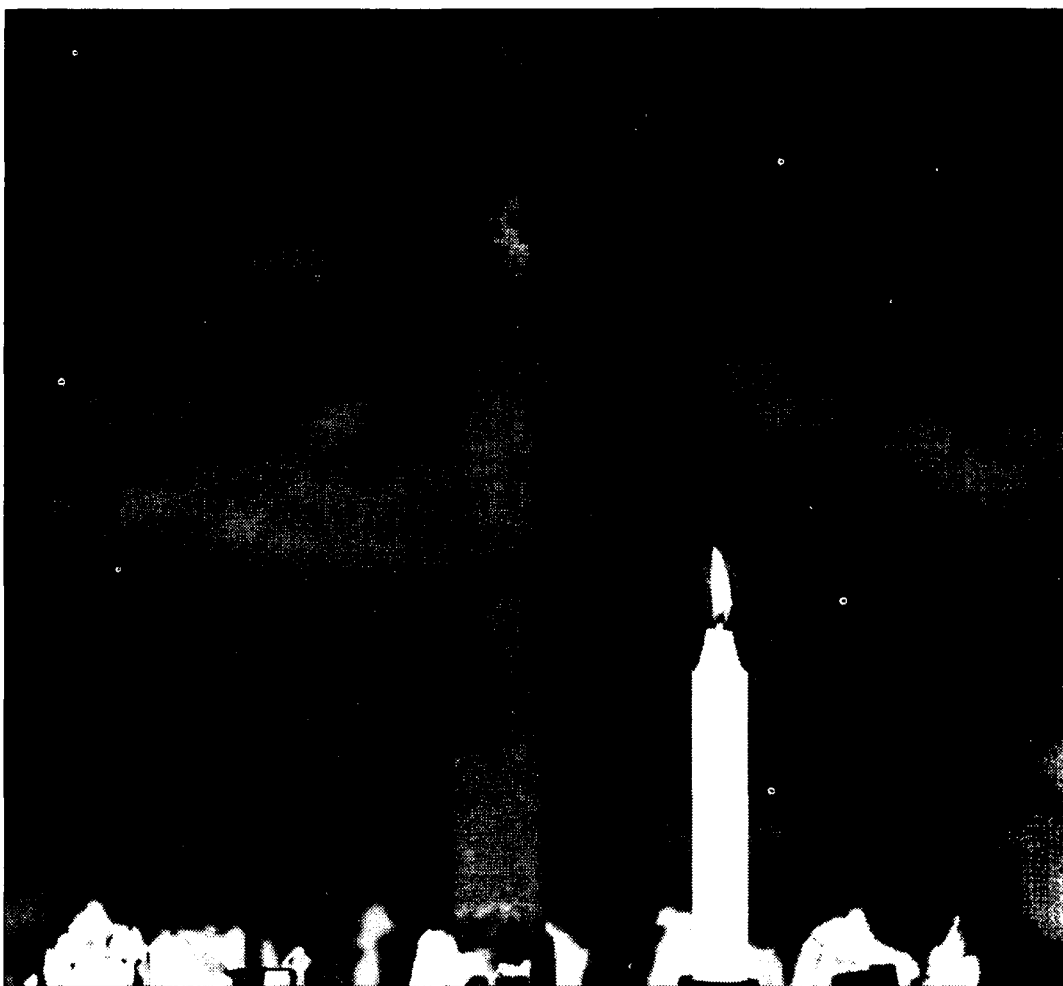
The rally lasted more than one hour, and organizers posted signs on the War Memorial Fountain that read "Support the UN agreement," and "No U.S. Showdown with Iraq."

Every speaker expressed the desire to create awareness of the situation in Iraq and each echoed the idea that the U.N. peace deal does not spell the end of the crisis in Iraq.

T.J. VANDERBEEK

Near the end of the "speak out," Lee Gloster, from the Interfaith Committee on Peace in the Middle East, announced a march on Rep. Tim Roemer's office in downtown South Bend.

A symbol of hope ...



The Observer/Joe Stark

A lone cross at the Grotto serves as a reminder of the arrival of Lent.

Chinese Acrobats to perform in Stepan

Special to The Observer

The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats will perform in Notre Dame's Stepan Center at 7 p.m. Friday.

Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross College students. They can be purchased in advance at the LaFortune student center information desk and at the door.

The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats troupe has won the National Campus Activities' Entertainers of the Year award in seven of the last 10 years. According to the troupe's director, Danny Chang, the ancient art of Chinese acrobatics, rooted in

Oriental philosophy, dancing and tradition, is the longest running folk art form in the history of mankind. Each acrobat's physical and philosophical strength supports the group structure to produce magnificently choreographed programs of balancing, juggling, dance, comedy and magic. These performances are marked by precision, vibrant colors, daring feats, and extraordinary grace.

The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats have performed in more than 65 countries and are considered the premier troupe touring today.

The performance is sponsored by the Notre Dame Student Union Board. For more information, contact Lizzie Brady, cultural arts commissioner, at 631-7757.

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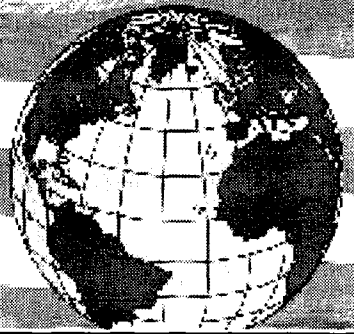
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■ WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Turkish Airlines captures Cypriot hijacker

ANKARA, Turkey

Security forces disguised as caterers entered a Turkish Airlines plane Wednesday and seized a Cypriot hijacker who had demanded to be flown to Iran, television stations reported. No one was harmed in the raid, launched after the hijacker refused to surrender, independent NTV and ATV said. The hijacker, who claimed to be carrying a bomb in a teddy bear, commandeered the plane shortly after it took off from the southern city of Adana on Tuesday night. The plane was originally on a flight to the Turkish capital, Ankara, about 250 miles to the northwest. The hijacker released 21 of the 62 passengers after landing in the southeastern city of Diyarbakir. Five crew members were also aboard the plane. The hijacker was a Cypriot, apparently from the northern, Turkish half of the divided island, NTV quoted airline chief Yusuf Bolayirli as saying. The man told security forces, "I'm a martyr of God," state minister Refaiddin Sahin said. It was not immediately clear whether the man actually had a bomb; nor was it known why he wanted to go to Tehran. The rescue operation began soon after the officials refused to refuel the RJ-100 aircraft.

Campaign finance bill clears Senate obstacle

WASHINGTON

Campaign finance legislation cleared a first, largely symbolic Senate hurdle on Tuesday, and supporters struggled uphill to amass the support needed to overcome a Republican filibuster. A bid by the Republican leadership to scuttle the bill outright failed, 51-48. At the same time, Democrats swung behind a compromise proposal by Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, affecting the thorny subjects of union spending and attack ads in political campaigns. "So we (Democrats) are doing our best to do our part to get campaign finance reform," said President Clinton, who also announced his own support for Snowe's proposal. Supporters of the legislation conceded they are still shy of the 60 votes needed to overcome a filibuster. The legislation would ban unregulated "soft money" donations to national political parties from corporations, labor unions and individuals. It also would provide fresh curbs on advertisements that attack candidates but escape regulation because they are presented as "issue ads" not covered by existing election law. In addition, it would provide for greater disclosure of campaign donations, and greater penalties for violations. Supporters pointed to the excesses of the 1996 presidential campaign as evidence the system needs reform.

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COMPANY	TICKER	% CHANGE	\$ LOSS	PRICE
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ADVANTA CORP A	ADVNA	23.46	7.37	24.06
ILLEX CHILE ADR	TL	22.92	0.56	2.00
PTCO ANIMAL SUP	HEAT	21.95	0.69	2.31
KINT ELECTRONICS	KNT	21.05	5.75	21.56

U.S. soldiers remain skeptical

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THE USS GEORGE WASHINGTON T-shirts showing Saddam Hussein caught in a rifle's cross-hairs are selling briskly aboard the USS George Washington, where an agreement to end the Iraq confrontation was met with relief but also skepticism.

"Nobody is packing their bags," said Rear Adm. Michael Mullen, commander of the U.S. battle group in the Persian Gulf.

Warplanes carrying air-to-air missiles roared into the night sky on Tuesday, headed for the southern no-fly zone over Iraq.

Officers said there was little change in their flight plans despite the new U.N.-mediated accord meant to avert a U.S.-led attack on Iraq.

"We will not change our operating schedule," said Capt. Lindell Rutherford, the aircraft carrier's commander. He said the ship still sends some 40 to 50 flights a day over the no-fly zone.

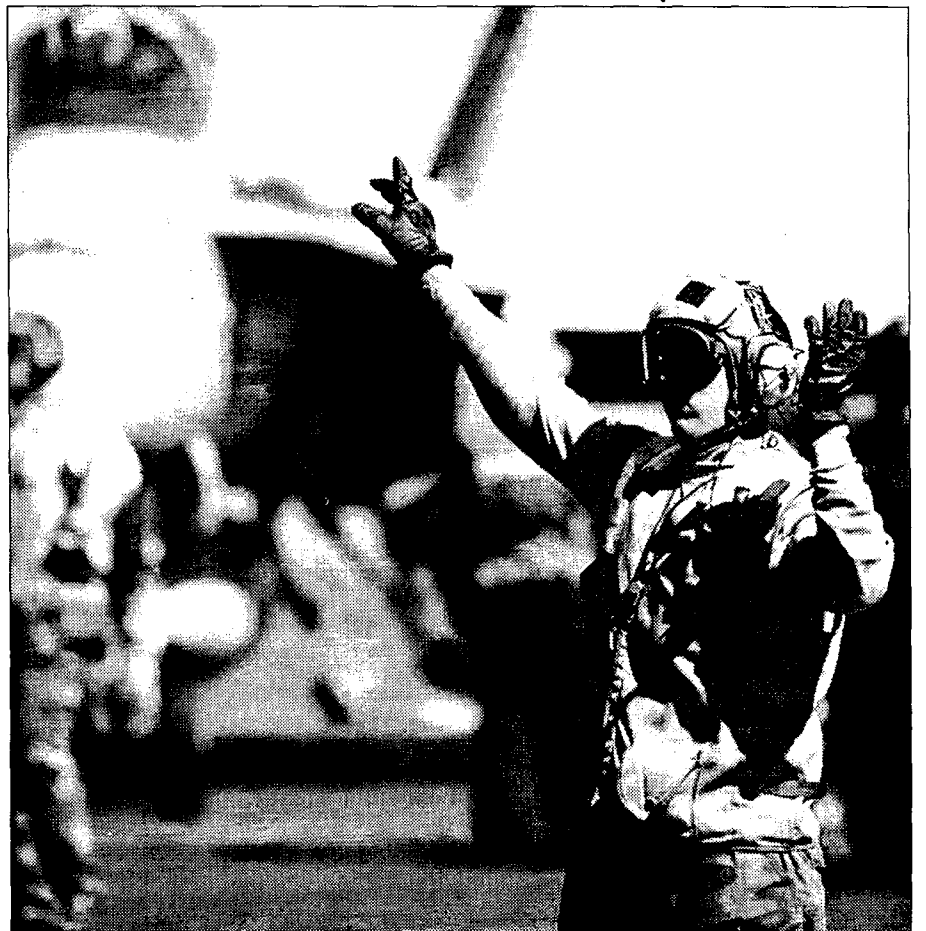
"The possibility of military action may be slightly less than it was a few days ago," Rutherford said, adding that "the next few days will be important."

U.S. forces in the Gulf, which include two aircraft carriers carrying 100 attack aircraft, are expected to remain in the region until Washington is satisfied that Iraq is fulfilling its promise to open previously off-limits sites to U.N. inspectors.

Since it arrived in the Gulf in November, the George Washington has been sending warplanes over southern Iraq to patrol the no-fly zone established by the United States and its allies after the 1991 Gulf War — and to prepare for possible bombing raids.

"There's been a collective sigh of relief," said Carroll, of Virginia Beach, Va. "I don't think anyone really wanted to go to war."

Below deck in the ship's store,



AFP Photo

Aviation Boatswain's Mate Airman Terry Hudnett, from Stanton, N.J., directs aircraft across the flight deck of the aircraft carrier USS George Washington yesterday in the Gulf.

Petty Officer Third Class Willie Brimage folded a stack of T-shirts bearing the Iraqi leader's head, fixed in the sights of a rifle.

Brimage, who manages the independently run store but would work in damage control if fighting began, said he has been selling at least 100 shirts a day — sometimes 200 — since the store started carrying them about a week ago.

The ship carries some 5,500 service members, and many have been buying stacks of the shirts to send to friends and relatives.

On the hangar deck, sailors polished the radar dome of an F-18 strike fighter. Another group of servicemen touched up the dull gray paint of an aircraft.

"I'm happy that no one had to die innocently," said Lt. Joe Guerrein, of Leavenworth, Kan., an F-18 fighter pilot with the Marauders squadron.

Many pilots said they were skeptical that an agreement would hold and pointed to the almost yearly confrontations between the United States and Iraq.

Tobacco companies re-examine nicotine

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON

Tobacco company executives faced dwindling prospects for a national tobacco settlement and new attacks on their credibility Tuesday as they wavered on the question of whether nicotine is addictive.

"I wouldn't personally, in a serious debate about smoking, label tobacco as addictive," said Nick Brookes, chairman and CEO of Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corp. "What addiction, in my use of that word, means, is that people can't quit."

"I would consider it more of a habit than I would an addiction," said Vincent Gierer Jr. of U.S. Tobacco, Inc.

"I've always thought, and I was a smoker, that cigarette smoking is habit-forming," said Steven Goldstone, chairman and CEO of RJR Nabisco, Inc.

Their testimony before the Senate Commerce Committee — which differed somewhat from their January testimony before a House committee — "disappointed" Chairman John McCain, R-Ariz., who wrote a bill that would

enact much of the June settlement the tobacco industry wants Congress to pass.

That agreement negotiated with state attorneys general would require tobacco firms to pay \$368 billion over 25 years in exchange for protection from most lawsuits.

It has received a frosty welcome on Capitol Hill. McCain and other panel members said the industry's hopes for the deal's

enactment rest almost solely on the goodwill of lawmakers skeptical of the executives' newfound contrition and pledges of honesty.

Congress' Republican leaders have not placed wide-ranging tobacco policy at the

top of their election-year priority list in either chamber, and no GOP panel member except McCain stayed through Tuesday's hearing.

Democrats on the panel challenged the industry's veracity on numerous issues, such as why a catalogue from Goldstone's company continues selling products with the Joe Camel likeness after the firm pledged to halt that

advertising campaign. Critics say it appeals to children.

Goldstone said that catalogue will be out of date this summer and that Joe Camel will not appear on company products thereafter.

The executives' qualified answers to the addiction question undermined the industry's credibility, several lawmakers said.

"I'm disappointed," McCain told reporters after the hearing. "There's a lot of symbolism in that question. It's symbolic of the skepticism that exists about their sincerity."

Mississippi Attorney General Michael Moore, who headed the states' negotiations with the industry, said the executives "dancing around" the question "wasn't very smart."

"There's a simple answer: Yes," nicotine is addictive, Moore said after the hearing.

I WOULD CONSIDER IT MORE OF A HABIT THAN I WOULD AN ADDICTION.

VINCENT GIERER JR.
U.S. TOBACCO, INC.

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always done what it needs to survive, and it will survive" said Joseph Incandela, a theology professor at Saint Mary's.

While Eastern churches may have ordained women in early centuries, it has been the unbroken tradition of the Roman Catholic Church to ordain only men into the priesthood. John Paul II has maintained that the Church has no authority to ordain women to the priesthood.

Sister Regina Coll, a theology professor at Notre Dame and member of the committee on Notre Dame's position on the ordination of women, says many of her students don't even understand why it is a question.

"The Pope would like the case to be closed, but I think there is more dialogue now than ever. This is an issue of discipline, not an issue of doctrine," said Coll.

Roman Catholic spokesmen have made it clear that if other denominations ordain women, it would have negative consequences on a future union with the Catholic Church.

There are 44 denominations

in the U.S. that do ordain women, ranging from the Methodist church in 1892 to the Episcopal church in 1979. Many congregations adopted the ordination of women because they merged with a church that already had ordination in place.

Since 1970, women in the U.S. have become clergy in increasing numbers. At that time, three percent of clergy were female, but by 1990 the numbers were up to 10 percent. Today, more than 50 percent of theological schools are filled with women.

The question of ordination does not necessarily reflect the leadership roles of women in their church or parish. In the Catholic Church, many women have moved into positions of "pastoring" within the parish in administrative and consoling roles.

Even in religions that allow female ordination, however, women do not receive equal treatment. Early female Congregationalist clergy, who were ordained in 1853, were limited, and when they did have parishes, the congregations were small and low paying.

These days, "the Word" on the ordination of women is that the debate is anything but over.

the academic building bearing her name and in Mandell's written tribute, and her legacy continues within the academic and administrative structures of the college.

Sister Madeleva once said, "The essence of our college is not its buildings, its endowment fund, its enrollment, or even its faculty; the essence is the teaching of truth" which is a quality the women of Saint Mary's strive to continue.

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was internationally known as a published poet, a Medieval scholar and a friend to all. When she announced her retirement as president of Saint Mary's in 1961, letters and telegrams from around the world poured in to say farewell.

Sister Madeleva's visual memory lives on around in

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between the condition of homosexuality and the act itself. In 1986, recalled Harvey, it came from the Vatican that "the homosexual condition is not in itself sinful, but is an objective disorder."

The treatment of this disorder is where Father Harvey and his group Courage come in.

Begun in 1978 as a five day intensive retreat for homosexual priests, the organization now spans the earth, from the Philippines to Ireland to the United States to Canada. It provides a support system, not just for troubled clerics, but homosexuals from all walks of life, who want some way to curb

their affliction and order their lives.

"If you realize that you have a support system, the better chance there is to overcome the condition and live a chaste life," remarked Harvey. This system has structured itself over the years by influences from both within and without, including a modeling after the Alcoholics Anonymous' 12 steps program, to a five goal strategy developed by the 10 initial members.

And has it worked? The answer depends on the patient, says Harvey.

"It works for those who work with the goals and steps. Those who stay manage to live a chaste life."

Additionally, Courage has set up a program for parents and loved ones of homosexuals whose lifestyles have led them

away from the Catholic Church.

"Almost 40 percent of the calls we get are from parents who are heartbroken because a son or daughter has rejected Catholic teaching, and the parents want to know what they can do," detailed Harvey.

Typically, he said, the response of Courage is simply to "keep in touch, but don't push to hard, in order to avoid resentment."

"I have never met anybody yet who chose to be a homosexual," said Harvey. "I have the greatest respect for these people, and their dignity as children of God."

Father Harvey has published two books on the subject of Catholic action amongst homosexuals, "The Homosexual Person" and "The Truth about Homosexuals," in addition to over 40 articles on the subject.

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Tornado rescue turns to cleanup, rebuilding

Storm is state's deadliest ever as toll hits 39

By KAREN TESTA
Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla.
Rescuers with dogs searched the piney woods near a torna-

do-devastated campground Tuesday for possible victims of a swarm of tornadoes that strafed central Florida.

The death toll was 39. Three people were missing late Tuesday, one from the Ponderosa Park Campground. Three others listed as missing from the campground were found alive at a hospital.

As hope of finding more survivors faded, searchers began yelling to the two dogs, "Go find

Fred!" — the signal for the black Labrador and Weimaraner to find bodies hidden in the underbrush surrounding the campground.

"Search!" — the command to find survivors — could no longer be heard.

"There's nothing in there," said Lt. Mark Bogush of the Tampa Fire-Rescue Canine Unit. "They don't want to shut that door of hope, but this is basically a cleanup."

Rescuers picked through the mass of twisted metal, shattered glass and splintered lumber the day after six to 10 El Niño-driven twisters tore through central Florida from the Gulf of Mexico, destroying more than 900 homes and businesses.

Monday's tornadoes, packing 260 mph winds, were the state's deadliest on record, killing more than Hurricane Andrew in 1992, which left 32 people dead in Florida, Louisiana and the Bahamas.

The weather service issued warnings 20 to 30 minutes before the tornadoes hit, but it did little good. "When people are sleeping, there's no way of getting the message out," said Terry Faber, University of Miami meteorology researcher.

Divers combing the creek behind a home in Sanford found the body of 21-year-old Penny Louise Hall. Also killed when the twisters hit their house were her parents, Debra and Edward Hall, and her fiancé, 23-year-old Kevin Taylor.

Only her 5-year-old daughter,

Ashley, survived. She was hospitalized with serious injuries.

Elsewhere in Sanford, 40 miles north of Orlando, the putrid stench of a rotting pig carcass alongside a driveway hung heavily in the air over a 10-acre farm. Chickens, pigs, a horse and a cow with a broken leg wandered about in a daze.

Freddie Padgett of the town of Geneva near Daytona Beach recounted wearing a life jacket to bed — his habit whenever storms approach. His recreational vehicle was demolished and he was hurled into Lake Harney by the winds, staying afloat by clinging for hours to a small boat.

The number of people left homeless and damage estimates were being tallied Tuesday. State insurance commissioner Bill Nelson said, however, that property damage was not on a scale with Hurricane Andrew, which destroyed or damaged 35,000 homes and caused \$25 billion in losses.

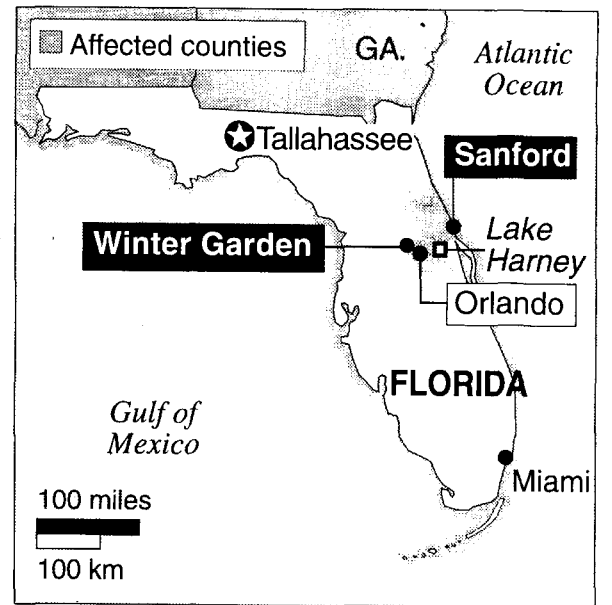
Shelters were set up to house

thousands, but many found solace with relatives, neighbors or in hotels.

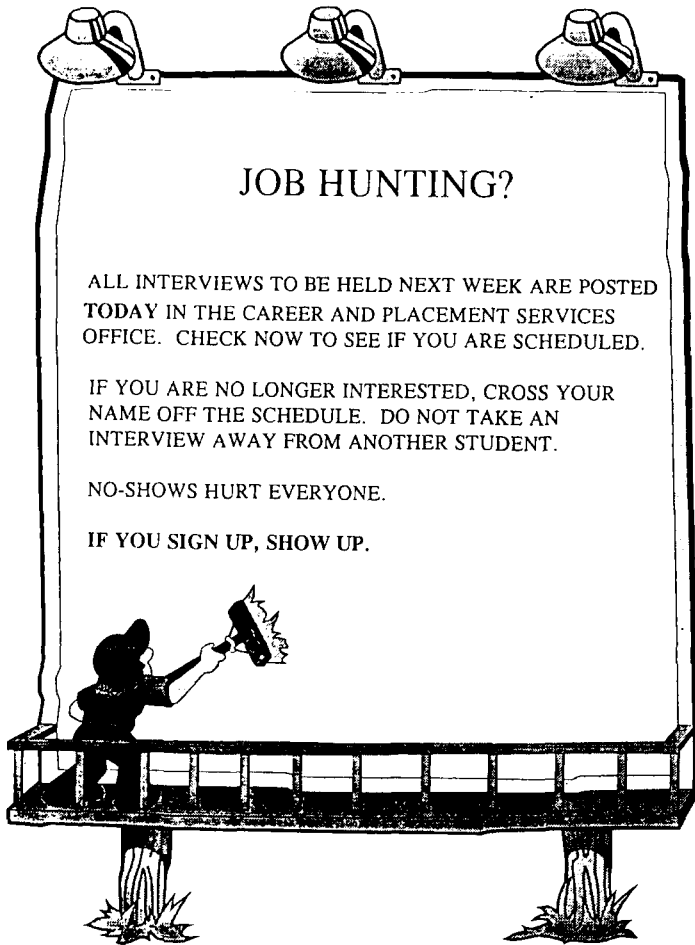
Donations began pouring in as relief organizations estimated that more than \$300,000 will be needed to shelter, feed and clothe displaced families. President Clinton declared the region a disaster, clearing the way for federal aid, and the Red Cross provided meals. Clinton also promised to survey the destruction Wednesday.

Cinde Von Herbulis was among the volunteers helping to distribute supplies.

"We are giving them what they will need today and tomorrow," she said. "They were afraid if they took too much there wouldn't be anything for somebody else."



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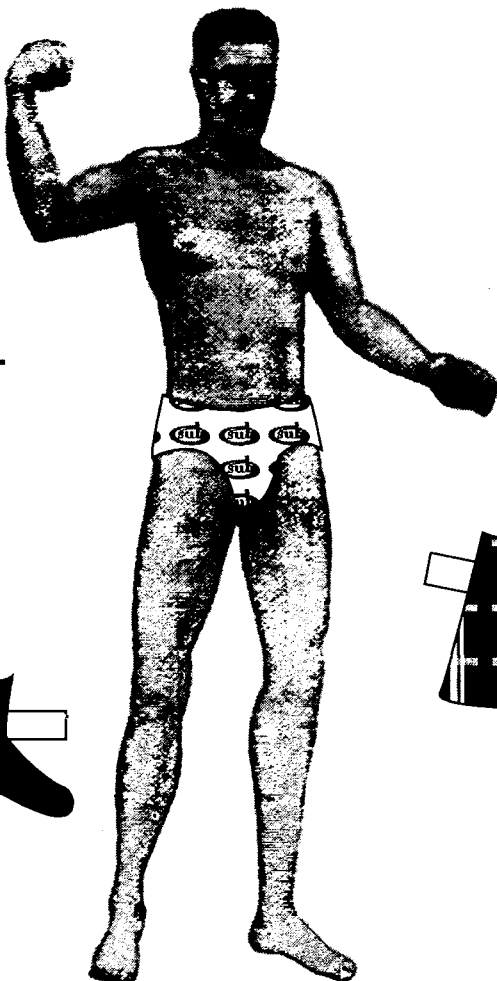
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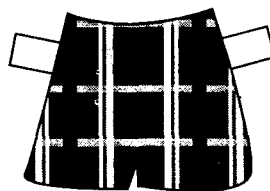
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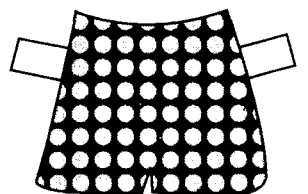
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■ SOUTH KOREA

Dissident-turned-president promises reforms

By PAUL SHIN
Associated Press

SEOUL

Former dissident Kim Dae-jung was sworn in as South Korea's president Wednesday, pledging democratic and economic reforms and a new relationship with communist North Korea.

The inauguration marked the first transfer of power to an opposition party in South Korea's turbulent, 50-year history as an independent nation.

"Today is a proud day when a democratic transition of power is taking place on this soil for the first time," Kim said before 45,000 invited guests and common folk at a plaza in front of the National Assembly.

Since its founding in 1948, South Korea has been governed by the same conservative political groups. And through most of those years, Kim, 74, was persecuted as a dangerous dissident — an apostle of democracy in a land of military dictators.

Among the invited guests were Kim's three immediate predecessors — Kim Young-sam, Chun Doo-hwan and Roh Tae-woo. Chun and Roh, ex-army generals, seized power in a 1979 coup, arrested Kim Dae-jung on sedition charges and condemned him to death.

Kim was spared after intervention by the United States, but spent 15 years in prison, exile and house arrest and survived what he believes were three assassination attempts by the military leaders who watched as he took the oath of office.

In his acceptance speech, Kim renewed his promise that his "government of the people" will not seek political revenge.

Declaring that reviving the economy is his biggest task, the new president said a lack of democracy resulted in collusion between politics and business in South Korea, contributing to the country's current crisis.

"I firmly believe that we can overcome today's crisis by practicing democracy and a market economy" simultaneously, he said.

Saying his new government will try to thaw long-frozen relations with rival North Korea, the new president proposed that the two Koreas

exchange special envoys to discuss rapprochement.

Kim also renewed his earlier proposal for a summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong

Il.

In an apparent response to Kim's earlier offer, North Korea said last week that it is willing to talk with the new South

Korean government — something it has refused to do for years.

Kim set forth three principles — no North Korean armed

provocations, no South Korean attempt to absorb North Korea and expanded inter-Korea exchanges — as a basis of peaceful coexistence.



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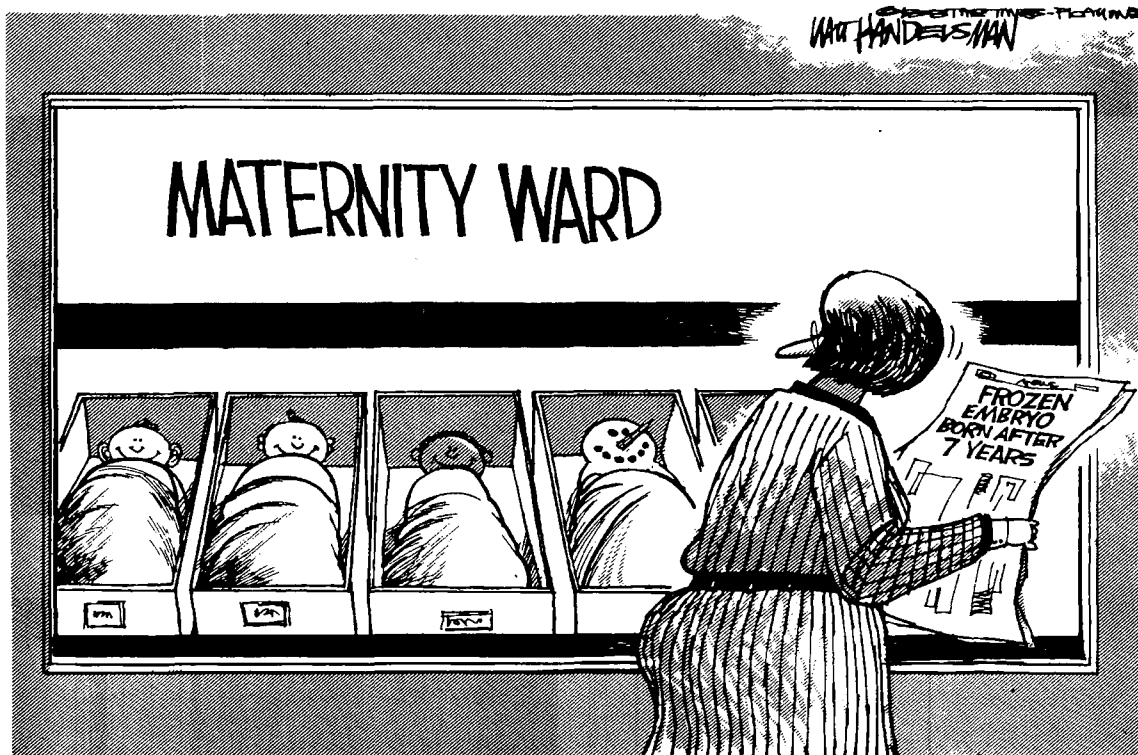
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Student Athletes' Challenges Demand Respect

As a senior at Notre Dame, I have finally been pushed to the limit. I refuse to be treated like a second-class student at this University. This mistreatment is not due to my race, gender or sexuality, but because I am a varsity athlete.

After overhearing the casual conversation of two classmates today, the stereotypes I have felt all along were thrust blatantly in my face. I can no longer deny the division among our student body. In high school I was respected for my talents in both softball and academics. I graduated as Salutatorian with a 3.9 GPA, along with numerous athletic achievements, and was rewarded with a scholarship to this prestigious University. Once I arrived on campus however, I felt stupid for the first time in my life.

As your peers walk into class do you judge them on their intelligence or guess their motivations for being in the class? What if they are wearing a letterman jacket? As soon as my fellow students and professors realized I played a sport I was treated differently. Most people assumed I was accepted at Notre Dame purely because I played softball. In group projects my comments were discarded as soon as my athletic status became apparent. Many of my teachers were also hurtful. One even pulled me aside after class to tell me she had called my athletic/academic advisor and set me up with a tutor. This was before I had even turned in an assignment, but after she asked all the athletes to raise their hands on the first day of class. My intelligence was not the only quality called into question.

Instead of being proud to represent Notre Dame with my talents, I am often made to feel ashamed to admit I play a sport. People assume I am pampered, "getting a free ride," and taking advantage of the University.

But I have never worked harder in my life. After graduation I will have a summer off for the first time since I

was 10 years old. No one is "giving" me anything. I am earning it. I work every day of the school year for my tuition. I go to practices, play in pain, forego vacations and alter my life to be a worthy representative of the blue and gold. Tomorrow I am getting up at 8 a.m. I must go to the stadium training room to swim in their SwimEx machine to rehabilitate the shoulder I had surgery on this summer. The water is 199 degrees and the chlorine is almost unbearable.

After that I have a meeting with my

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coach at 10 a.m. As team co-captain I have to discuss the cohesion, strategy and details of the team for our upcoming trip. Then I have to rush back to my dorm, shower, and get ready for class. I am out of class at 1 p.m. and go to the dining hall for my first meal of the day. By 2:30 p.m. I must be changed into my exercise clothes and over at the Loftus Center for my individual hitting session. This consists of an hour of hitting practice with one other player and the coach. The pressure to perform is high and all eyes are on me. At 3:30 p.m. it is time to lift weights with the team. We must chart our workout, which is evaluated, as is our performance.

"This is not social hour," we are constantly reminded by our strength coach. As soon as weights are over at 4:30 p.m. I run four miles to keep my

legs and lungs in shape. Softball is not a very aerobic sport and being physically fit is something we must take care of in our "free" time. I head over to the JACC to exchange my issues (work out clothes) for clean ones and make my way to the training room for my shoulder exercises.

As I leave the JACC I notice it is 5:45 p.m. I get back to my room and shower before going to the dining hall with my roommates. When I return to the dorm it is 7:15 p.m. I have to be at Loftus at 8 p.m. sharp for a meeting before practice at 8:30 p.m. By the time practice is done at 10:30 p.m. I am drenched in sweat, achy and exhausted. I run back to the room, grab my backpack and head to COBA where I have a meeting with my Accounting group. It is 10:45 p.m., and I am late. My meeting consists of a group spreadsheet problem on pension plans and lasts an hour. I walk into Welsh Family Hall at 11:45 p.m. to shed my sweaty clothes, shower, and start my homework and studying. I have a test in my CAPP Ethics class tomorrow and reading to do. I hope to get to bed by 4 a.m.

This weekend we travel to Florida to play a tournament. It marks the first of seven straight weekends on the road, and it is not a vacation. We get to Tampa Thursday night and check into the hotel. Friday morning we have practice followed by study time before our two games that evening. Saturday will be the same; Sunday starts the elimination part of the tournament. We are scheduled to arrive back in South Bend at 11:30 p.m. that night.

Contrary to popular belief, not every moment in an athlete's life is fun and care free. It is a constant battle of balance and priorities. I am controlled by the University in everything that I do and calling in sick or taking a personal day is not an option. On this trip (or any) I do not drink, go out, or find myself alone. My every move will be planned with my 16 teammates and

coaches, and I am constantly reminded that I represent Notre Dame in all that I do. For many people we meet on trips throughout the nation it is their only contact with the University. Therefore, I speak and act on behalf of every individual, present or past, connected with the Irish. I am constantly held to a higher standard than my classmates, but treated with a lower one. And what glory awaits me? My games are not televised, and there will be no professional contract in my future. I exhibit my skills in front of a home crowd that has never amassed triple digits.

Do not misunderstand me, I would never give up the great opportunity I had to play collegiate sports. It was, and is, a tremendous experience and given the chance I would do it all again. Still, I feel I deserve to at the very least be treated with equality. No matter what my extracurricular activities are, I am still a Notre Dame student. I attend the same classes and do the same work as everyone else. No teacher ever weighted my grade or gave me preferential treatment. If anything, I had to overcome the athletic stereotype just to be seen as equal.

Please support your student athletes. It is difficult just to be a student at this school. It is even harder to be a student athlete. It becomes near impossible to be successful at both when you feel the people you work hard to represent are against you. I admit there are students here that do not "pull their own weight." Rather than go to class, they copy notes from a hard working student. They skate out of Notre Dame with a degree they barely worked for without learning a thing.

Maybe even a few are athletes.
Maybe ...

Kelly Nichols
Senior, Welsh Family Hall
February 23, 1998

DOONESBURY

GARRY TRUDEAU



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to the garage makes you a car."

—Dr. Laurence J. Peter

■ WRONG SIDE UP

Common Sense?

When I last left you, my father was wandering around looking for the trail head to Thunder Lake and Father Sorin was breathing a sigh of relief that he was not going to be in this column. But, as I said, people do dumb things all the time.

Margaret Shaheen



Recently in Colorado, a little 10-year-old girl grabbed her mother's lunch box by mistake and took it to school. Colorado has a law that forbids students from bringing knives of any size to school. You can bring a machete to school but not a knife. During lunch, the little girl opened her lunch box and, to her horror, found a paring knife inside. She ran and told her teacher what she had done. The teacher studied the knife, measured it, determined it was one-inch long and concluded it was smaller than a machete. Then the teacher dragged the girl and the paring knife to the principal. The principal measured the knife, concluded that the teacher was right — it was smaller than a machete by a good three feet — and straight away expelled the little 10-year-old. The little girl's mother called the newspapers, who promptly made fun of the teacher, the principal and the school board for hiring such ignorant people.

Anyway, the little girl is now back in school and the Colorado legislature is passing a law that says teachers must use common sense. Gosh, even my father knows that — and he can't find the right trail head.

Even I do stupid things. Not too long ago I was in the North Dining Hall putting my tray away when I got the uncontrollable urge — it must have been the ice cream — to ride the luge. I flipped the tray over my head, smacked my butt into it, caromed off a table, and slid feet first, butt in the tray — luge style — across the floor. All to the cheering of more than 50 dining hall faithful.

I don't need a thronging crowd to make a fool of myself. Right after I got back to school, I went to the gas station to fill up my Honda. For reasons I don't understand, I was having a bit of a problem getting the gas cap off — actually it was more than a bit of a problem. I couldn't get the darn thing off. The more I tried, the worse it got. This might have been okay, but, unfortunately, I was not alone. There was a guy in a Ford pick-up truck (a pick-'em-up, as they say in Montana) watching me. Finally, he couldn't stand it any longer. He poked his head out the window and yelled, "Hey, honey, turn the cap the other way!" Then he looked at my license plate, furrowed his brow, stroked his mustache, shook his head and spit, undoubtedly wondering how in God's name I ever made it from Colorado to Indiana. I'm sure he also wondered who the hell decided to let women on the road anyway. I understand the Indiana legislature is considering that question now.

I am not alone, however. My friends do dumb things too. When I was in high school, I and some of my friends used to get a ride with my best friend's brother, Jon. One day the car was really jammed by the time we stopped to pick up my friend Sam. Afraid that there was not enough room for Sam and her backpack, Jon turned off the car, removed the keys, handed them to Sam and said, "Put it in the trunk." Sam hesitated for a moment, then headed for the trunk. You guessed it. She put the keys in the trunk.

So, when people ask "how dumb can you get?" I've learned that the answer is ... a heck of a lot dumber than you'd think.

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■ THE MIGHTY OAK

Environmentalism Is Hardly a Liberal Notion

If environmentalism could be made to seem "conservative," it would have a much broader appeal. Presently, environmentalism is a liberal viewpoint. Environmental radicals grab more than their share of media coverage. This lends a slightly radical, or at least liberal, air to the whole environmental movement.

In people with more conservatively oriented social and political values, environmentalism is equated with liberalism. Otherwise reasonable people display a paranoid mistrust of environmentalism, lumping it in with deficit-spending, exorbitant welfare, and the rest of the package.

This is to the great detriment of the environmentalist message. It is hardly liberal. It is, in fact quite conservative, in a truer sense of the word. Conservative people are wary of change, tending to adhere to traditional values. Wholesale habitat destruction is change. The burgeoning suburban sprawl is not really traditional. People who are truly conservative should be exceedingly cautious of these things.

Fundamentally, it does not make sense to keep gobbling up finite land and resources with an insatiable voracity. Any moron can see that things will run out, probably sooner than later. And even before things run out, other subtle changes in climate, etc., will probably nail us. While the point can be argued as to how much of various things we have and how long they will last, it's better to err on the side of caution. This is a very conservative approach. Why throw all of our eggs in one basket, so to speak, hoping for wondrous technological advances that will allow an exponentially growing population to

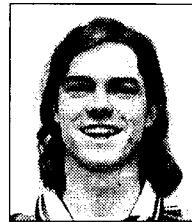
Look at the generation that came of age in the '60s. They are hardly as radical in their approach to life as they once were. It's a good bet the same mellowing will occur in our own generation. If our commitment to sound environmental practices is founded on our commitment to challenging the societal status quo — or being radical — and this desire to challenge fades — as it seems to with age in many people — then the conviction to the environment will likewise fade.

Instead, environmentalists should invoke tradition, morality, and common sense to get their message across to the largest group. Tell people that wise use of resources and land is the long-standing practice of the good person. It is, in fact, sinful to squander land away when the signs of abuse are quite apparent.

Call upon Christian conservatives to heed the message of stewardship contained in Genesis, and then illustrate the glaring contradiction between stewardship and rape. Religion could be a powerful medium to convey an environmental message.

Suggest the economic benefits of maintaining forests and rural landscapes in favor of plastic junk stores that are going to be stripped away in the first tornado, if they don't close first for lack of consumers in their bizarre niche. Point to the odd tendency of people to move out of beautiful old sections of the city into the suburbs because they want to be more in the country; they then erect unseemly, oversized houses that are aesthetically inferior to the older buildings and have no land around them anyway, and just as much traffic. Highlight the idiocy in stripping away a belt of trees from the edge of a stream to create more cropland, only to have that area of land

Sean O'Connor



continue forever on already depleted resources? That is very liberal.

While there is nothing wrong with occasionally going to outrageous, radical ends to prove the point, constantly doing so does not drive that point home to the majority of Americans, who are traditional in their social values. Chaining yourself to trees mainly appeals to young romantics. Environmental radicalism is a lot more attractive in a college sort of setting, much the same as a naked sit-in or a big pot-smoking festival. Take a bunch of 50- and 60-year-old average Americans, tell them that sitting in the park naked smoking pot is going to save the world, and they still won't do it. They do not trust it because it is liberal. A few might do it, but the others will just arrest them. And then the world will end because the people in charge refused to be radical. Tell them instead that smoking pot naked was passed down from their grandfathers, would bring economic stability, and is in the Bible, and they might do it. Not saying that these things about smoking pot naked are true (although it would probably stop wars if everybody did it), but you see the point. The majority of Americans do not want to push the envelope of societal norms.

Maybe the radical message will soak into the younger generations (younger than us). But there is a danger it could be a faddish conviction. It's sexy to ride around preaching things that seem outrageous or forbidden or dangerous. When people are not tied down by careers, they jump on this bandwagon of hip because it's the closest they're going to come to the '60s. But when they have to get a job, most jump off and get their hair cut. People are fickle, especially when their own money comes into the picture. And I'll put my own money on a hunch that most people our age are not as liberal as they claim. You wear a green shirt around here and you practically get gunned down from COBA (unless they mistake it for money-green).

and much more washed away within a few years. This will hit the mark with the conservative-moderate majority more so than calls to adopt radical lifestyles.

If this fails, there is always the option of wholesale trickery. Witness: "So I was playing golf with Reagan the other day and he says to me, 'You know, Bob, the most patriotic and God-fearing thing you can do is plant a tree. Yessir, that and sign petitions blocking careless development of new Wal-Marts, that's the only sure way to stop the communists.' I tell you, brother, that's the most heart-stirring thing I ever heard. I went right home and donated all my money to the Nature Conservancy, made my yard a forest, and helped elect a new congressman for the district who outlawed all further urban flight. You could just see the Red Tide a-rolling back." Or, "You hear what the Pope said yesterday? Clearcut logging is bad, really bad. Even cutting down trees to build a new church. He said, 'Sit in the woods and pray, instead. It's the only sure way to stop the communists.' From now on, I'll live in a house made from straw bales." Or, "So, I was playing a little pick-up game with Jordan the other day and he says, 'You know what, I won't play on any court made from tropical hardwoods, because tropical deforestation is one of the greatest threats we face,' as he dunked in my face. I'm dedicating my life to saving the rainforest."

Or, using computer techniques, Reagan, the Pope and Jordan could actually be made to say this on T.V. The influence on people would be enormous.

In a seemingly contradictory footnote, I'm all for Greenpeace foiling the whalers. Keep up the good work.

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■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Bengal Bouts: The Strong Fight for the Weak

1967: Old Field House, Notre Dame, Ind. Nappy. The McGrath Brothers. Varsity Football Players. The Banked Dirt Track. The Murals. Calisthenics. Sweat. The Ring. Boxing at Notre Dame.

"Strong bodies fight so that weak bodies are nourished."

It was obvious who the "strong bodies" were ... but we had no idea of the true impact of the Bengal Bouts on the "weak" ones.

Over the next three decades, I had the great fortune to help teach thousands of young men (and beginning last year, women), and at the same time be "taught" invaluable and unmatched lessons myself. I witnessed hundreds of the finest amateur boxing matches ever fought.

Like the night the two super heavyweight football players, Ken McAfee and Ross Browner, came out in Hawaiian swim trunks because our normal blue or gold trunks barely covered one leg! They went at it for three rounds, knocking each other down once each. I don't even remember who won. Just before that, Ross' brother, Jim Browner, had fought linebacker Doug Becker in one of the most exciting and toughest matches in the history of the Bengal Bouts! These two fights left the crowd of 10,000 people on their feet yelling and screaming.

Most importantly, I watched these young men with varying degrees of skill and stamina fight their hearts out ... leaving nothing in the ring. These participants have gone on to careers in medicine or business or law or social service, etc.

Outside of the ring, we heard and felt the influence of the Holy Cross Order on these Mission Bouts ... Father Tom Brennan and Father "Tuffy" Ryan ... Father Hesburgh and Father Joyce ... Father Ed Goedert and Father Jim Bannis ... and now Father Malloy, Father Bill Seech and many others.

As one of the primary supporters of the Holy Cross Mission in Bangladesh, we had heard from these and other visiting priests and brothers the impact of the Bengal Bout's contribution each year.

But,

To hear is to forget.
To see is to remember.
To do is know.

Now it was time "TO.SEE."

1997: Notre Dame College, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Journal Notes. A 42-hour trip. An all night train from Nizhni Novgorod to Moscow. Flew to London ... to Delhi ... to Dhaka. Picked up at the airport by Brother Rodney, one of the finest men I've met in my life, but terrible delusions of Bobby Rahal at the Indy 500! Literally, a sea of people: walking ... rickshaws ... "baby" taxis ... cars and trucks.

Arrived at the oasis of the walled complex of Notre Dame College ... and immediately felt the impact of the Holy Cross priests and brothers. Took a tour with Father Joe, the president of Notre Dame College, and felt his passion and commitment (reflected by everyone else) for the secondary school, the college, the seminary, the orphanage, the medical center and the trade school.

The mix of two cultures was obvious: two cows wandering on the "main quad" ... next to a basketball court and a three-wall handball court (created by the "remains" of an old building).

Sunday dinner was one of the highlights of my life. Thirteen Holy Cross priests and brothers sat and discussed Notre Dame, boxing, and their work in Bangladesh. Some were native priests educated and ordained at Notre Dame College ... many were Americans who had dedicated the majority of their life to helping the poor on the other side of the world.

Father George Pope, who had once been bayoneted in a village, had just returned (on his scooter) from his daily visit to the hospital. Father Dick Tim, a brilliant botanist/biologist who has spent the better part of his life in Bengal/Bangladesh, was the reigning champion handball player (played with a tennis ball and no gloves) Brother Rodney, from Wichita to Dhaka, now leaving his imprint on the world. Father Joe Levaie, the Newport, Rhode Island transplant, who ran the local parish, and helped out at one of Mother Teresa's orphanages.

Slept in Father Bannis's room (who happened to be back in the states as part of their two-months-every-three-years rotation) Concrete

floor ... shower head in the ceiling of the bathroom ... bookcases ... reading chair ... a desk ... a mosquito net and a fan ... a husk mattress.

Woke at 4:30 a.m. to a Moslem "prayer" being blasted from the local mosque. The speakers seemed to be aimed directly at my room!

Went to 5:30 a.m. mass with Brother Rodney, Father Steven and 50 first-year students. Another powerful and moving experience as the students sang and prayed.

Visited the trade school and met with Brother Tom ... lunched with Father Benjamin, the provincial at the Monroe House ... and visited St. Gregory's Church, St. Francis Kindergarten and School, and Mother Teresa's Orphanage with Father Joe and Brother Rodney.

(I was actually meeting those "children" our mothers told us about when we didn't eat all of our food.)

Walking through the bazaar area within the slum was an incredible attack on the senses: the smell of the food, the incense, the lack of any sewer facilities ... the sight of the stalls and the vehicles and the street urchins ... the sound of the people, laughter and the wailing from the mosques ... and the feel of both poverty and hope.

Thirty-six hours with the finest men on the face of the earth, and at 37,000 feet on my way back to Delhi, a verse from the Bengali poet, Rabindranath Tagore, came to mind: "This song that I came to sing remains unsung to this day. I have spent my days in stringing and unstringing my instrument ... There is only the agony of wishing in my heart."

I know one thing. Not one of these priests or brothers has left their song "unsung" ... and there is no "agony of wishing in their hearts." They are doing exactly what they want to do ... and what they were meant to do. They are bringing meaning to the lives of those less fortunate.

Jan. 13, 1998, Notre Dame, Ind.

It was time "TO DO."

THE NEED: The dedicated priests and brothers of the Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh use the current annual contribution from the Bengal Bouts to help run the Mission. Now there is an additional need for new buildings.

THE GOAL: The boxing club's goal this year is to generate \$40,000 from ticket sales, ads, and patrons/sponsors. (1996 was a record year with a check for \$23,000!)

What is the impact the proceeds from the Bouts have on the Mission? In Bangladesh currency, 43 taki equals one U.S. dollar. A haircut and a shave were the equivalent of 25 cents! A taxi ride was 75 cents.

Educating a seminarian was 1,700 taki or \$40 U.S. for a month! Feeding a family of five for one day was \$1.

I learned from Father Joe Pishota that the plans to replace the commissary/dining hall would cost around \$25,000 U.S. In fact, he can complete his new five-story college building with classrooms and a library for around \$200,000!

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP: Notre Dame is truly a "caring place," and here's another chance for you to give and to make an impact.

1. Participate! Stop by the boxing room and learn more about the men's and women's program.

2. Buy a ticket to the Bouts. (February 23, 26 and 27) In fact, buy lots of them.

3. Help sell tickets.

4. Take out an ad for your dorm, your club, your summer employer, or your dad's company.

5. Give money. Make an investment/contribution to the Bengal Bout Missions ... from yourself ... from a rich uncle ... a dotting grandparent ... or dad/mom's business. Drop the check by, in person, and see what the program is all about.

One of Notre Dame's most revered teachers, Frank O'Malley, is often quoted on his famous line about " ... blood on the bricks." Now, the occasional "blood on the canvas helps the 'strong bodies' nourish the weaker ones!"

Collectively, this year's group of boxers have done over one million push-ups ... two million sit-ups; and three million jumping jacks (in 40 days) to prepare themselves for the Bouts ... and help the Missions. Come out and do your part.

Tom Suddes

Participant and referee of the Bengal Bouts, and coach of the boxing program
February 20, 1998

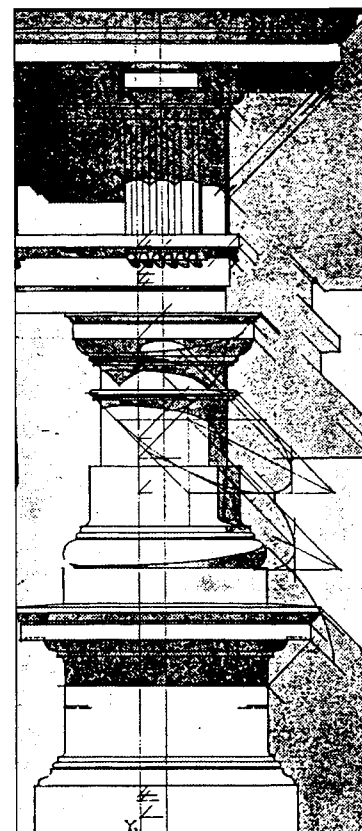
■ COLUMN OF REASON

Conference to Focus on Architecture

Editor's Note: This is an installment of a series written by students within the School of Architecture. These columns, under the byline Column of Reason, will deal with the built environment of Notre Dame, focusing in particular on recent additions and changes to our campus.

Jeremy Welsh

During this upcoming weekend, 23 architecture firms from around the country will be arriving at Notre Dame to give presentations of their work and, on Monday, to interview both graduating seniors as well as underclassmen looking for internships. Last year, nine firms came. This career symposium has been organized solely by students, most specifically Notre Dame's chapter of the American Institute of Architecture Students, in order to help place Notre Dame graduates at firms throughout the nation.



Although a majority of the firms employ Notre Dame graduates, that is not the only reason they are paying the University a visit.

Notre Dame graduates are being sought out by firms for their ability and knowledge — skills in drafting, perspective and watercolor rendering, sketching, and knowledge of proportion, sustainability of construction, and of the importance of precedent.

Although the firms that are coming this upcoming weekend are all from the United States, Notre Dame graduates have been employed by firms in Europe, including a number in London. Graduates have also been employed by the prestigious Prince of Wales Institute in England as instructors.

In our own country, alumni are employed coast to coast, from San Francisco to New York City. Two graduates even have been involved with the designing and construction of the new bookstore and visitors' center with The S/L/A/M Collaborative, a firm from Connecticut.

Much of the success of recent graduates can be attributed to the quality of education that is being taught at the University. This education, as you may know, is centered around traditional architecture, specifically Western classicism. Notre Dame first began to focus on this architecture nine years ago, when Professor Thomas Gordon Smith became chairman. The 1997-98 school year is the last year for Chairman Smith's term. I trust that the University will realize the importance of the education we are receiving here in Bond Hall and will strive to choose a new chairman to carry on this tradition.

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Welcome To the Lenten Season

By NORA MEANY
Saint Mary's Accent Editor

I noticed an interesting shift in the campus population between Notre Dame and Saint Mary's in the past week. Massive caravans of students headed out of town for a holiday of crowded partying and gluttonous dubachery in New Orleans. In the absence of Bridget's, it is easy to see why such a release is needed. However, one must question the motivation for such a mass exodus from the grey of South Bend, to the flesh and beads of the general south. Mardi Gras time was upon us.

And now, as many green-faced students head back home, the aftermath must be dealt with as well. The party is over. Fat Tuesday has passed. The Catholics of the community must reconcile with the ghosts of their faith in this, the holiest time of the year.

It's Lent. Can you smell the repentance in the air?

It's easy to find the telltale signs of the Easter season on the campus, if you take the time to observe. Walk into the dining halls on an average Friday, and you'll notice the absence of meat (if you'd like to call it that), replaced by fish and every cheese-based item imaginable. The bacon bits in the salad bar, I'm told, do not even escape the eager eye of the dining hall staffers paid to protect our souls. For one day a week, the shadow of the fast falls upon both campuses.

Likewise, ashes might strangely appear on the foreheads of Catholics everywhere. This is not a nod to fading hygiene standards, but rather a profession of faith in symbol of Ash Wednesday ... That's today, by the way, for all of those who just woke up. However, it is a one-shot deal. Tomorrow will not be Ash Thursday.

Not to confuse you, but this is another day of fasting on the Catholic calendar. So if you are reading this in the dining hall, you may want to take a quick peek around to prepare you for what is in store for the next few weeks. However, don't panic. After Ash Wednesday, the cycle is a once a week thing until Holy Thursday. But that's a few weeks off, so I won't crowd your head with premature information.

Another way you can tell it is Lent is by the self-denial, known as a sacrifice, in gratitude to Jesus for all He gave up for us. Although He died on the cross for the sins of humanity, Lent sacrificing is a trait familiar mainly with the Catholics.

Giving up something for Lent serves many purposes. It is a prime way to profess love and gratitude to Jesus and God, and is also an excellent conversation starter during a bland night, or possibly a getting-to-know-you device with the hottie you've been eyeing in class.

However, the sad soul to professes that he or she will give up some controversial habit (such as showering) should be approached with caution in the coming weeks.

Likewise, your Lent sacrifices can give you valuable insights into your own personality. If you cannot say aloud what you are giving up for Easter without weeping openly, sweating, shaking or laughing uncontrollably, maybe you should look within to uncover further problems that might be at hand. The fact that a person cannot physically go four weeks without an outside substance or influence speaks volumes in itself.

I asked a few people what they are giving up for Lent, and the answers were mostly run-of-the-mill. Some opted to forgo cookies or Wolfies, citing a love that would justify the religious sacrifice.

Others gave the tongue-in-cheek response expected when questioned point blank. "I'm going to give up crack," was a popular answer. "Sex" ranked high up on the list as well. Even the knee-slapping, "I'm giving up being Catholic for Lent" was heard more than once. But these humorous replies only highlighted the fact that the Lenten sacrifice only held meaning if it included something given up that was otherwise part of one's normal routine.

One answer, in particular, warmed my heart. A friend of mine gave the answer that she was not going to go the way of the masses and deny herself a guilty, mundane daily pleasure. Rather, she was planning to make a concerted effort to be nicer to other people. This was touching.

The above comment brought to my attention the flipside to the Lenten sacrifice argument. You don't necessarily have to "give up" something for Lent, but can consciously add a positive habit to your daily routine as well. Trying to make your bed every day, being nice to the roommates, and not gossiping are three ideas for a rule-breaking spin on the Easter tradition. For those salmon in the group that choose to swim up the proverbial stream instead of following the current, I wholly endorse such a practice.

Thumbs up for the girl or guy who adds saying a rosary daily for their Lenten sacrifice, along with the individual who nixes chocolate as well. Each sacrifice, if followed consistently and attempted in earnest, should be applauded.



"What are you giving up for Lent?" is to an extent a loaded question. Not only do you find out the religion of said individual by how they respond, but their social, hygienic and economic habits as well. For example, the person who answers the question saying that they are giving up an accepted substance for the 40 days (chocolate, pizza, cigarettes, alcohol) are reasonable enough to further a conversation with.

By ARWEN DICKEY
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David's song is played on the radio. Noah and Donna are making out when the song comes on, and Noah gets mad when Donna wants to listen. Donna calls David to congratulate him and Valerie gets upset. Val tells Noah he should worry about David and Donna but David tells Noah he has nothing to worry about.

David and Donna go to the mall to buy a stereo for Noah and hide when they see Valerie because it is easier than having to explain. David and Donna get in a car accident in which Donna hurts her back and starts to take addictive painkillers. David and Donna show up together at the After Dark and Valerie and Noah are angry and don't believe their story which is the truth. Noah gets totally bombed and yells at Donna.

Noah's half brother, Josh enters the picture. Noah hates him but decides to talk to him. Josh wants Noah to be his best man in a wedding where Josh doesn't want to marry the girl. Josh tells Noah that everything he hated Noah for was everything he wanted to be.

Valerie vents to Josh about her relationship problems. Josh pours Val a glass of wine and then knocks her purse off the bar so Valerie has to pick it up and he can put drugs into her wine. Much to Josh's displeasure, Noah and Valerie decide that they are too drunk to go home and go upstairs in the After Dark and kiss. Valerie wakes up naked the next morning and Noah tells her that "this never happened." David comes to the After Dark and sees Valerie is not feeling well. He takes her to the hospital and the doctor suspects that she was given roofies, or the date rape drug. Valerie doesn't remember consenting or actually having sex. The doctor says they will test for the drug and take forensic evidence.

Noah and Donna make up at the boat. Josh comes over and asks Noah about Valerie and tells Noah that Donna won't find out about it from him. Then David and Valerie show up. While David tries to attack Noah, Valerie accuses Noah of raping her.

Brandon and Steve are upset because they have no dates for Valentine's Day. Steve gets set up with three different girls and doesn't like any of them. Then he meets a mystery woman who uses him to get away from her date and then leaves. Later Steve gets pulled over by a police officer who turns out to be the mystery woman. She lets Steve off with her number and a warning.

Brandon also gets set up for Valentine's Day but stays home to leave messages on Kelly's machine. Kelly is off with Jeff at a hotel where they plan to sleep together for the first time. Kelly says she can't sleep with Jeff because she is in love with someone else. Kelly goes to Brandon's house and tells Brandon she loves him. Brandon tells her that he will never cheat on her again and Kelly says she knows that he won't.

TONIGHT: Noah claims that he didn't rape Valerie. Noah admits to Donna that he did have sex with Valerie. David and Steve are fighting because Steve doesn't believe Valerie. Brandon asks how anyone could make up a story like that and Kelly says that people are capable of anything. Valerie tells Noah that there is going to be a civil trial and she wants \$10 million in damages.

party of five

Charlie asks Kirstin to take Claudia and Owen if he dies because Julia and Bailey are too young to be ultimately in charge. Julia and Bailey get upset at this. Kirstin talks to Paul about taking the kids but he says he doesn't want children of his own and won't agree to caring for Claudia and Owen.

The Salinger home is a total wreck. The secretary from Claudia's school left messages about Claudia missing school so Julia and Bailey hear it. They catch Claudia at home and yell at her but she just gives them attitude. Julia and Bailey decide to not tell Charlie. Julia and Bailey are supposed to talk with the office about Claudia's behavior but neither of them can make it and nobody shows up which makes Claudia even more upset. When they finally meet with the counselor, on a day that Claudia is not in school again, she says that Charlie should be there since he is the guardian. Julia and Bailey have to explain that Charlie is in the hospital and has cancer.

A man from the Child Protective Services come to the Salinger home where Claudia is taking care of Owen. The man asks if Claudia could get a hold of Julia in case of an emergency but Claudia can't because Julia works temp jobs. He takes Claudia and Owen with him. Bailey, Julia and Kirstin go to Child Protective Services where they are told that it needs to be determined if Claudia and Owen are getting proper care and give temporary custody to Kirstin. Charlie is very upset and wants to go to Child Protective Services but he is still in the hospital and running a fever. Charlie yells at Julia and Bailey and says that they can't even handle the kids for two weeks.

CPS says that they think the kids are being neglected and that Bailey and Julia are in way over their heads. Claudia is not capable of taking care of Owen and they are one step away from disaster so the kids may be given to someone else. Charlie yells at Claudia for her behavior. Claudia tells Julia that everyone has someone except her — Julia has Griffin and Bailey has Annie. Julia gets Griffin and they go to CPS together and try to convince the guy that they can take care of the kids. Julia agrees to get a job where she will be home when Claudia and Owen get home from school. Griffin says he makes enough money to do that. Julia says she is not thinking about college and that they are in it long term and Griffin agrees. The kids get to come back home and Charlie agrees to let Julia and Griffin be in charge of them. Charlie gets discharged from the hospital. Charlie, Julia and Bailey pick up Owen and Claudia at Kirstin's.

In the meantime, Griffin is getting seduced at work. Rosalie from the bike shop has got her sights set on Griffin. They eat lunch together and Griffin does a big favor for her. Rosalie kisses Griffin but he stops her and tells her that he is married. Rosalie gets upset when Julia shows up at the bike shop.

TONIGHT: Julia is in class for Bailey and even uses his name. Griffin tells Rosalie that he can't do it but then grabs Rosalie and kisses her anyway. Annie gets really drunk and tries to get Bailey to drink also.

■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Illinois eyeing Big Ten title

Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — At least Bob Knight didn't have to stick around to see the finish.

Kevin Turner, Jarrod Gee and Matt Heldman each scored 16 points Tuesday night as No. 22 Illinois beat Indiana 82-72, giving the Hoosiers a second straight double-digit loss for the first time in eight years.

Knight was ejected in the second half after picking up his second and third technical fouls of the game and later called the officiating "the greatest travesty" he had ever seen as a coach.

Illinois (21-8, 13-3 Big Ten) can tie Michigan State for the conference regular-season championship if Purdue beats the Spartans on Sunday. Indiana (18-9, 9-6), whose 112-64 loss at Michigan on Sunday was its second-worst in Knight's 27 years, finishes at Iowa on Saturday.

Indiana rallied from 17

points down to get within 54-44 before Luke Recker was knocked hard to the floor, starting a chain of events that sent Knight to the locker room with 9:37 to go.

Knight, who already had received a technical foul in the first half, protested right away that Recker's shot should have counted as a basket because of goaltending. Then, when he walked on the court to check on Recker, who was still lying on the floor, he was given a second technical, and an automatic ejection, by referee Ted Valentine.

Knight then flew into a rage and received a third technical. He started to leave the floor, then turned and started walking toward Valentine as if he was going to say something. He walked very close to Valentine but didn't say a word as he went by. Knight kicked something as he left the floor and headed to the runway.

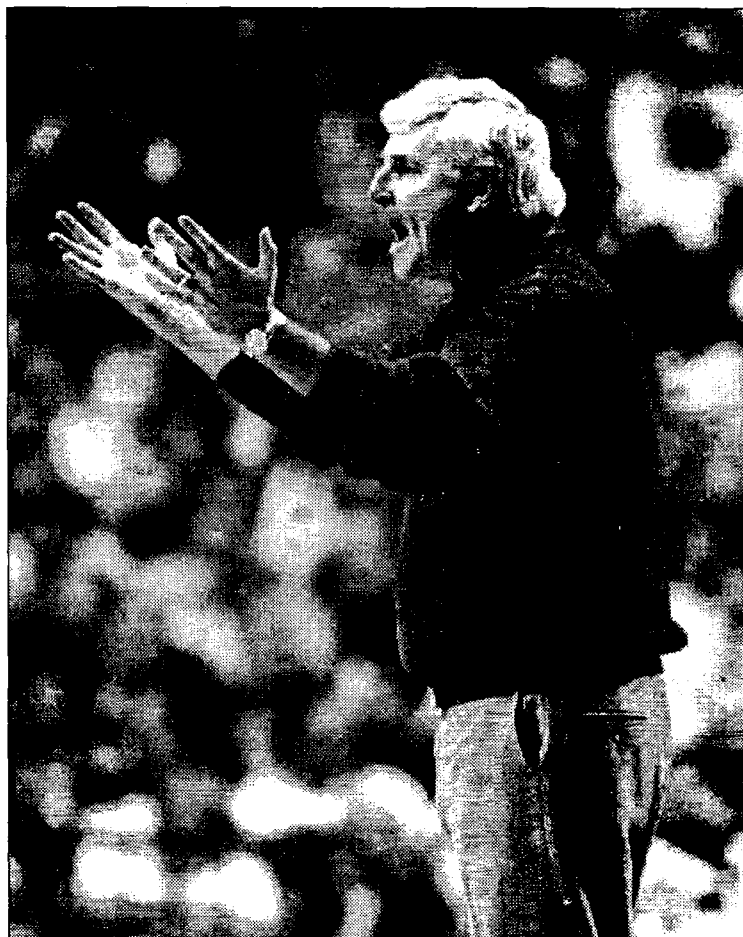
Michael Lewis hit two free throws in place of Recker,

who had left the game, but Heldman hit three of four on the technicals against Knight. Turner added another free throw seconds later, and Heldman followed with a basket as Illinois pushed the lead to 61-46.

Three-pointers by Lewis and A.J. Guyton, who led Indiana with 25 points, helped pull the Hoosiers within 77-70 before Illinois got its final five points on free throws in the last minute.

Illinois, which beat Indiana by two points at Champaign at the start of the conference season, trailed 8-3 with four turnovers in the first four minutes. The Illini caught the Hoosiers midway through the period, then built a seven-point lead as Indiana managed only one field goal over a seven-minute span.

The Hoosiers pulled within three on two free throws by Charlie Miller and two more free throws by Larry Richardson on the same possession after a flagrant foul.



Courtesy of Indiana Sports Information
Indiana head coach Bobby Knight was ejected in the second half of last night's game against Illinois after receiving three technical fouls.

■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Johnson unhappy with contract talks

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Randy Johnson, still angry at the Seattle Mariners, says the team's refusal to extend his contract "is like me telling my wife I want a divorce and not leaving."

"I have no reason to think I'll end my career here," the Los Angeles Times quoted Johnson as saying in a story published Tuesday. "It's over and done with. They told me they have no intention of giving me an extension."

"I'm here. I'll do my job to the best of my ability. But if I'm not here, it's not because of something I've done. I have all the reasons to want to stay in Seattle. My wife's family is from there, the fans have been great. I don't want to be traded. I'm just disappointed with everything that's happened

here."

Seattle said during in November it wouldn't discuss a new contract for Johnson, who will get \$6 million in 1998 and becomes eligible for free agency after the season. The Mariners discussed trading the 6-foot-10 left-hander but didn't find an offer they liked.

"It seems like every spring, they've talked about trading me," he said. "How's that going to make me feel? I have legitimate reasons to be upset, but I'm trying to be the bigger man here. I'm a professional. I've worked hard to get back to this level after back surgery (in 1996). I have a lot of respect from my peers, and I'm not going to jeopardize that by not showing up for camp, because that would only hinder my performance during the season."

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■ SOFTBALL

Team off to a slow start

By JASON DEANGELIS and
PAUL DIAMANTOPOULOS
Sports Writers

The Notre Dame softball team began the season on a rough note this past weekend losing four of five games in the Gladstones Tournament in Tampa, Fla.

On Friday night, the Irish

fell to the host Bulls of South Florida, 3-1. The 10th-ranked Bulls paved their way to victory with a three-run, three-hit third inning that knocked starting Irish pitcher Angela Bessolo out of the contest.

The Irish attempted a late comeback, scoring a run in the ninth, but in the end fell short.

However, the night was not a complete loss as the squad posted a 7-2 upset victory over ninth-ranked Kansas.

The Irish capitalized on two Jayhawk errors to jump out to a quick 3-0 lead in the top of the first. The Irish clung to that same margin until the sixth when they tacked on three insurance runs to secure the 7-2 final.

Senior right-handed pitcher Kelly Nichols recorded her first victory of the 1998 campaign by shutting out the Jayhawks for five innings and allowing just two hits.

Saturday night the team struggled through two disappointing defeats at the hands of the Auburn Tigers and Depaul Blue Demons. Squandered opportunities proved to be the deciding factor in the Auburn contest, as the Irish left eight runners on base including six in scoring position.

The Tigers, on the other hand, took full advantage of their only scoring threat by converting four hits into four runs in the fifth.

Despite adding only one more hit in the contest, the Tigers were able to hold off the Irish. The Irish scored two runs in the top of the seventh, but fell 4-2.

In the nightcap, the 24th-ranked Blue Demons needed nine innings to put Notre Dame away 5-4. After falling behind 2-0 in the top of the second, the Irish mounted a late seventh inning rally. Junior left fielder Amy Laboe delivered a two run single to center with one out in the seventh to tie the score.

After a scoreless eighth, the Blue Demons posted three



Courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information

Pitcher Angela Bessolo took the loss in Friday night's contest against tenth-ranked South Florida.

runs in the top half of the ninth inning, which proved too much to overcome for the Irish who managed only two runs in the bottom frame.

After posting a 1-3 record in the round robin portion of the tournament the Irish were seeded fourth for bracket play on Sunday. Notre Dame drew

Kansas in its first game and lost a squeaker in extra innings.

The Jayhawks avenged Friday night's loss to the Irish by knocking them out of the tournament. The team will attempt to improve in this weekend's NFCA Leadoff Classic.



Courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information

Captain Kelly Rowe looks to drive in some runs for the Irish and improve on last year's .262 average.

■ WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Sales becomes UConn's all-time leading scorer

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

Nykesha Sales limped into Connecticut's record book.

The senior forward for the second-ranked Huskies saw her career end Saturday when she ruptured her Achilles' tendon against Notre Dame.

But on Tuesday night, she was allowed to score against Villanova and those two points

moved her past Kerry Bascom into first place on the school's career scoring list.

In a deal pre-arranged by the coaches, Sales, who was wearing a large brace from her foot to just under her knee, was allowed to score off the game's opening tap when Villanova lined all five of its players in its offensive end of the floor.

After Sales scored the 2,177th and 2,178th points of her

career, she was met by her teammates at midcourt, while receiving a standing ovation from the crowd.

Connecticut called a timeout to get her out of the game and when the timeout ended, the Huskies stayed in their huddle to let Villanova score and tie the game.

Bascom played for Connecticut from 1988-1991.

Sales needed 29 points enter-

ing Saturday's game to get the record and she had 27 when she went down with 9:48 left in the victory over Notre Dame.

She she was honored in a senior ceremony before the game and the win clinched the Big East regular-season title for the Huskies.

Sales is expected to have surgery on her right foot sometime next week. Team doctors said normal recovery is from

four to six months.

As a freshman, Sales played on the team that finished 35-0 and won the national championship with a 70-64 win over Tennessee.

In every year since, the Huskies have been Big East regular-season champs and played in the NCAA tournament, reaching the Final Four again her sophomore year and losing last year in the regional finals.

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■ BASEBALL

Irish set to take on Central Michigan in home opener

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Editor-in-Chief

Thanks to a last-minute addition to the schedule, the baseball squad will have a chance to put last weekend's debacle in Florida behind it earlier than expected.

The Irish (2-6) will play their home opener at 4 p.m. today against Central Michigan in a game that was added to the schedule Monday. A forecast of dry weather, and the fact that the Irish's Feb. 15 game at the University of New Orleans was rained out, prompted the addition, head coach Paul Mainieri said.

After giving up 62 runs on 58 hits and 22 walks in a three-game series against the Miami

Hurricanes, the team sees the extra game as an opportunity to get some extra playing time,

weekend, Mainieri said.

"Every time Aaron goes to the mound, he has shown he can compete," Mainieri said. "He's shown that he can throw strikes."

Heilman's appearance as a starter is part of the general experimenting that occurs at the beginning of the season, Mainieri said.

"Aaron's a big guy at 6-foot-4 and 200 pounds. He's got a strong arm, he can throw his fastball in the high 80s [miles per hour], and he's got good movement on his fast-

ball," Mainieri said. "If he throws a good game, he could return to the rotation."

Notre Dame defeated Central Michigan 14-9 last season, thanks in part to six RBIs by catcher Jeff Wagner.

In the Hurricanes' three-game sweep of the Irish, poor pitching control and a lack of clutch hitting hurt Notre Dame severely. But more than anything, according to Mainieri, the Irish simply played a team that has been clicking on all cylinders.

"We just ran into a buzzsaw," he said. "We went up against one of the best hitting teams that I've ever seen. They've gone from being a speed team to being a group of guys that can hit the ball out of the park."

In Saturday's 27-2 loss, the Irish surrendered 15 of the runs on six home runs. But such offensive fireworks have been the rule rather than the exception for Miami this season. In 12 games, the seventh-ranked Hurricanes have mus-



Mainieri added.

"Our players are excited to go back out and put this weekend behind them," he said.

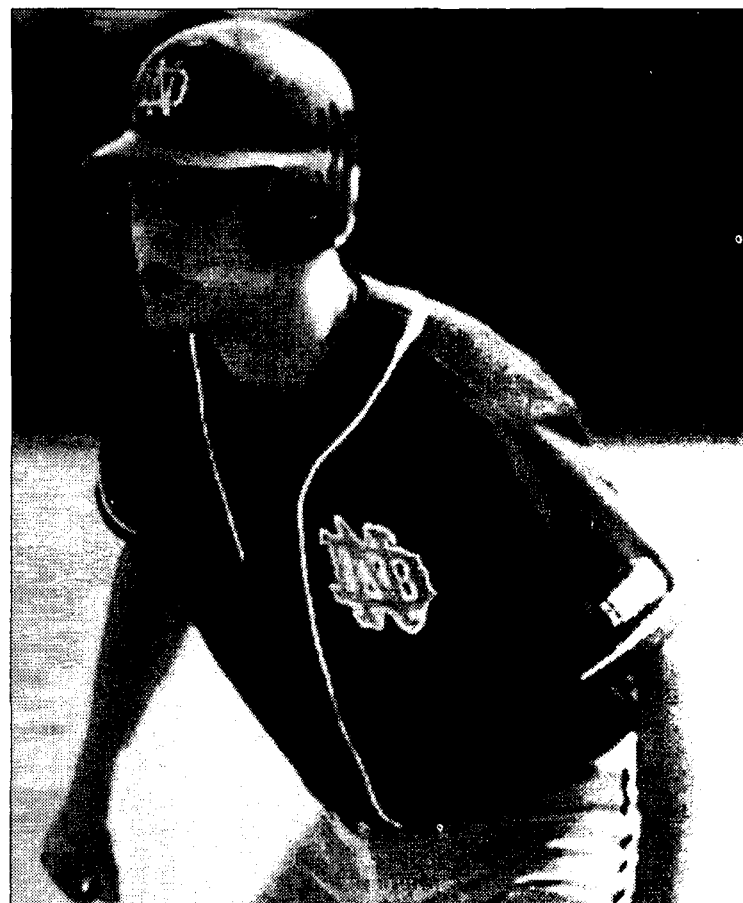
"Basically we're looking at this game as another chance to play."

Freshman right hander Aaron Heilman will make his first career start in today's game. Pitching in relief, Heilman has struck out eight and walked one while compiling a 1.08 earned run average.

The 8-to-1 strikeout-to-walk ratio represents the type of control the Irish need from their pitchers, especially after giving up 22 walks over the



Courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information
Junior catcher Jeff Wagner drove in six runs in last year's game with Central Michigan.



Courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information

Sophomore all-American and last year's Big East rookie of the year Brant Ust will get the start at third base for the Irish.

led 32 home runs.

The margin of defeat was the worst for the Irish since a 25-0 loss to Illinois in 1950.

Mainieri said he is confident that the team will bounce back for today's game, but added that it needs to be more aggressive, both in pitching and in hitting.

"Our hitters have to attack more, rather than being passive at the plate," Mainieri said of a squad that batted a collective

.222 over the weekend, including .222 when there were two outs. "That's going to be a point to focus on."

"Our pitchers haven't been aggressive enough [either]," he said. "Miami had the best hitting team that I've ever seen, and I think our pitchers tried too much to nibble at the corners. When you do that too much, you're bound to walk people."

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■ NBA

Warriors down the Knicks on their homecourt, 87-82

Associated Press

NEW YORK

The Golden State Warriors became the first Western Conference team to win at

Madison Square Garden this season, stunning the New York Knicks 87-82 Tuesday night.

It was just the fourth road win and 12th victory overall for the Warriors, who got a good

bounce for a key offensive rebound with 15 seconds left after receiving an amazing shot from Muggsy Bogues with 90 seconds left.

Bogues, with the shot clock

running out, hit a lunging, off-balance left-handed hook shot from 14 feet away to give Golden State a 83-78 lead.

After the Knicks pulled within three, Donyell Marshall missed a 22-footer as the shot clock wound down. But the ball bounced into the corner and was retrieved by Clarence Weatherspoon, setting up two free throws by Bogues that clinched it with 12.7 seconds left.

Marshall had 19 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Warriors, who entered the game 0-8 on the road against Eastern Conference teams.

Allan Houston scored 25 for New York, which had won all seven of its previous home games against teams from the West.

The loss for the Knicks, who suffered from poor shot selection and weak interior defense, undid much of the good karma that had emerged as the team won six of seven games since the All-Star break.

After being booed off the court following a 30-point first half, the Knicks came out and

hit seven of their first 10 shots in the third quarter.

Heat 104, Jazz 102

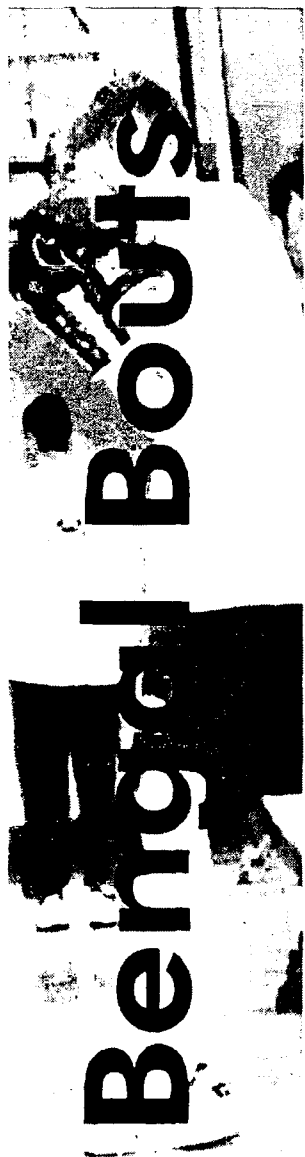
SALT LAKE CITY

Tim Hardaway had four points and an assist in the final 48 seconds as the Miami Heat fought off the Utah Jazz and won their eighth straight road game, 104-102 on Tuesday night.

Utah missed two shots in the final five seconds that could have tied or won the game. Karl Malone missed an open jumper with five seconds left and after Voshon Lenard missed two free throws for Miami, John Stockton's desperation 3-pointer from midcourt fell short.

Lenard and Alonzo Mourning had 20 points apiece to lead the Heat, who won their season-best seventh straight game. Utah had its seven-game winning streak snapped and lost for just the fifth time at home this season.

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tle more in practice everyday and Wednesday I'm going to see some minutes to just more or less to get my feet wet," Friel said.

Friel's absence has been sustained due to complications with the thigh injury that caused swelling to spread to his knee.

Notre Dame has been desperately lacking an offensive spark the last several weeks as Naismith Award finalist Pat Garrity has been forced to carry the load.

"I'll see some action against Georgetown, maybe when we need a basket," Friel said. "Hopefully by the Big East tournament I'll be ready to go and hopefully we can get back in form like we were at St. John's."

Most of Notre Dame's games in recent weeks have come down to the final minutes as the undermanned squad has come close to Miami twice and top-10 opponent Connecticut.

"Obviously it's been frustrating," Friel said. "After we beat St. John's, I think we were peaking at the right time and we felt that we could win the next two road games at Rutgers and Georgetown."

"We were .500 in the league at that time and we were thinking maybe NAAs then, but we had a real tough road

trip."

With the danger of a losing season very real, the Irish need some kind of spark on offense.

"We've struggled offensively but we've been in most of the games which is a credit to the guys working hard," Friel said. "But we haven't been able to get over the edge offensively. We know we have to win these last couple of games."

A factor that could be in their favor is that these two games are more important to the Irish than they are to Georgetown or Providence. But the outcome of these games, and the season will rest on the shoulders of Garrity's supporting cast of Antoni Wyche, Phil Hickey, and Martin Ingelsby.

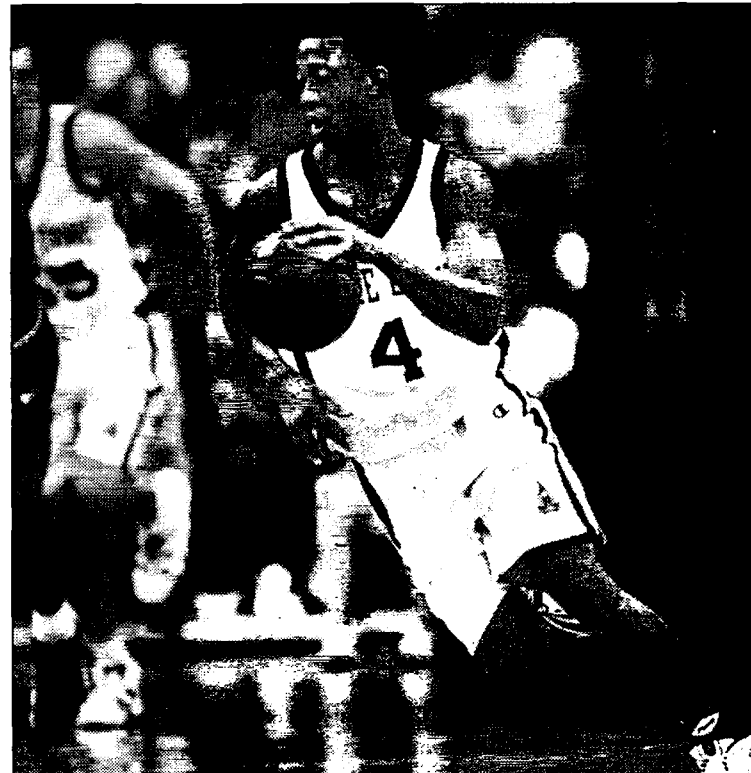
"Offensively everyone seems to have been hesitant and that has been a problem this whole month," Friel said. "We need to have some guys stepping up otherwise games will be ending up like we have been; los-

ing a lot of close games and that just doesn't get it done. I think we all know that and we're just looking for that guy to step up on a consistent basis and hopefully get us over the top so we can get these wins."

Last season the Blue and Gold found themselves in a similar predicament as they earned a NIT bid with a 14-13 record after the Big East Tournament. But the squad will have to play like it did in January when the Irish knocked off three NCAA Tournament teams.

"Hopefully we can get that chemistry going like we had in January and move it into the Big East Tournament," Friel said.

"We feel like anything can happen, we've already proven that. We won in probably the toughest environment in the conference and at the tournament it's going to be no different from that and we feel we're capable of pulling off anything."



The Observer/John Daily
With Keith Friel questionable for tonight's contest with Georgetown, the Irish will look for offensive production from Antoni Wyche.

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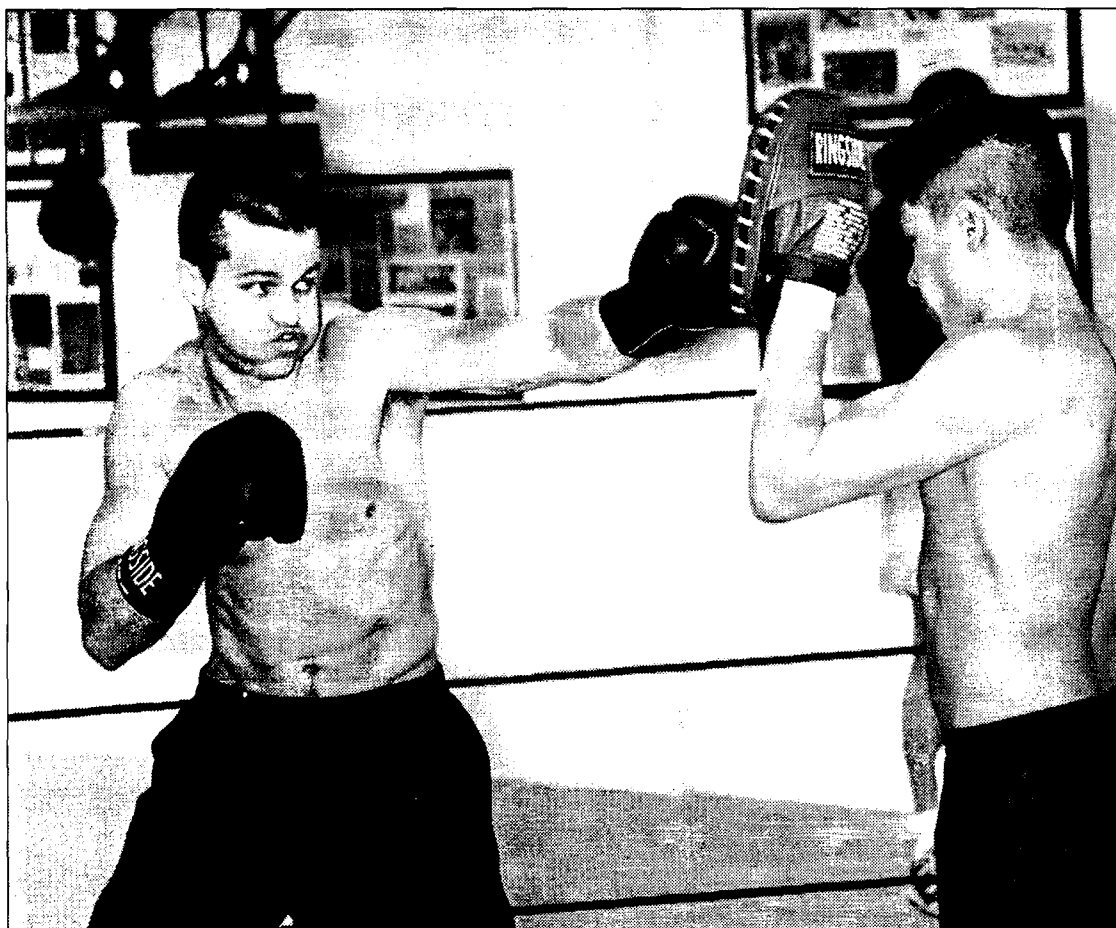
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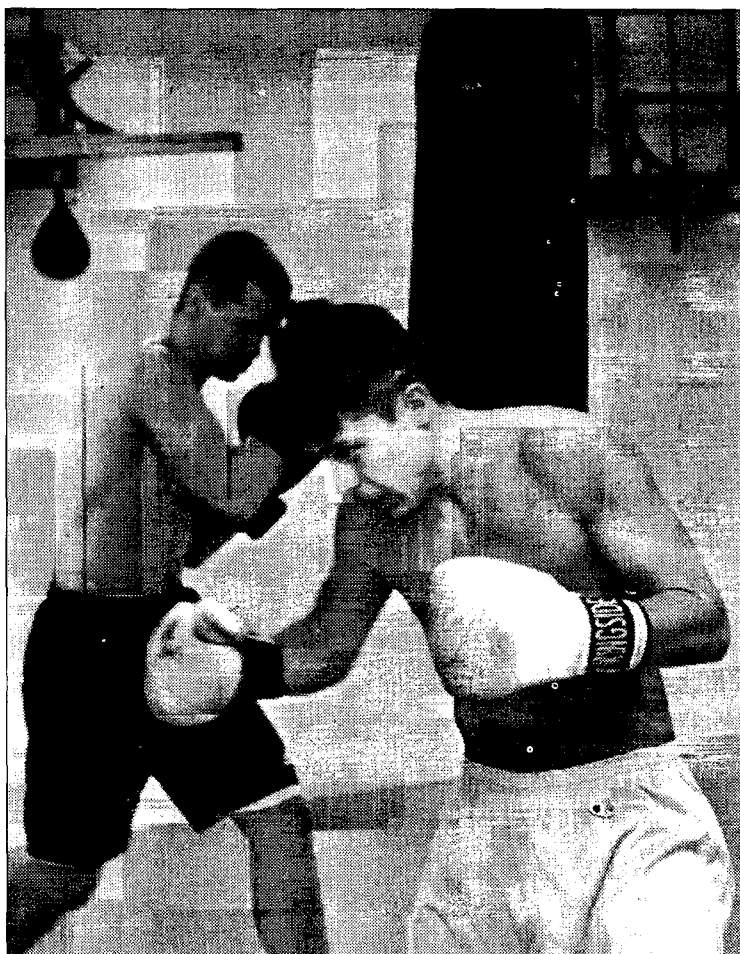
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After finishing runner-up to Will a year ago, Molina (front) appears to be on a crash course to face Will again in the finals.

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"I feel some pressure to win this year, but over the years I feel that I have matured a lot as far as my outlook," Molina commented. "I would love to win, but if I don't, looking back at the experience, the camaraderie, and just knowing that I

was part of the tradition will definitely be enough for me."

Rans brings his own unique talents and personality to the club. He serves as Bengal Bout president, and his fellow boxers recognize his importance.

"Ryan brings leadership and a whole lot of organization to the club," Molina said. "He does a lot of the paperwork, and without him, the advertisement and ticket sales would not have

been nearly as successful."

Rans, like Molina, was introduced to boxing before he arrived at Notre Dame. Living in nearby Granger, he got to see the fights and all that surrounds the Bouts.

"I lived nearby during high school, and was able to see the fights then," Rans commented. "As soon as I got here and got involved with the program, I loved it. I was unable to compete freshman year, but I have competed every year since."

During his freshman year, he ruptured his spleen and the surgery kept him out of the tournament. Sophomore year he lost to past champion Chris Sikora and last year he was defeated by the legendary John Christoforetti in the finals.

Rans recognizes Christoforetti along with other boxers he has met through the club as his inspiration.

"Christoforetti and Jeff Goddard have really helped me over the past few years," Rans said. "They are the kind of guys you meet and think 'wow'. They are both amazing individuals and tremendous boxers."

Rans realizes that he has shortcomings as a fighter, but his hard work and dedication more than make up for these shortcomings. He, like Molina, shows up two hours before each practice to get in shape and fine tune his technique.

These skills will be put to the test this year. In his next fight, he faces Rob Alter. It will be a tough fight, but Rans hopes to return to the finals.

Rans and Molina truly epitomize the spirit behind Bengal Bouts. One could even argue that with the dedication they put forth every day, they fit the mold for a modern-day Jedi knight.

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■ 125 TO 140-POUND WEIGHT CLASSES

Intensity builds for tonight's semifinals

By BETSY BAKER
Associate Sports Editor

The number of fighters is getting smaller while the intensity is growing as the semifinals of the 68th annual Bengal Bouts are set to take place tonight.

There were no upsets in the 125- to 140-pound weight classes in the quarterfinals on Monday night, but that change appears inevitable as the action intensifies tonight.

In the 125-pound class, sophomore Patrick O'Shaughnessy is looking to upset top-seeded Matt Peacock in one of the semifinals, as Brian Rigney will battle David Frick in the other.

O'Shaughnessy was the only fighter in action in the 125-pound class on Monday, as he defeated Nicolas Schnabel with a unanimous decision.

O'Shaughnessy has his work

cut out for him against the left-handed Peacock, but he hopes his height advantage will provide a more balanced fight.

"He's a lefty, so it's going to be something I haven't faced, but I have the longer reach," O'Shaughnessy said. "I'm going to have to look out for him getting close to my body and throwing a lot of punches inside."

The first-year fighter also knows the challenge he has going up against the more-experienced Peacock, but maintains a good attitude about stepping into the ring in the semis.

"To me, it's a victory to just get in the ring," O'Shaughnessy explained. "I'm happy with my performance on Monday, so I'm just hoping to get in and have another good fight."

In the 130-pound division,

No. 1 seed David "the prancing pixie" Seerveld is taking a bit more of a flippant approach against his opponent, freshman Matt Altman. As his name indicates, Seerveld commented of his strategy, "I'm planning on prancing and sprinkling pixie dust all over the ring. I'm going to enter the ring with a smile on my face and music in my heart."

While Seerveld's approach remains unique at best for a fighter, he feels his name and strategy could give him the extra edge needed to make it to the finals.

"The wimpier my nickname, the better I fight, so I figure I'm a shoe-in," he added.

Still, Altman looked tenacious in his first fight against Daniel Gallegos on Monday, using a relentless jab to gain him a split decision.

In the other 130-pound semifinal, Martin Garry will look to upset the No. 2 seed Jeremy Leatherby.

The 135-pound semifinal will determine whether or not the crowd will get to see one of the most highly-anticipated fights in this year's bouts — Tommy Will against Lucas Molina — or whether underdogs Camilo Rueda and Matthew McBurney can put a wrench into that plan.

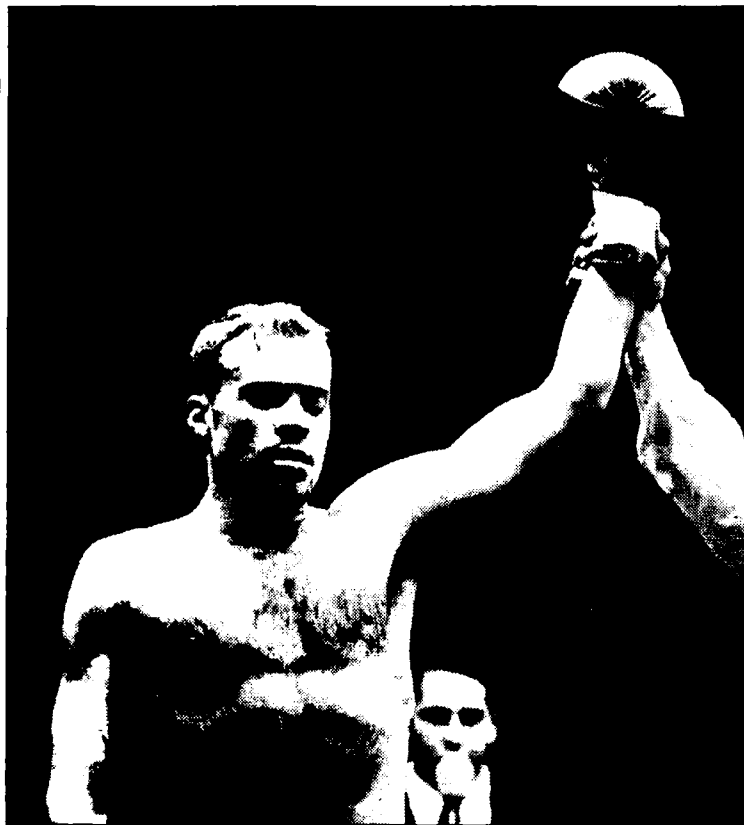
Rueda will face reigning champion Tommy Will, while McBurney will go up against Lucas Molina.

Both Rueda and McBurney have been highly touted by their returning finalist opponents, but don't expect Will or Molina to take for granted the potential match ahead of them.

The one advantage that Rueda and McBurney boast is a match under their belts, as both advanced past the quarterfinals on unanimous deci-

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Matt Peacock vs. Patrick O'Shaughnessy	Chip Farnel vs. Timothy DeFors
Brian Rigney vs. David Frick	John DeSplinter vs. Thomas Biolchini
David Seerveld vs. Matthew Altman	Richard Molloy vs. Dave Remick
Martin Garry vs. Jeremy Leatherby	Robert Miyakawa vs. James Sur
Tom Will vs. Camilo Rueda	Ryan Rans vs. Robert Alter
Matthew McBurney vs. Lucas Molina	Travis Alexander vs. Norm Beznoska
Sean Sharpe vs. Michael Valle	Brian Gaffney vs. Keith Parendo
Thomas Cronley vs. Michael Maguire	Brian Hobbins vs. Chris Dobranski
J.R. Mellin vs. David Bann	Mike Romanchek vs. Kyle Smith
Dennis Joyce vs. David	Joey Leniski vs. Daniel Prince
Fred Kelly vs. Jeevan Subbiah	Dave Butz vs. Matthew Lubbers
Tom Owens vs. Stefan Molina	Timothy Neagle vs. Andrew Hebert
Michael LaDuke vs. Jeffery Dobosh	Dave Monahan vs. Andrew Riederer
David Wiltse vs. Adrian Cardona	Michael Romero vs. Peter Ryan



Senior captain Sean Sharpe is a heavy favorite in tonight's bout against No. 4 seed Mike Valle.

sions.

The 140-pound division will be represented by a member of each class as each member brings an element of either youth, strength, speed, or experience to his fight.

The first semifinal in the class will be youth versus experience with a little strength and speed from both sides as freshman Mike Valle takes on senior captain Sean Sharpe.

Valle defeated junior Sean Perkins in one of the bloodiest fights of the quarterfinals as the two went at each other's jaws for three straight rounds. Valle can count on the fact that the experienced Sharpe will keep himself better protected against the ambitious rookie, presenting the possibility of a more defensive effort.

"Basically, I was pretty sore

today," Valle said Tuesday, a day after his quarterfinal bout. "But I'm expecting to feel better tomorrow."

"Sharpe's a little taller than me, so his reach is good, and I'm going to have to stick to basics and stay in control."

Valle remains happy to be fighting in the semifinals, especially against a seasoned fighter like Sharpe, but isn't taking anything for granted.

"I was just glad to get through the first fight, but at the same time it's still the semis and I don't want to waste the opportunity," Valle continued.

"I don't want to look back and regret not doing something, or wishing I had done something differently."

In the other 140-pound semi, junior Tom Cronley will take on sophomore Mike McGuire.

■ 145 TO 155-POUND WEIGHT CLASSES

Fighters start to 'get serious'

By MIKE DAY
Sports Editor

The fun is over. Now it's time to get down to business.

In past years, the opening round of Bengal Bouts served several purposes. It was an opportunity for the favorites to tune-up their skills against some of the lesser-known boxers. It was also the chance for novices to showcase their talents for the first time in front of an audience.

However, compared to the semifinals and finals, the opening round has usually lacked the intensity and competitive atmosphere and is more often described as "fun" than anything else.

That will not be the case tonight when the semifinals of the 68th annual Bengal Bouts kick off at 7:30 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

"There's a huge jump from quarterfinals to semifinals," said

captain Sean Sharpe. "In the quarterfinals, everyone is just trying to get used to fighting before an audience, and sometimes you have to try to work the kinks out."

"But in the semifinals, you have to come out and stay focused. There's a big difference in intensity level."

The 145-pound class will pit top-seed J.R. Mellin against No. 5 Dave Bann, while No. 3 Dennis Joyce will take on No. 2 seed Dave Murphy. In the highly competitive division, it's anyone's guess as to who will advance to Friday's finals.

"I think everyone left has a good chance of moving on to the finals," said Murphy. "I just have to go out and fight my kind of fight. That involves taking advantage of my height and jab. If I do that, I should have a good shot at making the finals."

Although top seeds Fred Kelly and Stefan Molina appear to be on a collision course to meet in

Friday's finals, they will first have to take care of business tonight. Kelly will face No. 4 Jeevan Subbiah, while Molina is slated to take on No. 6 seed Tom Owens.

"After last year, I can't afford to take anything for granted," said Kelly. "I've got to go out and give it everything I have and not worry about who I have to fight next."

The 155-pound division has shaped up to be one of the true surprises in this year's Bengal Bouts. Top-seed Mike LaDuke suddenly faces a rough road to the finals with No. 5 Jeffery Dobosh standing in his way.

Meanwhile, No. 3 seed David Wiltse will square off with second-seed Adrian Cardona in the bottom bracket of the weight class. Cardona, in his first year of boxing, is an early candidate for newcomer of the year, while Wiltse looked impressive against Dan Bumpus in the quarterfinals.



Junior Dave Murphy (right) is set to battle No. 3 seed Dennis Joyce.

"The two of us are friends and training partners, so it is kind of an interesting situation," said Cardona. "It will be kind of different going up against a guy I

know so well and am friends with."

"But we understand that it's nothing personal and it's all in the spirit of Bengal Bouts."

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■ 160 TO 170-POUND WEIGHT CLASSES

Remaining boxers work on making adjustments

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Assistant Sports Editor

Adaptation could be the crucial element in the semi-finals of Bengal Bouts. The ability of boxers to change their game plan is necessary in order to combat their next opponents and secure a spot in the finals.

Junior John DeSplinter will have to change his plans tremendously. DeSplinter faced a wild and spirited effort in junior Dennis Jovellanos. Tonight, he will face a controlled and patient fighter in sophomore Tom Biolchini.

"I have to throw better jabs against Tom [Biolchini]," DeSplinter said. "He is a better fighter and he is good. He knows what he is doing because he's got two older brothers who have taught him. I have to fight my own fight and not worry what he is going to do. I have to just try and do it on my own."

This fight could prove to be one of the best in the semifinals. DeSplinter and Biolchini match up well, with neither having the clear cut height or reach advantage. If anything, the advantage should lean somewhat toward Biolchini who looked more dominant in his opening fight.

"I need to stay a little more controlled," Biolchini remarked about his goals for the semis. "Next time, I need to throw more combinations."

The other fight in the 160-pound weight class will pit top-seeded and defending champion Chip Farrell against sophomore Timothy DeFors. Farrell characterizes himself as a jab fighter and will rely heavily on it to secure his fourth straight trip to the finals.

"Basically I have to go out there and do the same thing," Farrell said. "If he does just that it will be tough for DeFors to stop Farrell in his pursuit of his second consecutive title."

Last year, Farrell faced Rich Molloy in the finals of the 160-pound weight class. Molloy finds himself in a new weight class this year. In only his second year of fighting, Molloy has become a force to reckon with as shown in his first round fight. His patience, skill and the size of his upper body might be too much for sophomore David Remick.

Senior Jim Sur could have his hands full with Robert Miyakawa who escaped a split decision in the first round. Sur's height could lend him the advantage but Miyakawa can counter with the pure strength of the upper body. Both Sur and Miyakawa endured wild first round fights against their opponents and now they both will look to settle down and work on their fundamentals and techniques to prepare for the finals.

In perhaps the shortest fight, next to junior Brian Gaffney's, senior Norm Beznoska's fight was called early in the first. His short fight might leave him a little unprepared for his semifinal bout.

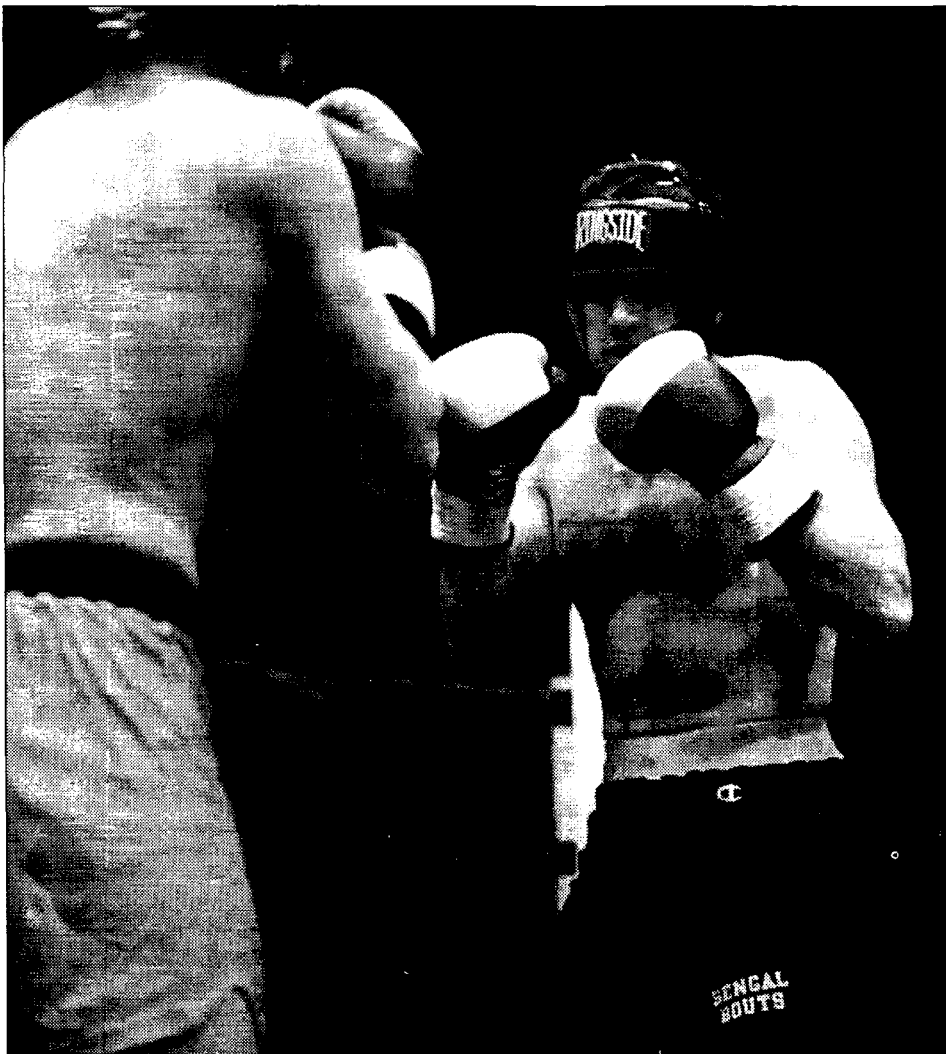
"It is kind of bad that I am not getting my full thing in because I can't test my endurance," Beznoska commented. "I am not sure how much of a problem this is going to be but I guess we will see on Wednesday."

Beznoska will face Travis Alexander in one of the semi-final bouts of the 170-pound weight class.

"I saw Alexander, he had the upset over Leis," Beznoska said. "It looks like Alexander is kind of a brawler so I am going to have to focus on a guy like that."

"He [Beznoska] is a good fighter and he has experience," Alexander said. "He is aggressive so I have to be as aggressive as he is."

The first-year fighter says that his semi-final appearance is somewhat surprising. "It is kind of unexpected but I have improved a lot since I started but I still have lots to learn," he



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After defeating Eric Hovan on Monday, top-seed Richard Molloy will meet Dave Remick.

said.

Senior captain Ryan Rans found himself in an unfamiliar position in his opening round bout. He found himself in the midst of a barrage of punches. Rans used his strength and his endurance to overcome freshman Jeffrey Welsh's performance. The

senior will now face another freshman, Josh Thompson.

Energy will be the key for the fighters with the new format. Tonight's fight will show those who expended all their energy to get to the semis and those who reserved enough to take them to the title.

■ 175 TO HEAVYWEIGHT CLASSES

Favorites face tougher path to finals

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

With the initial nervousness gone, boxers in tonight's semi-final bouts face tough roads to the championships.

Joining the quarterfinal victors in the ring tonight are the bout's most talented fighters, many of whom received first-

round byes as the top seeds in their respective weight classes.

In the heavyweight division, three boxers will make their 1998 Bengal Bouts debut tonight. With the lack of heavier fighters, Dave Monahan, Mike Romero and Peter Ryan take to the ring after quarter-final byes. All eyes will be on

Ryan, a freshman who received the No. 2 seed in the weight class.

"I'm a little bit nervous," said Ryan. "And I feel really lucky to have gotten the No. 2 seed, especially with a good fighter like Romero in the class."

"I fought the novice [tournament] and did well, but I've only sparred three times," commented Ryan.

In the 185-pound class, top seeds Dave Butz and Andy Hebert prepare for the hard-hitting Matt Lubbers, whose 16 second TKO was the fastest fight of the quarterfinals, and Tim Neagle, who overpowered Stephen Pfeiffer.

"I feel great this year," said Butz. "Last year I pretty much just showed up. I didn't really do any of the workouts either. Everybody has a chance to win, but I feel that I'm in a good position because I've been training hard."

Look for a more controlled fight from Butz tonight, in contrast to the brawler who

appeared one year ago.

Perhaps the highlight of the heavier weight classes will be the Mike Romanchek vs. Kyle Smith bout at 180 pounds.

Romanchek lost a tough

In the other 180-pound semifinal, Joey Leniski needs the crowd on his side to withstand an onslaught from Dan Prince, whose technique and stamina can wreak havoc in an intense fight.

Brian Gaffney is the favorite in the 175-pound weight class, but his quickness will be tested against Keith Parendo, who pummeled Chad Maestas on Monday.

"Absolutely, there's more pressure this year, especially after winning the year before," said Gaffney. "When you first come in you're gunning for the guy at the top, but once you get there

everyone's gunning for you. Now you're defending a title, and it brings a whole different dimension to the fight."

Chris Dobranski and Brian Hobbins are evenly-matched in the other semifinal. Both earned split-decision victories Monday, but Dobranski has a slight advantage as the more experienced boxer.

When the boxers lace up their gloves tonight, expect some hard-hitting action.

The stakes are much higher now.



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No. 2 seed Daniel Prince has earned the right to take on sixth-seed Joey Leniski after knocking off Matt Rodgers in Monday's bouts.

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charity stripe in the second half, and completed their last 11 attempts.

"I thought that was the biggest win of the season for us," McGraw remarked. "It was a game we absolutely had to have, and it was a challenge for us to step up."

Notre Dame was led by Riley, who finished with her ninth double-double of the season and 22 points. Two other players, McMillen and Ivey, also scored in double figures with 16 and 15 points respectively. Peirick kept the Irish offense in gear with a game-high eight assists and five points, all scored in the second half.

"Ruth had an outstanding game," McGraw said about Riley's performance. "Coming

in as a freshman in the biggest game of the year, and she just played extremely well. You just can't ask more from a freshman than that."

On the other end of the court, with the loss, Rutgers' 10-game winning streak comes to a halt along with their regular season. However, despite the loss, which places them at 14-3 in conference play and 18-8 overall, the Knights still clinch the Big East 7 division title, giving them the No. 2 seed and a first-round bye in the conference tournament, set to be played this weekend. They were led by freshman guard Natasha Pointer, who tallied 21 points and played in all 40 minutes of the game. She was supported by sophomore forward Shawnetta Stewart, who came just short of a double-double with 17 points and 9 rebounds.

With the win, Notre Dame improves to 18-8 on the sea-

son and 12-6 in conference play. With the end of the regular season, the stage is set for this weekend's Big East tournament, which will be hosted by Rutgers in the Brown Athletic Center. However, for now, Peirick will relish the final victory on the Joyce Center court.

"I wanted this one bad, especially after how we played them at Rutgers earlier. They were talking a lot of smack, and we came out there and held our own. There was no way they were going to beat us here tonight. No way."



The Irish battled and upset Rutgers last night at the Joyce Center. The Observer/Liz Lang

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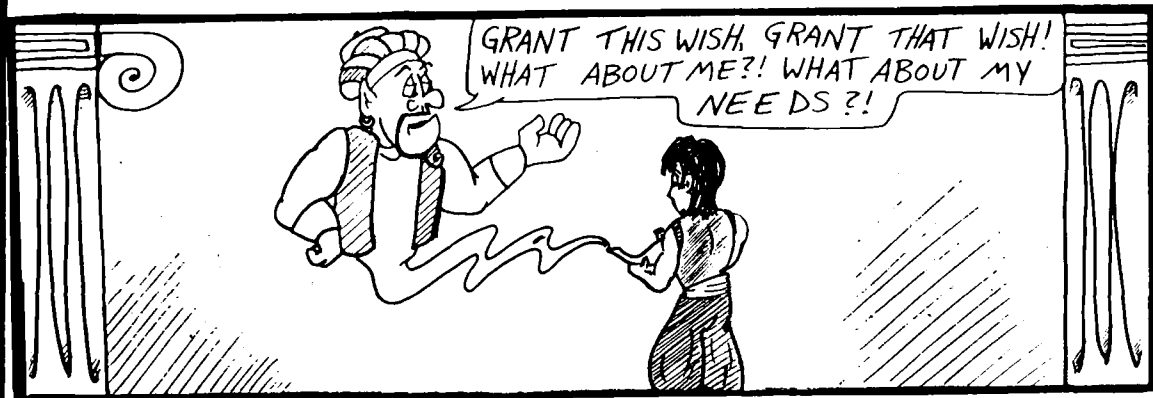
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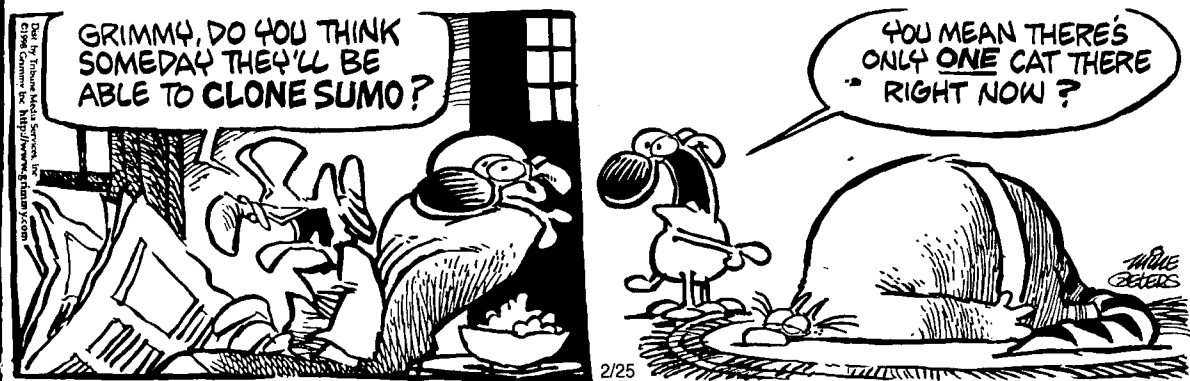
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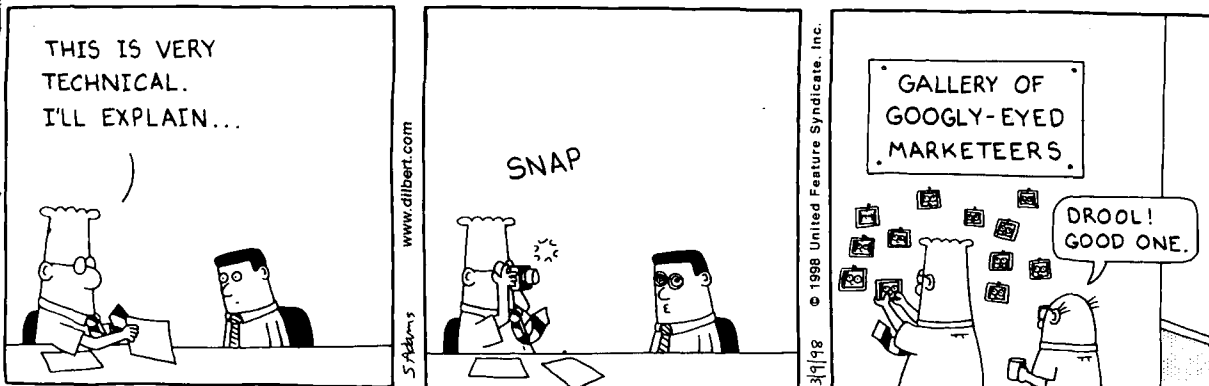
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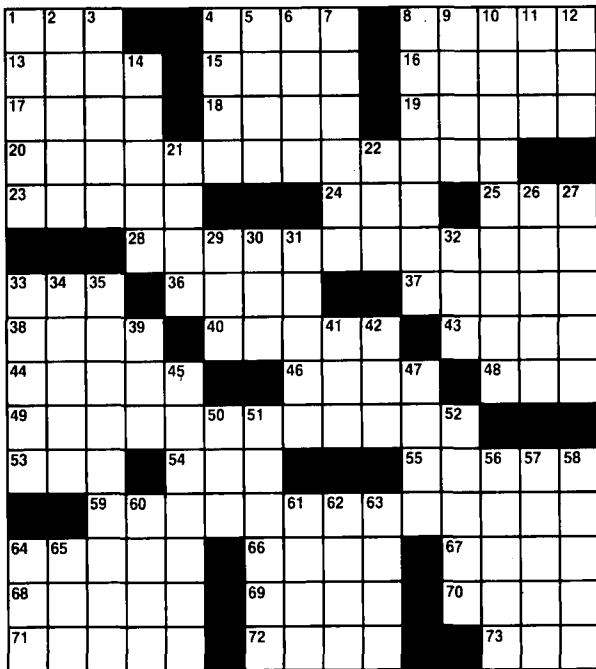
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■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Senior Mollie Peirick enjoyed a 71-64 victory over Rutgers in her last home game at the Joyce Center.

Women victorious in season finale

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

In the last home game of the season, it is not unusual for the seniors to take center stage. However, when Big East rival Rutgers came to town last night, it took a group effort for the Irish to defeat the Scarlet Knights 71-64 and keep their hat in the ring for postseason contention.

The game started out sluggish, with both teams using their defenses to battle it out for the lead. At first, it was the visitors who were taking advantage of their opponents' mistakes, forcing 14 ND turnovers in the first half. However, in most other categories, the Irish held their own. With relatively few chances to go to the free throw line, and tenacious perimeter defense blocking the Irish at every opportunity, it was up to center Ruth Riley to carry the brunt of the team's offensive power. The freshman lived up to her billing, scoring nine straight points for the Irish to give them an early five point lead. However, the Irish headed into the locker room with a 33-28 deficit.

"We were just trying to figure out what it was we were

doing wrong defensively and fix it," senior guard Mollie Peirick said about the mood in the locker room. "Also, we were just trying to come out fired up in the second half, and just take it away from them."

In the second half, the Irish came out strong, scoring the first nine points of the half. The Knights, after being held to a three-minute drought, managed to tie the game and threatened to overtake the lead again. However, Peirick hit a three to score her first points of the game and keep the Irish in front for good.

"I think we slowed them down with the zone," head coach Muffet McGraw remarked. "They had to make shots to win the game, and they didn't shoot the ball extremely well. We had a lot of trouble containing Natasha Pointer. She had an outstanding game. I think she's definitely the 'glue' that really gets them going."

Despite a close game right to the wire, it was the tenacious Irish defense and free throw shooting that eventually did the Scarlet Knights in. The team held Rutgers to 34.1 percent shooting from the field in the second half. Notre Dame shot 21 of 27 from the

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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Must win situation for Irish

*ND battles
Hoyas with NIT
bid on the line*

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Their backs are against the wall. It's a must win situation. They're between a rock and a hard place. It's crunch time.

Those and about every other similar cliché you can think of describe the position that the Notre Dame basketball team finds itself in.

The Irish will host Georgetown tonight before traveling to Providence to close out the regular season. The Hoyas took it to Notre Dame at the MCI center earlier this month as they put on a shooting display and defeated the Irish 75-56. Georgetown

(14-11, 6-10) are led by Boubacar Aw, who gave the Irish fits in the last game, and Shenard Long.

These next two contests and how the Irish fair in the Big East Tournament will decide if their season will extend into the NIT.

Just a month ago Notre Dame was rolling but since a victory at St. John's, head coach John MacLeod has watched his squad fall from a respectable 11-7 mark overall and 5-5 in the conference to 12-12 and 6-10 after the loss Sunday to Miami.

During that stretch MacLeod has been without the services of the most efficient three-point shooter in the conference as Keith Friel has been

sidelined with a thigh contusion.

The Big East opponents have exploited Notre Dame's lack of depth and scoring punch. During Friel's absence, Pat Garrity has been the only constant offensive force for the Irish as no one has been able to fill in Friel's 14 points a game in conference play.

Friel is listed as questionable for tonight's contest but he, as well as MacLeod, hope he will be able to see some time.

"Sunday was the first day I started running so I'm trying to slowly get back into shape," Friel said.

Friel's thigh bruise has prevented him from much activity other than shooting and upper body work, so he will use the next two games to get back into basketball shape.

"I'm going to try to do a lit-

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Leaders exemplify spirit

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Fame, glory, a Jedi craves not these things. If there were such a thing as modern day Jedi knights, they would be found in Notre Dame's Bengal Bouts. Two fighters who exemplify the spirit of the club are senior captains Lucas Molina and Ryan Rans.

Molina has been around boxing since he was 16, and he has his older brother to thank for intriguing his interest.

"I knew about the Bengal Bouts before I got here," Molina explained. "My older brother was in the club, and that got me interested in boxing. It was then that I joined the Twin-City Tigers Boxing Club back home."

Molina has boxed in the tournament all four years of his Notre Dame career. As a freshman, he was forced to fight up a couple of weight classes. In his debut year he lost in the semifinals in a split decision to Dan Corey, who went on to win his second title.

As a sophomore, he lost in another split decision to a former captain John Kmetz. Last year he made it to the finals, but lost to defending champion Tommy Will.

Molina finds motivation in many aspects of his Bengal Bout experience. His sheer love for the sport drives him to show up two hours early for every practice. He also likes the fact that his hard work is benefiting so many people through the mission in Bangladesh.

Molina also looks to those he works with everyday for motivation. He recognizes the coaches and his fellow boxers



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After coming up short last year, senior captain Ryan Rans is the favorite to win the 170-pound weight class.

as two of the keys behind his dedication.

"Tom Sutton, our coach, has been a role model for me in the ring," Molina said. "He is an amazing man, both as a coach and as a person"

All of Molina's hard work will

be put the test this year. Tonight he faces Matt McBurney, and if he wins he may face Tommy Will one more time. Regardless of what the results are, Molina has no regrets.

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vs. Georgetown
Today, 9 p.m.



Big East Tournament
Feb. 28-Mar. 3, at Rutgers



vs. Central Michigan
Today 4 p.m.



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February 28, 1 p.m.



vs. Minnesota
February 28 9 a.m.



vs. Northern Michigan
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