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Library nets \$16m bequest

◆ Gift breaks record for largest donation by estate.

By MAUREEN SMITHE
 News Writer

In what is the largest estate gift ever made to the University, the late William Carey's estate donated \$16 million to renovate the Hesburgh Library, establish a scholarship fund and support the University's Erasmus Institute.

The gift is part of Notre Dame's \$767 million Generations campaign, began in 1997. University president Father Edward Malloy said the donation is reflective of Carey's devotion to Notre Dame's prosperity.

"We are grateful for this gift, which so strikingly demonstrates Bill Carey's boundless affection for Notre Dame," he said in a press release. "He will always be remembered here as one of Our Lady's most generous sons."

Although the donation was only recently announced, Carey had alerted the University of his intention five years ago.

"He was a loyal alumnus and it was his lifelong dream to leave a positive impact on Notre Dame," said Michelle

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FLYING HIGH



With two seconds left, sophomore Nick Setta kicked the field goal to give the Irish an upset win over Purdue. Notre Dame jumped to number 16 in the Associated Press poll and 18 in the ESPN poll. See the Irish Insider for details.

PETER RICHARDSON / The Observer

30 years after high school, the mother of a Saint Mary's grad realizes her own dreams and returns to South Bend,

In her daughter's footsteps

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
 Associate News Editor

On Christmas Eve 1999, Bridget Torsell received a Christmas present in her mailbox that was to be the realization of a lifelong dream. Awaiting the now 48-year-old woman was an acceptance letter from the Saint Mary's admissions office.

"I was filled with excitement that my dream was finally going to come true," said Torsell.

Since August 1997, Torsell had been taking classes at the Harrisburg Area Community College in Pennsylvania part-time while working a full-time job in the pastoral care department of a nursing and retirement home. This August, Torsell joined throngs of freshmen and transfer students moving into Saint Mary's. The move marked a milestone in Torsell's life.

"I wanted to come to Saint Mary's from the time I was a small girl," said Torsell. "My family had been lifelong Notre Dame fans after my grandfather met Knute Rockne in 1926 when Notre Dame played Penn State, and I loved Saint Mary's. But after I graduated from high school, one thing led to another and it wasn't possible for me to attend Saint Mary's."

Torsell encouraged her daughter, Melanie Garman, to apply to Saint Mary's when she began searching for colleges. In August 1994, Torsell helped her daughter move into Saint Mary's as a freshman and in 1998, watched her graduate from the place Torsell loved and longed to have a degree from.

She began taking classes at the commu-

nity college after a divorce that "made me realize it was time I started to make a new decision for myself, and I just felt like God was giving me the opportunity to do what I had wanted to do 30 years ago but couldn't."

"I always knew ... it would be Saint Mary's or nowhere."

Bridget Torsell
 Saint Mary's junior

After two years at community college, Torsell began looking for a school to transfer to.

"I had 10 schools within a 50-mile radius of where I lived but I always knew that if I was going to transfer, it would be Saint Mary's or nowhere," she said.

The months prior to her arrival at Saint Mary's marked major life changes for Torsell. She sold her home and all her furniture before arriving in South Bend this fall.

Her parents have been with her through the entire process, she said.

"My parents have been so supportive, and after everything that I have been through with my personal life, they were just overjoyed to see me heading to Saint Mary's," said Torsell. "When I was leaving, my dad put his arms around me and started to cry and said, 'Finally you are going to go some place where you want to be.'"

Torsell's daughter and 20-year-old son Jared are also supportive of their mother's choice.

"My son is very happy for me, but he says he misses me," she said. "He had lived with me in the house up until the day I sold it so that was very hard."

Like many students, Torsell found it challenging to adapt to life away from her family in her first weeks at Saint Mary's.

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INSIDE COLUMN

It's a matter of our safety

We've all done it once. As I turned my car into the Angela parking lot late one night last week, my eyes glanced across the glowing green numbers on my dashboard. 4:05 a.m., it read, taunting me with the fact it was stealing the remaining hours of precious sleep from me, minute by minute.

As I navigated my car between the last remaining set of white lines in the parking lot, I looked up to see the hazy blue emergency light illuminating the phone about 15 feet away from my car.

I knew the rules. I knew I should pick up the phone, ask for an escort, and be safely driven back to my dorm.

But as the glowing green numbers changed from 4:05 to 4:06, and as my eyes became heavier and heavier, my main concern was not my safety, but rather, my bed. I knew that picking up that phone was going to cost me at least 10 minutes of sleep, 10 minutes of waiting in the parking lot, 10 minutes of aimlessly humming to the radio to keep my eyes from closing right there in the driver's seat.

My fatigue won out. I stepped out of the car, locked the door, and walked completely across campus to Holy Cross Hall. I won't pretend for a second that it wasn't eerie; when you're the only person on campus at 4:07 a.m. you hear everything — animals, rustling leaves, wind blowing. And it's scary.

But when the clock is ticking and it's 4:08, I could justify the risk by picking up my pace and convincing myself that my campus is really safe.

Nothing could happen to me, right? That same evening, only five hours before, a Saint Mary's student had been found beaten on the pavement of that same parking lot. On my safe campus.

Whether she knew her attacker or not is irrelevant. What is relevant is that while it didn't happen to me, it happened to her. And it just as easily could have been me.

We've all had moments when our judgement has temporarily lapsed. It is easy when we sit on rural, isolated campuses to believe that we truly do live in a bubble. But the sobering reality is that violence does happen here. Rape happens here. Assault happens here.

And while it hasn't happened to most of us, it can.

Tonight when I drove into the Angela parking lot, before I switched the key in the ignition, I picked up the illuminated phone. It would be another 10 minutes, I knew. It would be another 10 minutes, in the waning hours of night I would be without my precious sleep.

But sleep is irrelevant when 10 minutes ensures your safety.



Noreen Gillespie

Managing Editor

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<p>◆ Movie: Cinema at the Snite. "Vertigo," 7 p.m., Annenberg Auditorium</p> <p>◆ Lecture: "Dating, Mating and Relating," columnist Ellen Gootblatt, 7 p.m., Carroll Auditorium</p>	<p>◆ Performance: "Matapat: Music, Song and Dance of Quebec," 7:30 p.m., Little Theatre/ Moreau Center, tickets available through 284-4626</p> <p>◆ Movie: "The Piano," 8 p.m., Montgomery Theatre</p>	<p>◆ Lecture: "Moby Dante?" Piero Boitani, 4:45 p.m., 102 Hesburgh Library</p> <p>◆ Lecture: "Do New Economy Workers Need Unions?" Amy Dean, 8 p.m., 102 DeBartolo Hall</p>	<p>◆ Lecture: "Proust's Reinvention of the Novel," 4:45 p.m., Annenberg Auditorium</p> <p>◆ Lecture: "Should Evolution Be Taught in Public Schools?" 7:30 p.m., Madeleva Hall</p>

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Penn State rally, vigil support 13 assault victims

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. Armed with handmade signs and posters, students took to Old Main steps at noon on Friday to rally Pennsylvania State University's support for the 13 victims of the Snyder Hall assaults.

The goals of Friday's rally and vigil were threefold, said senior Alyssa Pinsker, focusing on educating men and women about sexual assault, asking the administration to publicly address the incidents and release more details and facts.

Organized by no particular group on campus, the idea for the rally evolved after a Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance meeting.

Concern for these sexual assault victims and violence against women in general sparked the rally, said junior

"Outrage grew when we were talking about [the 13 assaults]. We're not happy with how the Penn State administration deals with sexual assault."

Erika Dusen
Penn State senior

Michelle Yates, an organizer of the event.

"Outrage grew when we were talking about it," said senior Erika Dusen. "We're not happy with how the Penn State administration deals with sexual assault."

Penn State President Graham

Spanier said the university took action as soon as the first report came in.

"The university's been very concerned from the moment it occurred. We deployed a significant number of people," Spanier said, citing the help of Penn State Police Services, counselors, the offices of Residence Life and Student Affairs and other units.

"The university's response was substantial. I'm proud of the dozens of people who got involved," Spanier said. "The suspect was apprehended as quickly as possible."

The group would like to see the university president address the student body about the incident, Pinsker said.

"As far as I know, the university didn't say anything. It just seems like a cycle of silence to me," said senior Allison Carey.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Group decries anti-sweatshop intimidation

IOWA CITY, Iowa Next week, college presidents across the country will receive a letter urging careful consideration when debating to join anti-sweatshop groups, such as the Worker Rights Consortium. A group of economists and lawyers, the Academic Consortium on International Trade, wrote the letter to communicate the members' feelings that colleges often easily comply with student demands to join anti-sweatshop groups. "We decided to focus on these campus anti-sweatshop campaigns because many of us felt that the decision-making process had not been handled in an open and kind of careful way," said an economics professor at the University of Michigan, Robert M. Stern. "We thought there was too much intimidation going on," said Jagdish Bhagwati, an economics professor at Columbia University, who helped found the consortium. Although there is no verification that the letter will be sent to the University of Iowa, it is a possibility. The UI is a member of the Worker Rights Consortium.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Student pushes buttons for tuition dollars

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. George W. Bush and Al Gore are paying for Brian Richards' college education. He sells campaign buttons at political rallies to earn money for school. "Of course, this year I took the year off, it being an election year and everything," he said. Richards said the money he expects to earn this election season — \$30,000 — will be enough to cover part of his tuition to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He has been following the candidates to campaign events since April, selling buttons to supporters in about 50 cities so far this election year. "I've been just about everywhere I can go," he said at the Bush rally in Indianapolis Sept. 6. "I'm willing to go as far as I can go in a car." Many other souvenir vendors follow campaigns of both parties selling memorabilia to supporters who want mementos of their trip to a political rally or are looking for a way to express their loyalty to a candidate. Daniel Richards, Brian's older brother, has been in the business for more than 20 years.

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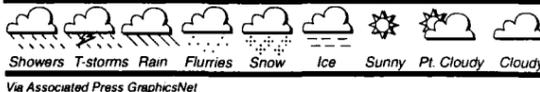
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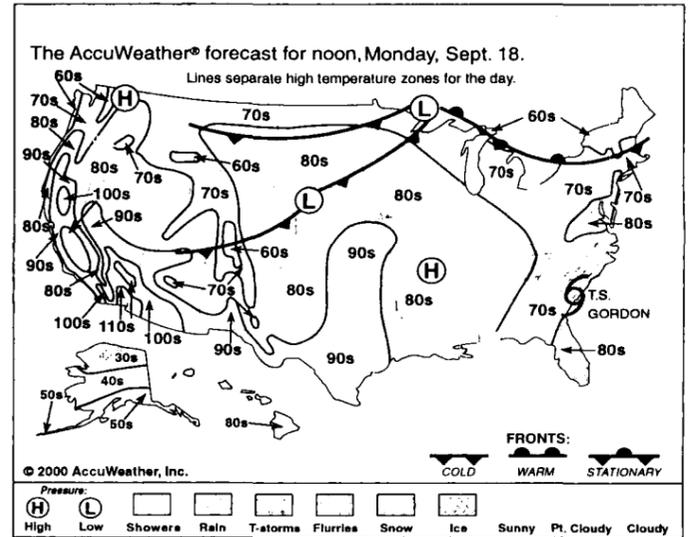
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IU prof, Knight critic discusses role of college athletics

By TIM LOGAN
Senior Staff Writer

In May, Murray Sperber fled Indiana University after receiving death threats for his criticism of controversial IU basketball coach Bob Knight.

But today — just a week after Knight was fired — Sperber is back in Bloomington, meeting with his bosses and deciding when to return to teaching at the school where he has worked since 1971.

On his way home this weekend, he stopped at Notre Dame to discuss his experience and his new book.

Sperber may not be the average English professor. He is perhaps America's foremost critic of college athletics and has written four books about the subject.

Last spring, he stepped into the national spotlight when CNN released a tape of Knight choking one of his players and the coach came under review from Indiana. Sperber was the

only faculty member at the school to publicly call for the coach's ouster.

That's when his life changed.

"I kept speaking out," he said Friday at Notre Dame's Hammes Bookstore. "And as it came closer to that decision in May, I began receiving lots of threats."

"I see dead people," was written on a pro-Knight Web site in reference to Sperber and other top "enemies" of the embattled coach. And there were more personal attacks, said Sperber, whose phone number is listed in the Bloomington telephone book.

"I began receiving huge amounts of nasty stuff," he said. "And then the fans discovered they could find me by looking in the IU schedule of classes."

Sperber had had enough when an anonymous caller phoned the professor and began reading off the list of his classes and room numbers for the fall semester as well as the tutorials of his freshman

"Unfortunately, schools not only neglect undergraduate education, but I think, desperately, they need the tuition dollars the undergraduates bring."

Murray Sperber
Indiana University professor

English class led by teaching assistants.

"And I suddenly flashed on this vision of one of these lunatics coming flying through the door and there's this young teaching assistant and 25 freshmen and he gets violent," he said. "And so I went to my boss and said 'I can't teach under these circumstances.'"

The university offered to put police in his classes, but Sperber, who was a graduate student at a tumultuous Berkeley, Calif. campus in the 1960s, declined. He took a semester's leave of absence

and returned to his native Montreal, where, as he put it "no one's ever heard of Bobby Knight."

Sperber was planning to go back to Indiana in the spring to do research, and resume classes next year, but after Knight's firing last week, the professor hopes to return sooner to do what he loves: teaching students.

Sperber admitted, however, that Knight's departure came as a surprise.

"Everyone expected that the end would come at a parking lot in [Purdue's] Mackey Arena," he said. "No one expected it would happen as it happened."

In the past, Sperber, whose first book on college sports was published in 1990, had often been called for press comment about Knight's behavior. This experience attuned him to the media attention his university received and how it was not for academics — for IU's music and journalism programs that are among the best

in the country, Sperber noted — but rather for its basketball program and the basketball coach.

"It was Bobby Knight University," Sperber said.

This pointed to a theme that he has preached throughout his career — that athletics overshadows academics at many big-name institutions. This is the subject of the book Sperber was at Notre Dame to promote, "Beer and Circus: How Big-Time College Sports is Crippling Undergraduate Education."

The book's thesis is that large research universities do not value teaching undergraduates, and so those students become alienated and spend much of their time partying. And this leads to an overemphasis on college sports.

"Unfortunately, schools not only neglect undergraduate education, but I think, desperately, they need the tuition dollars undergraduates bring," he said. "This is their main source of income. So they've got to give them something for their money, and increasingly, what it turns out to be is what I call beer and circus — a huge party scene, much of it revolving around college sports."

Notre Dame is not one of these schools, Sperber said. Since the days of Knute Rockne, the University has kept its athletic department under control and remained focused on undergraduate education. And, unlike at some schools, no Notre Dame coach since Rockne has become bigger than the University.

Also, Sperber said, Notre Dame set a good example of how to handle a potential coaching problem when it quietly urged Lou Holtz to resign in 1996. There was never any major public outcry, as happened at Indiana last week, and there was no doubt about who was in charge.

"It shows who controls things," he said.

Unfortunately, Sperber said, Indiana could not follow Notre Dame's example, and this created a lot of problems. The issue became public and the public became galvanized, with some on campus supporting Knight and others backing Indiana president Myles Brand.

These tensions boiled over last week in protests that led to 10 students being arrested and threats against Brand and other administrators.

These problems were an outgrowth of the same ones that led Sperber to flee to Canada.

"Although, from my e-mail and such," the professor said, "I've now become a hero."

"My friends agonized over choosing

a company to go with. My strategy

was simpler, why join one great

company when you can join many?

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Torsell

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"The first week or two took some adjusting," Torsell said. "The first week I woke up one morning and cried because I realized that I was so far from home that I couldn't just pick up and go home for the weekend. I asked myself if I had done the right thing in deciding to come here, but I knew in my heart that this was where I should be and that this feeling of sadness would pass."

In addition, adjusting to an environment where there are few people her age was a challenge.

"It took some adjusting for me to get used to the girls at Saint Mary's and for them to get used to me, and it was difficult at first not having someone my age to talk to, but basically, I just am enjoying doing my own thing," said Torsell.

Like other college students, she receives care packages from home.

"My dad sends me my mail every week, and last week was my birthday so I received a lot of birthday cards in the mail," she said.

In search of the total college experience, Torsell chose to bypass living in an apartment to live in a dorm at Saint Mary's.

"Originally I had planned to live in an apartment because I wanted to bring my dog, but I decided to leave my dog with my parents so I could live in the dorms and have the full college experience," she said. "When my daughter was at Saint Mary's, I stayed with her in the dorms several times and always enjoyed those experiences. I

always felt that the dorm experience was something I had missed, and I wanted to have that experience."

Torsell lives in Holy Cross Hall on the Annunciata floor in a single room. The floor is designated for seniors.

"It's been really great, and I haven't had any problems," said Torsell. "There was maybe one night when I heard people come in late and I woke up, but I am really enjoying the experience."

Torsell also frequents the dining hall at the College.

"So far the food is good, but it's really hard to bypass all the sweets and desserts," she said.

A sociology major with junior status, Torsell expects to graduate in May 2002. So far, her academic experience has been positive.

"I really like all my classes, and my professors are all very nice," said Torsell. "I'm doing better than what I had anticipated. I came in with a 3.8 [grade point average], and didn't know what to expect. But it's not as difficult as I thought the transition might be."

Torsell said that her age also contributes to what she can bring to the classroom.

"In class discussions and in writing papers, I have found that my 30 years of experiences [since graduating high school] can contribute a lot and are different than what the other girls in class have experienced," said Torsell.

Spending time studying takes up the bulk of Torsell's free

time, although she said that balancing full-time work with taking classes at the community college has made her a disciplined student.

"I remember when my daughter was here she would always say that she never had any free time to do any recreational reading, and now I understand what she meant because I have so much reading to do," she said. "I haven't had to pull any all-nighters yet though."

Outside of class, in her limited spare time, Torsell is enjoying all that Saint Mary's has to offer.

"I love the atmosphere here," she said. "I like that there are so many opportunities to attend mass and become involved with campus ministry."

Torsell attends a bible study and interfaith prayer group regularly as well as working with learning disabled children on campus on weekends through a program sponsored by the College.

She said the program complements her academic interests since she hopes to work with learning disabled children or in the juvenile probation field upon graduation.

For Torsell, there is little that could make her experience at Saint Mary's any better, save one thing.

"If I had one wish right now, it would be that someone could give me five G.A. [general admission] tickets so I could bring my brother and father to a Notre Dame home football game," she said.

"I always felt that the dorm experience was something I had missed, and I wanted to have that experience."

Bridget Torsell
Saint Mary's junior

Five shot in Elkhart, one gunman arrested

Associated Press

ELKHART

Five people were injured when a man fired shots into the crowd at a Mexican-American dance Saturday.

The shootings happened just before 10 p.m. in the Elkhart Civic Plaza, where several hundred people were celebrating Mexican independence. None of the six victims suffered life-threatening injuries, said Frank Doll, a nursing supervisor at Elkhart General Hospital.

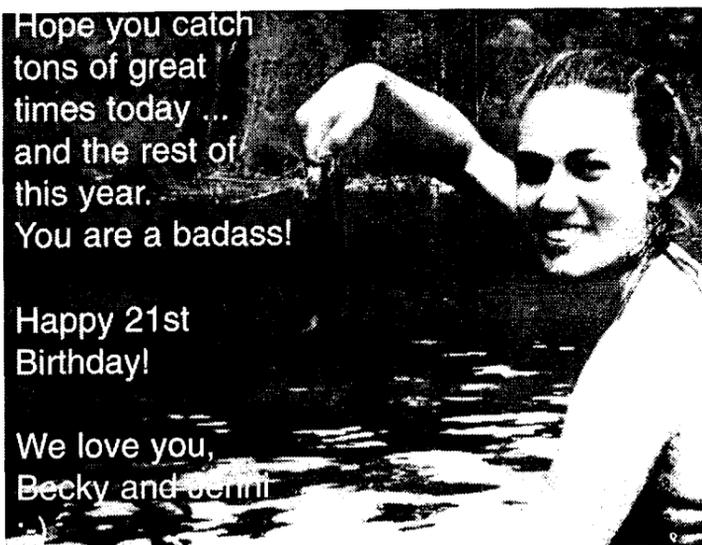
"I was scared to death. I dove out of the way," said witness Dick Salinas.

Police at the scene arrested Pedro Aguilar, 21, on a preliminary charge of attempted murder.

The names of the five people shot were not available early Sunday. All were being treated at Elkhart General, and two were expected to undergo surgery, police said. About an hour after his arrest, Aguilar complained of injuries and also was taken to the hospital for treatment.

Investigators were unsure what prompted the shooting. Witnesses told police Aguilar was being chased by some people when he turned toward them and opened fire. Police officers intervened and arrested Aguilar.

"They arrested the guy in the process of the shooting," Detective Lt. Tom Cutler said. "The officer I talked to said he witnessed about eight shots fired."



Hope you catch tons of great times today ... and the rest of this year. You are a badass!

Happy 21st Birthday!

We love you, Becky and Jenni

Hey 1Ls - meet the undergrads. Write for The Observer. Call 1-5323.

Carey

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Shakour, Notre Dame's director of planned giving.

Officials believe students will soon see the benefits of Carey's donation.

"The bulk of the gift is going to the library renovation. There will be some real tangible differences in the interior of the building," Shakour said. "Some of the donation will also be used to attract some top-notch faculty."

Carey, a member of the Badin Guild, a Notre Dame society whose members have put the University in their estate plans, will likely have a permanent recognition on campus.

"That is one way we are able to thank him," Shakour said.

Carey found success in the oil and mining businesses after graduating from Notre Dame in 1946 and earning a master's degree from Harvard in 1950. A recognized sponsor of the arts, Carey was a benefactor of the Dallas Museum of Fine Art

and the Dallas Museum of Contemporary Art.

He died in Dallas on July 3, 1997.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Fighting ensues in Colombia:

Government troops were engaged in heavy combat Sunday against leftist rebels in the jungles of northwest Colombia, with casualties reported high on both sides. 19 government soldiers were confirmed dead.

Police fire into riot:

Police fired at mobs of rival political groups during municipal elections in New Delhi, leaving seven people dead. Eight people were injured in stabbing and other incidents of violence during the clashes between political activists. Police fired at the rioters after tear gas shells failed to disperse them. Three people were killed on the spot and four died of bullet wounds in a hospital, it reported. The clashes occurred after members of rival political parties argued over ballot boxes. Other details were not available.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Transsexual married in Texas:

A transsexual who was born a man exchanged marital vows with another woman in a ceremony Saturday, taking advantage of an appeals court ruling that defines gender only by chromosomes. A small group of sign-carrying protesters gathered outside the apartments where the wedding was held, saying the ceremony was an abomination.

Residents warned of Colorado fire:

Residents packed irreplaceable mementos and prepared for the possibility of evacuation as firefighters fought a 700-acre blaze that threatened about 250 mountain homes on Sunday. The fire's thick pall of smoke spread eastward for miles from the canyons and foothills about 12 miles southwest of downtown Boulder. Temperatures in the 90s and low humidity dried out grass and pine needles, adding to the fuel in the fire's path.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Delegates endorse video games ban:

Delegates to the Indiana State Medical Association's annual convention voted unanimously Sunday to support efforts to restrict youngsters' access to violent video games. The group, which is Indiana's largest medical association, says growing scientific evidence shows that the violence-laced games provoke children to commit violent acts. A resolution the roughly 200 delegates endorsed voices support for Indianapolis' recent ordinance placing stringent restrictions on children's access to the video games.

Market Watch 9/15

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ORACLE CORP (ORCL)	-6.62	-7.80	78.31
MICROSOFT CORP (MSFT)	-1.62	-2.47	64.19
DELL COMPUTER (DELL)	-0.87	-2.39	35.75

PHILIPPINES



AFP photo

Philippine troops prepare for a military assault on Muslim rebels that are holding 19 hostages in the southern Philippines. In response to repeated kidnappings, the Philippine government decided to execute military force against the rebels. The rebel chief has reportedly initiated negotiations with the government.

Philippine government attacks rebels

Associated Press

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Pitched battles between government troops and Muslim rebels holding 19 hostages in the southern Philippines resumed at dawn today with ferocious mortar shelling of guerrilla positions.

There was no word on the fate of the hostages, who include six foreigners, as fighting raged for the second day on the island of Jolo, 600 miles south of Manila.

"The fighting is still continuing," said the government executive secretary, Ronaldo Zamora. "We have

no news yet on the hostages."

Heavy mortar shelling of rebel positions resumed at dawn after tapering off overnight. Most of the fighting was in the interior hills about 12 miles from the main town where the Abu Sayyaf rebels have their hideouts.

"We are hitting only selected targets," a military source said. "You don't hit the main camp because you might hit the hostages."

Local residents said scores of people had been killed or wounded in the first day of the assault but said they could not give any clear estimate because

troops had sealed off the area of operations.

The military, backed by light bombers and helicopter gunships, began the attack early on Saturday as Manila's patience with the increasingly embarrassing five-month-old hostage crisis finally snapped.

Most civilian telephone links to Jolo were cut off and ferry and air services were suspended.

Local officials estimate the number of rebels at about 5,000 but say only 500 to 1,000 are likely to fight. The rest, recent recruits attracted by easy ransom pickings, could flee.

The hostages include an

American, two French television journalists, three Malaysians and 13 Filipinos.

President Joseph Estrada ordered the assault after repeated kidnappings by the rebels and a wave of condemnation for allowing them to collect millions of dollars in ransoms.

Philippine officials said that the assault had brought an immediate rebel request for renewed negotiations. They said a rebel chief, Galib Andang, had made contact with the government negotiating panel asking for the bombardment to be stopped and for negotiations to resume.

CHINA

Chinese officials arrest Catholic bishop

Associated Press

EIJING

An 81-year-old Roman Catholic bishop in southern China, who spent a total more than 30 years in prison for his loyalty to the Vatican, was re-arrested last week.

Since his release, Bishop Zeng, who is described as frail by associates, has reportedly been kept under virtual house arrest, with tight police surveillance.

But at midnight on Sept. 14, close to 60 security agents surrounded the bishop's house, entered it and seized him.

There is speculation that the arrest was because of Zeng's continued intransigent stand against cooperating with the government-allied church.

The arrest report coincided with the publicized visit to China by a high Vatican official. Cardinal Roger Etchegaray's attendance at a reli-

gious conference in Beijing last week had been widely interpreted as indicating a slight thaw in relations between China and the Vatican.

Since Bishop Zeng was ordained as a priest in 1949, the year the Communists won power in China, he has been one of the most steadfast opponents of the official "patriotic" church, which accepts the supremacy of the Communist Party and the Pope's right to select bishops.

FRANCE

Authorities round up 11 Basque separatists

Associated Press

PARIS — French authorities launched a large-scale weekend sweep against Basque separatists, bringing in 11 people for questioning, seizing weapons and uncovering a clandestine bomb-making factory.

Six of those apprehended Saturday night are suspected of belonging to ETA, an armed group that has been fighting for an independent Basque homeland in northern Spain. The other five are suspected of lodging the suspects at homes in southwestern France.

Spanish Interior Minister Jaime Mayor Oreja said Sunday the police action caused "almost irreparable damage" to ETA because

some suspects play key roles in the group's forgery and logistical operations.

"This is the expertise that allows them to put bombs in vehicles," Mayor Oreja told Spanish media. "It will be hard to replace these people with so much experience in the area of logistics and electronics."

Among those taken into custody Saturday were six Spaniards: Juan Angel Otxoantesana-Badiola, Ignacio Santesteban-Goikoetxea, Angel Pikabea-Ugalde, Maria del Rosario Delgado-Iriondo, Jesus Maria Zabala-Muguirra and Jose Luis Turrillas-Aranceta, authorities said.

Turrillas-Aranceta was identified as the head of ETA's logistical unit.

Police said they also found two large weapons caches and uncovered a small weapons factory that belonged to ETA. Both caches, which included

dynamite and detonators, were found on farms in the southwestern Landes region. The factory was found not far away, in the small town of Sare.

In Paris, French Prime Minister Lionel Jospin issued a statement praising Interior Minister Daniel Vaillant and law enforcement authorities.

"The government has reaffirmed its determination to fight against all forms of terrorism and to cooperate fully with the Spanish authorities," the statement said.

In a letter sent to Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar, French President

Jacques Chirac said he was "very pleased" by the cooperation demonstrated by France and Spain and said it stood an example of European

"The government has reaffirmed its determination to fight against all forms of terrorism."

Lionel Jospin
French Prime Minister

unity.

The operation began just a day after the arrest of Jose Ignacio Gracia Arregui in the French town of Bidart. Spanish authorities consider him the leader of the military wing of ETA and suspect him of ordering a 1995 assassination attempt against King Juan Carlos of Spain.

ETA has claimed responsibility for the deaths of nearly 800 people since 1968 in its campaign for Basque independence. It ended a 14-month truce last December and has since been blamed for 12 killings, eight of them since June.

The group, whose name stands for Basque Homeland and Freedom, has mostly targeted security force members, but in recent years has begun killing members of both the Popular Party and the Socialist opposition, both of whom oppose Basque independence.

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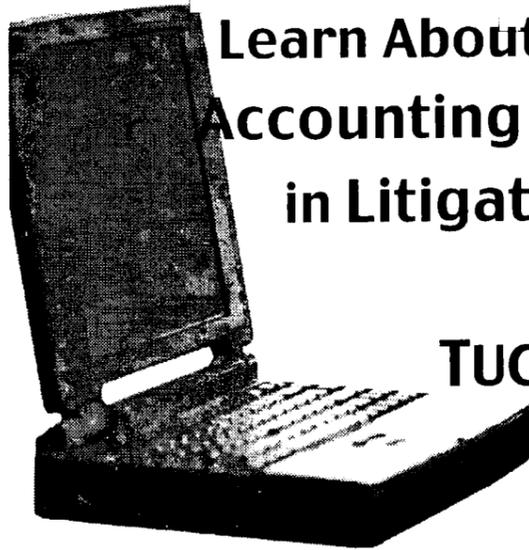
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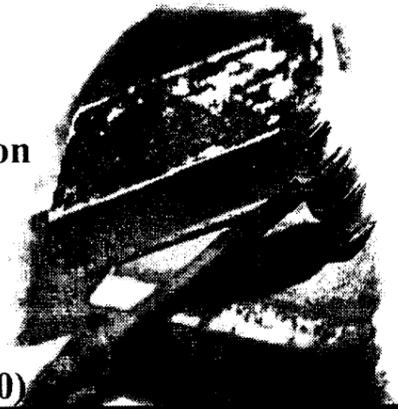
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FRANCE

French presidential race may decide Corsican question

Associated Press

AJACCIO, Corsica

The sun splashes across the craggy Mediterranean island of Corsica, birthplace of the emperor Napoleon, casting magnificent mountain shadows and drawing holidaymakers to its beaches and sapphire seas.

But behind the lush facade is an island in the grips of a violent campaign by separatists who have sought since the mid-1970s to break away from France.

The mayhem reached a shocking climax in 1998 with the assassination of Claude Erignac, France's highest official on the island, and

now, Prime Minister Lionel Jospin's own presidential ambitions may be jeopardized by his attempts to strike a compromise with the militants.

Corsica is a hot-button issue for a country that has always been preoccupied with its own identity, especially nowadays as it merges into the borderless, single-currency European Union. All its neighbors — Britain, Germany, Spain, Belgium, Switzerland and Italy — have given their regions some measure of autonomy.

But not France. And from Alsace on the Rhine, through Celtic Brittany on the Atlantic to the Basque country straddling the border with Spain, the regions are fed

up with living in a country so centrally controlled that all major roads lead to Paris.

To ease the discontent, the French government may need to swallow its pride and show greater flexibility. But so far, Jospin has little to show for having opened talks with the separatists last year and for offering the island some limited control over its affairs. Bombs keep exploding on the island 100 miles off southern France, and Jospin's initiative has led to the resignation of Interior Minister Jean-Pierre Chevènement.

While some observers cautiously predict a chance of peace, Chevènement maintains that Jospin's initiative threatens France's cohesion by encouraging other groups to demand self-rule. Others say Jospin is caving in to terrorism and that handing any power over to unruly Corsica — where separatist violence is compounded by Mafia-style clan wars and racketeering — is like letting the fox guard the hen house.

Corsicans, too, have their suspicions.

Confidence in the mainland was deeply shaken when Bernard Bonnet, who replaced the murdered Erignac as prefect, was implicated in a 1999 arson attack that destroyed an illegally built restaurant frequented by the nationalist crowd. An elite French military squad confessed to setting the fire, and Bonnet was fired. Nationalists suspect the fire was meant to spark a gang war.

While separatists have confounded successive French

governments, the island's 260,000 residents have adapted to the chaos. Killings are mostly the result of rival groups battling it out, and frequent bombings of government buildings — one particular tax office has been hit 19 times — are carefully planned to avoid deaths.

"They shoot at each other, but they leave people like me alone," said Salvatore Delogu, a barber in Ajaccio, the island capital. "I stay away from politics."

While polls through the years show an overwhelming majority of Corsicans want the island to remain part of France, the separatist movement does speak to their wishes for recognition as a people apart, with a language closer to Italian than French and a proud history of resistance to outside rule.

The movement also embodies a deep frustration at being dependent on subsidies from France, according to Charles Napoleon, candidate for mayor of Ajaccio and great-great-grandnephew of Corsica's most famous son.

Napoleon said he supports Jospin's plan and noted Britain has already undertaken a similar experiment by handing some powers to Scotland and Wales while maintaining their union with England.

The separatists say France should follow Britain's example.

"Great Britain recognizes that the Welsh are a nation, that the Scots are a nation," said Jean-Francois Luciani, spokesman for Corsica Viva, one of the main nationalist groups. "The French government doesn't want to recognize this. The French only recognize one people."

But the problem may not go away even if Paris grants concessions, which is what makes Jospin's initiative so risky. Already, some separatists warn that it is just a step

toward the self-rule that Corsica had for 14 years until France bought the island from Genoa in 1768.

"Once Corsicans have devolution, they can decide in the future if they want independence," said Paul Quastana, president of Corsica Nazione, a nationalist party. "This is only the beginning."

Perhaps the best hope for peace is that so many Corsicans appear weary of violence. In December 1999, less than a year after Erignac's assassination, the separatists called a cease-fire and stepped up to the bargaining table.

But the violence continues. In August alone, there were two political killings, three bombings and a wave of suspicious brush fires.

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Jean-Francois Luciani
spokesman, Corsica Viva

Corsica At a glance

AREA: 3,352 square miles and divided into two departments, Haute-Corse and Corse-du-Sud.

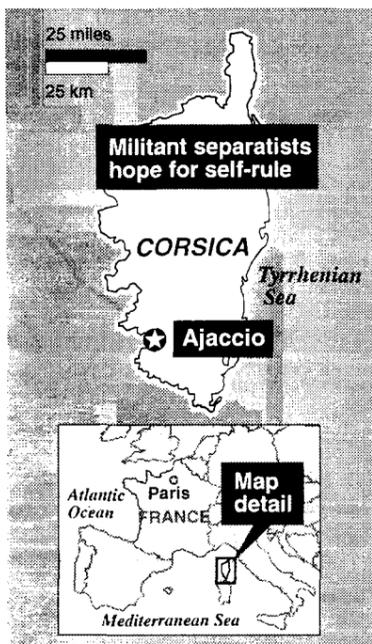
POPULATION: 260,000

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE: French. Corsicans also speak a dialect similar to Tuscan.

RELIGION: Roman Catholic

HISTORY: Island rebels against Genoese rule in 1729; rebellion culminates in Corsican republic for 14 years, founded in 1755. France buys Corsica from Genoa in 1768, invades the island and defeats the nationalists in 1769.

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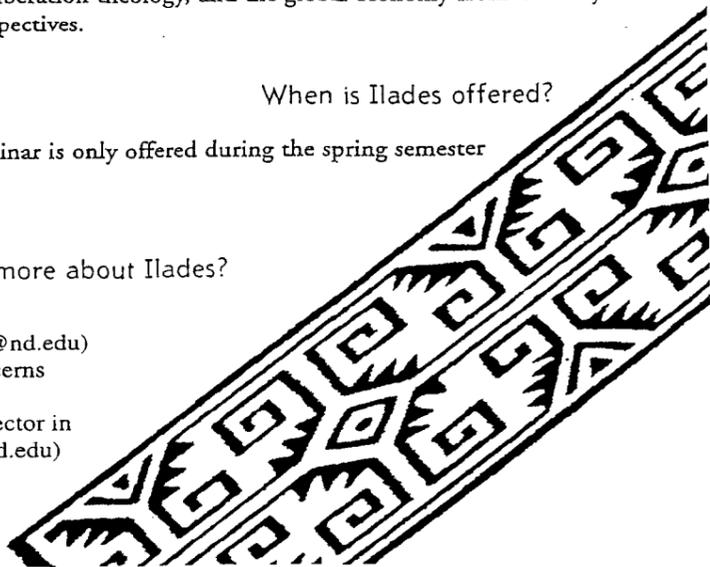
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Gordon downgraded to tropical storm

Associated Press

CEDAR KEY, Fla. Tropical Storm Gordon plowed into Florida's Gulf Coast on Sunday with winds just below hurricane strength, drenching rain and a storm surge with waves over 6 feet high.

Michael Loehr, operations chief for the State Emergency Operations Center said there was some flooding in southwest Florida, but no serious injuries had been reported.

"We've already gotten calls from Charlotte County saying they've got houses on the coast where you open the front door the water's coming in, you open the back door water's going out," he said.

Wind gusts of 60 mph were reported in this rustic fishing town about 100 miles north of Tampa as the storm approached. Gordon's top sustained winds fell from 75 mph early Sunday to about 70 mph by late afternoon, just below the 74 mph threshold for a hurricane.

About 200 Florida National Guardsmen were deployed to help in flooded areas, and schools and roads were closed in several coastal cities.

"We're seeing now waves of up to and beyond 6 feet, and the water is continuing to rise and coming over the road at the docks area," Cedar Key Mayor Heath Davis said as the storm came ashore about 8:15 p.m. EDT.

The storm knocked out electricity to much of the city and pounded the island directly in

the path with heavy rain. A voluntary evacuation had been recommended, but many of town's 800 residents were staying put. Most had weathered hurricanes before, Davis said.

Cedar Key sits two to three feet above sea level — forecasters were expecting a storm surge of 7 to 10 feet would likely coincide with high tide, a combination that could cause particularly bad flooding.

Gordon's weakening though the day was due to a combination of factors, said Hugh Cobb, a meteorologist at the National Hurricane Center in Miami: "The circulation center is getting close to land, plus it's pulling in dry air from the Gulf of Mexico and southeastern U.S."

There was also a threat of isolated tornadoes, forecasters said.

At least one tornado was reported by Sunday evening, in Palm Beach County, the National Weather Service said.

Levy County Sheriff's deputies had ordered non-residents on Cedar Key to clear out by Sunday afternoon. Two hurricane watchers from Atlanta had hoped to watch the storm's approach.

"We have been chasing hurricanes for about 15 years,"

said John Tyler, a pizza delivery man who said he was disappointed by Gordon's force.

"It's real weak," he said before the storm made landfall. "It's too dry and cool to get much stronger."

Others along the coast weren't taking any chances. The Red Cross reported about 500 people were taking advantage of its shelters around the state, dozens of flights were canceled at Tampa International Airport, and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays baseball game with the Oakland A's was called off.

"Right now, there are a lot of people who just wanted to leave," said Margaret O'Brien-Molina, a Red Cross spokeswoman. "They wanted to try, but these bands come in again and the trees start bending and the rain gets really, really stiff."

Evacuations were ordered for low-lying areas and mobile home parks in Citrus and Taylor counties north of Tampa, and five counties — Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, Hernando and Pasco — were under voluntary evacuation.

In low-lying Dixie County, just north of Cedar Key, emergency management director Arthur Bellot said most of his county's 13,000 residents "are as ready as they can get."

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**Hugh Cobb
meteorologist**

White House celebration applauds Indian leader

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Clinton threw a lavish official dinner Sunday for Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, and as glasses clinked, the leaders praised each other for forging a new friendship to replace the rocky relations between the two nations in recent years.



Clinton

In contrast to the cold shoulder given last week to the military ruler of India's nuclear rival, Pakistan, Clinton invited Vajpayee to a South Lawn Pavilion tent filled with fall fruits and tables adorned with gold-base plates, cream china and gold candles.

Nearly 700 guests, including many women wearing traditional Indian saris of red, orange, pink and green, attended the largest official dinner of the Clinton presidency to honor a single visiting dignitary.

Only a NATO summit dinner for 19 heads of state was larger.

As guests sat under crystal chandeliers hanging above tables bedecked with hydrangea, Clinton did not

mention his worries over a potential nuclear confrontation between India and Pakistan. But in a welcoming speech and toast, he told the guests that with both countries facing terrorism, "the simple lesson of all this is, if we're all in the same boat together, we must find a way to steer together."

"With your leadership we have built the strongest, most mature partnership that India and America have ever known," the president said. "Its success will be our success together. India and America can change the world."

Vajpayee responded that it was a tribute to Clinton, who visited India earlier this year, "that the manner in which we approach each other is being fundamentally transformed. This year, our two nations reached out to each other as never before."

"We have, I believe, created a framework of dialogue and engagement that will stand the test of time," he said.

Vajpayee also praised first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, who accompanied the president, for taking "the time out from the middle of an election campaign."

As a parliamentarian for 40 years, he said, he was speaking "from the experience of many elections."

After the toasts, the guests feasted on wild Copper River salmon with red kuri squash and rice bean ragout for a main course.



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Leiberman discusses politics with Broncos supporters

Associated Press

DENVER
Democratic vice presidential hopeful Joseph Leiberman on

Sunday promised health insurance for more than one million children in Texas left uninsured under George W. Bush, the Texas governor and Republican

presidential candidate.

Lieberman, watching a televised Broncos football game with workers at a suburban Denver union hall, said Democrats have a chance to win Colorado and will keep knocking on the state's door right up to Election Day.

"We feel some wind at our backs now," he said, noting recent polls, including several in Colorado that show the gap between Bush and Al Gore has narrowed after the two national conventions last month.

A poll by Talmey-Drake Research and Strategy for the Denver Rocky Mountain News and KCNC-TV of 534 registered voters questioned statewide earlier this month, showed 43 percent said they would vote for Bush while 40 percent said they would vote for Gore.

With a 4 point margin of error, the poll puts the race in Colorado at a sta-

tistical tie.

"It is going to be a battle right to the end. We know it's a battle, but we're closing," Lieberman said.

Lieberman criticized Bush's record in Texas, noting a federal judge's order for the state to insure more children.

Lieberman said the judge's consent decree said more than 1.4 million children were without health care, a figure that Bush's supporters have challenged.

"I was amazed by the reaction of Governor Bush's spokesman," Lieberman said. "He said Senator Lieberman's facts were wrong. He said ... The fact is, it's only one-point-two million ... Give me a break," Lieberman said.

Lieberman used the opportunity to introduce himself to 250 party and union officials, many of them unfamiliar with

Lieberman or his record.

Tom Oldfield, 55, a member of the Pipefitters Union said he knew Gore's record, but knew little about the Connecticut senator.

"I really felt comfortable with him," Oldfield said as Lieberman sat down with the

crowd to watch the Broncos beat the Oakland Raiders 33-24.

Tim Hogue, 91, a union member who still works, said he also was impressed with Lieberman and his promises to do more about health care.

"I like the way he talks about Medicare. I might need it someday," he said.

Lieberman later spoke at two separate fund-raisers at a downtown hotel, including a \$1,000 a person reception that drew about 250 people and a \$5,000 a plate dinner that attracted about 60 supporters.

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Bush to push domestic agenda

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WASHINGTON
George W. Bush, struggling to stem Al Gore's steady advance in the polls, will spend this week in battleground states promoting his domestic agenda, with an emphasis on issues deemed important to women, a campaign spokesman said Sunday.

"We think women ... are going to come back to

Governor Bush," spokesman Ari Fleischer said Sunday, conceding that they have been migrating to Gore.

Fleischer said that Bush had closed the gender gap before and could do it again by focusing on his programs for education, tax breaks for children and Social Security changes.

Since the end of the Democratic convention, Gore has erased Bush's nationwide lead and has pulled ahead in some polls, including in some swing states that Republicans had previously counted in their column.

On Sunday, the CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll found Gore's lead unchanged, with 49 percent of likely voters supporting Gore versus Bush with 41 percent.

Conducted Sept. 14-16, the poll had a margin of error or plus or minus four percentage points.

Hoping to improve those numbers, on Monday Bush was embarking a six-day campaign blitz through prime battleground states: Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Florida.

The campaign on Sunday also released a 16-page booklet called "Blueprint for the Middle Class" outlining Bush's plans.

It will be distributed at campaign events and is available on the campaign's Web site, www.georgew-bush.com.

"People can easily flip through it and see what the governor's agenda is," Fleischer said in a conference call from Bush headquarters in Austin, Texas.

The Gore camp dismissed it as a pale imitation of Gore's recently released 191-page detailed budget plan.

This week's trip was planned as a "metaphor of life," with each day repre-

senting a new stage in development — from birth to retirement, Fleischer said.

It will begin on Monday with a visit to a hospital in Little Rock, Ark., where Bush will stress his plan to double the child tax credit from the existing \$500 to \$1,000. He will also stress this proposal at an appearance in Kansas City, Mo.

On Tuesday, after appearing on Oprah Winfrey's syndicated talk show in Chicago, Bush will focus on school safety issues in the Chicago area and in Lexington, Ky.

On Wednesday, he will campaign in Pennsylvania — a state he has been back to repeatedly — on his proposal for eliminating the so-called marriage penalty in the tax code.

Thursday, after appearing in New York on the Regis Philbin talk show, Bush will talk about his plan of overhaul Social Security to allow younger workers to invest some of their earnings in equity and bond markets.

Then, in Florida on Friday and Saturday, Bush will talk about his plans for health care for the elderly and prescription drugs.

Bush's focus on health was being reinforced by two new ads, one from the Bush campaign on Thursday and a new spot by the Republican National Committee, called "Notebook," that was airing in battleground states beginning on Monday.

Local Republicans were planning news conferences to promote the new RNC spot, which asks viewers to compare the Bush and Gore plans for prescription drugs.

It presents Gore's plan in its worst possible light: "Al Gore will charge seniors a new \$600-a-year government access fee. George Bush opposes Gore's \$600 fee," an announcer says.

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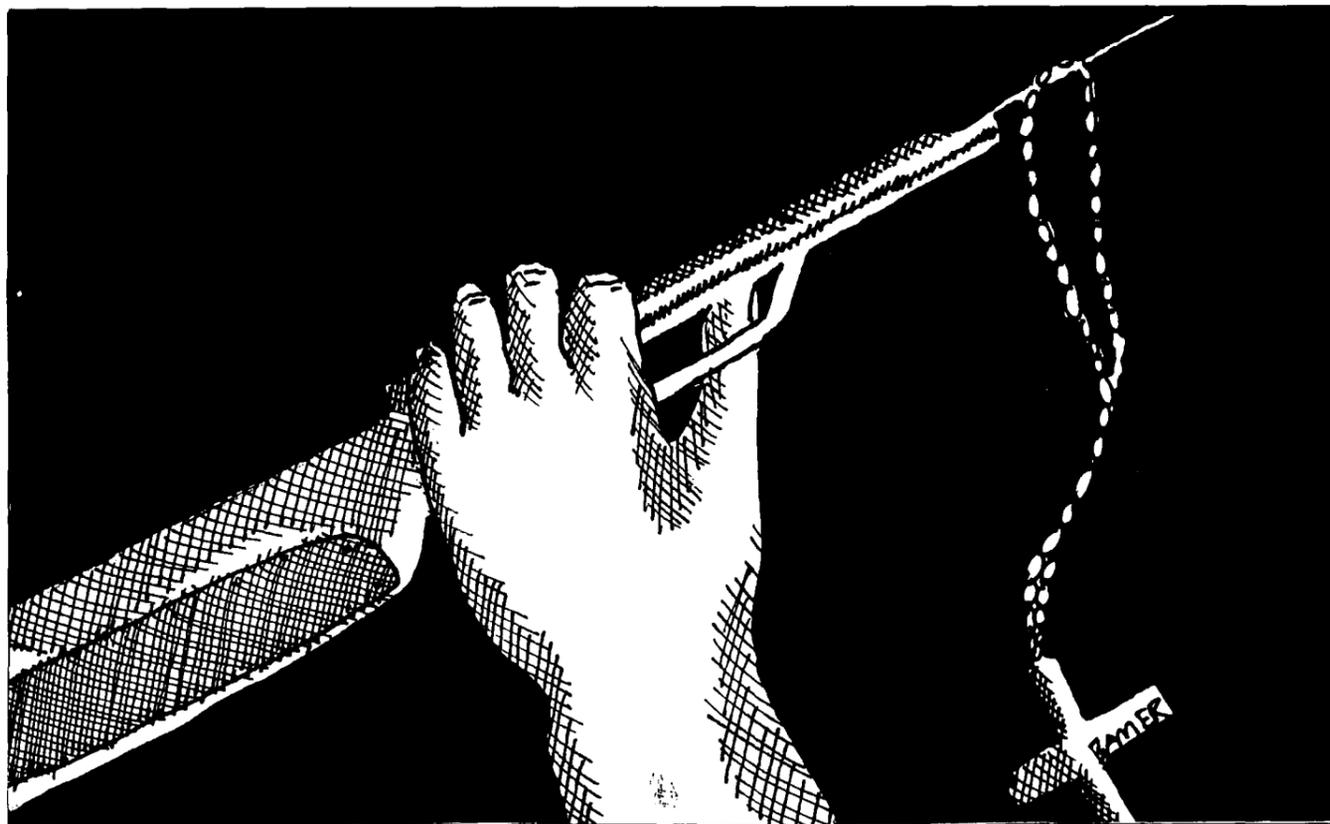
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Aaron Kreider

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Thus we must study the program on campus and the larger military in which students must serve. Does this military follow Catholic Just War principles? By its structure, the military is a hierarchy. Individual soldiers or officers might be allowed to advise their superiors, but must ultimately follow orders or risk severe punishment. We cannot assume Notre Dame students will always be giving orders and never following others', possibly unjust, orders.

Ultimately the military is under civilian control, with the president serving as commander in chief. Unfortunately, looking at our current and past presidents it is safe to argue that while many espoused a Christian faith, few practiced it faithfully and in their failings they repeatedly violated and ordered Catholics serving in the military to violate the Just War principles (for instance, carrying out acts that would harm civilians).

The same violations and orders to violate would be regularly handed down by the majority of officers who are not bound or do not care for these principles. At the center of the difficulty for a

Christian to serve in the military is the fact that the military does not allow soldiers to conscientiously selectively object to wars or specific battles within a war, thus making the practice of Just War Theory very difficult. If someone decides a war is unjust and refuses to fight as per the Church's teachings, then he or she must be prepared to face military discipline.

Are we complete pragmatic relativists, or are there some values that we hold as absolutes? Do the ends always justify the means? Are we free to violate the Ten Commandments and the teachings of Jesus and the Church just whenever we think some good might come of it? Is this what Notre Dame wants to teach students?

I believe the issue is not whether there are times when the military does follow the Just War principles (a.k.a. "does good"), but whether there are times it does not. And if so, how often does it violate the principles? How many Notre Dame students are we willing to train and encourage to join this institution where they will be practically forced to violate these principles?

Why does Notre Dame continue to put our students at moral risk? Notre Dame is flush in funds, as our endowment just increased over 50 percent in the past year and is now over \$3.5 billion. There is a way to work for peace without this risk of violating Church teachings. The choice is not simply between serving in the military or doing nothing at all. The ROTC program can be phased out and students can be trained and given scholarships in exchange for working in non-governmental organizations doing economic development, conflict resolution, education, human rights, peacemaking

and religious work. There are millions of soldiers in the world, but very few peacemakers. If you are willing to die for your faith (and/or risk poverty, deprivation and jail) there are many options — for instance you could go on a short or long term delegation to Chiapas, Colombia, West Timor or Palestine, to name just four trouble spots. Instead of serving in the military, we can be just as productive eliminating the causes of war like economic injustice and engaging in nonviolent peacemaking. And by doing so we will not be serving in a profession that regularly violates Church teachings.

This debate has only begun. A good place for our University to start moving towards compliance with the Church is for ROTC students to be required to take a class on the Church's teachings on War and Peace (Just War Theory and Pacifism). It will be very interesting to see whether our administration is willing to make this small step or will it instead continue its unquestioning acceptance of the Department of Defense curriculum. Additionally, it will be especially interesting to observe the military's reaction to a course requirement. As the military would not appreciate soldiers who followed their conscience and chose not to fight in unjust wars and engagements, I suspect the military would withdraw the ROTC program if a Catholic course on war ethics were required. So be it.

One of Aaron's grandparents conscientiously objected and participated in Civilian Public Service during World War II and the other was exempt from fighting because he was a farmer.

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DILBERT

SCOTT ADAMS

QUOTE OF THE DAY



"I believe in the doctrine of non-violence as a weapon of the weak. I believe in the doctrine of non-violence as a weapon of the strongest. I believe that a man is the strongest soldier for daring to die unarmed."

Mahatma Gandhi
Nobel peace prize winner

VIEWPOINT

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Defining abortion's biological realities

I learned at a young age to never talk about abortion or politics. I also learned to never drink liquor after beer. But no matter how many times I regret it later, breaking either rule always seems like a good idea at the time.

Joshua Kirley

I have never held a definitive stance on this issue. Scratch that. I've always held a definitive stance on the issue; it's just an ever-changing definitive stance. My conviction never wavers. It's just the contemporary convictions I hold prove to be so capricious. What's important is that at every stage along the way, I've known that my current point of view was the most logical, the most moral and the most correct. Life experience and the influence of friends and professors have caused the fluidity in this particular ideology.

Today, I've found a new station in the great abortion debate. Tolerance. It's not something I'm proud of. I fear that this recent onset may be brought on by aging, or dare I say, maturity. In any event, I have an understanding, not an agreement or appreciation, but an understanding for folks on both sides of that solid line.

However, my understanding has limits. No matter how hard I try, there are people on the pro-choice side that I just don't get. Don't think I'm picking on the pro-choicer's because I don't get the militant proliferators either, but that's another column. Back to this pro-choice faction. Now, people who say, "It's my body, I can do whatever I want" seem kind of selfish and surely specious, but it's their opinion. They are expressing a principle and supporting it. I get it. Fair enough.

It's the argument borne out of (no pun intended) and clouding the abortion debate that causes my confusion. When does life start? I've met a number of pro-choicers who justify their position with the fact that life begins at birth. Now, a former teacher told me that when you disagree with someone, you attack the idea, not the person. That being said, "Are these people stupid? I mean, what morons!" Now, I'm not going to cite the stages of pre-natal development because it's been done and to do so seems redundant. The evidence that "living" is taking place is painfully overwhelming.

I don't believe in attacking women that have abortions. They are victims, victims of situation (even if it is of their own making). I cannot imagine the stress that goes along with that decision, the finality of the procedure or the grief that surfaces in the future years for these women. Scorning them on their way into the clinic does not go very far in easing the most difficult experience of their lives.

I don't believe in attacking the people that defend these women's legal rights to have that abortion. Whether they believe they are fighting for the women's convenience or her personal rights, they are passionate and dedicated. Fair enough.

But for those who fight for abortion rights under the rationale that it is OK to terminate the existence of the non-living, it may be time to change teams. Tell me unborn children are not entitled to birth. Tell me a mother-to-be has complete autonomy in all matters of her body. Don't say that the zygote, embryo, fetus, baby or any post conception being is not yet living.

To make such a ludicrous argument defies human reasoning, defies human physiology and undermines the pro-choice position. If one makes the claim that life starts at birth in a marketing or propaganda effort to package their cause, by all means, play on. But, if you need to pretend that a being does not live until birth to justify the cause to yourself, come back to reality and get a new bumper sticker.

For those who say life begins when the baby leaves the amniotic fluid and enters the external atmosphere, since when does life criterion depend on geography? A toddler who moves from Chicago to South Bend is no more alive. He may be more depressed and less culturally satisfied, but his vitality level should remain fairly constant. Then there's the "birthday" crowd, claiming that we age beginning at the time we are born. A birthday recognizes the first day of birth, not the first day of life. Our culture decides to use this day in commemoration of age because it's easier to pinpoint and children would much rather listen to their folks tell the story about the day they were born (once a year, every year) than about the day they were conceived.

Finally, handfuls of people point to the ability to sustain one's own life as the mark of a living person. Well, a failed abortion (third trimester) is a birth. (One might go so far as to call a failed birth an abortion). And as for the post-birth baby who no longer requires mom as a food source and means for survival, drop a one-week old off on an island and come back in a couple months.

Basically, abortion is fine. I mean, the Supreme Court doesn't make mistakes, right? Keep things the way they are. Fine with me. I'm tolerant. But do not market abortion in an unrealistic manner. Do not obscure the focus of an already over-complicated issue. If women have the right to murder an unborn baby because of professional, social or financial considerations, let it be. I'll go along. Let's just not pretend that something else is going on. If you need to suspend biological reality to stomach your own ideology, maybe it's your feelings toward abortion, not toward reality, that need adjustment.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Presenting ROTC perspectives fairly

I want to thank Pax Christi for hosting the Tuesday discussion: "A Way to Peace, or Peace is the Way? Catholic Perspectives on ROTC." It was a great way to hear a lot of important issues related to being in the military that people might not think about otherwise. Unlike past presentations on the issue, this presented differing perspectives more fairly.

There was no ROTC-bashing, but rather expressed concern for those in the military. The two speakers — both friends studying theology, one in the US Marine Corps ROTC and the other in Pax Christi — did a great job offering several points to consider. Among these are the following: If we don't use military force, what realistic alternative is available? Can ND remain a Christian community without studying ROTC's actions? How do Christianity's values differ from those of the military? Is it ever right to kill in defense of another?

These are critical issues each person in the military must understand. The speakers and the small group discussion that followed provided an important piece of education on this issue. It was great to see

at the discussion students from ROTC who were eager to develop their perspectives on how they can best serve others. It was also great to see other students there from the community, trying to understand. As I cadet, I appreciated being thanked for the aim and dedication to achieve peace through the military.

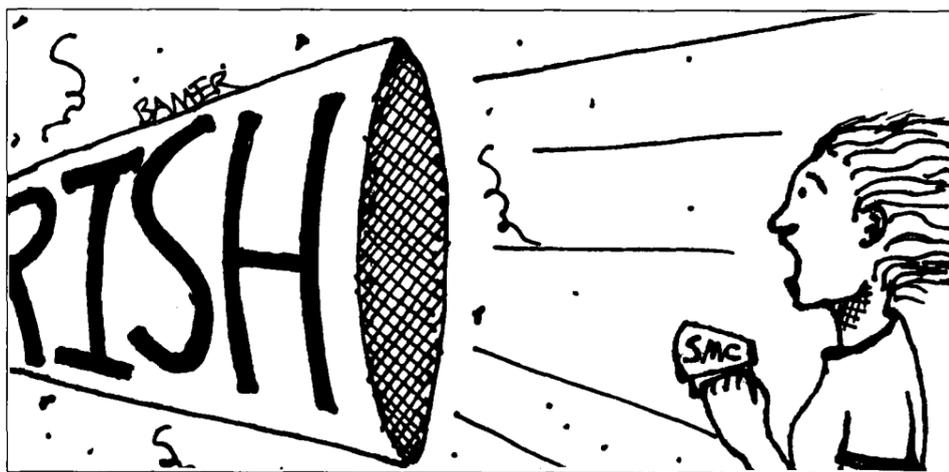
It seems there should be more discussion from the last several centuries on this issue. Either way, this is a great step forward. Even though students from ROTC and Pax Christi may have different perspectives, both seek peace. This unity should remain our focus. It is encouraging to know that this is just a beginning, that more and more students from ROTC will enter this discussion in the future, focused on service to God and to their country. In the end, hopefully we can all help bring about a more Christian, peaceful community here and abroad.

Andrew DeBerry

Sophomore

Keough Hall

September 17, 2000



Deserving student support

Saint Mary's College is renowned as an example of what college pride should be throughout the neighboring campuses and community. I was embarrassed to see our wonderful reputation tarnished this weekend when I attended the Belles volleyball game against Hope College. I was shocked to find the stands of our Angela Athletic Facility virtually empty. There were only eight SMC students and a handful of parents on hand. Why did the visiting team have more support than our Belles?

It was a Saturday, there were no classes and it was on campus so transportation was certainly not an issue. Just two hours earlier I saw hundreds of members of our student body cheering the Irish onto their win against Purdue. And now I stood in an empty gym, our gym, while our women poured their heart and soul into trying to gain their first win.

We are lucky to share in the tradition of Notre Dame, but we are privileged to be a part of Saint Mary's College and its tradition. Why can't we show our athletes the same respect we show Notre Dame's?

Saint Mary's athletes are some of the most incredible women you will ever meet. They devote countless hours every week in practices, games, meets and tournaments. They endure countless additional hours crammed into vans traveling to and from

games. Our student athletes have classes, projects and activities just like the rest of us. Yet they find the energy to participate in their sport to the best of their ability. In so doing, they represent us on the field, on the court, during warm-ups, in competition and when the game is over.

We should support the athletic programs on our campus at least as much as we support the athletic programs of our neighbors. I suspect our neighbors would agree. I urge you to support our athletes. Go to the soccer games, the volleyball games, the cross country meets and the basketball games. You will not be disappointed. Our women play with same intensity and heart of the best Division I schools. These women help define the standard of excellence for which Saint Mary's is known today.

As a member of your cross country team, I know how much your presence, cheers and support mean to all of the athletes. We depend on you for encouragement and are thankful for all who attend our events.

Nicole Prezioso

sophomore

Le Mans Hall

September 17, 2000



Happy 75th bir

By MOLLY McVOY
Scene Writer

The most visible building on Saint Mary's campus is celebrating its birthday this month.

LeMans Hall, constructed in September of 1925, will celebrate its 75th anniversary during the week of Sept. 25.

"I think LeMans is a very friendly place," said Sara Scalzo, the LeMans' hall director. "It's very attractive for students to live in. I don't quite know what the draw is, if it's the nice rooms or the fact that it's the center of campus."

LeMans, in its long history, has been home to just about every aspect of a Saint Mary's student's life.

In the early years of the College, the building housed the dining hall, a chapel, the library — along with the student rooms.

Sr. Basil Anthony, the dean of students from 1961-1968, explained that she not only worked in LeMans — as many

current administrators still do — she also lived with the students in the hall.

"It was a tremendous benefit," Anthony said. "You really got to know the students. If they had problems, they knew who to talk to."

Anthony said that she especially enjoyed being with the students during the political turbulence of the 1960s.

"During the national turmoil in that time, I really loved being with the students," she said.

Anthony also explained that during her term, the Sisters of the Holy Cross served as "dormitorians," serving a similar function to today's resident advisors. They lived with the students and were there to serve their living needs.

LeMans provided all a student needed during her time, and that, she feels, made the experience of living there a completely unique one.

"LeMans was where you lived and learned," Anthony said. "Everything you did was in that building."

The building was constructed during Mother Pauline's term as president of the College, the same time that Holy Cross Hall was built. Anthony feels it was Mother Pauline's dedication to a complete education that made LeMans what it is now.

"I think it is because Mother Pauline, who was the great builder of Holy Cross and LeMans, was a great educator who believed every service should be available to the students in one building," Anthony said.

The design for the building came from across U.S. 31. J. Maurice Carroll, a 1919 Notre Dame graduate, designed LeMans hall.

Although the library and the dining hall are now in separate buildings, both administration and students still share the building, a unique characteristic of the hall.

"I think one of the things that is unique about LeMans is that I've never been in a school where the administration and students are housed together," Scalzo said.

"I love living in LeMans," senior Rachel Deer, the LeMans hall president, said. "LeMans is the hub of campus. It's what everything focuses on. It carries with it that spirit of pride."

The combination of students and faculty, either living or working together, is something every generation of LeMans' residents have enjoyed.

During the 1970s, Marian McCandless, the namesake of Saint Mary's McCandless hall, lived in LeMans with the students. Linda Holtcamp, a 1974 graduate, appreciated the fact that McCandless wanted to spend her last years with the students.

"It was so nice that she wanted to live with the girls," Holtcamp said. "I remember that one of my professor's



wives was her nurse and took care of her during the day. It was great that the school could accommodate her."

The building has seen major changes to its appearance since its construction in 1925. It did undergo major renovations in 1993, but looks much as it did when Mother Pauline had it constructed.

In addition to the combination of students and administration, many residents of LeMans give the history and age of the building as reasons for their choice of residence.

"I walk through all these rooms and the oldness makes it homier," Scalzo said.

As part of the 75th anniversary celebration, the hall council has planned a time capsule compilation and a special mass, to be conducted during the week of Sept. 25.



DOROTHY CARDER/The Observer

Times have changed, but, 75 years later LeMans is still one of St. Mary's foremost residence halls.

Things to do this week

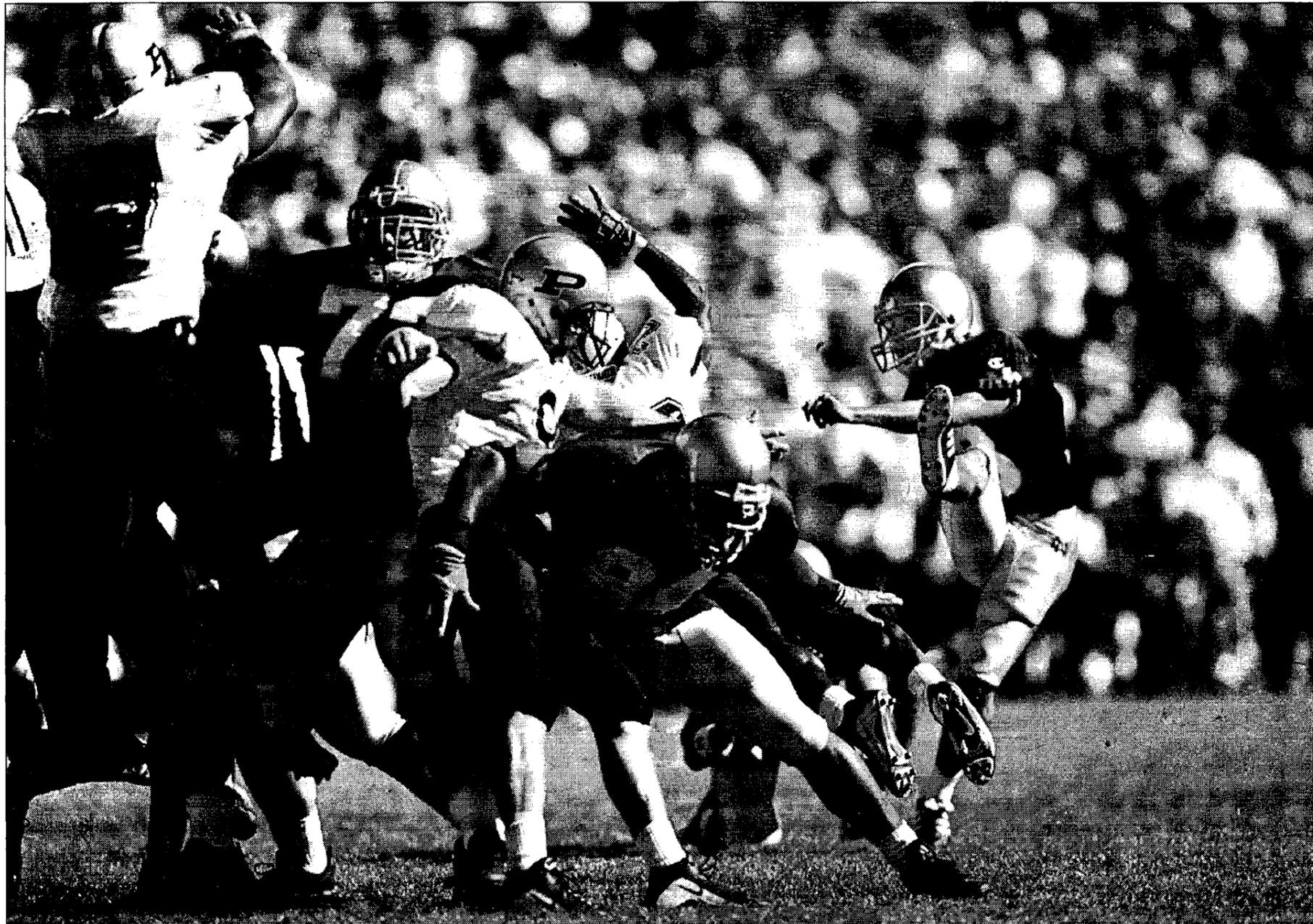
<p>Monday</p> <p>~ "Vertigo," Directed by Alfred Hitchcock, Annenburg Auditorium, Snite Museum, 7 p.m.</p> <p>~ Ramiro Rodriguez Exhibition, 230 McKenna Hall, all day.</p>	<p>Tuesday</p> <p>~ Ramiro Rodriguez Exhibition, 230 McKenna Hall, all day.</p> <p>~ Campus Bible Study, Badin Chapel, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Wednesday</p> <p>~ Lecture Series: Notre Dame's Female Leaders Speak on Areas of Personal and Professional Development for Women, admission fee: \$2, South Dining Hall Hospitality Room, noon.</p>	<p>Thursday</p> <p>~ Proust's Reinvention of the Novel: by William Carter, Annenburg Auditorium, Snite Museum, 4:30 p.m.</p> <p>~ Acousticafe: LaFortune Student Center, 9 p.m.-midnight.</p>
<p>Friday</p> <p>~ "Time Regained," directed by Raoul Ruiz, admission: \$2, Annenburg Auditorium, Snite Museum, 6:30, p.m.</p>	<p>Saturday</p> <p>~ Lecture: "The Papacy in a Time of Crisis: Pope Pius XII and World War II," Hesburgh Library Auditorium, 9 a.m.</p> <p>~ "Asian Culture and the Biblical World," Lecture by Seung Ai Young, Notre Dame Room, Lafortune Student Center, 1:30 p.m.</p>		<p>Sunday</p> <p>~ Lipizzaner Stallions Show, Joyce Center, 2:30 p.m. For ticket information, contact the Notre Dame ticket office on the 2nd floor of the Joyce Center.</p>

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Notre Dame vs. Purdue



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Purdue's defenders try, in vain, to get a hand on Nick Setta's (right) field goal attempt as time expires in the fourth quarter. Setta's kick sailed through the goalposts and sent the Irish soaring to a 23-21 victory and No. 16 ranking in the AP poll.

Irish overcome last-second jinx in win

By BRIAN BURKE
Sports Writer

Notre Dame turns Purdue blunders to its advantage

Gary Godsey seemed neither surprised nor impressed when Notre Dame's first-time starter at quarterback was told he completed one more pass than Purdue's Heisman hopeful Drew Brees in Notre Dame's last second 23-21 win over Purdue Saturday.

"I did? Wow, sweet," Godsey said nonchalantly.

Perhaps that unexpected statistic simply did not stand out among the other unusual events in what was overall a strange win for Notre Dame on Saturday. The Fighting Irish scored 17 points capitalizing on Purdue mistakes that included a blocked punt that set up a Godsey touchdown run, a 60-yard interception return for a touchdown and a botched fake punt attempt that put Notre Dame in field goal range. The field goal was one of three for Nick Setta.

Godsey attempted three more passes than Brees, although Purdue signifi-

cantly out rushed Notre Dame. Nevertheless, the 22 passing attempts for the Boilermakers (compared to 43 running plays) was something Purdue head coach Joe Tiller apparently regretted after the game.

"That's a surprise to us. We would like to throw the ball a little bit more. I think we would have except we had some success running the football today," Tiller said. "We ought to be happy with the way we ran the ball. I can tell you this right now, that's not what we want to do, we want to win football games, so as far as we're concerned we ran the football too much today."

Notre Dame emerged with the win because they did not ask Godsey to have a spectacular game. The Irish put together a simple offensive package that placed the burden on proven play-

ers to perform. Godsey came through when he had to, orchestrating the final drive for the game winning field goal, but his biggest role in the victory was probably avoiding the type of huge mistakes that plagued Purdue.

"You've got to give No. 14 [Godsey] credit," head coach Bob Davie said. "It was a limited game plan, we let them play us in a box a little bit, kind of by design, but he found a way to get us down there and get a field goal at the end of the game. Offensively it wasn't real creative, and I didn't think it needed to be real creative with the way we were playing defense, and we gave ourselves an opportunity to win the game."

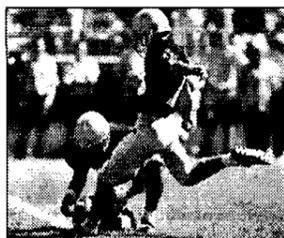
As was the case in last week's loss to Nebraska, Notre Dame's special teams continued their 180-degree turnaround from last season. Setta's clutch

game winner should not overshadow his other important field goals. After Purdue's fake punt debacle, the offense squandered an opportunity to go up 10 points, but Setta still made good on a 32-yard field goal. Other than his one miss, if the Irish got close, they got points.

Defensively, holding Drew Brees to only 221 yards passing translates into keeping him in check. Vinny Sutherland managed to stretch the secondary, but Notre Dame's defensive line put more pressure on Brees than last year's game in West Lafayette.

"I love the way we play [defense], the style we play," Davie said. "They got us in some man-to-man situations, took advantage of it, but there were some pretty good throws and catches too. You've got to give them credit."

Just the same, the Irish deserve some credit of their own. The memories of last year's clock management blunders was replaced on Saturday by a kick that sailed just inside the right upright and sent Brees and the Boilermakers back to West Lafayette in defeat.



player of the game

Nick Setta

The rookie kicker hit three of four field goals, including the gamewinner. He also was two for two on points after touchdowns.

quote of the game

"A lot of people might not believe in us, but we believe in ourselves. We know what we're capable of, and we showed it today."

Joey Getherall
Irish wide receiver

stat of the game

two sacks

Notre Dame's defense sacked Drew Brees twice. The Purdue quarterback was only sacked eight times all of last year.

report card

- B** **quarterbacks:** Godsey completed more passes than Purdue's Brees. He had trouble finding receivers, but Davie didn't give him many chances. He ran the offense well enough for a 'W.'
- C** **running backs:** The Irish only totaled 78 yards on the ground, despite 34 attempts. The first two touchdowns came without a single first down. That's won't win many football games.
- B+** **receivers:** Givens had a big day, and his 41-yard reception was clutch. When the throws were good, the receivers came through.
- B+** **offensive line:** Although Godsey was slow out of the box, the line kept him covered long enough to get the ball off except for two sacks allowed.
- A-** **defensive line:** Purdue's offense was No. 2 in the nation until Saturday. Notre Dame's defensive line sent Purdue home in shame, holding it to 21 points and sacking Brees twice.
- A-** **linebackers:** Harrison came through with 12 tackles, and Boiman and Denman again stopped the opposing offense with key plays.
- A** **defensive backs:** Walton scored on his second interception in two weeks. The secondary forced Brees into a poor performance and all but eliminated him from Heisman contention.
- A** **special teams:** This used to be what lost games for the Irish. No longer. Setta scored 11 of the team's 23 points. Earl blocked a Purdue punt.
- B+** **coaching:** Davie used his timeouts at opportune times. He should have called for Godsey to throw more early in the game to get his confidence up.

3.37 **overall:** Defense and special teams were again the highlight for the Irish. Offense needs to improve.

adding up the numbers

yards on Shane Walton's first-quarter interception return for a touchdown. **60**

number of field goals made by Nick Setta. **3**

number of passes completed by rookie quarterback Gary Godsey, one more than Purdue's Heisman candidate Drew Brees. **14**

time remaining in the game when Nick Setta kicked the gamewinning field goal. **:00**

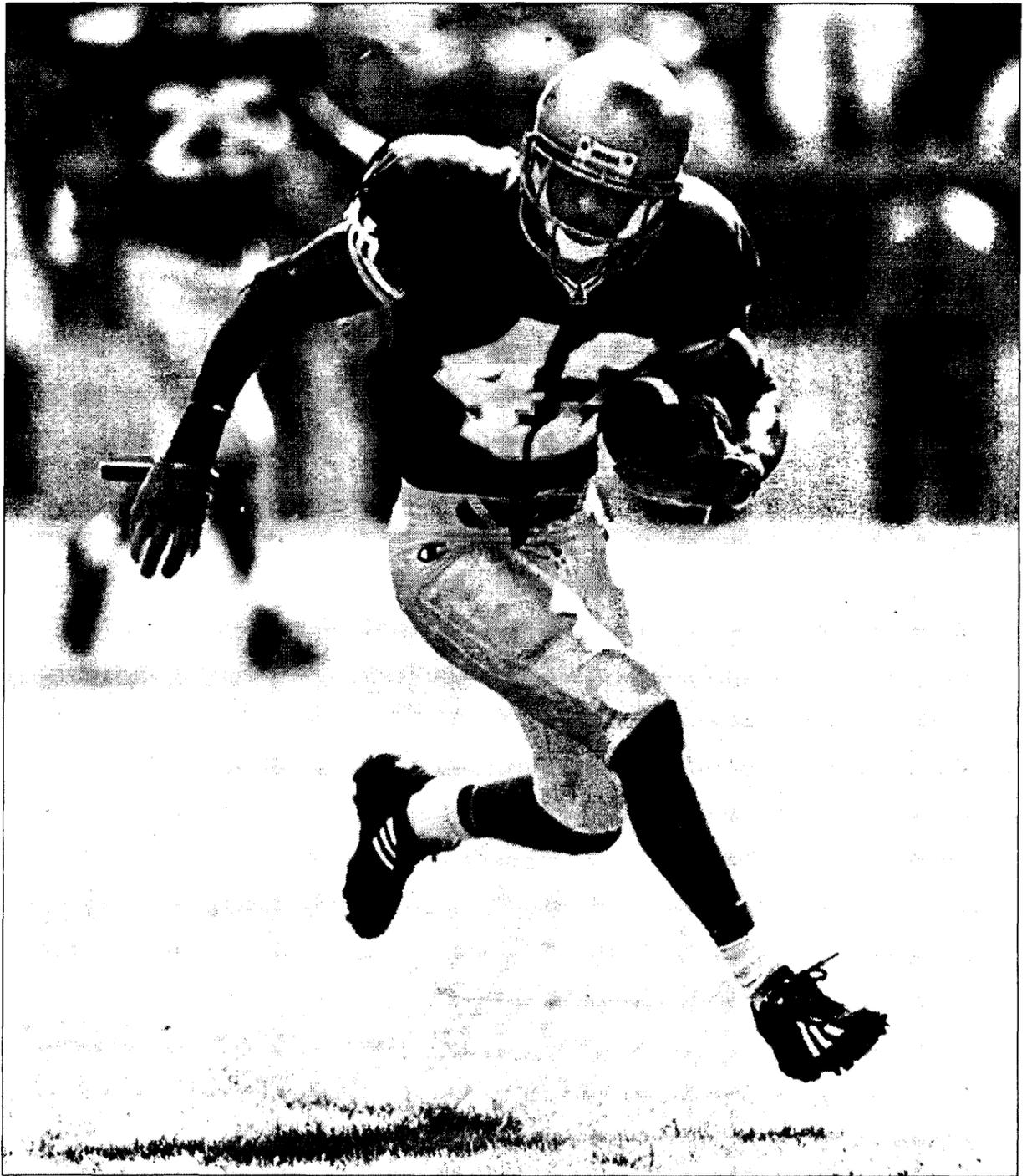
number of consecutive wins over Purdue in Notre Dame Stadium. **12**

number of total yards on offense by Notre Dame, the fewest since a 1998 loss to USC. **236**

number of weeks it took the Irish to beat two ranked teams, the fewest since 1990. **3**

number of yards on Gary Godsey's rushing touchdown, the first of his career. **9**

INSIGHT



PETER RICHARDSON/The Observer

Junior cornerback Shane Walton returns an interception 60 yards for a touchdown late in the first quarter of Saturday's game. It was his second interception in two weeks.

Irish learn to walk tight-rope of success

What a difference a year makes.

In '99, Notre Dame always made one mistake too many, lacked the confidence to take it all the way or got stopped one yard shy of the end zone. The Irish never seemed self-assured enough to put games away. Nine games were decided by 10 points or less, and seven of those times, Notre Dame came up on the short end.

Near the start of all last year's troubles, Notre Dame lost to Purdue as the clock ran out in a case of poor time management. Well, the Irish have come full circle.

After falling one defensive stop short of sending the 'Huskies tumbling from their coveted No. 1 position, the Irish team said, "No more." It refused to succumb to its critics' N a seemingly countless multitude that left the Irish off the Preseason Top 25 and handed its game tickets to Nebraska fans. The skeptics could think what they liked; the team knew better.

"A lot of people might not believe in us, but we believe in ourselves," Notre Dame flanker Joey Getherall said. "A lot of people were counting us out. We know what we're capable of, and we showed it today."

And with the new positive attitude,

the chips began piling up on Notre Dame's side of the poker table. This year, it was Purdue that crumbled in the final minute under Notre Dame's defensive pressure, its own players' errors and a slew of penalty calls.

"I knew we weren't going to lose," quarterback Gary Godsey said. "I looked at all the guys and said, 'We're not going to leave the field second.'"

The demoralizing events of the past week — losing quarterback Arnaz Battle to a broken wrist and captain defensive end Grant Irons to a shoulder injury and ending up on the losing side of an intense overtime battle — would have sunk the hopes of last year's Irish team and doomed it to defeat.

But head coach Bob Davie and the team's captains were prepared for the unexpected. Instead of looking at the roadblocks as a dead end on the route to success, the Irish chose to think of it as a detour. They brought in the backup crew and drilled into it a sense of bravado, managing to stay one step ahead of disaster.

With a self-assured Irish squad, the 2000 team wouldn't suffer the same fate as that of 1999.

While the clock expired on Notre Dame in last year's game against Purdue, this year, the game-winning field goal came just before the end of regulation.

When the '99 special teams squad stepped onto the field, Notre Dame fans looked on it as the kiss of death. This year, whether it's Nick Setta nailing a field goal, Glenn Earl blocking a Purdue punt or Julius

Jones running a kickoff back 100 yards for a touchdown, special teams are Notre Dame's salvation.

Unlike last year's defense, which gave up 40 points against an unranked Stanford squad, this year's defense held the nation's No. 2 offensive team to 21 points.

Instead of continuing last year's string of turnovers, Notre Dame capitalized on Purdue's fumble and interception to get the victory.

It all boils down to confidence.

This year's Irish have it. Last year's didn't.

"I think it's confidence, and everybody's just more hungry," junior linebacker Rocky Boiman said.

"Every time we're out there, we've got something to prove. We're on a mission."

The 2000 Irish clearly entered the year as underdogs. Naysayers predicted the Irish would stumble to a 1-4 or even 0-5 start against a brutal early slate of opponents.

Once Notre Dame sent Texas A&M home with its tail tucked between its legs and nearly knocked Nebraska off its throne, people started to gain the confidence in the Irish that the players had all along. But when it became clear that Battle would miss at least six weeks of play and Irons was out for the season, fans again wrote off Notre Dame's chances for success.

They underestimated the force of the "Fight" in the Irish.

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Kathleen O'Brien

Associate Sports Editor

Setta turns special teams into positive for Irish

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Assistant Sports Editor

The year was 1994. The event was the Pop Warner eighth-grade national championships in Daytona Beach, Fla. The game remained close until the final minutes, the team from Lockport, Ill., hanging with the boys from St. Louis.

In the final minutes, Lockport scored to pull within one point. In Pop Warner, a point-after kick is worth two points. Up came the kicker and placed the ball through the uprights for the national championship.

His name?
Nick Setta.

Saturday's game-winning 38-yarder was nothing new for the sophomore playing in his first season, who has been piling up athletic accolades since before high school. Yet ever the star, Setta puts the team before himself.

"He's always been a team player," said sophomore Becky Lyman, who attended grammar school with Setta. "He's always had confidence in his abilities, but he's worked hard to get there."

It was this unflappable confidence that so impressed Irish head coach Bob Davie.

"I remember the first time I met him, when he walked in what a confident — almost bordering on arrogant — kind of guy he was," Davie recalled after Saturday's game. "I spent two or three hours over at that high school and everybody said what a tremendous competitor he is."

Growing up in Lockport — a working-class town southwest of Chicago where high school sports is often the focus of the community — Setta's athletic talents emerged early. His freshman year he earned the position of starting kicker, but had more than just football in mind.

Setta also emerged as one of the top runners on the Porters' cross-country squad, creating an interesting conflict where Setta competed as a member of both teams during the same season. Incredibly, the cross-country team — which competes for the state title nearly every season in Illinois — adjusted their practice schedule so that Setta could kick field goals after school before running as much as 40 miles per week in the evening.

"Those guys realized the situation I was in, the possibility of winning a state championship," Setta said. "They made the sacrifice of waiting for an hour and a half or two hours until I was done with football. It was a big sacrifice for them and I really appreciate it."

Setta even competed in both sports

during the same day, finishing among the top runners in a grueling three-mile race before a Saturday afternoon football game.

"The next thing you knew he's getting driven by his dad and walking on the field 10 or 15 minutes before we get going," said Brad Kooi, Lockport's football coach. "He wouldn't even hesitate. He'd come back and say his leg feels fresh."

Setta feels that his dedication to both sports ultimately paid off in giving him more energy to devote to his kicking.

"I'm able to kick a lot more," he said. "I have the ability to do a lot of the kicking and not really get tired."

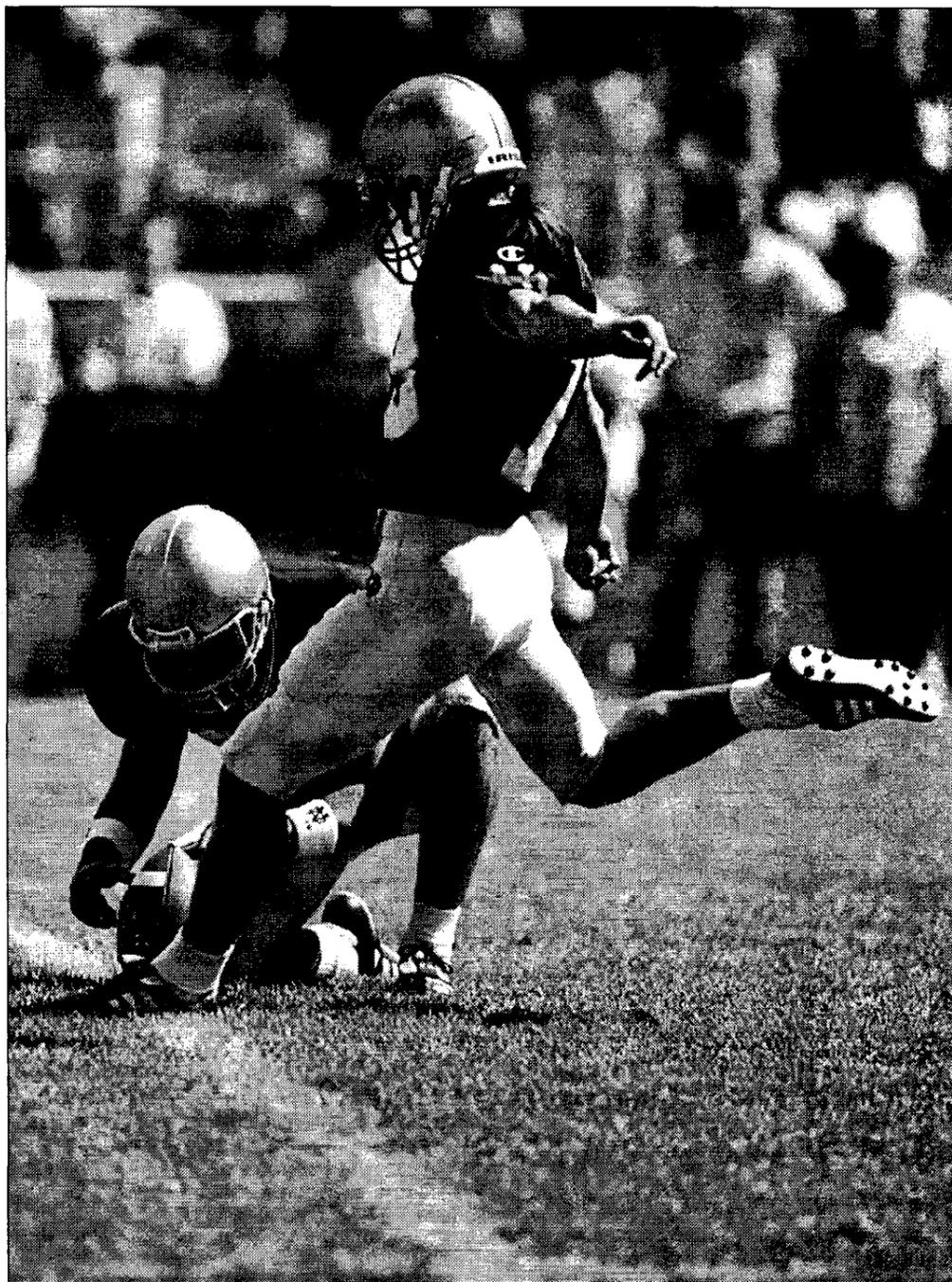
While Setta competed in sports year-round at Lockport, he always found time to practice his kicking.

"There were times that my kids and I would walk out to the football field to play around, and he'd be out there kicking with his dad and his brother," Kooi said. "It didn't happen once, it happened all the time. You'd head out there in the summertime, in the spring during track season, and he'd be working on it."

Setta's dedication paid off in record-breaking fashion while at Lockport. During his sophomore season, Setta booted a 59-yard field goal, by far Illinois's state record. The next year, Setta hit the uprights on a 72-yard attempt in a playoff game, a kick Kooi claims Setta has made during practice.

Setta's determination and experience paid off in the form of a scholarship offer from Davie in February of his senior year. After sitting out his freshman year behind Jim Sanson and David Miller, Setta performed well enough in this fall's camp to earn the nod at starting kicker, a decision that Davie claims was not an easy one.

"David Miller's a good kicker," said Davie. "It was a gut feeling about Nick Setta, because he is so confident. He doesn't get rattled."



PETER RICHARDSON/The Observer

Sophomore Nick Setta (standing) has kicked his way into a starting position for Notre Dame, his confidence guiding him to be 5-for-6 on field goal attempts this year.

As the clock ticked down with the game on the line Saturday afternoon, Davie recalled the confidence he sensed back in that office in Lockport. He looked at his young kicker and simply said, "This is what you came here for."

Davie then looked at his kicker, playing in only his third collegiate game, and marveled at his confidence.

"There was no doubt in his eyes that he enjoyed that moment," Davie said. "He was looking forward to that moment."

scoring summary & stats

AP poll		
team	record	points
1 Nebraska	2-0	1,747
2 Florida State	3-0	1,723
3 Florida	3-0	1,545
4 Kansas State	3-0	1,459
5 Virginia Tech	3-0	1,412
6 UCLA	3-0	1,408
7 Wisconsin	3-0	1,349
8 Washington	3-0	1,331
9 USC	2-0	1,126
10 Michigan	2-1	1,107
11 Clemson	3-0	1,030
12 Miami (Fla.)	1-1	926
13 Tennessee	1-1	889
14 Ohio State	3-0	733
15 Texas	1-1	717
16 NOTRE DAME	2-1	705
17 Oklahoma	2-0	629
18 TCU	2-0	531
19 Illinois	3-0	513
20 Auburn	3-0	445
21 Purdue	2-1	422
22 So. Mississippi	1-1	380
23 Michigan State	2-0	274
24 Georgia	1-1	194
25 Mississippi State	2-0	128

other teams receiving votes: South Carolina 118, Oregon 58, Stanford 25, Mississippi 23, Toledo 22, Alabama 17, West Virginia 15, Texas A&M 14, Arizona State 12, Air Force 11, Texas Tech 10, Pittsburgh 7, Georgia Tech 6, Colorado State 5.

scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Purdue	0	14	0	7	21
Notre Dame	14	3	3	7	23
team statistics	ND	PU			
first downs	14	20			
rushes-yards	34-78	43-177			
passing yards	158	221			
comp-att-int	14-25-1	13-24-1			
punt return yards	2-56	1-8			
kickoff return yds	2-34	5-93			
punts-avg. yards	5-48.8	5-41.4			
fumbles-lost	0-0	1-1			
penalties-yards	5-23	10-78			
time of possession	27:55	32:05			
individual statistics					
passing	ND — Godsey 14-25-1-158	PU — Brees 13-22-1-221			
rushing	ND — Jones 18-56, Fisher 6-18, Godsey 7-3, Lopienski 2-1, Howard 1-0	PU — Lowe 20-82, Brown 12-49, Brees 7-35, Sutherland 1-14, Morales 1-8, Standeford 1-6			
receiving	ND — Givens 6-86, Jones 2-26, Hunter 1-15, Getherall 1-9, Holloway 1-8, Lopienski 1-7, O'Leary 1-5, Fisher 1-2	PU — Stratton 5-53, Sutherland 4-112, Morales 2-18, Brown 1-25, Dawson 1-13			
leading tacklers	ND — Harrison 12, Weaver 9, Denman 8, Boiman 6, Driver 6	PU — Doe 8, Johnson 7, Ayodele 7, Phillips 7, Mitrione 7			

scoring summary
1st
ND - 12:21 Godsey 9-yd. run Setta kick, 7-0
ND - 3:42 Walton 60-yd. int. return Setta kick, 14-0
2nd
PU - 13:02 Lowe 6-yd. run Dorsch kick, 14-7
ND - 11:24 Setta 47-yd. FG, 17-7
PU - 7:21 Sutherland 19-yd. pass from Brees Dorsch kick, 17-14
3rd
ND - 2:17 Setta 32-yd. FG, 20-14
4th
PU - 3:39 Sutherland 22-yd. pass from Brees Dorsch kick, 21-20
ND - :00 Setta 38-yd. FG, 23-21

ESPN/USA Today poll

team	record	points
1 Nebraska	2-0	1,456
2 Florida State	3-0	1,424
3 Florida	3-0	1,336
4 Virginia Tech	3-0	1,202
5 Kansas State	3-0	1,192
6 Wisconsin	3-0	1,184
7 Washington	3-0	1,074
8 UCLA	3-0	1,042
9 USC	2-0	964
10 Michigan	2-1	874
11 Clemson	3-0	810
12 Ohio State	3-0	733
13 Tennessee	1-1	671
14 Miami (Fla.)	1-1	662
15 Texas	1-1	610
16 Oklahoma	2-0	549
17 Illinois	3-0	484
18 NOTRE DAME	2-1	477
19 TCU	2-0	420
20 Michigan State	2-0	382
21 Purdue	2-1	322
22 Auburn	3-0	296
23 So. Mississippi	1-1	270
24 Georgia	1-1	184
25 Mississippi State	2-0	170

other teams receiving votes: Alabama 77, South Carolina 41, Colorado State 33, Texas A&M 29, Mississippi 27, Arkansas 26, West Virginia 23, Stanford 19, Oregon 17, Air Force 15, Georgia Tech 13, Texas Tech 12, Toledo 11, Oregon State 7, Arizona 6.

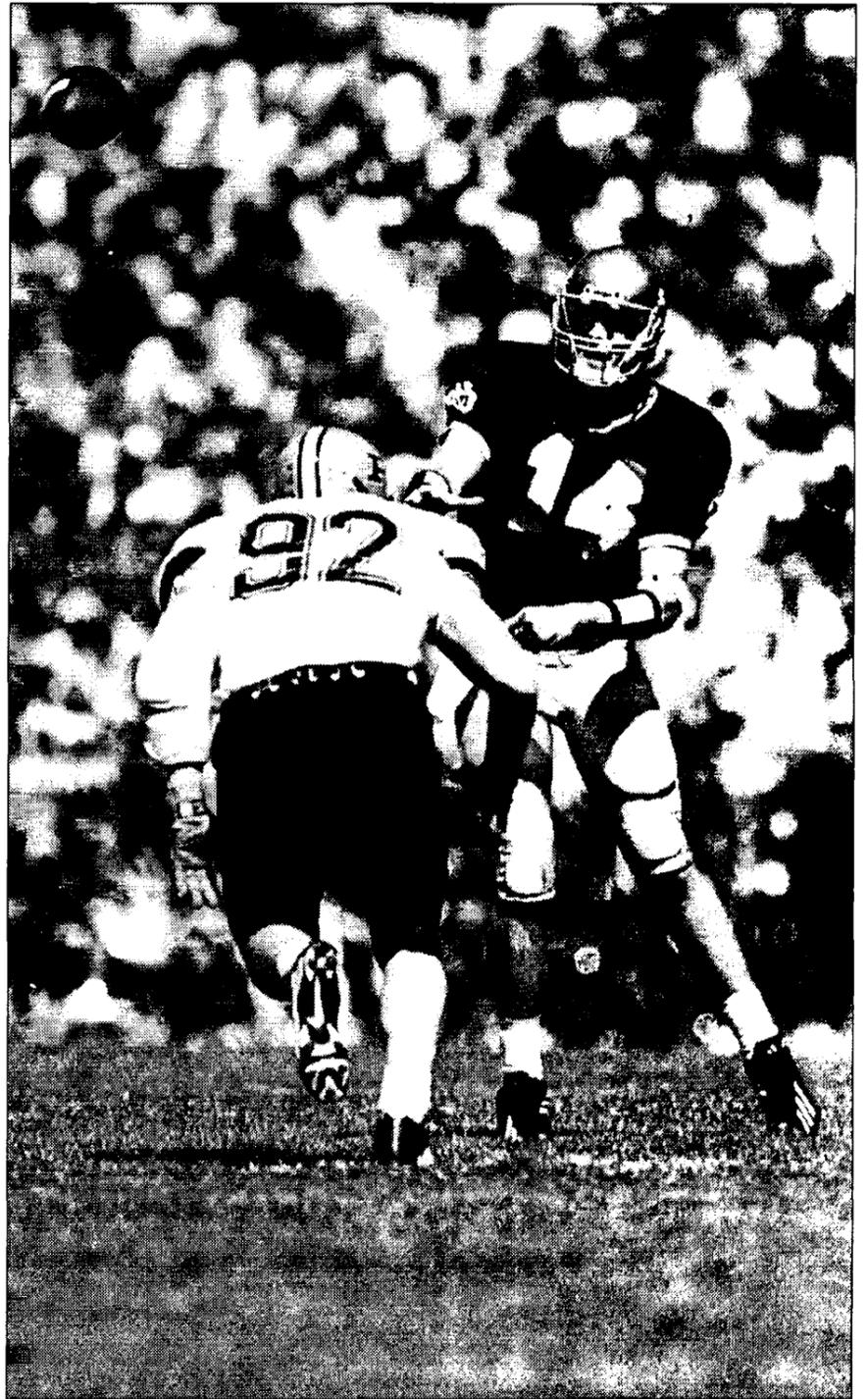


MEG KROENER/The Observer

Irish cornerback Shane Walton brings down Boilermakers receiver Vinny Sutherland. Sutherland caught four passes for 112 yards Saturday.

RISING TO THE CHALLENGE

The Irish continued their string of close games against the Purdue Boilermakers, this time coming out on top on the final play of the game. Notre Dame capitalized on several Purdue errors in the victory, the first of quarterback Gary Godsey's career as the sophomore played in his first game ever for the Irish.



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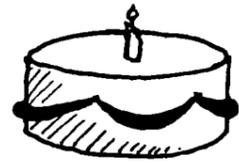
Quarterback Gary Godsey (No. 14) gets a pass off just in time as Purdue defender Craig Terrill (No. 92) moved in for the tackle.



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Notre Dame's Ron Israel (No. 5) topples Purdue wide receiver Chris James (No. 5) after James eluded the tackle of Irish safety Tony Driver (No. 25).

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Memorable Moments...

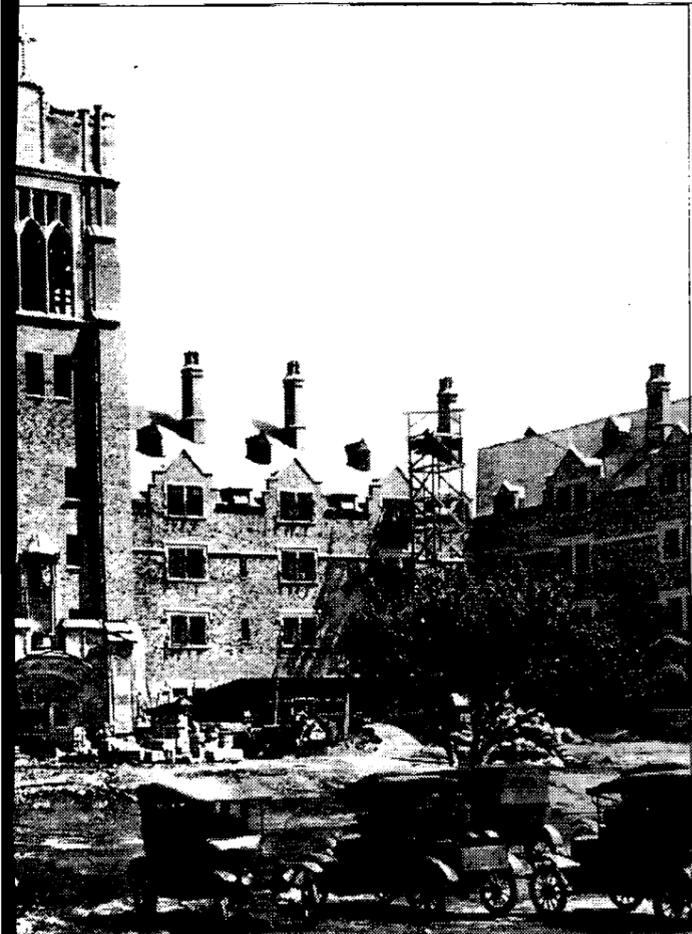
Reportedly, a LeMans RA was performing her rounds when a head appeared from within the wall.

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Scott Little

just a little

bowling leagues, hold square dancing contests and even fish fries! For myself, I have found the Legion's greatest ethos to be Thursday Bingo Night.

Within Post # 50's fabricated wooden walls, one will find a smoky peace, a smoky harmony. A place to escape? For some, maybe. But on Thursday night, it becomes a place to deal with economic issues, make friends and act on long awaited hopes.

The atmosphere and the anxiousness of the attendants adds glamour to the smoky sausage air. Magic bingo wands sweep across the cards, picking up the bingo chips with magnetic rims. Lucky Bingo statues come out of specially knitted Bingo bags. Like rounds of ammo, bingo dabber holders are laid on the tables.

And above them all stands a man who alone symbolizes liberty and

Americanism. He is Hank, the 150 Bingo Sheet Man. Some know him as the Bingo Master. Others know him as Quiet Hank. If nothing else, a trip to the Legion is worth the trip to watch this master play with 150 bingo cards per game. No one knows how he does it. He lays down bingo chips where he may, but most of the game is going on in his head. When asked about it he responds coolly, "Bingo is a mind game." He is a man who inspires and liberates. Here is a man who may be close to realizing his full potential. And it is quite a sight.

The legends don't just stop at Hank. Just as Zeus once dispelled the darkness of violence and evil, Ned makes his rounds among the tables with Bingo sheets for his famed Lightning round. Next comes Clara, and she has cookies! No, not chocolate chip or peanut butter — these cookies are yet

another chance at a dream. A pull tab that may be worth up to \$35!

I cannot promise that you will win any money by attending Bingo Night at Legion Post # 50, but I can promise that anyone who does will have a renewed obligation to their community, a new found loyalty in Americanism and the desire to promote peace and goodwill on earth. Happy dabbing.

Fun facts: Bingo night is every Thursday night starting at 6:30 p.m. at Legion Post # 50, located about one mile north of Lincoln Way, on Bendix Road. The American Legion Headquarters is located in Indianapolis.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Kapler stays hot as Kansas City defeats Texas

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY
Gabe Kapler was 2-for-4 and drove in three runs, giving him 13 RBIs in the four-game series, and the Texas Rangers beat the Kansas City Royals.

Kapler hit a two-run homer in the first after Frank Catalanotto's solo home run and Rafael Palmeiro's single. Kapler added an RBI single in the fifth after Palmeiro tripled.

In 29 games since his 28-game hitting streak — the longest in the majors this season — Kapler is hitting .336 (39-for-116). He has 47 RBIs in the last 57 games.

Kenny Rogers (13-13) allowed two runs and seven hits in seven innings to win his second straight start after going 0-4 in a six-start span. John Wetteland got the last two outs for his 34th save in 42 chances.

Texas added to its 3-1 lead with two runs in the fifth. Catalanotto singled and scored on a triple by Palmeiro who scored on Kapler's single.

Ricky Ledee's single chased Dan Reichert (8-8), who gave up five runs and 10 hits in four-plus innings. He was trying to become the first Kansas City pitcher to get nine wins.

Tigers 5, Red Sox 4

Unhappy about leaving Comerica Park with a four-game split, the Boston Red Sox headed home for their most important series of the season: five games against Cleveland, the AL wild card leader.

"We have to find a way to win four out of five against Cleveland," closer Derek Lowe said Sunday after Boston's comeback fell short in a 5-4 loss to the Detroit Tigers.

Dave Mlicki pitched four-hit ball for seven innings and Dean Palmer hit a two-run homer for Detroit.

Boston, which has lost two straight after winning three in a row, fell 2 1/2 games behind Cleveland, which goes to Fenway Park for a Tuesday night game followed by back-to-back doubleheaders.

"The whole season basically comes down to one series," Scott Hatteberg said.

"After you play those five games we'll see where we are," manager Jimmy Williams said. "We kind of control our own fate."

Mlicki (6-11) gave up one run and left with a 5-1 lead after allowing doubles by Nomar Garciaparra and Brian Daubach in the seventh.

"I put in my notes that's about the best I've seen him pitch all year," Tigers manager Phil Garner said.

Hatteberg hit a two-run homer when he pinch hit in the eighth off Danny Patterson, and Jason Varitek hit an RBI single in the ninth off Todd Jones, who struck out Bernard Gilkey to end the game with the potential tying run on second.

Jones got his team-record 39th save in 42 chances. John Hiller had 38 saves in 1973.

"It doesn't mean a lot to a lot of people, but it means a lot to me and a lot to John Hiller and the Tigers. I'm proud to be a Tiger," Jones said. "I'm just appreciative of the opportunity they've given me."

Indians 15, Yankees 4

With Manny Ramirez healthy and Yankee-killer Chuck Finley on their side, the Cleveland Indians could be a difficult October opponent for New York.

Cleveland handed New York its second lopsided loss in three days, as Finley allowed one hit in six scoreless innings and Ramirez homered and drove in three runs.

"We have to get there before

we can talk about playing the Yankees," Indians manager Charlie Manuel said. "We have our work cut out just to get there."

The Indians have taken two of the first three games in the four-game series — outscoring their potential playoff foe 29-11 — and hold a half-game lead over idle Oakland in the AL wild card race.

Despite the loss, the Yankees' magic number for clinching the AL East dropped to eight with Boston's 5-4 loss at Detroit.

Finley (13-11) signed a \$27 million, three-year deal with Cleveland in the offseason in part because of his success against the Yankees. The left-hander, who improved to 17-9 against New York, was sharp, but didn't need to be.

"There are certain teams I do well against and certain teams I don't," Finley said. "The team I do well against happens to be the world champions."

By the time Ryan Thompson got New York's first hit with one out in the fifth inning, the Indians already led 15-0. Finley left early as Manuel wanted to keep him available as an option to pitch in the second game of a doubleheader against Boston on Thursday — one of three twinbills in eight days for the Indians.

Mariners 3, Orioles 2

The Seattle Mariners could hardly have expected to win three straight in Baltimore, a city where they have long endured failure and disappointment.

So, when the Mariners capped a three-game sweep of the Orioles with a victory, their elation extended beyond the fact that they strengthened their hold on first place in the AL West.

"From now on, every game is paramount, every series is huge for us," said Alex

Rodriguez, whose eighth-inning homer broke a 1-1 tie. "For us to come in here, a place where we've been embarrassed many times and not played well, it's great to get three."

It was the Mariners' first three-game sweep in Baltimore since 1990, when the Orioles played at Memorial Stadium and Rodriguez was still in high school. Seattle, which came in with a seven-game losing streak in Baltimore, outscored the Orioles 27-4.

"We're playing good, solid baseball," Seattle manager Lou Piniella said. "I don't want to say anything about a sweep, but it is nice to win three games here."

Freddy Garcia won his fourth straight start and John Olerud hit a solo homer for the Mariners, who won their fifth straight and increased their lead to 21 1/2 games over second-place Oakland in the AL West. The A's, whose series finale at Tampa Bay was postponed by Hurricane Gordon, start a four-game series in Baltimore on Monday.

Blue Jays 14, White Sox 1

If Carlos Delgado has his way, he's got a few more home runs to hit.

Delgado hit a grand slam to end a 17-game homerless streak, reaching 40 homers for the second straight season as the Toronto Blue Jays routed the Chicago White Sox.

"I hit 44 last year and I always try to top the previous year," said Delgado, the first player in Blue Jays history to post two 40-homer seasons. "It seems like the last couple of weeks, I haven't felt great at the plate. It's nice to get to that round number. Hopefully I can finish up strong."

Brad Fullmer hit a three-run homer, Jose Cruz Jr. hit a two-run shot and Tony Batista had a three-run double as Toronto

remained three games behind Cleveland, which leads the AL wild-card race.

"We came in here and had a chance to win all three games," Delgado said. "We didn't fall too far behind. We have to continue to play well and finish strong."

Delgado connected with two outs in the sixth against Jesus Pena for his seventh career slam, his second this year.

Delgado has 133 RBIs, one shy of the Toronto record set by George Bell in 1987 and matched by Delgado last year. It was Delgado's first homer since Aug. 28 at Anaheim.

"It was good to see Carlos come out of it," Toronto manager Jim Fregosi said. "Hopefully, now that he's hit his 40th, he can get hot ... hotter."

Chicago's lead in the AL Central was cut to 7 1/2 games over the Indians with two weeks remaining.

Twins 1, Angels 0

Brad Radke is well aware of his standing among the American League leaders for losses.

Radke pitched his fourth career shutout, scattering eight hits to lead the Minnesota Twins to a victory over the Anaheim Angels.

"I knew I was up there," he said. "I've been up there for a while."

Radke (12-15) remained in a three-way tie with Toronto's Kelvim Escobar and Baltimore's Mike Mussina for most losses. Philadelphia's Omar Daal leads the majors with 19.

Radke, who walked one and struck out four, got a break in the sixth inning when a high drive by Mo Vaughn that might have been a two-run homer instead hit a Metrodome speaker in right field and dropped harmlessly for a single.

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support.

And how can I forget Cat. You are
the greatest. No, you are!!!

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Florida wins on controversial TD

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Florida coach Steve Spurrier thinks the play could have been ruled either way. Tennessee is certain there was only one correct way to make the call: incomplete.

Not that the Volunteers can do much about it. Coach Phillip Fulmer said he will speak Monday with Bobby Gaston, head of officiating for the Southeastern Conference, as he does every week after a game. He would not say Sunday whether he intends to file a protest.

The play in question was a 3-yard touchdown pass by Florida with 14 seconds left. The score gave the Gators a 27-23 victory Saturday in a game that could well have a bearing on the national championship.

"Whether or not he had it, I don't know," Spurrier said Sunday. "Did he have it long enough? I would say if it was in the field of play it would have definitely been incomplete. But in the end zone, you only need a moment."

It was a moment that could define a season.

Before a Neyland Stadium-record crowd of 108,768, Tennessee was ahead 23-20 when Florida got the ball back at its own 9 with 2:14 to go. The Gators drove to the Tennessee 3. On third down, Jesse Palmer threw a quick pass to Jabar Gaffney just over the goal line.

Two Tennessee defenders crashed into Gaffney, jarring the ball loose.

Line judge Al Matthews paused before raising his arms to signal the touchdown. His call stood after a brief conference with referee Al Ford. Matthews played on the last Vanderbilt team that beat Tennessee, in 1982.

"I had it long enough for it to be a touchdown," said Gaffney, who finished with six catches for 91 yards.

Tennessee cornerback Willie Miles hit Gaffney on the play.

"I saw the ball fall," he said. "I'm not a ref. What I think doesn't matter. The Gators won but the world knows about the last play. I thought they were going to overrule. I don't think they were sure."

Tennessee left tackle John Henderson, who sacked Palmer twice, agreed.

"What I saw was him not having control of the ball," he said.

Fulmer was clearly upset after the game. He interrupted one question to wide receiver Cedrick Wilson about Gaffney's touchdown.

"You're asking about the last touchdown? To me that's irrelevant," Fulmer said. "The guy called it a touchdown. It must be a touchdown. We sit here and

bounce that pingpong back and forth all day. There were 140 other plays in the ball game that could have made a difference. We're not going to hang the game on one play or one official. It's done."

Fulmer said he did not see the play unfold during the game. After looking at the film, he said he does not think Gaffney caught the ball.

The officials were not available after the game.

If Tennessee does protest, it would be the second straight appeal involving the officiating crew. Vanderbilt protested the Sept. 9 game with Alabama.

What is not in dispute is this: Florida is now the team to chase in the East in the Southeastern Conference.

Florida (2-0, 1-0) moved up three places in the Associated Press poll to No. 3 on Sunday while Tennessee (1-1, 0-1) dropped two spots to No. 13.

Spurrier acknowledged Tennessee had beaten the Gators in nearly every category except the final score. But the Vols had some fatal mistakes.

Florida's Lito Sheppard ran back an interception 19 yards to give the Gators a 17-12 lead. And despite Tennessee's dominance on the ground — Travis Henry had 175 yards on 37 carries — the Vols had to settle for five field goals by Alex Walls. Three came after Tennessee was unable to convert from inside the 6.

"I saw the ball fall. I'm not a ref. What I think doesn't matter."

Willie Miles
Tennessee cornerback

"I had it long enough for it to be a touchdown."

Jabar Gaffney
Florida wide receiver

Stellar defense gives Stanford upset win

Associated Press

STANFORD, Calif. — The Trench Dogs finally bit somebody, a freshman backup quarterback stole the spotlight, and Tiger Woods led the cheers on the sideline.

It added up to an unforgettable victory for Stanford.

While much of the college football world was sleeping, Stanford avenged a 52-point pounding in Austin last season by beating Texas 27-24 Saturday night.

The loss, just Texas' third to an unranked team under coach Mack Brown, sent the Longhorns (1-1) tumbling 10 spots to No. 15 in the latest AP poll.

But the pollsters who went to bed well before the West Coast's final game was complete couldn't appreciate the surreal atmosphere and unlikely events leading to Stanford's victory.

"The game definitely had a sense of the bizarre. We didn't play well until the fourth quarter. ... The game was going in so many different ways, up and down. I'm sick to my stomach thinking about it," said Texas quarterback Major Applewhite, who shook off a bad night to lead two scoring drives in the final 10 minutes and give the Longhorns a brief lead.

"I don't know how it happened," said Stanford quarterback Chris Lewis, who had thrown three collegiate passes before starter Randy Fasani was injured in the first quarter. "I just went out there and tried to complete one pass, then one more. I really have no idea how we won."

However it happened, coach Tyrone Willingham called it the biggest victory in his six years at Stanford (2-1). Lewis, who threw for 214 yards and three TDs, drove the Cardinal 59 yards in 43 seconds for the winning points.

DeRonnie Pitts caught a short pass and tumbled end-over-end into the end zone for

a 15-yard score with 1:12 to play, setting off a celebration in Stanford's student section that was as wild as the Cardinal's sedate crowd ever gets.

But Stanford earned its victory with 50 minutes of solid defense. That wouldn't be especially noteworthy for most teams, but the Cardinal's defense was among the nation's worst a year ago and allowed 40 points to San Jose State last weekend.

Willie Howard and his Trench Dogs — the catchy nickname for Stanford's under-achieving defensive front — finally gave a performance worthy of their hype.

"Nobody's given us respect on defense for a long time," linebacker Riall Johnson said. "I think we showed what we're all about this time."

Howard, Stanford's senior defensive leader, led the way with seven tackles, and the Cardinal held Texas to 159 yards of total offense in the first three quarters. Howard and Johnson both made big tackles in the closing minutes to kill Texas' final drives.

Defensive coordinator Kent Baer blitzed the Longhorns on almost every obvious passing situation, exposing a soft offensive line that also couldn't get Texas' running game moving. Applewhite was sacked five times — twice on Texas' final drive, which ended on downs with 33 seconds left — and was hurried countless others.

After their dismal offensive night, the Longhorns may be wondering if even two quarterbacks are enough. Applewhite played poorly until the final minutes, while Chris Simms led one TD drive but couldn't do much else.

The Longhorns also made two crucial special teams mistakes. A personal foul penalty on a punt return kept Stanford's first TD drive alive, and in the third, Stanford's Emory Brock blocked a Texas punt, scooped up the loose ball and scored.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cardinals win after Cubs' Sosa drops ball in the ninth

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Sammy Sosa has won plenty of games with a home run. On Sunday, he lost one after a long run. Sosa's three-base error in right field allowed three runs to score in the eighth inning and the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Chicago Cubs 4-2.

Sosa dropped Edgar Renteria's fly ball with the bases loaded and two outs, giving St. Louis its seventh win in a row.

The Cardinals completed a four-game sweep of the Cubs for the first time since 1963. St. Louis cut its magic number for clinching the NL Central to two over Cincinnati.

"I ran like half a mile and when I got to the shadows I knew I was in trouble," Sosa said. "There's no excuse, I take the blame."

Chicago has lost five straight and 15 of 17.

Darryl Kile (19-9) won his fifth straight decision, allowing two runs and six hits in eight innings. Matt Morris struck out three for his third save.

"It took a fluky play and some grinding by our offense, but that's what we needed to win," Kile said.

The Cardinals trailed 2-1 in the eighth when Tim Worrell (3-4) struck out pinch-hitter Mark McGwire to start the inning. Later, with runners on second and third and two outs, Fernando Tatis received an intentional walk.

Renteria hit a fly toward the right-field corner, and Sosa caught up to the ball after a long run. But the ball bounced off the heel of his glove, and all three runners scored.

"The ball was tailing and it was really a tough play. I wish it had been scored as a hit,"

Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. Cubs manager Don Baylor refused to blame Sosa.

"He ran a long way for the ball and it hit him in the glove. It's just another way for us to lose," he said.

Cubs starter Kerry Wood, coming off his first complete game since elbow surgery, allowed one run and two hits in six innings.

"He didn't have his best stuff, but he competed," Baylor said. "He left the game with the lead and should have gotten the win."

Kile also praised Wood for a strong performance.

"We weren't doing anything off him and I felt bad when they got the lead off me. He pitched a good game," Kile said.

Shane Andrews led off the seventh with a first-pitch home run off Kile. Andrews' 15th homer gave the Cubs a 2-1 lead.

The Cardinals scored their only run off Wood in the second on a sacrifice fly by Mike Matheny, with J.D. Drew striking out with two runners on to end the inning. Wood struck out eight and walked six.

The Cubs tied it in the third on Augie Ojeda's second home run of the year.

Astros 5, Pirates 3

Moises Alou hit his 30th homer and drove in four runs as Scott Elarton and the Houston Astros sent the Pittsburgh Pirates to their ninth straight loss.

Pittsburgh's losing streak is its longest since a nine-game skid in 1985.

The Astros completed a four-game sweep and finished 7-0 against the Pirates this season at Enron Field.

Elarton (17-6) gave up a two-

run homer to Abraham Nunez in the first inning before settling down.

Elarton pitched eight innings, allowing three runs and eight hits. He struck out seven and walked two.

Octavio Dotel pitched the ninth for his 14th save.

Pittsburgh's John Vander Wal went 0-for-4, ending his 16-game hitting streak.

Alou hit a solo homer in the second. His two-run double in the sixth scored Jeff Bagwell and Richard Hidalgo and gave the Astros a 4-3 lead. Bagwell had walked and Hidalgo doubled off Dan Serafini (2-5).

Alou added a sacrifice fly in the seventh, giving him 106 RBIs.

John Wehner doubled and scored on Keith Osik's grounder as the Pirates took a 3-2 lead in the fourth.

The Pirates went ahead 2-0 in the first when Adrian Brown led off with a single and Nunez hit an 0-2 pitch just inside the right-field foul pole for his first homer of the season.

The Astros tied it at 2 in the third on an RBI single by Mitch Meluskey. Tim Bogar singled and moved up on Elarton's sacrifice before Meluskey singled.

Giants 5, Padres 1

Jeff Kent went 2-for-4 with a home run and a triple as the San Francisco Giants, despite resting four regular starters, beat the San Diego Padres.

Mark Gardner (11-6) allowed one run and four hits in seven innings to win his fourth straight decision, helping the Giants win for the 15th time in 18 games. He had missed his previous scheduled start

because of fatigue.

San Francisco, which began the day 8 1/2 games ahead of second-place Arizona in the NL West, lowered its magic number for clinching the division to seven. At 89-59, the Giants have the best record in the major leagues, just ahead of the Chicago White Sox (88-59).

With a trip to the playoffs pretty much secure, the Giants rested Barry Bonds, Bill Mueller, J.T. Snow and Rich Aurilia.

Woody Williams (10-6) allowed four runs and eight hits in eight innings, struck out six and walked four.

Kent tripled leading off the third, Ellis Burks walked, Armando Rios singled in a run and Ramon Martinez hit a sacrifice fly.

Kent hit his 33rd homer leading off the fourth, giving him 474 RBIs in four seasons, one more than Hall of Famer Rogers Hornsby for the most RBIs in a four-year period by a second baseman.

Kent was ejected in the seventh by plate umpire Tim McClelland following a called third strike. Kent, thinking it was ball four, jogged nearly all the way to first base.

Russ Davis hit a run-scoring double in the fifth following Doug Mirabelli's leadoff single.

Mike Darr hit an RBI single for San Diego in the sixth after Ryan Klesko's one-out single and a walk to Dave Magadan. Felipe Crespo hit an RBI double off Todd Erdos in the ninth.

Phillies 6, Marlins 5

There is no wall in sight this time around for Randy Wolf.

The Phillies' left-hander

pitched seven strong innings and Bobby Abreu hit his 24th homer to lead the Philadelphia Phillies to a victory over the Florida Marlins.

"It was one of my strongest starts, physically, of the season," Wolf said. "I felt great and that's a far cry from how I felt last year at this point. I kind of hit the wall down the stretch last season."

"It also shows that I did something right during the off-season, working out and getting stronger. It's paying off now."

Wolf (11-7) allowed two runs and five hits, struck out five and walked none to win for the first time in four starts since Aug. 26.

"He's a different pitcher than he was last year," Phillies manager Terry Francona said. "He has proven to be a good major league pitcher that's only going to get better. Randy's got a great outlook and he's starting to figure out how to be effective up here."

Wolf had four 1-2-3 innings and retired 21 of 25 batters.

"Wolf was real good," Florida manager John Boles said. "He changed speeds well and has a good fastball."

Jeff Brantley came in with a 6-2 lead in the ninth and allowed an RBI single to Mike Lowell and a two-run double to Cliff Floyd, then walked pinch-hitter Andy Fox.

Reliever Thomas Jacquez struck out Mark Kotsay, who was 10-for-19 before the at-bat, to end the game for his first major league save.

"I was pretty pumped up," Jacquez said. "(Francona) just told me to get the out. That's it."

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OLYMPICS

U.S. swimmers capture 6 medals

Associated Press

SYDNEY

The U.S. Olympians shared the wealth Sunday: a half-dozen swimmers grabbed medals, a boxer extended his team's unbeaten streak, and the basketball team demolished China in its Sydney debut.

Led by gold-medal winning Tom Dolan, who broke his own 6-year-old world record in the 400-meter individual medley, the Americans seized the spotlight from Aussie teen sensation Ian Thorpe to capture two golds, three silvers and a bronze.

Dolan's second consecutive Olympic win in the event capped a productive day in the pool for the U.S. team.

Teammate Erik Vendt took a silver in the same event—the second one-two U.S. finish of the day. Brooke Bennett and Diana Munz took gold and silver in the 400 freestyle.

Finishing off the medal rush were 33-year-old Dara Torres, who capped her comeback after a seven-year retirement with a bronze in the 100 fly, and Ed Moses, who won silver in the 100 breaststroke.

Moses finished behind Domenico Fioravanti, who won Italy's first-ever Olympic gold in the event. Torres couldn't catch Inge De Bruijn of the Netherlands, who lowered the 100 fly world mark for the third time this year in taking

the gold.

About the only bad news: Jenny Thompson finished fifth in the fly, her first race after setting the record for gold medals by a U.S. woman with her sixth, all in relays.

After two days, the United States led the medals chart with 11 (4 gold, 5 silver, 2 bronze). Host Australia was second with 9 (3-2-4), while France (3-2-1) and China (1-1-4) each had 6.

Women's soccer

The Chinese team extracted a little payback from its U.S. opponents, with goalie Goa Hong rejecting a penalty shot by Kristine Lilly to preserve a 1-1 tie.

Last year, it was U.S. netminder Briana Scurry's stop of a shootout penalty kick that won the World Cup for the Americans. Gao turned the tables with her lunge to stop Lilly in the 74th minute, while Julie Foudy scored the lone goal for the U.S. team.

Both teams' hopes of making the Olympic semifinals hinge on their final group games Wednesday.

Men's basketball

In its first rout du jour, the American hoopsters rolled over China in a game every bit as one-sided as its final score: 119-72.

China stayed competitive for the game's first six minutes, but Ray Allen's 3-pointer and

breakaway dunk started the U.S. domination. The Americans were led by Allen, who had several highlight-reel dunks en route to 21 points, while Vince Carter had 16.

BOXING: After watching the first three U.S. boxers win in Sydney, Brian Vitoria wanted to keep the team's record intact. In a tough fight against Russian Sergei Kazakov, the 106-pound Vitoria did just that.

The 19-year-old Hawaiian built a 6-1 lead after two rounds, then held on for an 8-6 win over European champion Kazakov in a first round bout.

Men's volleyball

The once-mighty U.S. volleyballers stumbled in their first Sydney contest, losing to Argentina 24-26, 25-23, 25-21, 25-18. The loss raised the possibility that the Americans, twice gold medal winners in the '80s, could go without medals for the second straight Games.

The team finished last in Atlanta.

Women's gymnastics

In the land Down Under, things almost went topsy-turvy for the defending gold medalist U.S. women's team. After competing early Sunday (Saturday night EDT), they waited to see if they would qualify for the Olympic finals. After six anxious hours of waiting, they did — by 0.4 points, barely avoiding humiliation.

Russian women win despite crucial injury

Associated Press

SYDNEY

Russian coach Yevgeny Gomelsky was livid after his team's impressive win over Poland, but his mood had nothing to do with the game.

In Russia's opening win over Cuba, point guard Irina Soumnikova was struck in the face by a Cuban player's elbow that required two hours of plastic surgery Monday (Sunday EDT), ending the 35-year-old's Olympic career.

"I am totally indignant that this has happened and it is not the first time it has happened against Cuba," he said. "At the end of the first half, No. 10, (Maria) Leon, a very experienced player, on purpose she hit one of our players, hit her in the face and the referee did not see it. I don't understand. I am training ladies. This basketball, ladies basketball.

"She is 35 and this was her fourth and final Olympics and now it is over. For this to happen, it is unacceptable."

Cuban officials were not available for comment until after the game against the United States later Monday.

Soumnikova also broke her right wrist when she fell after being struck.

"I want to thank the Australian doctors at the city

hospital. They operated on her face for two hours. They did everything possible. It was under her eye. We'll find out tonight the consequences of the trauma she had."

Gomelsky, who coached the Unified Team to the gold medal in 1992, said his team used Soumnikova's injury as a rallying point for the 84-46 win over Poland Monday (Sunday night EDT).

"I want to commend them for the way they played," said the brother of Alexander Gomelsky, the Soviet Union's coach in 1988 when it beat the U.S. men in the Olympic semifinals. "They set a high moral example."

Russia (2-0) held Margo Dydek, Poland's 7-foot-2 center who plays for the WNBA's Utah Starzz, to eight points on 2-of-15 shooting.

"People have to understand that defense will always save you," Gomelsky said. "It will always compensate for your mistakes."

Elena Khoudashova had 13 points to lead six Russian players in double figures and was one of the inside players who forced Dydek into the poor offensive performance.

Russia led 34-20 at halftime as Dydek went 2 for 9 from the field, missing her first six shots, then started the second half.

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NFL

Tampa Bay crushes Detroit with balanced offensive attack

Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich.

Everybody in the NFL knows what the Tampa Bay Buccaneers want to do. Stopping them is another matter.

The Buccaneers did exactly what they wanted, without much resistance, in their 31-10 victory over the Detroit Lions on Sunday. Just as they did in their 41-0 win over Chicago at home last week.

Tampa Bay, undefeated after three games for just the second time since 1979, rushed for 120 yards and limited the Lions (2-1) to 17 yards on the ground. Shaun King threw a touchdown pass and rushed for a score. Warren Sapp led the harassment of Detroit's Charlie Batch with three of Tampa Bay's seven sacks.

The Buccaneers want to run the ball right at teams while mixing in a pass here or there. On defense, they want to shut down the run so teams are forced into obvious passing situations.

That was the formula for success in the Buccaneers' run to the NFC Championship game last season, and they're hoping it will lead them to the Super Bowl.

"We don't try to trick teams, we just want to beat them," safety John Lynch said. "A lot of teams try to be deceptive with new schemes each week, but then they end up fooling themselves because they're not fundamentally sound with what they want to do."

Tampa Bay beat Detroit in the Silverdome for only the second time in eight visits.

King was 18-of-30 for 211 yards. Mike Alstott ran for 68 yards and a touchdown on 21 carries. Keyshawn Johnson caught eight passes for 84 yards.

Batch, in his second game of the season, was 26-of-36 for 277 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions. James Stewart gained just 13 yards on eight carries, while Germane Crowell had six receptions for 93 yards.

Rams 41, 49ers 24

Kurt Warner's high interception total hasn't cost St. Louis — yet.

Warner threw two touchdown passes and two more interceptions in a victory over San Francisco, giving him six in each category. Last year he had 41 touchdown passes and 13 interceptions.

"I hate to see them, but we're 3-0 and that's all that matters and I've got to put them behind

me," Warner said. "Those are things I go back and study."

Because of his inaccuracy, the Rams (3-0) had to do it the hard way, just like their 37-34 victory over Seattle last week and a 41-36 decision over Denver in the opener. They won a franchise-record 13th straight at home, exceeded 30 points for an NFL-record ninth straight game and beat the 49ers (0-3) for the third straight time after losing 17 previous times in the series.

"It's the 49er changeup," safety Keith Lyle said. "It's not the old 17-0, same old sorry Rams. The 49ers have got to take it."

Falcons 15, Panthers 10

Atlanta's latest victory is more likely to end up in the football follies than a highlight reel.

The Falcons, who had just one takeaway in their first two games, had two interceptions, two fumble recoveries and an unusual safety in a victory over Carolina.

The Falcons (2-1) weren't perfect either, losing two of three fumbles and missing two field goals while failing to capitalize on most of Carolina's miscues.

"Do you think this will be on the bloopers reel?" asked Atlanta running back Jamal Anderson, who was part of one of the strangest blunders in the game.

With the Falcons trying to run out the clock with just over two minutes to play, Anderson broke free for a 42-yard run up the left sideline. As he closed in on the end zone, Doug Evans knocked the ball out of his hands, recovered it and stepped into the end zone before rolling out.

The officials called it a safety, ruling that both of Evans' feet came down inbounds before he entered the end zone. That gave the Falcons a 15-10 lead with 2:12 to play.

The Panthers (1-2) challenged the ruling, and replays showed Evans' second foot landed on the goal line. But the ruling stood based on the perception that momentum carried Evans into the end zone.

Chiefs 42, Chargers 10

The last Kansas City quarterback to throw five touchdown passes in one game went to the Hall of Fame.

Elvis Grbac was happy just to get out of the doghouse.

"If anybody in Kansas City deserves to be the man around here it's Elvis Grbac," center Tim Grunhard said after Grbac's five TD passes led the Chiefs to a victory over winless San Diego.

"He's taken more than anybody has ever taken in the history of this organization. Five touchdowns? Are you kidding me? I'm proud to snap the ball to him."

After having a first-quarter interception returned for a touchdown and falling behind 10-0, the oft-maligned Grbac was showered with boos for the second straight home game.

Then he turned all the boos to cheers by coolly throwing five TD passes, including three to rookie Sylvester Morris. It was the first time a Chiefs quarterback threw five TD passes since Len Dawson in 1967.

The unflappable Grbac merely praised his offensive line.

"It was execution. That's what it was," he said. "When a quarterback throws for five touchdowns, you've got a lot of fine offensive line play. They gave me the opportunity."

The 6-foot-3 Morris, taken in the first round out of Jackson State, had six catches for 112 yards.

"It was a great day," he said. "We just wanted to take advantage of what San Diego gave us. We got down 10-0 earlier, but Elvis got us in the huddle and he composed us."

Giants 14, Bears 7

Kerry Collins had his pick of open receivers. Ron Dayne softened up the middle with punishing runs and Tiki Barber reached the outside with his quickness and moves.

New York won again Sunday, using variety on offense and consistency on defense. That's why they're 3-0 and off to their best start since 1994.

"We played some pretty good ball-control offense," Collins

said after the Giants' victory over frustrated and winless Chicago.

"We kept the ball and took time off the clock. We were 2-0 and a lot of people wondered how we'd come out in this game. We came out and played well."

The Giants came up with four sacks and held the Bears' anemic offense to a lone touchdown, Chicago's only score in the last eight quarters.

"Being 3-0 is outstanding. You can't do any better at this point in time. It's a start, that's all it is," said New York coach Jim Fassel, whose team might have finally convinced the skeptics.

"The reasons we were underdogs even though we were 2-0 was that people thought we were doing to let down. But there was a sense of confidence the entire game."

Barber's 3-yard touchdown run late in the third quarter was the go-ahead score and followed a short Chicago punt. He had a 19-yard run and Dayne a crushing 8-yard carry around end to set up the TD.

"Every game we've had a drive where we didn't even need to pass, that's been a staple," Barber said.

Seahawks 20, Saints 10

Ricky Watters taught his young counterpart a thing or two about running, winning and consistency.

Watters had the 31st 100-yard rushing game of his career to lead Seattle over Ricky Williams and New Orleans.

The 31-year-old Watters ran 22 times for 105 yards and a touchdown in his 100th consecutive start. The only back in NFL history with more consecu-

tive starts was Walter Payton, with 170.

"Ricky has been unbelievable," Seahawks quarterback Jon Kitna said. "People say that he's lost a step, but I haven't seen it."

Watters, who hasn't missed a start since Christmas 1993 when he was with the San Francisco 49ers, is supposed to be in the twilight of his career in Seattle, which made running back Shaun Alexander of Alabama its top draft choice this year.

Alexander had five carries for 19 yards and was in the same backfield with Watters a couple of times.

"It's pretty effective having those two guys in the backfield," fullback Mack Strong said. "Either one of them can come up with the big plays and that gives us an advantage."

With the score tied at 10, Kitna hit tight end Itula Mili with a 1-yard touchdown pass with about nine minutes left in the game. Kris Hoppner added his second field goal of the day, a 45-yarder, about five minutes later for the final margin.

Williams, the 1998 Heisman Trophy winner from Texas who came to the Saints at the heavy price of eight draft choices, had 107 yards on 23 carries despite playing with a broken bone in his left foot that he sustained in the opener. It was his third career 100-yard rushing game.

"What I want to do is win games," said the 23-year-old Williams, who missed four games with injuries last year. "The number of yards I get is not that important. It was frustrating just watching the second half because we didn't get on the field much."

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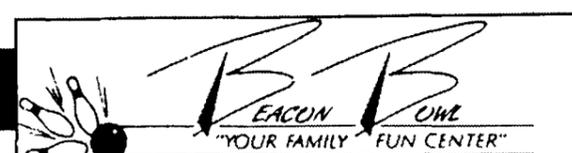
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NFL

Browns hold off rally, earn first home win in five years

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CLEVELAND

As the final agonizing second ticked off, Tim Couch hugged Chris Palmer. Al Lerner inhaled, the Dawg Pound barked like it was the old days and Cleveland rocked as the Browns beat the Steelers, 23-20.

After nearly five years, several heart-stopping seconds and a chaotic finish, the Browns had finally won a home game.

Jerome Bettis turned in an impressive performance for the Steelers. Pittsburgh drove the ball at the end of the game and was in position to kick a field goal to possibly put the game into overtime, but ran out of time.

Quarterback Tim Couch had a strong game for the Browns as he continues to progress, throwing for over 300 yards. For the third straight week, he was impressive in his ability to get the ball to different receivers.

Phil Dawson kicked a 19-yard field goal with 2:45 left and Pittsburgh couldn't get off a last-second attempt, giving the Browns their first home win since 1995, 23-20 over the arch-rival Steelers.

Packers 6, Eagles 3

Andy Reid's much-anticipated return to Lambeau Field ended with Ryan Longwell's long-awaited redemption.

Longwell hit a 38-yard field goal with three seconds left as Green Bay eked out an ugly victory over Philadelphia.

To say this game was a defensive struggle would be an under-

statement. Offense was scarce for both teams.

Brett Favre was inconsistent until the last drive, when he completed four of four passes to put the Packers in position for a last-second Ryan Longwell field goal, which won it for Green Bay.

The Eagles were plagued by inconsistent play and penalties. It seemed like every time they did something good on either side of the ball, they had a key penalty.

It's not very often that you don't see a touchdown in an NFL game. Green Bay is still suffering from not having enough of a running attack. Until they get Dorsey Levens completely healthy, they will probably continue to suffer. In this game, Levens played but managed only 74 yards on 24 carries. But that's not enough of a running game to take pressure off Brett Favre.

It was Longwell's first game-winning field goal in the NFL, college or high school, and it gave Mike Sherman his first victory as an NFL head coach.

Jets 27, Bills 14

When the New York Jets traded Keyshawn Johnson, they figured they'd need several receivers to fill the void. Little did anyone know that a defensive back would be in the mix.

Cornerback Marcus Coleman caught a 45-yard scoring pass from Vinny Testaverde on the final play of the first half Sunday, breaking a tie and lifting the Jets to a victory over Buffalo.

"We work on that play every Friday, so I knew there was a possibility we would run it."

Coleman said of his spot on the Jets' alley-oop pass unit. "I was surprised that no one was on me as I ran down the middle. Once the ball was in the air, I don't care who was around me, I think the ball is mine."

The Jets, 3-0 for the first time since 1966, relied on Testaverde's fourth-quarter heroics to win their first two games. This time, along with Kevin Williams' 97-yard kickoff return in the first quarter, the big plays came in the first half.

Testaverde said he asked the coaches to include the 6-foot-2 Coleman in the alley-oop pass unit when the play wasn't working with 5-10 Wayne Chrebet and 5-9 Dedric Ward in training camp.

"He would make a great receiver if the coaches allowed him to play both ways," Testaverde said of Coleman. "He was the guy I was looking for."

Jaguars 13, Bengals 0

Embarrassed by four second-half touchdowns in a bitter loss last week, the Jacksonville Jaguars were determined to prove their defense is good enough to carry the load.

They stated their case Sunday with the first shutout in franchise history — even if it came at the expense of the lowly Cincinnati Bengals.

Mark Brunell celebrated his 30th birthday with a 21-yard touchdown pass that initially was ruled out of bounds, and Gary Walker and the rest of the defense took over from there in a victory over Cincinnati.

"I made everyone aware

before the game that this team had never had a shutout," said Walker, who disrupted the middle of the line with five tackles and two sacks. "I said that today would be a good time to get one."

The Bengals (0-2) have scored one touchdown in two games this year. Akili Smith was intercepted twice and sacked five times, while Corey Dillon managed only 32 yards on 17 carries.

It was hardly a masterpiece by the Jaguars, who averaged 409.5 yards in their first two games and struggled to get 241 yards.

Brunell was 20-of-32 for 176 yards and was sacked four times. Without running back Fred Taylor for the third straight game, the Jaguars managed only 85 yards rushing — 25 by Brunell and 20 on a reverse by R. Jay Soward, their longest play from scrimmage.

Broncos 33, Raiders 24

Joe Nedney said he didn't want payback. He got it anyway.

Rarely does a kicker become the center of attention, but Joe Nedney managed the feat Sunday when his three second-half field goals lifted Denver past Oakland.

Nedney, cut by Oakland late in the preseason when Sebastian Janikowski won the kicking job, had four field goals and was responsible for all of Denver's second-half points as Denver beat Oakland.

While insisting he didn't want vindication, Nedney said Sunday's performance was "mission accomplished."

"It's a good way to start my career with the Broncos," he said.

Signed by the Broncos on Tuesday to cover for an injured Jason Elam, Nedney kicked field goals of 24, 32, 22 and 21 yards. He was responsible for all nine second-half points after the two teams emerged from halftime tied at 24.

Denver was impressive running the football. It had been rumored that Terrell Davis was likely to play. He didn't, but rookie Mike Anderson carried the load for the Broncos and excelled for a second straight

week, gaining 187 yards.

Vikings 21, Patriots 13

Daunte Culpepper confused New England's defense and left Drew Bledsoe searching for his comeback touch.

The elusive Daunte Culpepper threw for 177 yards and two TDs and ran for 59 yards Sunday to lead Minnesota over New England.

Culpepper threw for two first-half touchdowns against a game plan devised by defensive mastermind Bill Belichick, and Minnesota held off New England for a victory.

"They were trying to contain me. And when they blitzed outside, I was able to stay in the pocket," said Culpepper, a running and passing threat in his first full season as quarterback of the Vikings (3-0).

He completed 19 of 28 passes, seven to Cris Carter, who moved from fourth to second place with 942 career catches. He passed Art Monk (940) and Andre Reed (941) and trails only Jerry Rice (1,217).

Dolphins 19, Ravens 6

A sloppy field and Miami's defense made Tony Banks look more like, well, Tony Banks.

Coming off a five-touchdown performance against Jacksonville, Banks was sacked six times, fumbled twice and threw an interception as Miami beat Baltimore Ravens.

Amid steady rain, the Dolphins harassed Banks all night. They did the same to Baltimore's defense.

Lamar Smith ran for 63 yards on 22 carries and scored twice. Thurman Thomas, who spent much of last week's loss at Minnesota in the backfield picking up blitzes, added 56 total yards and converted five third downs.

The Dolphins (2-1), held to two first-half field goals by Olindo Mare, opened the second half with a 61-yard drive that featured a pair of nifty plays by Smith.

Scrambling in the pocket, Jay Fiedler found Smith just past the line of scrimmage and hit him with a shovel pass.

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Soccer

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Randy Waldrum was not pleased with his team's play early on.

"We were a little bit organized during the first 20 minutes," he said.

After missing their first few chances, the Huskies began to fade, while the grew stronger.

Junior defender Lindsey Jones fired the first punch, sending a through ball to senior Meotis Erikson who juked several Washington defenders before giving Notre Dame a lead it would never relinquish.

Just moments later, senior Anne Makinen intercepted a clearing attempt and fed a perfect cross to sophomore Ally Lovelace, who had just entered the game. Providing a quick boost off the bench, Lovelace ripped a low shot by the Huskie keeper giving the Irish a two-goal cushion.

Lovelace would add another tally just before the half-time break. After stealing a ball in the box, she spun to her right and drilled a low shot inside the far left post.

Washington head coach Leslie Gallimore knew her squad has its chances during the game's opening 20 minutes.

"You're only going to get a few chances to score against a good team like this," she said. "As the game wore on, we had a couple defensive lapses and made a few mistakes and a good team is going to punish you for everyone. And that's what they did."

In the second half the Irish continued to pour it on as Makinen added two goals of her own, bringing her career total to 57 in the process.

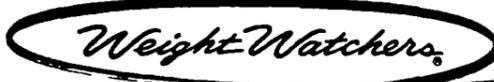
For the Irish it was another exercise in dominance. They have now outscored their opponents 26-3, while outshooting them 182-29.



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Senior Meotis Erikson moves the ball during the Sept. 10 win over Stanford. Following a victory over Washington this weekend, the Irish should move up to No. 1 in the new polls this week.

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Syracuse

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"Chad gave the other team fits," Apple said. "He's playing like a junior, not a freshman."

Braun, the 1999 Big East Rookie of the year, made his first start for Notre Dame this season after recovering from a hamstring injury.

"Erich's a goal scorer, so he's a little disappointed that he didn't score, but I thought he had a terrific game," Apple said. "His fitness is great, his passing is great and he was a huge factor in our win."

"I thought Chad and Erich did a terrific job up front. They created so many opportunities for us."

Braun and Riley took nine of Notre Dame's 18 shots, while Syracuse only managed 15.

"We had 19 guys play for us," Apple commented. "That's always positive, having lots of guys play."

Added Tait: "We knew it was going to take a couple games to get going and get comfortable with each other. As long as we play well, play hard, and play together, we feel we can hold our own against pretty much anybody."

The Irish next take the field Tuesday as they host Cleveland State.



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Senior defenseman Steve Maio moves the ball during Notre Dame's 3-1 loss to Bradley on Sept. 6.

VOLLEYBALL

Belles still winless after loss to Hope

By ALICIA ORTIZ
Sports Writer

This past Saturday, the Saint Mary's Belles found victory in their loss against nationally ranked Hope College.

"We don't see it as a loss," Leigh Ann Matesich said. "We frustrated the other team and that let us see that we can play."

The now 0-9 Belles gave the Flying Dutch a run for their money, falling in three

games 15-4, 15-13, 15-8. Hope is now 4-0 in MIAA matches.

"The second and third games could have gone either way," junior Denise Langolis said. "And I know Hope realized that."

The Belles have not had a fabulous season. In best terms, they are still getting to know each other and their coach. The Flying Dutch are placed first in the

MIAA with a record of 6-3.

The Belles had the home court advantage and fans in the stands to support them. Each game is a chance to gain experience for the Belles.

"They were an excellent team, we held our own against them," Alexis Pontius said. "We rose to the level that they were playing at."

The Belles have displayed their ability to challenge more experienced teams.

The Belles next play on Tuesday, at Calvin

"We don't see it as a loss. We frustrated the other team and that let us see that we can play."

**Leigh Ann Matesich
Saint Mary's Outside Hitter**

College. "Calvin is a team that we can beat," Matesich said.

The Knights are 10-3, and have lost to Kalamazoo and Hope; the two teams that the Belles have played their best games against. In preparation the Belles have been working on defense and blocking hits.

"As long as we play as one team and one unit, we can win," Langolis said.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Focused Belles battle to 1-1 tie against Olivet College

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports writer

They came, they played hard, they played long, and eventually had to settle for a tie. The Saint Mary's soccer team stands at third in the MIAA with a 1-1 tally against Olivet's squad.

"We came out ready to play," Katy Robinson, Belles co-captain, said. "We prepped for it all week."

The Belles broke their three game winless and scoreless streaks, with shutout losses to DePauw, Kalamazoo and Rose-Hulman. They also broke two-game losing and scoring streaks against Olivet.

after suffering shutout losses in 1999 in both the regular season and the playoffs.

"Both teams were pretty well matched," Robinson said. "I'm pretty sure next time we'll get them."

The Belles took first blood, scoring early in the first half, when a penalty kick found the net. Stephanie Artnak took the shot for the Belles to bump her season's tally to two and lead the Belles in scoring. Artnak's other goal came in the season opener against Alma, also on a penalty kick.

"It came in the first 10 minutes," Heather Muth said. "She was awesome. We pummeled them with shots after that and nothing went in."

Like Robinson, Muth is confident that the next time the two teams face off, Saint Mary's will emerge the victor.

"We should have beaten them," Muth said. "They had a couple talented players but the rest of the team wasn't very good."

The Lady Comets out shot

the Belles by an 18-10 margin. Eight of those shots were credited to Laura Fiorino, who scored the game-tying goal for the Comets, and seven by Doris Sullivan, the Comet's leading scorer in 1999, who assisted Fiorino's goal.

The Belles' defense, which has struggled at times this season, held under the pressure of the powerhouse duo. Tia Kapphahn, starting goalie for the Belles, came away with eight saves, while Tanja Rupert, the netminder for the Comets, left the match with four saves.

"I think we're finally getting our defense in line and working together," Robinson said.

"Now we're able to work on our offense."

After coming out strong against Alma, the Belles' offense has also seemed a bit lackluster. According to Muth, that has changed as well,

for the better.

"We were much more aggressive," Muth said. "We attacked the 50-50 balls. We've been going out and getting to the ball first."

Through their losses, heart has never been a problem for this team. That showed as well against Olivet. They wanted to win.

"Even at the end of the game, I could have gone another 45 minutes, just to score a goal," Muth said.

Muth was able to do just that last season in a home match against Adrian. In that game, Muth scored as the clock ran down in a second sudden-death overtime. Nevertheless, Muth was happy with the tie, which also ended after two sudden-death overtimes.

"It was a great game," Muth said. "It was so exciting."

The Belles stand at 1-3-1 for the season, and 1-1-1 in MIAA play.

"Both teams were pretty well matched. I'm sure we'll get them next time."

Katy Robinson
co-captain



Freshman forward Katherine Green dribbles upfield during Saturday's soccer game against Olivet College. The Belles battled the Comets to a 1-1 tie, snapping a three-game scoreless streak.

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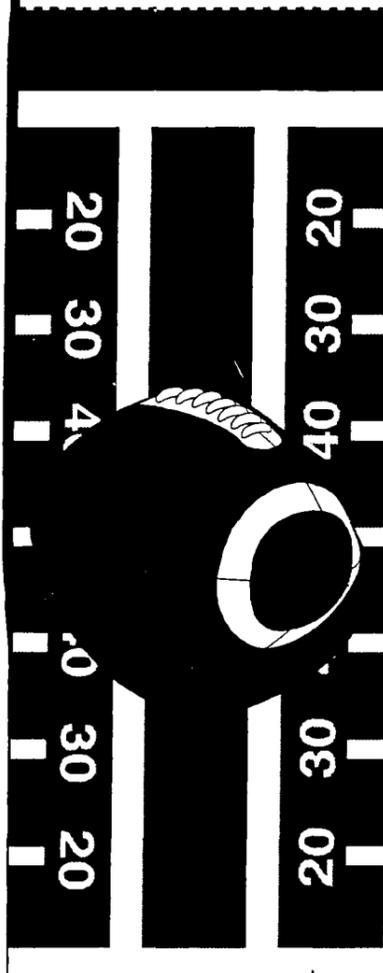
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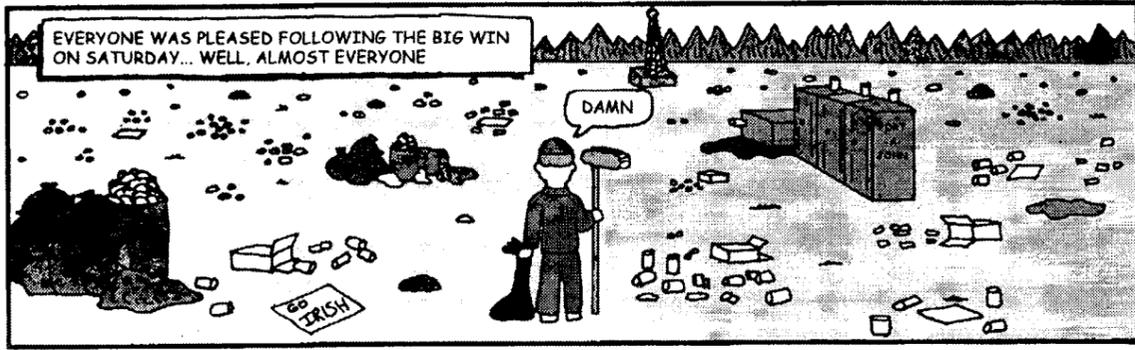
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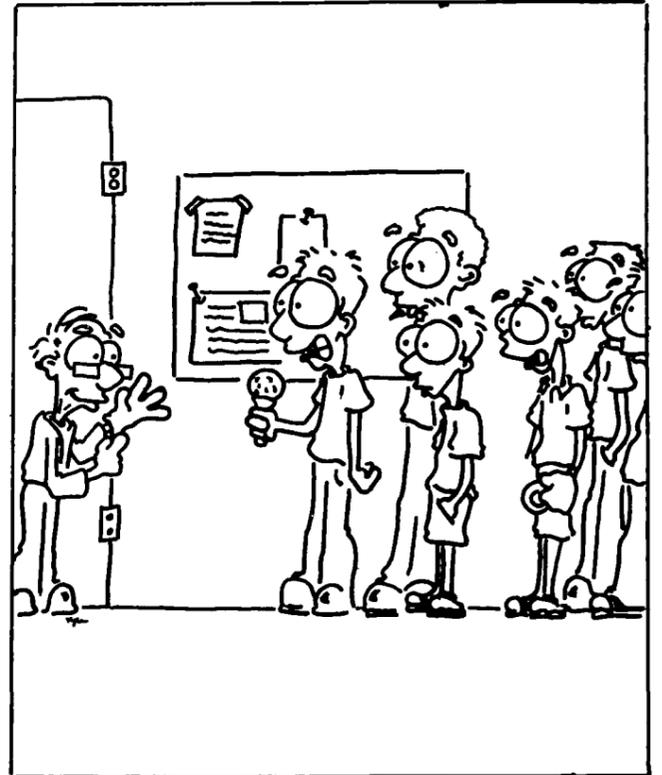
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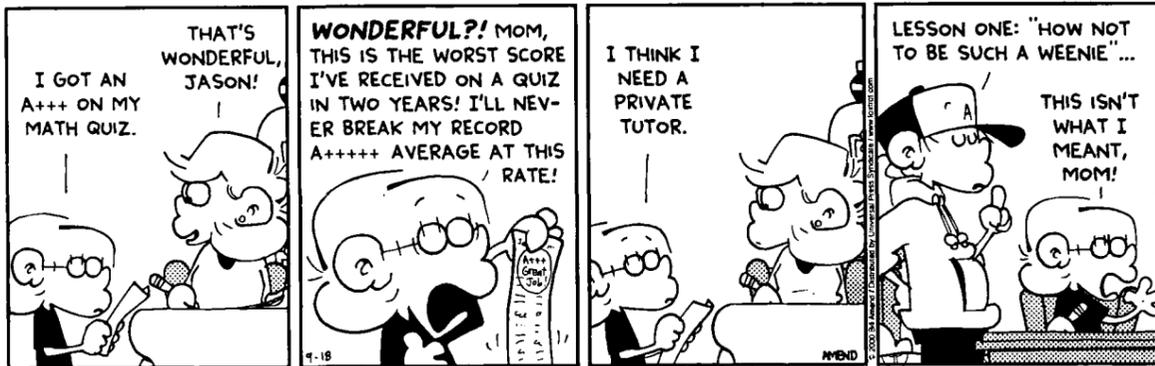
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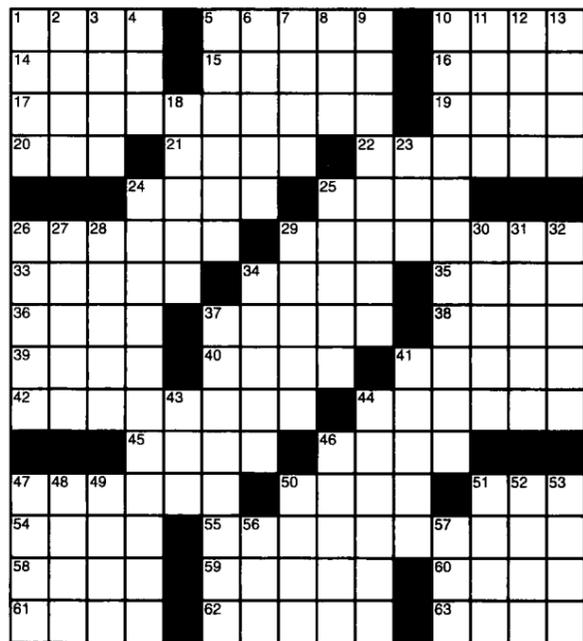
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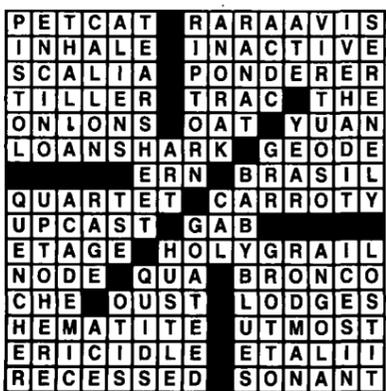
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 - 20 Outer: Prefix
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 - 22 Evade, with "out of"
 - 24 Kind of bag
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 - 29 Routine
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 - 35 Peak in ancient Palestine
 - 36 "Go, ___!"
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 - 41 Spin
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 - 46 Wedding cake feature
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 - 25 Greet ceremoniously
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 - 28 Betting game
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 - 59 "Farewell, François"
 - 60 Exhort
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 - 63 Egg holder



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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Make creative changes to your living arrangements. You may find that extra money can be made if you are willing to present some of your hobbies to those in a position to help you market them. ○○

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MEN'S SOCCER

Riley leads team to first Big East victory

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Freshman Chad Riley scored the first goal of his collegiate career and sophomore goalkeeper Greg Tait had another stellar game as the Irish men's soccer team beat Big East rival Syracuse 3-0.

"We played really terrific soccer," Irish coach Chris Apple said. "I don't think anyone had an off day."

With the win, the Irish improve to 2-2-1 on the season and 1-1 in the Big East.

Tait, who was playing near his hometown of Fayetteville, N.Y., recorded his third shutout of the season.

"I think Greg was motivated to have a good game and he did," Apple said. "He made a couple of professional class saves and in general, showed some very good goalkeeping."

Added Tait: "Coach Apple made some adjustments, and I think they helped out a lot. But I have such a great defense playing in front of me, it makes my job easy."

The Irish got on the board in the 16th minute when senior Conner LaRose headed in Riley's corner kick for his first goal of the season.

When sophomore Erich Braun's shot deflected off Syracuse goalkeeper Kevin Bacher in the 69th minute, senior Dustin Pridmore outraced a Syracuse defender to the ball and knocked it into the net to put the Irish up 2-0.

"Erich's shot bounced off the goalie, and I was stride for stride with the guy marking me," Pridmore said. "I slid into the ball, and it snuck into the goal."

Said Apple: "It's usually one wide midfielder against another, and I've been getting on Dustin to win those battles. I think the other guy was actually ahead of Dustin and he just gave it extra effort and beat him to the ball. It's one of those shots that'll look great on the highlight reel."

Riley cemented the Irish victory when he scored in the 76th minute on a breakaway off a pass from junior Matt Rosso.



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Senior tri-captain Dustin Pridmore, shown here last year against the Orangemen, scored the second goal of the game in Saturday's 3-0 victory at Syracuse.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish stay unbeaten with West Coast wins

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

The second-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team rarely misses a chance to seize an opportunity. This weekend was no exception.

With a chance to grab the nation's top ranking for the first time since 1996 on the heels of North Carolina's upset loss to Clemson earlier in the week, Notre Dame tagged Washington and Portland with their first losses

of the season at the adidas Invitational in Portland, Ore.

It was thought that the undefeated Washington Huskies would provide the Irish with a stern test. The 15th-ranked Huskies started strong, compiling a



Waldrum

5-0 mark, and were eager for the chance to slay one of college soccer's giants.

But on Saturday the giants dominated. The Irish overcame a slow start to rip the Huskies 5-0. And after beating Portland 1-0 on Sunday, Notre Dame improved its record to a perfect 7-0-0 on the season.

For the first 20 minutes of the Washington game, it looked as if the Huskies might pull the upset.

Washington junior forward Erin Otagaki had the first

real scoring chances of the game. The Huskie forward bolted uncontested through the Irish midfield and had a clear shot on Irish goalie Liz Wagner. Fortunately for the Irish, Otagaki's shot went low and wide.

Minutes later, it was Otagaki again streaking through on a breakaway. Wagner, however, ran out to cut down the angle and deflected the ball wide.

Notre Dame head coach

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VOLLEYBALL

Irish take Seminole tourney

Weekend wins push team record to 7-3

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Notre Dame volleyball upped its record to 7-3 following this weekend as it seized the Lady Seminole Volleyball Classic title.

"We've been playing a lot of strong, ranked teams and we've been the underdogs, but this weekend we went into the tournament with the attitude that we were the team to beat," said junior Kristy Kreher. "We knew what we had to do and we really got it done."

In game one on Friday the Irish defeated Florida A&M 15-5, 15-3 and 15-3.

Junior Marcie Bomhack led Notre Dame with 11 kills and nine digs while topping her career high with five aces.

The Irish also led game two action on Friday with a win over Florida State (15-10, 15-8, 8-15, 15-2). Kreher provided a strong performance for Notre Dame with 19 kills, five digs and two aces while Bomhack added 13 kills and four digs. Junior Malinda Goralski also put in some strong playing time for the Irish with ten kills and seven blocks while senior Denise Boylan totaled 51 assists, nine digs and three blocks.

"The fact that we had a balanced attack really helped us," Kreher said. "We worked really hard on trying to get everyone involved in our offense."

Notre Dame rounded out the weekend with a three-game sweep (15-9, 15-8, 15-8) over Samford on Saturday. Goralski led the Irish with eight kills and two blocks.

"I think that we really struggled last weekend and we knew that we had to come back and win, and it's good for us to be on a winning streak right now," said Kreher.

Notre Dame will play again on Thursday as it faces No. 21 Loyola Marymount in the Joyce Center at 7 p.m.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE



vs. Cleveland State
Tuesday, 7 p.m.



at Calvin College
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.



vs. Loyola Marymount
Thursday, 7 p.m.



Cross Country
National Catholic Invite
Friday, 5 p.m.



Golf
at Kalamazoo
Thursday, 1 p.m.



vs. Manchester College
Wednesday, 5 p.m.



at ITA National Clay
Courts
Thursday-Sunday



at Michigan State
Saturday, 3:30 p.m.