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Students rally to support troops

By TERESA FRALISH
Associate News Editor

About 150 students gathered at the Notre Dame Stonehenge World War II Memorial Thursday to show their support for American troops in Iraq for the Pro-America Rally held Thursday.

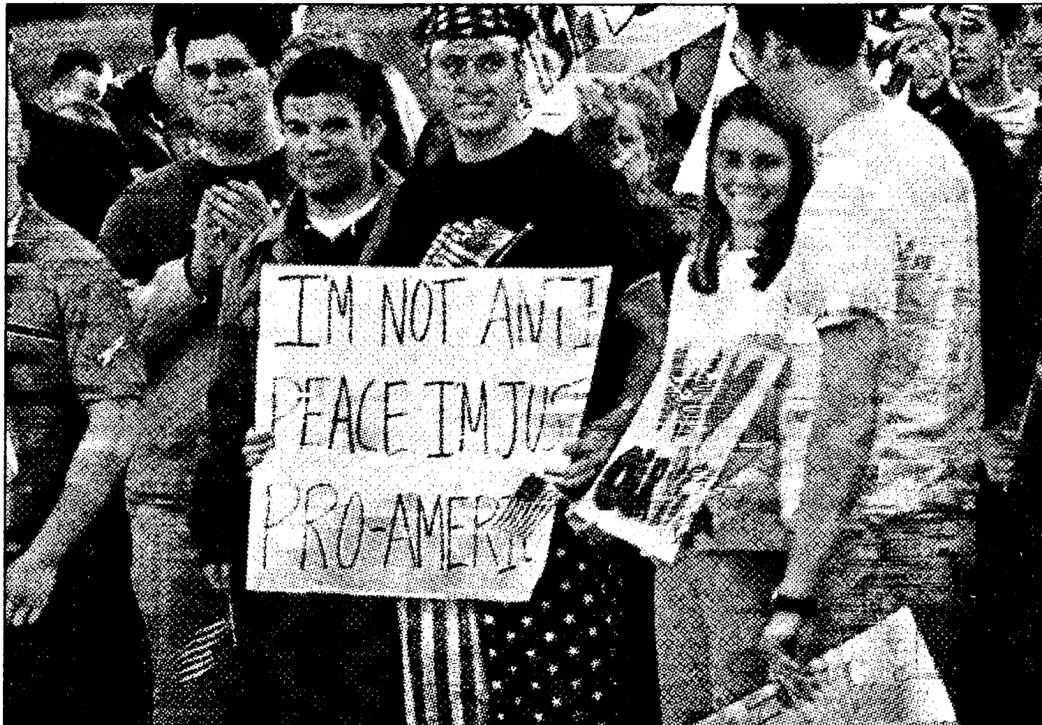
The rally began with a rendition of the National Anthem sung by junior Laura Hoffman and continued with talks by Don Feder, a nationally syndicated columnist, and Floyd Brown, executive director of the Young America's Foundation. The event concluded with a reading of the names of all 104 American soldiers who had been killed in the conflict in Iraq.

Both Feder and Brown stressed the need for America to take pride in its military and tradition of democracy and criticized opponents of the war. Feder was concerned about the polarizing attitudes that he felt were taking hold in America today.

"There's a civil war going on in the United States today. It's a war for the soul of our republic," said Feder.

Feder also discussed what he saw as a distinct strain of anti-Americanism in many of the recent anti-war protests.

"It's a peace movement or an anti-war movement as



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Notre Dame students show their support for troops and American in the pro-American rally sponsored Thursday by the College Republicans. The rally, held at the Stonehenge Memorial, attracted about 150 students.

much as it's an anti-American movement. By and large the leaders of this movement are ideologues," he said.

Americans must remember how U.S. troops protect their rights to free speech and democracy, said Feder.

"The flag does not repre-

sent a party or a president but a nation, a history [and] a heritage," said Feder. "It protects [our] freedom to dissent."

Feder also discussed American motives for becoming involved in Iraq and possible consequences that mili-

tary action could have.

"Far from taking Iraq's wealth when this war is over, we are going to pour our wealth into Iraq," Feder said, speaking of the expected involvement of the United

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OIT office recovers from crash

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

Engineers from the Office of Information Technologies implemented a backup mainframe server Thursday afternoon, ending a 32-hour server outage that crippled administrative and student systems.

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"Age, conditions cause server crash"

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Deputy chief information officer and chief technology officer Dewitt Latimer said the back-up server was populated with data from a tape back-up that finished at 6:30 a.m. Wednesday morning. Because the crash occurred at 7 a.m., he does not expect that the crash caused any data loss.

The replacement server is comparable to the mainframe server that crashed and all services, including the make-up registration times from Wednesday and Thursday, will go forward today.

The process of restoring the data on the back-up server did

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Students help local homes

◆ Christmas in April project to occur Saturday

By TERESA FRALISH
Associate News Editor

This Saturday, over 1,000 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students will participate in the annual spring neighborhood service program, Rebuilding Together Now, formerly known as Christmas in April, said Jenny Monahan, the coordinator for the event and assistant to the vice president for student affairs.

Students will depart Notre Dame and Saint Mary's at 7 a.m. Saturday and head to 25 different houses in the Northeast Neighborhood of South Bend, where they will help to paint homes, clean yards and assist with other housing maintenance projects, said Monahan.

Many of residents are lower income, disabled and elderly individuals who cannot perform such tasks themselves.

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ANDY KENNA/The Observer

Ms. Badln shows off her singing talents for assistant vice president for student affairs Bill Kirk as she competed in the O'Neill Hall Ms. ND pageant Thursday.



ANDY KENNA/The Observer

Beth Duran, Ms. Farley, takes her victory walk after, crowned Ms. ND Thursday evening in LaFortune Ballroom.

Research options increase

By HIMANSHU KOTHARI
News Writer

The College of Arts and Letters along with the Institute for Scholarship in Liberal Arts (ISLA) is finding new ways to bolster undergraduate research in hopes of preparing students for Ph.D programs and making Notre Dame more competitive with other institutions.

An initiative titled Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP) has become "a top priority for the college," said Mark Roche, Dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

Along those lines, the College of Arts and Letters and ISLA have added summer research stipends under the UROP program. The program will give an opportunity to undergraduates with at least one Arts and Letters major to work on a research topic created by themselves over the summer while being supported by the College.

The grants of approximately

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INSIDE COLUMN

In defense of the war

After some serious, in-depth analysis of the war in Iraq, I'm come to one conclusion: we're winning big.

It may not seem like such a big surprise now, but earlier, uncertainty was the order of the day.

At the outset of the conflict, anti-war activists claimed that the Bush administration didn't have the backing of the public. This week, pollster Opinion Dynamics released a survey showing that an over-

whelming majority of Americans — 81 percent — support the war in Iraq.

Critics of the war plan said that this would be Vietnam all over again. The shots were varied: supply lines were too long, we didn't have enough troops on the ground, we were overconfident. But American and British troops are sitting pretty in Baghdad, and the regime of dictator Saddam Hussein has lost its stranglehold on Iraq. Coalition sources have seized Kirkuk, are negotiating the surrender of Mosul and are bearing down on Saddam's hometown of Tikrit.

And why are we fighting the war? I believe the president when he says this war is about protecting Americans and liberating Iraqis from a cruel despot with weapons of mass destruction. But let's look at some of the accusations leveled against Bush by his political opponents.

"Bush just wants to get Iraq's oil." If we wanted to seize oil, we would have conquered Kuwait after the Gulf War. It would have taken about 15 minutes, and gas would cost about 70 cents a gallon. Or, barring that, we could have left Saddam Hussein in power, and negotiated juicy arms-for-oil deals. Hey, it worked for the French.

"Iraq doesn't have any prohibited weapons." We've found chemicals, nuclear materials, and gas masks. We even found banned long-range missiles when Iraq shot them into Kuwait.

"The war is a racist conquest of dark-skinned people by white Americans." The U.S. has been patrolling the no-fly zones in northern and southern Iraq for the last 12 years, because Saddam Hussein used chemical weapons on the ethnic minorities there. Thousands of his own people were targeted for extinction, and now they're dancing in the streets.

None of these arguments can stand up to the facts. This war is being fought for a just cause, and it's being fought with just means. The conflict will go down in history as a textbook example of how to wage a military campaign.

We've taken ground in record time, we've spared the lives of Iraqi civilians and military personnel, and we've fed refugees. Now let's get on with rebuilding Iraq, so we can bring the troops back home where they belong. After a big win on the road, the team deserves a rest.

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Matt Bramanti

Wire Editor

WHAT'S INSIDE

CAMPUS NEWS	WORLD & NATION	BUSINESS NEWS	VIEWPOINT	SCENE	SPORTS
Junior wins service award for Indiana	U.S., Kurds take Kirkuk as looters hit Baghdad	Carriers to ground Concorde	Long-term approach needed for OIT	17th Annual Regatta casts off	Doubleheader sweep extends winning streak to 14 games
Notre Dame student Mary Murphy will receive the 2003 Richard J. Wood Student Community Commitment Award today in Muncie.	Iraqi forces back down as U.S. and Kurdish troops push into Kirkuk, Iraq Thursday.	British Airways and Air France have decided to ground the Concorde jet, known for its quick trans-Atlantic flights and pricey tickets.	The University should have replaced its 12-year-old server to avoid the crash that occurred this week.	Fisher, the Hall of the Year, prepares for its signature event on the lake.	The Notre Dame baseball team defeated Chicago State and Bowling Green in two games Thursday.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ The Calling and Up 'Til Dawn Benefit Concert, 4 p.m., South Quad
- ◆ A Pakistan Wedding Celebration — Henna Festival, 5:30 p.m., Sorin Room of LaFortune
- ◆ Grammy Award-winning Gizzae Reggae Band, 9 p.m. LaFortune Ballroom

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Madeleva Society Steering Committee Meeting, 8 a.m., LeMans Hall Stapleton Lounge
- ◆ Saturday: Political Science Panel with Alumnae, 8 a.m., LeMans Hall Stapleton Lounge
- ◆ Saturday: Kaplan Test Prep, 9 a.m., 315N Madeleva Hall

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Suspect charged for LaFortune fraud

The prosecutor's office has charged a suspect with criminal conversion and deception in a fraud case that was reported on Aug. 20 and occurred in LaFortune.

Student sent to St. Joseph Medical Ctr.

A student from Pangborn Hall was sent in an ambulance to St. Joseph Medical Center Tuesday for treatment of an illness.

Police investigate assault complaint

NDSP is investigating an assault complaint from Fisher Hall that was reported Tuesday.

Student reports Tuesday bike theft

A student reported to NDSP that her unlocked bike was stolen from the rack outside the Coleman-Morse Center on Tuesday between 7:45 and 8:25 p.m. There are no suspects.

-compiled from the NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Pizza, honey-garlic pork chops, white beans with ham, whipped potatoes, collard greens, cherry crisp, baked lemon perch, vegetable rice pilaf, sauteed julienne vegetables, maypo, scrambled eggs, breakfast ham, buttermilk pancakes, seasoned fries, vegan Szechwan noodles, broccoli quesadilla.

Today's Dinner: Bianco pizza, breadsticks, chicken strips, macaroni and cheese, whipped potatoes, green beans, cherry crisp, jerk tofu, lentil and barley stew, vegetable potato casserole, corn, sliced carrots, broccoli, BBQ chicken, seasoned fries, baked beans, cornbread pork fried rice.

South Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Stuffed shells, mushroom marinara, bianco pizza, vegetable calzone, macaroni and cheese, cajun-baked orange roughy, cheese and vegetable pie, fried clam strips, grilled mahi-mahi, small grilled pizza, fishwich, battered wedge fries, onion rings, fried tofu rice, cheese enchilada.

Today's Dinner: Cheese lasagna, mushroom marinara, tomato pizza, bianco pizza, vegetable calzone, potato pancakes, green bean casserole, tuna casserole, stuffed flounder, fried buffalo shrimp, breaded cheese sticks with marinara, seminole red snapper with oranges, fishwich, egg foo yong surimi broccoli quesadilla.

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Assorted sushi bar, soba noodle shiitaki mushroom salad, shrimp scampi with linguine, quesadilla bar, sub bar, broccoli and swiss pocket, egg and cheddar croissant, garden hummus, roasted turkey breast, sliced ham, chewy blond brownies, mushroom barley soup, egg drop soup, Italian pasta salad, Greek salad.

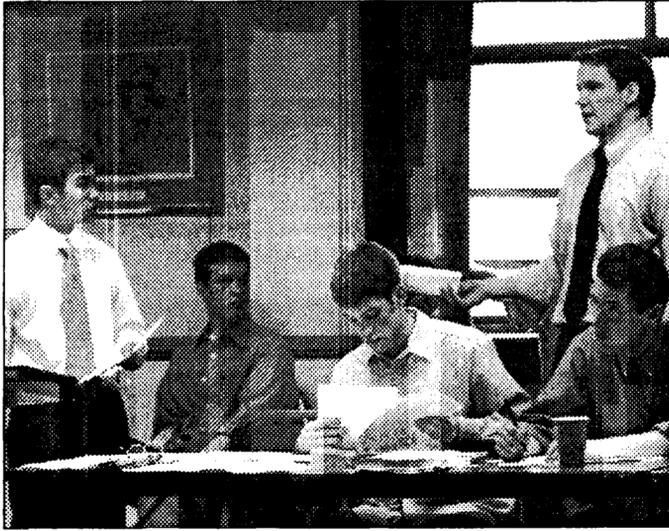
Today's Lunch: Roasted corn and black bean tamale, saffron rice pilaf, herb pasta with light tomato cream sauce, churros, pierogies, salmon filet, parsley red potato, portobello mushroom pizza, cheese calzones, apple spice cake, strawberry Jell-O with whipped topping.

CORRECTIONS

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	FRIDAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 62 LOW 32	HIGH 57 LOW 54	HIGH 55 LOW 32	HIGH 61 LOW 47	HIGH 71 LOW 54	HIGH 75 LOW 53

SENATE SELECTIONS



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Student body vice president Jeremy Lao, far left, addresses the Student Senate Thursday. The Senate nominated Judicial Council president Elliot Poindexter and Student Union Board programmers. Members also discussed budgets for the Financial Management Board and Club Coordination Council.

Saint Mary's to enter first-ever boat in Fisher Hall Regatta

By MEGAN O'NEIL
News Writer

The Saint Mary's College boat in Saturday's Fisher Regatta will be the first entry ever for the College in the event, and after their industrious efforts, the builders and crew just hope it will stay afloat.

After much discussion, the boat was christened Big Blue by the Saint Mary's team. Its 14-by-4-by-3 foot dimensions give the

boat a boxy appearance, and one participant described it as a "huge floating coffin."

"We do have a nice streamline front, which will cut through the water," senior Alisa Driscoll said in a hopeful tone. "But it is pretty, above all."

"I am definitely going to be there ... I am so glad that Saint Mary's is being included."

Rebecca Feauto
freshman

The boat, with the French cross emblem on the end, is a composition of plywood and pink foam. It will be "womaned" by a crew of seven

rowers. They plan to use borrowed oars for the race.

Junior Amanda Garno spearheaded the effort to create the Saint Mary's entry. Saint Mary's dorms had been invited to participate for the past several years, Garno explained, but no one had ever initiated the building process.

"I have watched the event the last two years," said Garno, "and I just thought it was really cool. I talked to some friends in Fisher, and they told me who to contact."

To get the project started Garno requested the financial backing of BOG. She also contacted the Theater Department set shop for help with the construction of the boat. An e-mail was sent out to the entire Saint Mary's student body. Shay Dolly, who worked with Garno to drum up interest, said the response was enthusiastic.

"We probably had about 30 e-mails within an hour of sending it out," she said of the initial email. "Everyone responded saying they had been thinking for the past week about how cool it could be if Saint Mary's was in it."

Many Saint Mary's students plan to attend the Regatta on Saturday to cheer on Big Blue, and to enjoy the spectacle.

"I am definitely going to be there," said freshman Rebecca Feauto. "I am so glad that Saint Mary's is being included."

While the Saint Mary's team eventually hopes to win the race, which takes place on Saint Mary's Lake, this year's goal seems to be to have fun.

"I am totally excited," said Driscoll, who will row Saturday. "This is a great thing to participate in as a sort of last hurrah. I think we will definitely have fun. We have put a lot of effort into it. We will get across the lake, one way or another."

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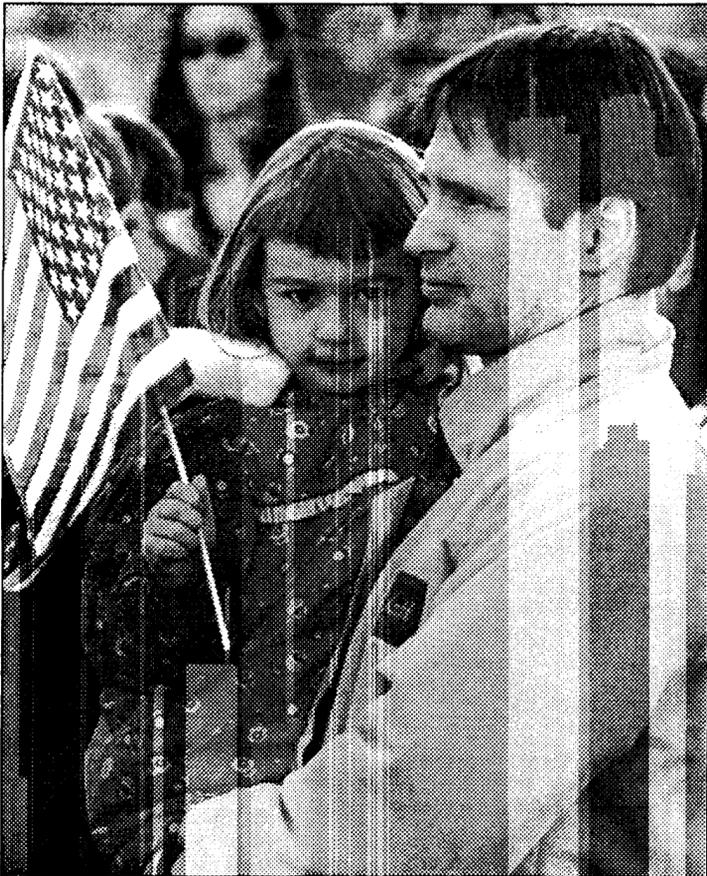
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A father and her daughter show their support for troops in Iraq by brandishing an American flag at the rally sponsored by the College Republicans.

Rally

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States in Iraq after fighting ended.

Feder also criticized those who claim that America became involved in Iraq to protect its oil interests in the

country, saying that such a concept did not accurately describe the situation in Middle East and that America was committed to building a freer society in Iraq.

"The slogan 'No Blood for Oil' is classic Marxism," he said.

Speaking after Feder, Brown discussed America's involvement in World War II and

likened the situation in the Middle East to the situation in Europe in the 1930s.

"We were told that international agreements could solve our problems," said Brown. "We were told to just be confident in the Treaty of Versailles, to just be confident in the League of Nations the same way we were told before this war."

Because others nations did not act, aggression by fascist countries was not stopped at first, said Brown.

"The proof never came until 1936 when Hitler marched into the Rhineland," he said. "[Other countries] stood idly by and the French did nothing. The United States had to come to the aid of Europe."

The United States had not let this situation happen in the Middle East, Brown said.

"I am proud of our president because he didn't wait. He moved now," said Brown. "Only the most naïve would believe Saddam Hussein."

Brown also expressed support for U.S. troops fighting in Iraq and said that freedom would come at a cost.

"I am so proud of the young men and women that are fighting for this country and this flag in Iraq," Brown said. "We know that Saddam is a man who won't give up power easily and we still face long days ahead."

However, other students present at the rally were concerned about U.S. military involvement in Iraq but still wanted to express support for American soldiers.

"I'm glad to see that it's quickly nearing an end. I think

there were other alternatives that could have been considered," said Michael Poffenberger. "We don't think it's a paradox to be anti-war and pro-American."

Members of the College Republicans, who sponsored the rally, said they organized the event because they were concerned about a lack of public support for American troops in Iraq.

"You can be for peace but it's the soldiers that make that happen," said Brandi Gill,

president of College Republicans. "We saw a bunch of anti-war protests and we didn't see any pro-war [demonstrations]," she said.

Tom Rippinger, vice president of College Republicans, said the club wanted to offer students who support the war a chance to express their views. "We wanted to represent a majority at Notre Dame," he said.

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Passion (Palm) Sunday

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What makes Colin Fanel tick?

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HISTORY

4213/IRST235:01 Irish American Experience (Dolan)
The Irish are one of the great success stories in American history. They have moved from the shantytowns of urban America to the boardrooms of Wall Street, leaving a mark on politics, literature, religion, and the labor movement. The first part of the course examines the history of modern Ireland. After studying the famine of the 1840s the course will turn to emigration and the great themes of Irish American history — politics, literature, religion and labor.

4321/IRST3268:01 Irish History I (Smyth)
This course explores the main themes in Irish history from the plantation of Ulster, in the early seventeenth century, to the rebellion of 1798. Attention focuses on plantation, colonization and religious conflict; the Cromwellian episode, the Williamite war, the anti-Catholic penal laws and the rise of the Protestant ascendancy.

4451/IRST381:01 Nineteenth-Century Ireland (Mac Subhne)
Drawing on monographs and general studies, this course invites students to consider how different social groups experienced the profound changes that transformed nineteenth-century Ireland. Although the course traces political developments, it pays equal attention to socioeconomic and cultural issues, including the shift from high fertility to sexual restraint; patterns of emigration, consumption and social unrest; improvements in education and literacy; linguistic change; changing devotional practices and cultural "revival" in the late 1800s.

ANTHROPOLOGY

5252/IRST228:01 Irish and American Tap Dance (McKenna)
This course teaches a range of fundamental American tap steps in addition to at least two finished tap dance pieces set to CD music. Several hard show Irish tap dances will be taught and depending on the ability of the students, several other completed dances are possible. Although the class is intended for students who have never learned tap, both elementary and middle range students have found the class suited to their needs

LITERATURE

4665/IRST302:01 Crime in the Nineteenth Century Novel (O'Brien)
Using the closely related Victorian concepts of crime and progress as a frame for classroom debate and analysis, this course focuses on social issues such as poverty, women's suffrage, colonization, and the nascent idea of human rights. Readings will include works by Dickens, Wilde, Elliot, Davitt, Yeats, and Conan Doyle. Course work will include several brief essays and a research paper.

5074/IRST371:01 Irish Poetry in Translation (McKibben)
This course examines poetry written in Irish from the late nineteenth century. Students will work on close reading using English translations, with Irish texts given in facing text. No previous knowledge of Irish is required. Requirements will include response papers, two short essays, and one longer essay.

5080/IRST309:01 The Hidden Ireland (Ó Buachalla)
This course examines aspects of the corpus of 18th century poetry in the Irish language in the light of Daniel Corkery's *Hidden Ireland* (1924), a classic analysis of the literature and society of Irish-speaking Munster, and subsequent reassessments of that analysis. Selections from the corpus of poetry will be taken from Ó Tuama and Kinsella, *An Duanaire: poems of the dispossessed* (1981).

6142/IRST371:01 Modern British and Irish Drama (McIntosh)
This course examines the modern fusion of politics and performance in British and Irish drama of the twentieth century, focusing on the ways that Ireland's struggle for Home Rule shaped the Anglo-Irish dramatic tradition. Students will read popular melodramas by Dion Boucicault and J. W. Whitbread and then study the increasingly ambivalent responses of subsequent dramatists to the romanticization of Ireland's social and political crises.

5463/IRST373A:01 Writing and Politics in Northern Ireland (Burgess)
This course explores the politics of culture, and the cultures of politics, in the North of Ireland during the twentieth century. Using a multiplicity of genres - drama, fiction, poetry, film, painting and documentary material - it unravels the history behind partition, the causes of the Troubles, and the nature of the conflict. Certain key themes stretch through the semester's work. Among these are: sectarianism; the relationship between violence and culture; borders; identity; issues of social and political justice.

5460/IRST382:01 Twentieth-Century Irish Literature (Wallace)
This course explores the cultural and political factors which have shaped Ireland's extraordinary literary achievement, paying particular attention to decolonization and the Northern Troubles. We will read major works by Shaw, Yeats, Joyce, Bowen, Friel, Heaney and Deane. In conjunction with our readings, we will view John Huston's *The Dead* and Neil Jordan's *The Crying Game*.

5293/IRST429:01 Postcolonial Literature: A Comparative Introduction (Wilson)
This course investigates the development of literatures from the former colonies of various empires, but principally the British and French. Authors may include Chinua Achebe, Mariama Ba, Buchi Emecheta, Anita Desai, Bessie Head, George Lamming, Salman Rushdie, Wole Soyinka, Vikram Chandra, Derek Walcott, and Thich Nhat Hanh, among others. Theorists include Frantz Fanon, Edward Said, Gayatri Spivak, Ngugi wa Thiong'o.

6017/IRST471:01 Leaving the Empire: Irish Writing, 1900-1930 (Deane)
This course concentrates on the critique of the British Empire and of Empire as such as it is manifested in the work of some of the best-known Irish writers of the period. The fiction of Joyce (including *Ulysses*), a selection of poems from the different phases of Yeats's career, plays and Prefaces (essays) by Shaw and fiction and drama by Beckett will constitute the core readings.

5355/IRST471D:01 Modern Irish Drama (Harris)
This course concerns both the drama produced by the playwrights of the Irish literary renaissance — Yeats, Synge, Gregory, and O'Casey — and the political struggle for Irish independence that was taking place at the same time. Students read the texts of the plays alongside the reviews they generated and the debates that were taking place at the time in the national press. Particular attention is paid to the relationship between national and sexual politics, and how representations of gender — and audience responses to them — shaped it.

5358/IRST475:01 Anglo-Irish Gothic (Walton)
This course is an attempt to interpret the uses of the uncanny and the supernatural in Anglo-Irish fiction (some of it in English disguise). Burke's treatise on the Sublime will serve as prologue. James Joyce will haunt the premises.

LANGUAGE

4089/IRST101 Beginning Irish I (McQuillan)
4269/IRST101 Beginning Irish I (McKibben)
4704/IRST101 Beginning Irish I (Ó Conchubhair)
4310/IRST102 Beginning Irish II (Ó Conchubhair)
4092/IRST103 Intermediate Irish II (McQuillan)
Irish Language is offered at three levels. Beginning Irish I is an introduction to modern spoken and written Irish, including the basic principles of grammar and sentence structure, as well as core vocabulary. Emphasis is placed on the application of these principles in every-day situations. Beginning Irish II places more emphasis on reading simple texts and Intermediate Irish includes reading literary works.

IRAQ

US, Kurds take Kirkuk as looters hit Baghdad

Associated Press

Opposition forces crumbled in northern Iraq on Thursday as U.S. and Kurdish troops seized oil-rich Kirkuk without a fight and held a second city within their grasp. U.S. commanders said signs pointed to a last stand by Iraqis in Saddam Hussein's birthplace of Tikrit.

Despite the gains, one Marine was killed and 22 injured in a seven-hour battle in the Iraqi capital. Four more were wounded in a suicide bombing. "Baghdad's still an ugly place," said Maj. Gen. Gene Renuart.

Widespread looting persisted 24 hours after the city celebrated the regime's fall.

Striking anew at the regime leadership, coalition warplanes dropped six satellite-guided bombs on a building where Saddam's half brother, Barzan Ibrahim Hasan al-Tikriti, a close adviser, was believed to be.

Al-Tikriti once headed the Iraqi intelligence service, and the building in Ar Ramadi, 60 miles west of Baghdad, had served as an intelligence service operations site, said Marine Maj. Brad Bartelt, a spokesman for the U.S. Central Command in the Persian Gulf.

It was not known immediately whether al-Tikriti was hit.

Increasingly, the U.S. military focus was away from the capital. Kurdish troops set off celebrations in Kirkuk when they moved in, and there were hopes that Iraqis would surrender in Mosul, another northern city, on Friday.

Nearly 100 miles to the north of Baghdad, U.S. commanders said Tikrit was the likely site of a last stand by Iraqi forces — if there is to be one. Iraqi defenders were believed to have moved there from other parts of the country. U.S. commandos were in the region, and warplanes were attacking.

U.S.-led fighters and bombers also hit Iraqi positions near the border with Syria, where special forces were trying to prevent regime loyalists from slipping out of Iraq and to keep foreign fighters from entering.

There were signs of difficulties ahead in efforts at building a new society.

Two Islamic clerics were hacked to death by a mob in Najaf at one of Shiite Islam's holiest shrines, witnesses said.

One of the clerics killed, Haider al-Kadar, was a widely hated loyalist of Saddam, part of the Iraqi leader's Ministry of Religion. The other was Abdul



Getty Images

Kurdish children inspect an armored vehicle during celebrations Thursday in Kirkuk, northern Iraq. Kurdish guerrillas and U.S. special operations soldiers took the city amid little resistance as civilians cheered and looted government buildings.

Majid al-Khoei, a high-ranking Shiite cleric and son of one of the religion's most prominent spiritual leaders, who was persecuted by Saddam. They were killed at a meeting meant to

serve as a model for reconciliation in post-Saddam Iraq. The U.S. military had flown in journalists aboard two helicopters to witness it, although they arrived after the violence.

An American plane beamed taped addresses by President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair to the Iraqi people. "Your nation will soon be free," Bush said.

NORTHERN IRELAND

Britain, Ireland sit on peace process as IRA denies fault

Associated Press

BELFAST

Dashing expectations of a breakthrough, Britain and Ireland withheld their new Northern Ireland peace plans Thursday after failing to get long-sought commitments from the Irish Republican Army, government aides said.

Sinn Fein party leader Gerry Adams, a reputed IRA chief, insisted the outlawed group was not responsible for the deadlock.

Thursday, the fifth anniversary of the U.S.-brokered Good Friday accord, was

the two governments' target date for announcing the new plans.

The impasse, typical of the suspicion and recrimination that have dogged peacemaking efforts in this British territory for a decade, raised doubts about a planned May 29 election for the moribund Northern Ireland legislature. Britain already postponed the vote once.

Adams, whose party is linked with the IRA, demanded that Britain and Ireland "leave the IRA out" of current arguments and immediately publish the full text of their plans, which have been in the works since October and widely

leaked.

They include guarantees of freedom for IRA fugitives, British military cutbacks, justice reforms and other moves designed to entice the IRA into resuming disarmament and abandoning all hostile activities. If the IRA made those commitments, Britain would seek to revive Northern Ireland's mothballed Catholic-Protestant administration, the central achievement of the 1998 deal.

But the environment for a deal evaporated in morning telephone negotiations involving Adams and the British and Irish prime ministers, Tony Blair and Bertie Ahern.

Blair and Ahern were about to fly to Hillsborough Castle near Belfast to unveil the document. Earlier this week at the castle, they joined President Bush in appealing for the IRA to fade away and Sinn Fein to accept the legitimacy of Northern Ireland's police.

The prime ministers canceled Thursday's event because the proposed text of an IRA statement — discussed Wednesday during face-to-face meetings in Belfast between Adams and Blair's chief of staff, Jonathan Powell — was politically inadequate, a British government official said on condition of anonymity.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS**Ivory Coast rebels allege gov't attacks**

Ivory Coast's rebels accused government forces Thursday of attacking their positions and trying to scuttle a peace process meant to end six-months of civil war.

Government officials said they knew of no attacks.

A rebel leader, Deli Gaspard, said government troops attacked Wednesday at Zouan-Hounien, about 25 miles south of Danane, near the Liberian border.

Young PM takes reins of Estonian gov't

A 36-year-old former auditor took over as Estonia's prime minister Thursday, becoming Europe's youngest leader in a nation where youth has been a political hallmark since the former Soviet republic regained independence.

Juhan Parts says his age will be a major asset, helping him bring more prosperity to the Baltic Sea nation of 1.4 million residents.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**Cops bust 33 for stealing WTC relief**

Police have arrested 33 people, including shelter residents and government employees, for allegedly stealing almost \$135,000 from charities helping victims of the World Trade Center attacks.

Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau said Thursday that the latest arrests bring to 245 the number of people his office has charged with defrauding charities and government agencies helping victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

Nightclub owners appeal massive fine

The owners of a nightclub where 99 people died in a fire filed an appeal Thursday of a huge fine for their failure to carry workers' compensation insurance.

Attorneys for brothers Jeffrey and Michael Derderian said the Department of Labor and Training singled them out for excessive punishment by issuing the \$1.06 million fine.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS**One hurt in Richmond plane crash**

A California man was injured Thursday when his small plane crashed in a cornfield just east of the Richmond Municipal Airport.

Douglas C. Johnson, 51, of Los Angeles, suffered head, facial and internal injuries and was taken to Reid Memorial Hospital, where he was listed in fair condition Thursday night.

SWAT cops kill suspect during drug raid

A man shot by a SWAT team member died Thursday, hours after officers said he charged at them with a knife during a drug raid.

Lyle Blair, 28, was shot in the chest when he came at the officers as they entered his home late Wednesday on Muncie's south side, said Terry Winters, the city's deputy police chief.

Blair died about 14 hours later at Ball Memorial Hospital. Police said Blair ran inside the house when he saw SWAT members approaching.

Crash

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not begin until early Thursday morning because administrators expected that technicians from Hewlett-Packard, the manufacturer of the server, would be able to fix the problem.

"We kept being informed that the problem was fixed. There was no reason to start the restoration process until we were finally assured that the server was not going to be able to be fixed," Latimer said.

The mainframe contains four core systems: the student and faculty information system, including admissions, grades, registration, financial aid and student accounts; the University's financial system, including accounts payable and the budget; the human resources and payroll system, including payroll and benefits administration; and the development information system, including alumni relations and fundraising data. It also contains other systems, including student housing, student health services, security dispatch and laundry. None of this information was available during the outage.

The outage occurred one hour before the beginning of Web reg-

istration for the fall 2003 semester, prompting the registrar's office to re-schedule Wednesday's registration periods to today and Thursday's periods to Saturday.

Staff from the Registrar's office will be available at 631-7043 to assist students who do not have access to a computer during their re-scheduled registration period.

Registrar Harold Pace said he has not previously encountered such a large-scale problem with registration. While there are two back-ups to Web registration, both depend on the mainframe server that crashed.

"It is a very odd situation that has not occurred in the past, where a whole machine is out of working order. When that occurs, there is not a back-up system for the University to do business," said Pace.

Assistant director of Notre Dame Security/Police Phil Johnson said the server is used to store a record of cases and did not affect security.

The back-up server will be used for the rest of the semester, and OIT will transfer all data back onto the original server once it is fixed.

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Age, conditions cause server crash

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

The mainframe server that crashed on Wednesday after over 12 years of use likely crashed due to old age and exposure to higher than normal temperatures and amounts of dust.

Bob Schaffner, director of operations and engineering for the Office of Information Technology, said engineers from Hewlett-Packard, the manufacturer of the machine, told him that although they were not completely certain why the server crashed, it was probably due to age and the server being run in less-than-optimal conditions.

Deputy chief information officer and chief technologist Dewitt Latimer said the age of this server is not out of range with those at other universities, especially considering that a number of the parts of the server — including the central processing unit — have been upgraded since it was installed.

"For the size of the institution, we don't really stand out from the rest of the schools in terms of the age of the mainframe. A lot of schools are undertaking upgrades right now. We are not behind the pack," said Latimer.

However, Schaffner, who worked in industry prior to coming to Notre Dame, said corporations generally replace mainframe servers every three to five years, compared to this server that has been used for 12 to 15 years.

The server runs in the data center, which is a large computer room, of the Information Technology building. The data center was built in the 1960s and has not been significantly

improved since that time, even though a large number of new machines have been added to the room.

"It was really designed for 30 to 40 years ago. We have added a lot of additional hardware, but the room has never been upgraded for this hardware. The temperature would be higher than one would normally like for a data center," said Schaffner.

Additionally, until this winter, the data center also contained Notre Dame Print Services, meaning there were large copiers and printers in the room. Schaffner said having copiers in a room with a mainframe server is not the best practice because of the large amount of dust they create.

An upgrade to the data center is scheduled to take place this summer and will improve its heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems. Additionally, the fire suppression system will be converted from a water-based system to a foam-based system and the electrical wiring will be upgraded.

Schaffner said the reason for the server crash was a failure of the main system backplane, which is the backboard of the system. A problem with one of the slots of backplane caused it to short-circuit any cards placed into it, although this was not originally known to the technicians attempting to trouble-shoot the problem. In the course of identifying the problem, technicians placed a number of cards into the malfunctioning slot, which may have short-circuited. Technicians have now replaced the backplane of the machine and are trying to determine if there are problems with any of the other cards.

The back-up server was purchased at the same time as the original server, with the intent to be used in a catastrophic situation like this one. It is stored in a computer room in Malloy Hall, which is relatively new and has better environmental conditions than the OIT data center. However, once the original server is fixed, it will be used again because it is connected to generators in the IT building which can run for an unlimited amount of time during a power outage. The server in Malloy Hall only has a few hours of backup power.

Prior to the outage, the University had already begun a project to replace the mainframe server. Called Renovare, the project is expected to last three years and will replace the mainframe with a number of different servers.

The impetus to replace the server came in October 2001 when HP announced it would end support for the mainframe, which is an HP 3000, in January 2007. Following this date, technicians like those who have been on-site at Notre Dame since the server crashed Wednesday, will no longer repair the system, meaning it must be replaced.

"Without a compelling reason [to replace the server], the University would not do so. ... It is not a simple task to swap out administrative systems," Latimer said.

Schaffner said it would have been preferential to start Renovare earlier.

"Any project of this nature is long. Starting it sooner would have been beneficial," Schaffner said.

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Sophomore Erin Cox, who participated in Christmas in April last year and will again be involved this year, said she believes the event offers students an important chance to help those who are at a disadvantage.

"It makes a difference," she said. "[Last year] we cleaned [a house] top to bottom and repainted it."

Monahan noted that many groups in the Notre Dame and South Bend communities work together to make Christmas in April possible.

"Notre Dame Food Services provides lunch for all the volunteers," said Monahan. "It wouldn't happen without them."

Additionally, the City of South Bend provides financial support, and Holy Cross College, Bethel College students and South Bend residents will also help with housing projects Saturday.

Before students head to work Saturday, skilled workers, such as electricians and plumbers, helped to improve homes for the residents of the Northeast Neighborhood, said Monahan.

All of the materials that students will use Saturday are also donated by various organizations. Students are not charged a fee to participate in the event.

Because this year's project will serve fewer houses than in previous years, the number of students is lower than in previous years when participants numbered over 2,000, largely because of budgetary issues.

"We actually limited sign-ups this year," said Monahan. "The funding for Christmas in April was just low."

Rebuilding Together Now, a national organization that organizes similar nationwide neighborhood service projects, has taken place in the Northeast Neighborhood for over a decade.

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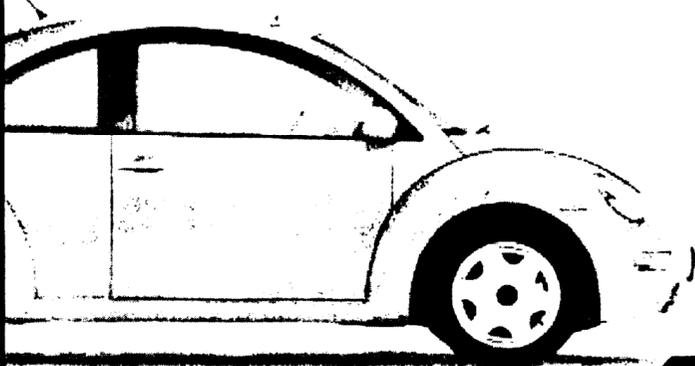
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IN BRIEF

Tape shows Scruschy feared prison

Ousted HealthSouth CEO Richard Scruschy and a top aide discussed the company's unraveling finances and fear of going to jail the day before the government accused the company of massive accounting fraud, according to a secret recording played in court Thursday.

William T. Owens, HealthSouth's then-chief financial officer, told Scruschy his wife feared Owens could go to prison for falsifying corporate records, according to the recording. It was made by Owens, who was fired March 27 and is cooperating with investigators. Scruschy acknowledged Owens' fears on the recording.

FBI agent Greg Gauger testified that the 4 1/2-hour digital recording was made by Owens on March 18, the day before the government filed suit accusing the company and Scruschy of a \$2.5 billion accounting fraud.

Import slide shrinks trade deficit

The U.S. trade deficit narrowed in February to \$40.3 billion as prewar jitters crimped Americans' demand for foreign-made goods, especially computers, machinery, toys and jewelry. Exports edged higher.

The Commerce Department reported Thursday that the trade gap tightened by 2.2 percent in February from January's deficit of \$41.2 billion.

The narrowing of the trade deficit came even as the average price of imported crude oil jumped to \$30.46 a barrel in February, a 20-year high.

WorldCom to change name to MCI

WorldCom Inc., which has struggled to escape the taint of an \$11 billion accounting fraud, will take the name of its MCI unit next week, a source close to the company said Thursday.

The bankrupt telecommunications company is assuming the name of its consumer long distance unit because it believes the brand retains market cache, the source said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

It also wasn't financially feasible to launch an unknown brand, the source said.

Carriers to ground Concorde

◆ Supersonic jets glamorous but unprofitable

Associated Press

LONDON

Concorde, the chic needle-nosed jet that has flown stars and tycoons across the Atlantic at supersonic speeds and stratospheric cost for a quarter century, will be retired this year, its British and French operators said Thursday.

British Airways and Air France, the only two airlines to operate Concorde, said they will take the glamorous but hugely expensive jets out of service by the end of October because of falling passenger demand and rising maintenance costs.

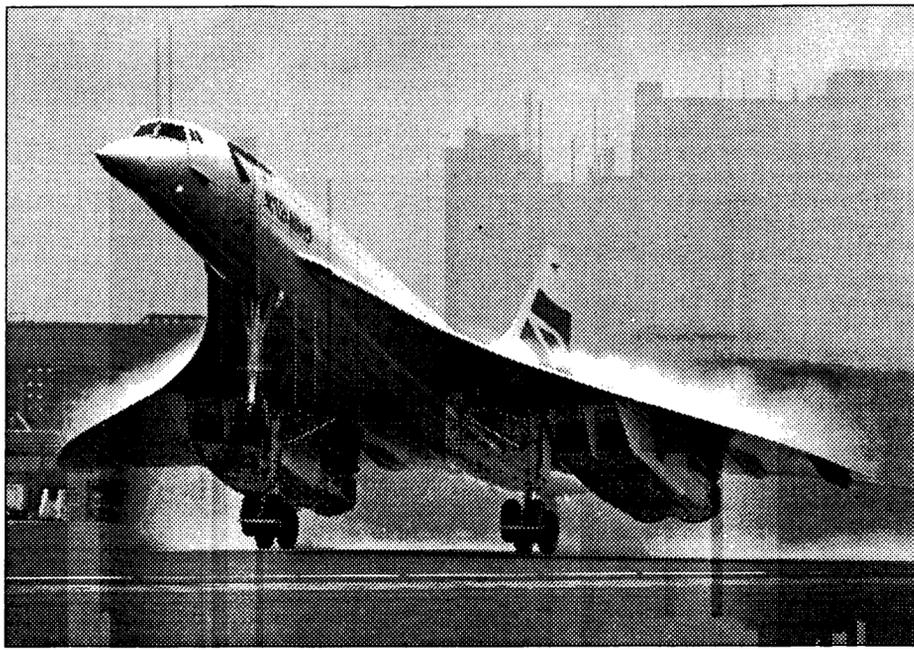
Air France, which has five Concorde, said its last scheduled flight would be on May 31, and the program would shut down at the end of October.

"Never has such a beautiful object been designed and built by man," said Air France President Jean-Cyril Spinetta at a news conference. "This aircraft is not going to stop because it continues to live on in the human imagination."

The retirement of the service "will be permanent as of October this year," British Airways spokeswoman Sara John said. The carrier, which has seven of the white, delta-wing jets, didn't give a date for its last scheduled flight, but said it would be toward the end of October.

"It's a sad day in many ways," British Airways' chief executive, Rod Eddington, told British Broadcasting Corp. radio. "Concorde changed the nature of commercial aviation. It revolutionized the way people traveled around the world."

But Eddington said passengers were no longer willing to pay the \$9,300 regular fare for a round trip across the Atlantic in supersonic time.



Getty Images

A British Airways Concorde supersonic jet takes off from London's Heathrow Airport in this file photo. British Airways and Air France announced they will retire the glamorous jets later this year.

"If you're laying people off and telling people in your business to tighten your belt, senior executives then find it inconsistent to go to the airport and get on Concorde rather than subsonic aircraft," he said.

He added that the air carrier would not sell its Concorde to a commercial operator.

"Concorde had terrific beginnings. We're determined that she finishes on a high note, and Concorde will then end up in museums," he said in a conference call.

Air France blamed the retirement on falling demand, linked to the global downturn in the aviation industry, and rising maintenance costs for the aging fleet.

"This decision is motivated by deteriorating economic results ... observed over the past months and which accelerated since the beginning of the year,"

Air France said in a statement.

The Concorde flies faster than any other commercial aircraft, racing between Europe and New York in under four hours. Its

fastest New York-London crossing was completed in just 2 hours, 52 minutes and 59

seconds.

Eddington said the decision to retire Concorde after 27 years of commercial service was not connected to possible safety fears arising from a crash outside Paris that killed 113 people in 2000.

"We have complete safety at Concorde, complete confidence in its ability to fly safely," he said.

On July 25, 2000, an Air France jet, spewing flames, crashed into a hotel outside Paris minutes after takeoff from Charles de Gaulle airport. All 100 passengers, mostly German

tourists, were killed along with the nine crew members and four people on the ground.

An investigation concluded that the Concorde crashed after a tire was punctured by a stray metal strip on the runway, propelling pieces of rubber into the fuel tank and igniting a fire.

Air France and British Airways grounded their fleets and revamped the planes to address safety concerns. The luxury aircraft was returned to service in November 2001.

Since then, there have been several small mishaps, both with Concorde owned by British Airways and Air France.

Concorde was a spectacular wrong turn for Europe's aviation industry, which went for speed while allowing Boeing and other American manufacturers to dominate the lucrative market for the big subsonic jets which made air travel a mass phenomenon.

Concorde's development started in 1962 when the British Aircraft Corp. and Sud Aviation of France agreed to cooperate.

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Air France president

Global bankers pledge Iraq funds

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Leaders of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank pledged on Thursday to help provide billions of dollars to rebuild Iraq. But first, they plan to send fact-finding missions to uncover the mysteries of an economy that has been shrouded in secrecy for more than two decades.

A day after U.S.-led forces swept through Baghdad, the Bush administration moved quickly to demonstrate that the Iraqi people stand to gain substantial economic benefits from the toppling of Saddam Hussein's government.

Treasury Secretary John Snow said he would use the spring meetings of the 184-nation IMF, which specializes in helping crisis countries, and the World Bank, the largest source of development loans, to begin gathering the resources needed to rebuild Iraq.

Preliminary estimates of the cost of that effort have ranged from \$20 billion per year for the first several years to as much as \$600 billion over a decade.

Snow and Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan will lead discussions on Friday among the finance officials from the world's seven richest industrial countries —

the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Italy and Canada.

In addition to lining up initial commitments from the IMF and World Bank, Snow said he would seek support among the G-7 countries for forgiving a part of Iraq's massive foreign debt, estimated to be as high as \$200 billion.

However, the G-7 discussions could prove contentious given that two of the nations — France and Germany — actively opposed the U.S.-led war effort. They have also insisted that the United Nations take the lead in the reconstruction effort, an approach that is opposed by the United States.

Research

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\$3,500 are made available to the students during the summer.

"They are just ways for students to support themselves in terms of room and board so they do not have to get a job and can focus solely on research," said Cindy Bergeman, ISLA director.

Roche explained the initiative: "Notre Dame has had a tradition of teaching and research, we are trying to bring these two areas into dialogue with one another so the undergraduates are not neglected when we do research. The undergraduates are in contact with great researchers which would inspire creativity within themselves."

This comes at a time when the University has just announced budget cuts and reduced funding for the individual colleges. To overcome this problem, the Office of the Dean raised money through private donations.

The research conducted by the students is not centered around any particular major.

"It is not a specific program like Summer of Shakespeare," Roche said. "It is more broad and based on what interests the students have; we just want to provide the means for intellectual creativity and freedom."

In spite of that, he said the "majority of the projects seemed to fall under the social sciences."

This has not stopped the competitiveness of the grants

"We had almost 40 to 50 undergraduates apply and we

accepted four or five of the projects. The response has been satisfactory," said Bergeman.

The grant is not restricted to research at the University alone. The student can also use the grant to gain access to material at other institutions.

"If a student wishes to travel to Washington to look at historical texts or attend a conference, [it can be arranged] as long as it is fruitful to his research," said Bergeman.

The project was inspired by an attempt to increase the percentage of Notre Dame undergraduate students who went on to pursue a Ph.D. In the 1980s, that figure stood at 4.11 percent. With the UROP program in place, the University is hoping to change that.

Besides the summer stipends, the University also offers grants of up to \$1,500 for individual research opportunities, as well as grants in conjunction with the Kellogg and Nanovic Institutes to study lesser taught languages.

"With these resources at hand," Roche said, "We hope that they [the students] will achieve greater intellectual ability and formal skills useful to them in whatever career path they choose and they will experience the joy of participating in the creation of knowledge."

Roche hopes that continued integration between teaching and research will help Notre Dame rise to a top-twelve ranking as an undergraduate university.

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Junior wins Indiana service award

By NICOLA BUNICK
News Writer

Notre Dame junior Mary Murphy has received the 2003 Richard J. Wood Student Community Commitment Award from Indiana Campus Compact.

The University President Father Edward Malloy nominated Murphy, and she was assisted in the nomination process by the Center for Social Concerns. Murphy will be honored in a luncheon taking place today at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana.

Campus Compact is an association of colleges that seeks to cultivate in their students a commitment to lifelong community service, as well as to expand and strengthen the role universities play in their communities.

The Wood Award honors

one student from the 31 member institutions of the Indiana branch of the Campus Compact consortium.

"The criteria for the Award include extraordinary commitment to community service over the student's whole tenure at the university, demonstrated advocacy to service and leadership qualities," said Annie Cahill, director of Community Partners and Service Learning at the Center for Social Concerns.

Murphy was selected due to her extensive contributions to service on campus, especially her recent work with the Teamwork

for Tomorrow program of which she is currently co-president.

"She [Murphy] has taken a great program and strengthened it even more and made it more responsive to the needs of the community," said Cahill.

After being nominated for the award, Murphy was

required to submit a statement to the selection committee describing the influences in her life that encouraged her to participate in service, the activities she is involved with, and how her involvement in those activities contributes to the community and is helping her develop a lifelong commitment to service.

The selection committee consisting of seven individuals from colleges and universities, community agencies, and the past Wood award winner, then selects several finalists for interviews. This year there were eleven nominations and the committee selected four finalists.

The Wood Award was established in 1997 in honor of Dr. Richard J. Wood, who was the president of Earlham College, and served as the founding chairperson of the Indiana Campus Compact and the Presidents Board from 1992 to 1996.

Since its conception seven years ago, two other Notre Dame students, Angela Anderson in 1999, and Paul Graham in 2002, have also received the award. As last year's recipient, Graham, a current senior participated in this year's selection process.

Murphy was unavailable for comment.

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Student Kat Donovan gets blood drawn for the Howard Hall bone marrow drive Thursday that registered approximately 1,000 students in the national registry.

Lawsuit may endanger Findit

◆ File-sharing lawsuit could affect popular ND Web site

By MIKE CHAMBLISS
News Writer

Hurting from a sharp decline in compact disc sales over the past few years, the music industry is taking swipe at yet another system of free electronic file sharing.

The Record Industry Association of America, which keeps a gimlet eye on Internet-related technology, has filed suit against four students who manage file-sharing programs at three universities.

The suits will seek injunctions that would force the schools to dismantle the file swapping apparatus within their own computer networks.

Like students at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Michigan Technological Institute and Princeton University, those with access to Notre Dame's local area network have some free music, movie and miscellaneous files available at the click of a mouse.

Junior Allan Cooke is responsible for bringing a program called Findit to the Notre Dame network.

The software, which can be

called up by typing "Findit" in the address bar of an Internet browser, indexes computers within the network, thereby allowing users to search for specific artists and song titles.

By functioning as a search engine, Findit makes it easier for students to find desired files, but it does not grant access to any files that were previously inaccessible.

In fact, students must give permission to Cooke before their computers can be indexed. According to the Findit site, there are currently 100 computers sharing a total of 126,275 files on Findit. The vast majority of these files contain copyrighted music.

Although the record industry is suing students who run programs similar to Findit, Cooke does not believe that he is participating in copyright infringement by operating the OIT-approved indexing service.

"As far as I'm concerned, the server isn't doing anything illegal. Illegal content is not on the

server itself," said Cooke. Experienced in the fields of intellectual property and business litigation, attorney William McGrath of the Chicago law firm Davis, Mannix and McGrath warns that the issue may not be quite so cut and dry.

"In the same sense that Napster was facilitating copying by others, it is not really that far different."

William McGrath
attorney

"In light of the Napster decision, this type of activity is risky, although it hasn't been specifically decided by the court as to whether or not it is a violation of copyright and fair use laws," said McGrath.

During the 2000 Napster case, the court ruled that Napster users had violated fair use laws and that Napster had incurred contributory liability by enabling users to break these laws.

Napster was subsequently forced to shutdown, and the case set a precedent for the future of Internet copyright law.

If the users of local area network file-swapping programs are violating fair use laws, then it is up for question whether local college networks and servers like Findit are contributory liable by enabling and aiding users in acts of copyright infringement.

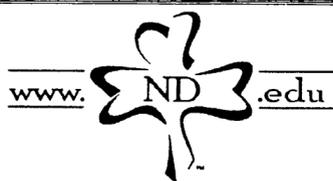
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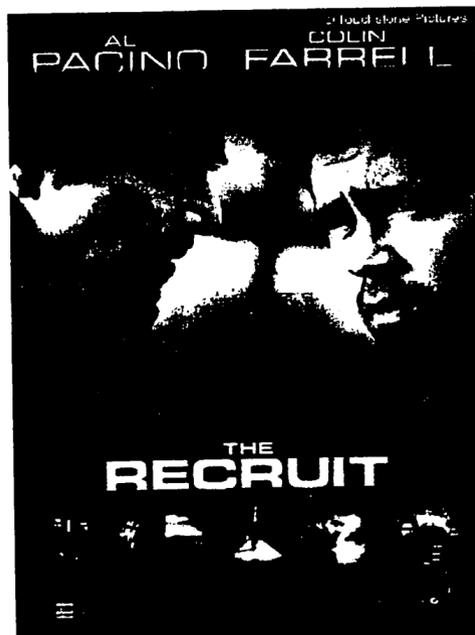
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State legislators encounter new financial problems

◆ Forecast projects states will have \$100 million less to spend

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

State lawmakers will have about \$100 million less to spend on government services and programs over the next two years than they planned on, according to an updated revenue forecast released Thursday.

A revenue forecast committee also expects the state to end the current two-year budget cycle in June with \$50 million less in reserves. That and other factors would leave a budget deficit of about \$800 million.

One budget official called it a "fairly pessimistic forecast," and it was a dose of more bad news to lawmakers trying to write a new two-year state budget. But it was not the drastic hit some, including Gov. Frank O'Bannon, had feared.

"It was not as bad as a lot of us thought it might be," O'Bannon said. "I think maybe the good news is it appears maybe here in Indiana the economy is bottoming out, and hopefully we will see some slow growth in this fiscal year and the next two."

Legislative leaders said it should not force major cutbacks in competing state budget plans passed by Democrats who lead the House and Republicans who control the Senate. Lawmakers hope to reach a compromise that can pass both chambers by April 24.

Although \$150 million is only a small percentage of the approximately \$22.5 billion lawmakers expect to spend over the next two years, it is a significant amount given the state's finances.

Budget bills passed by House Democrats and Senate Republicans would each tap more than \$500 million from teacher-pension savings and other dedicated accounts to pay for themselves and help ensure schools get minimal funding

increases.

The plans also would virtually freeze spending on Medicaid and prisons at current levels, even though O'Bannon has called that unrealistic.

He has said at least \$263 million is needed to pay for cost increases in Medicaid, the state and federal health care program for the poor and disabled. And he wants \$26 million in new dollars to open and staff 1,576 new beds at two state prisons to meet increases in adult male felons.

State Medicaid officials delivered a bit of good news to lawmakers Thursday when they reduced by \$44 million the state money they say is needed to adequately fund

Medicaid over the next two years. They also expect to spend about \$20 million less than was appropriated for the program this fiscal year.

The state still faces a budget crunch despite increases in sales and cigarette taxes that legislators approved in June.

Revenue from the increase in sales taxes is primarily set aside

to pay for property tax relief, and revenue from the increase in cigarette taxes is coming in below projections.

Overall tax collections have continued to suffer from the sluggish economy.

Without factoring in the tax increases, state tax revenue is expected to grow by 3.1 percent in the fiscal year that begins July 1 and by 4.5 percent in fiscal year 2005, according to the updated forecast.

Although lawmakers have until April 29 to adjourn the regular session, they hope to reach a budget compromise and

wrap up other business by April 24.

House Speaker Patrick Bauer said the drop in projected revenue from a previous forecast in December should not change that goal.

"I think things are possible to come out in a positive fashion and that we may be able to achieve the only thing we can achieve, which is a maintenance budget, and get out of here in a timely fashion," Bauer said.

Sen. Robert Meeks of LaGrange, a top budget negotiator for Senate Republicans, agreed.

GOP passes budget through House

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

A budget endorsing \$550 billion in tax cuts through 2013 passed narrowly in the House early Friday but faces an uncertain fate in the Senate, where moderate Republican Olympia Snowe of Maine appears to hold

the decisive vote.

Divided mostly along party lines, the House voted 216-211 for the \$2.27 trillion budget, which sets guidelines for spending and tax bills passed this year. GOP leaders had reworked it to make sure a \$550 billion tax cut would be protected from a Senate filibuster.

The House voted without

assurances that Senate Republican leaders can overcome concerns among their moderate members about burgeoning deficits, projected in the budget to peak at \$385 billion next year and then decline gradually and disappear in 2012. The budget also raises the nation's legal debt limit nearly \$1 trillion.

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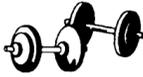
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Judge rules Pakistani can't be executed

◆ Prosecutors can't seek death penalty in 1986 hijacking case

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Federal prosecutors cannot seek the death penalty against a Pakistani man charged in a 1986 airplane hijacking that resulted in the deaths of 22 people, including two Americans, a federal judge ruled Thursday.

Judge Emmett Sullivan said the government could not apply the 1994 Federal Death Penalty Act retroactively to cover crimes committed eight years before the law was enacted.

Last year, prosecutors charged Zaid Hassan Abd Latif Safarini with 95 offenses — including murder, conspiracy and air piracy — stemming from the hijacking of Pan American World Airways flight 73 in Karachi, Pakistan. In December, the government

said it would seek the death penalty under the air piracy act, which has carried a death penalty since it was enacted in 1974.

But Sullivan ruled that the death penalty provisions of the air piracy act were repealed when Congress revised federal death penalty law in 1994 to clarify what factors a jury can consider in imposing a death sentence. He rejected prosecutors' arguments that the two laws could be considered together, giving Safarini the benefit of the most lenient factors under both laws to cure any problems.

"In light of the strong presumption against the retroactive application of statutes, and in the absence of clear Congressional intent to the contrary, the court cannot find that the Federal Death Penalty Act of 1994 applies to homicides ... committed prior to its enactment," Sullivan's opinion said.

Robert Tucker, an assistant federal public defender serving as Safarini's lawyer, said he was pleased with the decision,

but otherwise declined comment.

Channing Phillips, a spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's office in Washington, said prosecutors were reviewing the decision and had not decided whether to appeal.

During the hijacking, authorities say four men disguised as security guards took control of the aircraft as it was boarding passengers. The flight crew managed to escape, leaving the 379 passengers in the hands of the kidnappers.

Over the next 16 hours, the hijackers executed an American citizen, Rajesh Kumar, in an attempt to enforce their demand that the flight crew return. After the plane's auxiliary power unit stopped working, the hijackers opened fire on the passengers and threw hand grenades at them, killing another 21, including a second American, Surendra Patel, officials said.

Safarini and four co-defendants were prosecuted for the hijacking by Pakistani authorities in 1987.

White House reaches smallpox compromise

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Lawmakers and the White House reached agreement Thursday on payments for people injured by the smallpox vaccine, said Sen. Edward Kennedy, removing one barrier to the stalled inoculation program.

"The compromise that we have reached tonight provides the nation's health care workers with an effective compensation program that will give them confidence they need to participate in the smallpox vaccination program," said a statement from Kennedy, D-Mass. "They deserve nothing less, and our nation's security

demands it."

Response has been lackluster to the federal vaccination program, established to prepare for the possibility of a bioterror attack with smallpox. That's partly because the vaccine carries rare but serious risks, including the possibility of severe rashes, blindness and life-threatening infections.

"They [the American people] deserve nothing less, and our nation's security demands it."

**Edward Kennedy
Senator**

As many as 40 out of every million people vaccinated for the first time will face a life-threatening injury, and one or two will die. Three people have died this year after receiving the vaccine, but it's unclear that their heart attacks were caused by the vaccine.

Officials hope that establishing payments for those injured by the vaccine will encourage more people to be vaccinated.

Initially, federal officials hoped to vaccinate nearly 450,000 health care workers and another 10 million emergency responders, but after more than two months, fewer than 32,000 people have gotten the inoculation.

Because of its risks, the vaccine is not recommended for the general public.

The agreement reached Thursday provides more money for people killed, seriously injured and modestly injured by the vaccine, according to Kennedy aides who outlined its provisions.

Under the deal, families of people who are killed by the vaccine and die with no dependents would get a lump sum payment of \$262,100, an amount based on an existing compensation program for police and firefighters.

The estates of those who are killed with dependents could choose the lump sum payment or up to \$50,000 per year to make up for the deceased's lost wages. Those payments would continue until the victim's youngest child reached age 18.

Those who are totally and permanently disabled would get up to \$50,000 per year for lost wages for the rest of their lives, with no cap.

Those who are permanently but not totally disabled, and those with a temporary disability, would get lost wages up to a maximum of \$262,100.

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Long-term approach needed for OIT

When an old car dies, you call a rental car company to get a short-term replacement. But when an aged server crashes, it isn't as easy as calling Avis, as the University community found out Wednesday when the mainframe server crashed, crippling administrative and student systems.

The mainframe server had been running for over 12 years, a period in which a corporation might have bought two new servers. The server is also stored in a room built in the 1960s and it has not been greatly improved since then — meaning the server was subjected to higher than optimal temperatures and amounts of dust. While catastrophic failures like the one Wednesday cannot be anticipated, problems are more likely to occur with older equipment stored in less-than-optimal conditions.

Maintaining critical servers such as this one should be the top priority for the Office of Information Technologies. When this one crashed, it forced the registrar to delay class registration, prevented the University from writing checks to pay bills and blocked access to Human Resources information. But until about a year and a half ago, no

plans were made to replace the aging server because it was working correctly and there was no impetus for change.

After learning in October 2001 that the server's manufacturer would stop supporting it in the end of 2006, OIT has nearly completed the planning stages of a three-year project called Renovare to replace the mainframe server.

This summer, it will also perform a separate upgrade to the ventilation systems in the computer room where the server is stored. Both of these projects are entirely necessary and should have been undertaken years earlier. Waiting to act until recently, combined with the complexity of the Renovare project, means that the University will continue to depend on a decade-old server until the beginning of 2006.

Present OIT administrators should be commended on their efforts this week to get a back-up server running with only two days of downtime. But administrators will need to make extensive efforts during the next three years to overcome past errors — both designing a replacement system and ensuring that the current system continues to function without more major crashes.

The Observer Editorial

Reconsidering the news from Baghdad

I was interested to read Joe Lindsley's cheery Inside Column in Thursday's Observer. In it he assures us that "the images of many Iraqi people exulting in the streets" provides convincing evidence that we truly have freed a long suffering nation from oppression. He insists that these images, along with some words from somebody within the political party of French President Jacques Chirac, prove that all is well and that we have been in the right and that President Bush is a true hero.

I have several reservations about Lindsley's argument.

First, anyone who has been listening to the news yesterday morning — even Fox News, perhaps chided by an overwhelming response from any number of American and non-American journalists to Lindsley's images — now knows that the triumphant pictures of Saddam statues going down represented only a very, very small and quite inaccurate sense of what it really is now like in Baghdad.

Many are still in resistance. Many still are very, very fearful of a British-American presence in the Arab world. After all, if history is at all relevant there's not much evidence to suggest that the West means well when it intervenes in the Arab world. Many, with good reason, are fearful that now that Saddam is gone, the various internal political and religious factions in Iraq will now proceed to devastate each other the way their counterparts are now in that other country we just freed. Remember Afghanistan, where our chosen "man of the people" now controls about four blocks of Kabul, and anarchy reigns everywhere else? To say that joy is the dominant emotion right now in Baghdad is clearly wrong, even if our cable stations presented things that way yesterday.

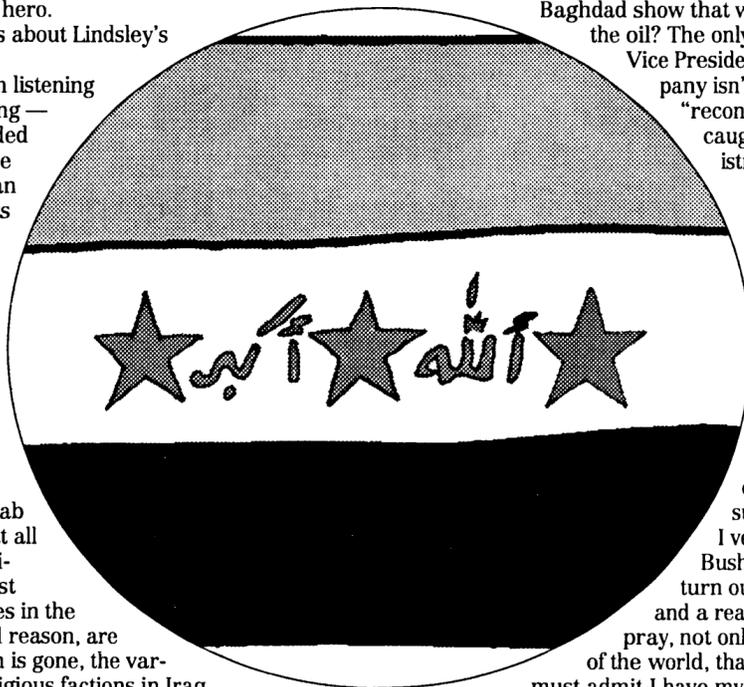
Secondly, even if joy had been the dominant emotion in Iraq yesterday what would that prove? Would it prove that we will actually move towards a "government of the people" in Iraq? Once again, does it rule out the very real possibility that Saddam, as bad as he was, has been the only reason that the many internal

religious and political factions did not tear the country apart, that we won't soon be glimpsing a very nasty civil war between Muslims, Kurds, Turks and exiled factions hoping to get in on the spoils?

Would it demonstrate that in the end, President Bush's disregard of the United Nations and world opinion in general won't lead us into catastrophe in the long run? Would joy in Baghdad show that we are not, after all, in it for the oil? The only reason that a big shot from Vice President Richard Cheney's old company isn't going to be involved in "reconstruction" is that the media caught on and shamed the administration out of involving him.

Thirdly, I'd like to ask Lindsley the following: Aside from some buried tanks of what very well might turn out to simply be insect spray, where are those ominous "weapons of mass destruction" that Bush has for so long promised to find during the "liberation" of Iraq?

Since Bush is such an honorable and honest man, I'm sure that they are present, but I very much hope and pray that Bush, as Lindsley tells us, does turn out to be a man of great vision and a real hero. I really do hope and pray, not only for our sake but for the sake of the world, that my cynicism is misplaced. I must admit I have my doubts given his track record so far: his blatant disregard for the poor and oppressed in this country, his disregard of the now liberated Afghanistan people, his recklessness with regard to multilateralism and world opinion, his expenditure of \$48 billion to turn up some insecticide in Iraq while North Korea happily builds its nukes. Unfortunately, nothing Lindsley says in his column provides, in my opinion, any evidence in that direction.



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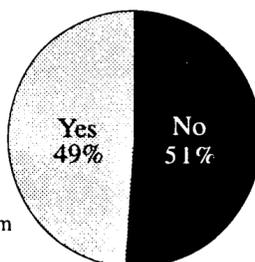
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Never believe that a few caring people can't change the world. For, indeed, that's all who ever have."

Margaret Mead
anthropologist

VIEWPOINT

Friday, April 11, 2003

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Middle East communities ignorant

Everyone's blabbering about the war and why it's wrong. Frankly, I couldn't be less interested in a bunch of whiny college kids on cloud nine crying about peace. More so, if I lived in a city where protesters were standing in the street, there would be protesters lying in the street with tread marks across their peace banners — benefits of not hugging trees and weeping over every tormented soul. But enough of this hideously boring topic, I want to talk about ignorance.

John Little

Frankly
Obnoxious

Arabs are ignorant. Plain and simple. Oh Lord, I'm in trouble now. Let's be clear here, I'm not being a racist; by Arab, I'm referring to those who live in the Middle East, substituting Pakistan for Israel. I'm regionist, not racist. As a society the Middle East has made no progress since the Middle Ages, and it's all Israel's fault. True, Israel wasn't really a state back then, but that doesn't matter, just go to the Middle East and ask someone, they'll tell you. "Palestine" has never, ever existed as a state either, but the entire highly intelligent Arab community finds it convenient to pretend that their land was "stolen" so that Palestinian terrorists deserve a state of their own. Similarly, I'm sure it's convenient to blame Israel for 1,200 years of stagnation. The entire world breathes a collective sigh of relief that I'm not in charge in Israel.

Imagine what would happen if every person in the United States viewed every issue, whether it was the stock market, what to buy at the grocery store, religion, history, foreign policy, interior decoration and metropolitan development through the lens of our current row with France, in the same way the Arab world is blinded with their problems with Israel. I know that seems ridiculous, but think about it.

"Let's name the new outer belt 'I Hate Chirac Way.'" Just like the Palestinians name their plazas "Saddam Square."

"Great idea, and I'm going to let a genocidal maniac murder 100,000 of my good friends in England and pretend it didn't happen because, hey, it wasn't France."

Oh, you think I'm being absurd do you? The entire Middle Eastern community lives and breathes Israelis and Palestinians. It is constant, never-ending and is simply taking their minds off the fact that they are held back in the Stone Age by two things — their fanatical, oppressive leadership and the fanatical, oppressive, ignorant interpretation of their religion by those who would use religion as a weapon and a method of control. Between these two, everything's a Jihad. Why? To take the Middle East's mind off the humiliation that, if you take away

their ability to pump a liquid out of the ground, the entirety of all Middle Eastern countries contribute nothing to the world as a whole. By nothing I mean that, minus oil, the 500 million Arabs in the world export less than Finland. What a waste and a shame.

What's a world to do? Bush thinks we should try to operate a war in a way that will make the Middle East happy. That's total folly. After all, the only thing that will make the Arab world happy right now would be for the United States to conquer and destroy Israel. You know, I can't figure out why some Arabs hate the Jews so much. Jerusalem is never, ever mentioned in the Koran. Never. You can't just invent some sort of religious significance for a city and then try to exterminate a people and their religion because of it. Well, not unless you're in the Middle East, then you can and most of liberal Europe will support you out of fear and impotence. Plus, I think we established a little over 50 years ago that they don't like Jews either.

There is hope, however, to be found in Middle Eastern ignorance and lack of development. Ignorance is both curable and typically not the direct fault of those who are ignorant. It's hard to attain a true, modern world education when, in the past 1,000 years, fewer books have been translated into Arabic than are translated to Spanish in Spain alone, in one year. We can do something to combat this infectious problem.

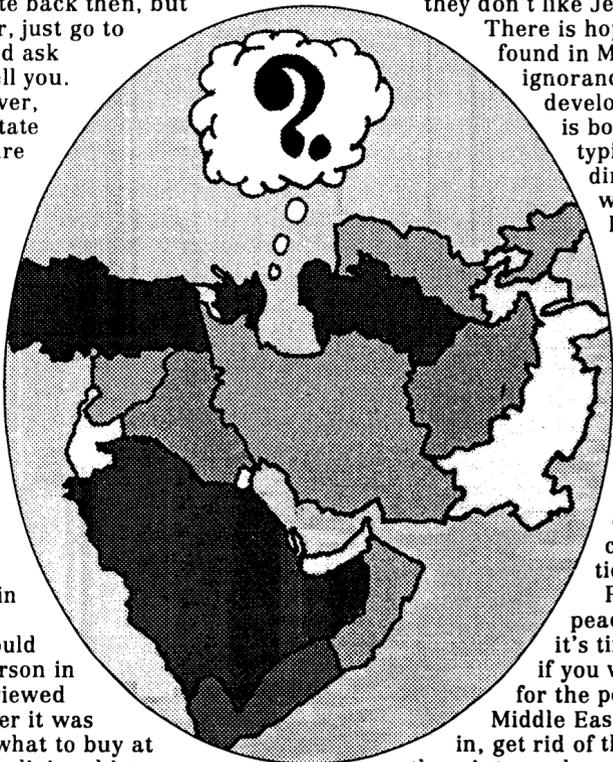
For all you peaceniks out there, it's time to realize that if you want lasting peace for the people in the Middle East, you have to get in, get rid of their dictators, get them into modern schooling, start

getting some sort of separation between their fanatical self-defeating religion and their intellectual growth and start making them productive human beings — in ways that simply aren't allowed by current Middle Eastern governments.

Until such point as the Middle East becomes a functioning member of human civilization and stops being the disease-ridden harlot in the dark alley of the world we visit for a fill-up of our glorious crude, Middle Eastern regimes, fringe groups and public opinion are going to remain ignorant, hateful, oppressed, dangerous and yes, a threat to our national security.

John Little is a heartless MIS major with 47 percent of his email quota free. He had a literate Arab screen his paper for offensiveness. He realizes that while you don't know more than him, more than likely, you think you do. He'll entertain your opinions at jlittle@nd.edu.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Don't make a racist out of a friend

Being Asian is in the attitude.

It's easy for Asians to blame things on race. Race could be the motivating factor in not being accepted into a group of white kids. On the other hand, it could be on account of social class or personality. Intent is hard to tell. The only people who we, as Asians, can control are ourselves.

I am Asian-American. I've played the Race Victim Game myself. It made me feel bad and even ugly. In this game, I was always the loser. So, I adopted a new attitude. I give people the benefit of the doubt and chalked up their rudeness, not to racism, but to Northern Yankee-ness. Northerners are mean.

In addition, I found that some white people are unintentionally uncomfortable with minorities. On a bus in Phoenix, a man sitting next to me tried to start a conversation by saying, "So, the Chinese have had fireworks for a few centuries." I was annoyed, but in retrospect, he wasn't trying to be stupid. He was trying to make a human connection. This is a distinction that too many have failed to make. There's no need to make a racist out of a friend, and there's no need to force friends from those who might be racists.

In my time at Notre Dame, I've felt isolated because of race once. This occurred during a "diversity workshop" in the law school. The workshop leader declared that minorities have no more power in comparison to the majority than Guam has to the United States. Upon my objection, he said that there were no Asian justices on the Supreme Court. I corrected him. There are no Asian justices yet. See, it's in the attitude.

And while there may be no Asian justices, there are Asian Charlie's Angels. So, have hope. In America, the racists will become less and less. We will prevail.

Daniel Rar
law student
April 10

Invest in kids to build a better world

Young people are the world's greatest asset. Spending a week in Washington, D.C. with some of the nation's most humble and hardworking students, it is even more clear to me that focusing on children's welfare and rights must continue to have the priority of this country.

When the world faces catastrophic dilemmas and crises, the most basic of hopes comes in the next generation of leaders and humanitarians. This country, and all others, must continue to devote resources and energy in providing the proper education, employment opportunities and health care that children need to succeed. Programs that seek to ensure these rights to all children, from the U.S. government to the United Nations to the Horatio Alger Association, are in need of financial and legal support.

Most importantly, there must be affirmative action taken on the part of citizens and politicians to ensure that the underprivileged, the disadvantaged and the forgotten children are not left behind. But coupled with these economic resources, children of all stations in life also need to receive affirming validation and guidance that they deserve.

Children need stable and devoted mentors in their lives in whom they can put their trust and faith. They need to learn how to be compassionate people and to overcome prejudices and fight inequalities.

Mentorship, however, comes not only in service oriented programs and projects but also basic, every day consideration and interest in a child's life. Validating a child's humanity by exchanging culture and wisdom in fact has very little to do with "servicing" someone, but rather embracing that child and his or her story.

Honest and humble devotion by mentors will teach children how to value the life of each person and celebrate diversity — a movement which can easily shape the face of humanity. Greater public emphasis from classrooms to politics to the media must be put on the important civic and ethical duty of supporting children in all ways. Protecting children's welfare ensures a fundamental human right but is also a crucial investment in a brighter world.

Ken Seifert
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SCENE
*campus*17th Annual Regatta
*The Green Wave gets ready for*By CHRISTIE BOLSEN
Assistant Scene Editor

As the snow starts falling only once a week, and random sunshine that actually resembles spring-like weather forces students to "study" out on the quad, it's finally that time of year for one dorm to prove that there's a lot more to it than a huge, green letter "F" hanging from the front of its building.

It's time for the Fisher Regatta.

For the residents of Fisher, now the reigning Hall of the Year, the annual Regatta is more than just a test of nautical dexterity, as handcrafted vessels attempt to rough the waters of Saint Mary's Lake. It's their pride and joy signature event, and the grand finale of a week of Fishermen events.

The Regatta has been an annual tradition since 1987, when it was started to improve dorm spirit because Fisher did not have a signature event. The dorm's rooming layout consisted of singles rather than the doubles it has now, which separated residents and affected dorm unity.

"Apparently they didn't have an event to bring the dorm together, so someone got the idea to have everyone build boats and race them on the lake. It started small, but about the last ten have been really big," sophomore Russell Morton said.

Morton and Joe Caruso are the sophomore journeymen for the Regatta; freshmen involved with the Regatta apply to be freshmen apprentices and are picked by upperclassmen. Sophomore year they become journeymen because they have had experience in the many aspects of planning that go into the Regatta.

Morton and Caruso agree that it's

the best week of the year for the dorm.

"When you come here, that's the first thing they tell you about when you're a freshman, 'Just wait till Regatta week.' And that's what everyone looks forward to for the whole year," Caruso said.

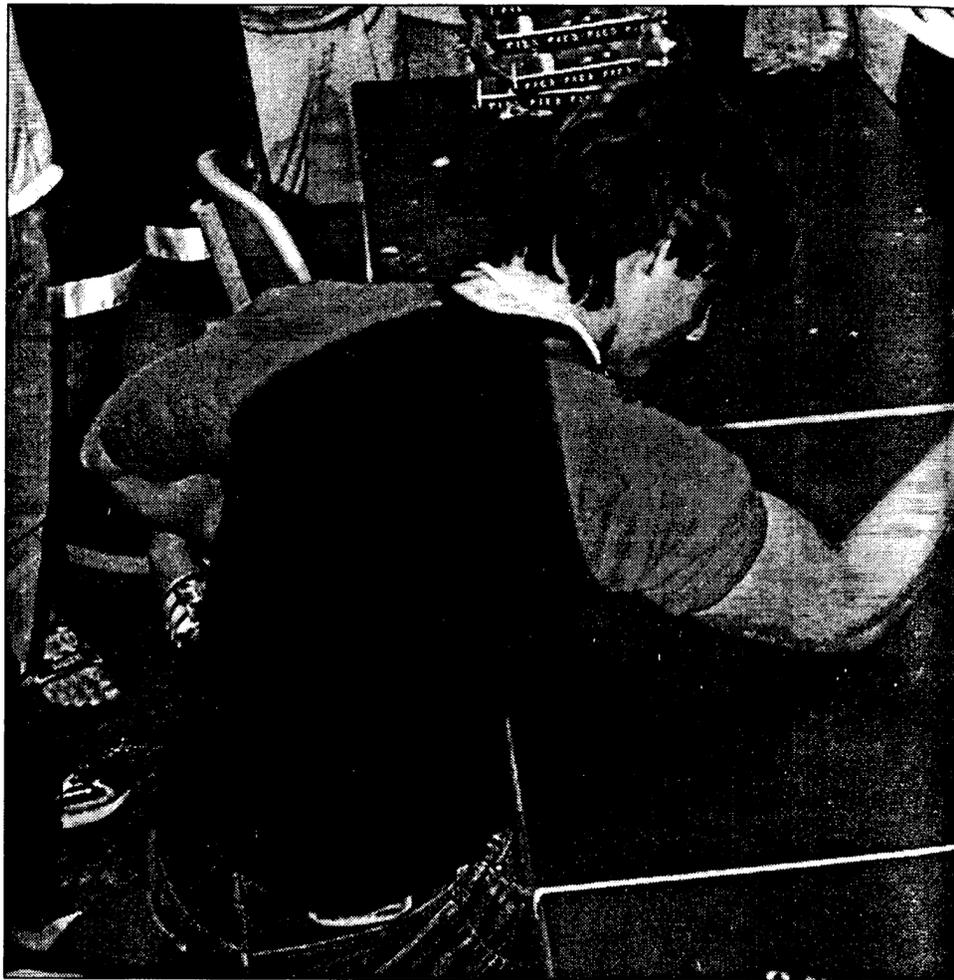
Wyatt Maxwell, a junior and one of the co-chairs of this year's Regatta, says that the aim for this year is to make it the biggest one yet. As luck would have it, the Sprite Company will be helping to add to the usual excitement surrounding the races by sending young filmmakers in a Volkswagen Beetle to campus.

"Sprite apparently is sponsoring three guys to drive around the country. They graduated from college last year and will be filming a movie about college life in the United States. And supposedly on Saturday it's their Notre Dame day," Maxwell said.

The filmmakers will be on campus during an event that brings together not only all the dorms, but also a number of non-dorm entries this year, such as Saint Mary's, mechanical engineers, Navy and an art and design boat. At least three thousand students attended last year's festivities, so those behind the scenes expect a great crowd to show for the filming.

What does the Regatta reveal about life at Notre Dame that would be screenworthy? While many popular signature events attract great crowds, the Regatta promotes dorm unity not just for Fisher, who is organizing the event, but also for all other dorms and groups that thrive on interhall competition.

Some dorms come together by training seriously, while others focus on the aesthetic aspects of building their boats — like the entry from last year made from empty kegs of beer — and



The men of Fisher Hall gather around Alejandro Ferrero, left, and Colin Morin, as they compete for both heavy-weights and light-weights took place as all residents of Fisher

not on the actual flotation or rowing part. Either way, everyone can show up to enjoy a day of free food and dorm spirit.

The Vermin of Carroll are expected frontrunners for sailing success, with their history of winning the coveted Cup, and have acquired a reputation as being the boat to beat in the men's bracket. Their team captain, sophomore Andrew Nakamoto, did consent to reveal Carroll's elaborate strategy to the press.

"[As] team captain, I was trying to use proper canoeing technique because our boat most closely resembles a canoe, but after talking with other people that I am going to row with, we are just going to use strength and power to win. Just paddle as hard as we can as long as we can," Nakamoto said.

As for the dorm's winning ways, Nakamoto would like to see Carroll continue to prevail.

"We were lucky that a person that graduated already took the time when he lived in Carroll to design and build a great boat that has won the Regatta since 2000. We as a dorm hope to continue this tradition as long as we can," Nakamoto said.

However, being such a high-profile watercraft attracts stiff competition from its opposition, and this year the hosts of the Regatta are serious about seafaring. Sophomore Chris Tilton is

building a new boat for the Green Wave, in hopes of giving Carroll more competition.

"Well, Carroll has won the Regatta without much competition the last few years. Our dorm decided that since it is our signature event, we should at



Jordan Carrell shows off his new haircut featuring the letter "F" in honor of his dorm, Fisher. This was part of the head shaving event during spirit week.

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Freshman Martin Vonau's eyes grow big with competition in the Section Wars, and seeing

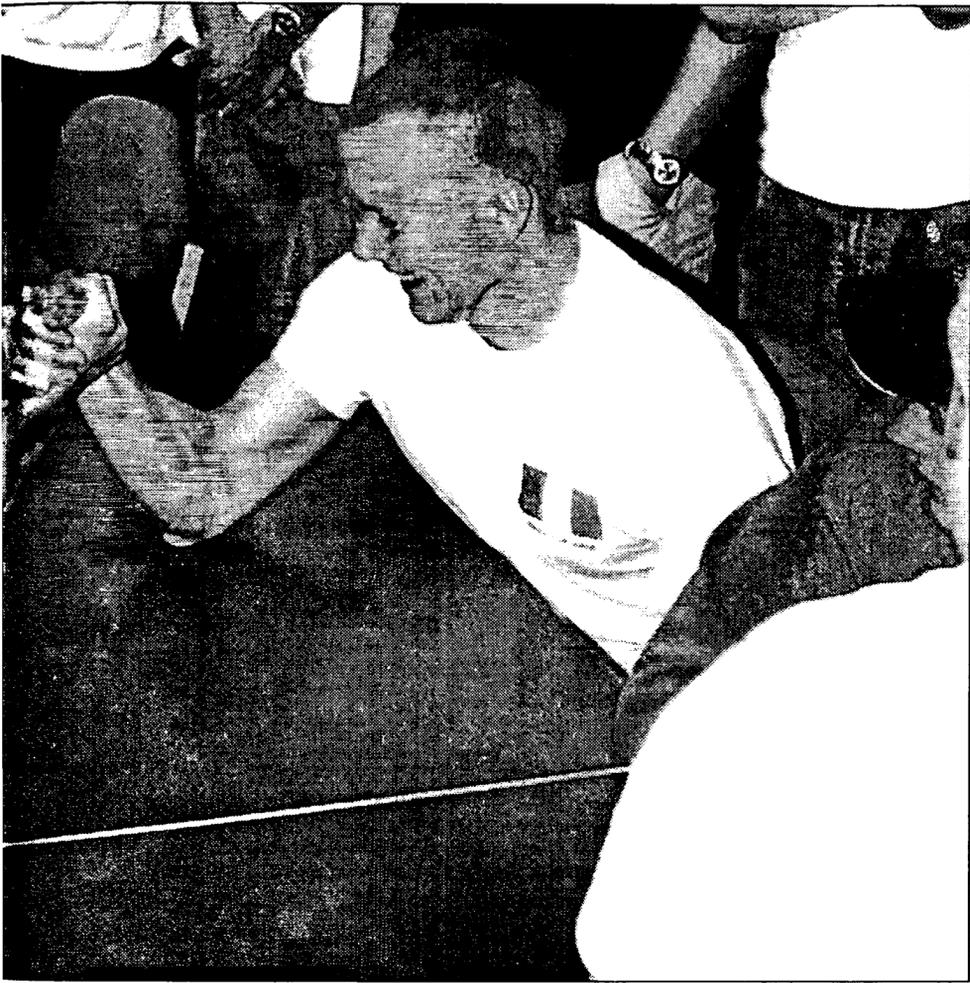
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Regatta Casts Off

for the finest Fisher Regatta yet



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... battle it out during the arm wrestling contest on Section Wars Night. Arm wrestling is one of the many activities that Fisher celebrated Regatta week with male-bonding activities.

... least have a better boat this year. Normally, we have just thrown together a boat a week before the race. This year, we started much earlier so we could plan out and build a better boat," Tilton said.

The engineers behind Fisher's new

boat decided on a canoe-like design that will hold four rowers. They built it out of wood.

"Also, we tried to build it with a high degree of quality so it will last for many years. Although the design may not be the fastest entry, the boat should consistently be near the top from year to year," Tilton said.

"We want to beat Carroll," Maxwell said. "It's time for them to go down."

The men of Fisher will have unity on their side after a week of events known as Fred and Sally Week. Sally Fisher dedicated the residence hall to her husband Fred, and the couple now has a week of male bonding named for them.

"Last year we had a conscious effort to try to put more events to the week, but this year is the first time we're actually doing a really good event each day," junior Nick Williams, co-chair of Fred and Sally Week, said.

The week included Traditions Night, with a dorm dinner in the pressbox of the stadium where Notre baseball head coach Paul Mainieri spoke. The night ended with a dorm mass in the Log Cabin Chapel.

Section Wars Night pitted sections against each other in a quest to be named Section of the Year, with competitions such as pie eating — with no hands — and arm wrestling in light-weight and heavyweight divisions. The Roommate Game, similar to the

Newlywed Game, was another contest where roommates' knowledge of each other was put to the test.

The results of the Section Wars were added to the results of football competitions like the section football tournament and the penny war for Lent, which helped determine the section of the year.

Those who were determined to live in a winning section could also earn more points by allowing fellow residents, armed with hair clippers, cut their hair. This explains the sudden influx of mullets and mohawks around Fisher as of late, hopefully sported by guys who have already secured their dates for the dance.

Fred and Sally Week continued with a slide show presentation of photographs taken by fourteen teams of three Fishermen each that participated in a scavenger hunt-like photo contest around campus. The Red Mock Awards were also presented, with such honors bestowed as Hairiest or Smelliest guy in Fisher. There is also the Room Dog Award for that kid who's always hanging out in people's rooms but isn't quite invited, among other dubious distinctions.

A new event this year was the Spring Bling, held out in front of the Spring with their sister dorm. In front of the Spring, besides bands playing on the quad, a pig roast and some outdoor contests for anyone who wanted to come, there was also the appearance of the Jolly Piggott, a former Regatta boat. Maxwell recounts the history of the galleon, which is just for show these days.

"My freshman year we built the Jolly Piggott, which is our pirate ship. And it floated — it's kind of like the Spruce Goose of Notre Dame. It was on the lake for about five minutes. It doesn't float anymore. The idea of it was to be anchored in the middle of the lake and shoot water balloons ... it never happened," Maxwell said.

There was also an election for a Duck and her Seaman of the boat, after everyone voted for one of the four couples running. Each couple was from Howard and Fisher, and consisted of people who were either dating, friends or in one case, even engaged.

Today Fisher has a late afternoon dorm dinner in the dining hall, followed by tonight's Fisher Wildlife Preserve (in lieu of its former title, the Zoo). The Wildlife Preserve Formerly Known as the Zoo promises to still be just as much of a legendary dorm-wide party. Early Saturday afternoon the actual Regatta begins, and Saturday night is Fisher's last dance of the year with Pangborn.

Williams emphasizes how important Fred and Sally week is to contributing to Fisher unity and dorm spirit. He and the others in charge of Fred and Sally Week are proud of the fact that they can get over 100 guys a night together for the entire week.

"We really go all out in Fisher, and we have a lot of leadership that pushes us toward making sure everyone's having a good time. It's incredible; I'm very excited about it," Williams said.

As for the Regatta itself, it's a chance for the entire campus to join in the fun.

"I really think that our signature event is the most unique, and just the best dorm event on campus ... the Fisher guys will have been partying that whole week, having a good time and really creating some dorm spirit," Williams said.

"And then Saturday there's literally thousands of people out on the lake, hanging out and watching all these boats. I can't think of anything greater than that, everyone's making their homemade boats and trying to represent for their dorm. It just fosters some good competition, and I can't think of anything better."

You gotta Regatta.

The Fisher Regatta begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 12 on Saint Mary's Lake.

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... competing in the light-weight pie eating contest. He is focused on how much he has left on the table.



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Jay Schoenherr, Mike Bufalina and Fisher Hall president, Ryan Bul, cheer on Martin Vonau.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Ainsworth's gem leads Giants to best start in team history

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Kurt Ainsworth's rookie season is off to an encouraging start. In fact, it's almost as impressive as the San Francisco Giants' record.

Ainsworth pitched shutout ball into the ninth inning as the Giants matched the best start in franchise history with their ninth win in 10 games, 2-1 over the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The right-hander gave up six hits, retiring 17 of 18 batters at one point with an array of off-speed pitches and precise control.

Marquis Grissom hurt his former team with his first homer for the Giants, who are 9-1 for the first time since moving West. The New York Giants also started 9-1 in 1938, eventually winning 12 of 13.

Hideo Nomo (1-2) allowed eight hits over seven solid innings, but fell to 8-1 in San Francisco since beginning his major league career at Candlestick Park on May 2, 1995. He also was denied his 100th career victory.

Barry Bonds went 2-for-4 with a fifth-inning double off the wall in right field.

Royals 4, Tigers 2

The Kansas City Royals and Detroit Tigers are both finding it hard to believe what has happened to them in the first 10 days of the season.

The Royals extended their winning streak to seven games to start the season, getting a homer and three RBIs from Raul Ibanez in a 4-2 victory over the winless Tigers on Thursday.

Miguel Asencio (1-0) allowed one unearned run in five innings for the Royals, who remained the only undefeated team in baseball and extended their team record for the best start to a season.

The Tigers (0-8) matched the 1962-63 New York Mets as the only teams to lose their first

eight games in back-to-back seasons. A loss Friday against the White Sox would make Detroit the only team with consecutive 0-9 starts. The Tigers went 0-11 last year.

Asencio allowed six hits and three walks, and was able to escape several jams.

D.J. Carrasco pitched three shutout innings in relief of Asencio, striking out six straight batters in one stretch, and Mike MacDougal got three outs for his fifth save in five chances. He allowed one unearned run on his own error covering first base.

Mike Maroth (0-3) remained winless despite his second quality start of the season. He gave up two runs, five hits and one walk in seven innings.

Angels 3, Mariners 0

Jarrod Washburn is still looking for his first major league shutout. What he did find, though, is the form that carried him to 18 wins last season.

Washburn threw eight sharp innings, Brad Fullmer hit a two-run homer and Troy Percival got his first save of the season as the Anaheim Angels beat the Seattle Mariners.

Washburn (1-1) held Seattle to five hits by maintaining a low pitch count each inning and keeping the Mariners out of scoring position almost all night.

The left-hander walked one and struck out one. Percival worked a hitless ninth for Anaheim's first save of the season.

Ryan Franklin (1-1) went six innings before giving way to Shigetoshi Hasegawa to start the seventh — the first inning the Angels failed to put a runner on base.

Red Sox 8, Blue Jays 7

The Boston Red Sox are happy to be heading home with a winning record.

Johnny Damon homered twice and Trot Nixon drove in four runs as Boston held off

Toronto to snap the Blue Jays' five-game winning streak.

The Red Sox, who finished 6-4 on their season-opening 10-game road trip, play Baltimore in their home opener at Fenway Park on Friday.

The Red Sox led 8-4 entering the bottom of the ninth, but Carlos Delgado's two-run homer off Mike Timlin cut it to 8-7.

With most other relievers in the Boston bullpen struggling, Timlin (1-0) went the final 2-3 innings for the win.

Manny Ramirez was 0-for-5, ending his career-high hitting streak at 22 games.

Halladay struck out 10 in seven innings, becoming the first Toronto pitcher to strike out 10 or more since he fanned 11 on Sept. 19, 2001, against the Baltimore Orioles. The right-hander gave up four runs — three earned — and seven hits, walking one.

Boston starter John Burkett allowed four runs — three earned — and five hits in 6 1-3 innings. He walked five.

Braves 6, Phillies 2

After watching Greg Maddux get hammered once again, fill-in starter Trey Hodges knew he had to deliver.

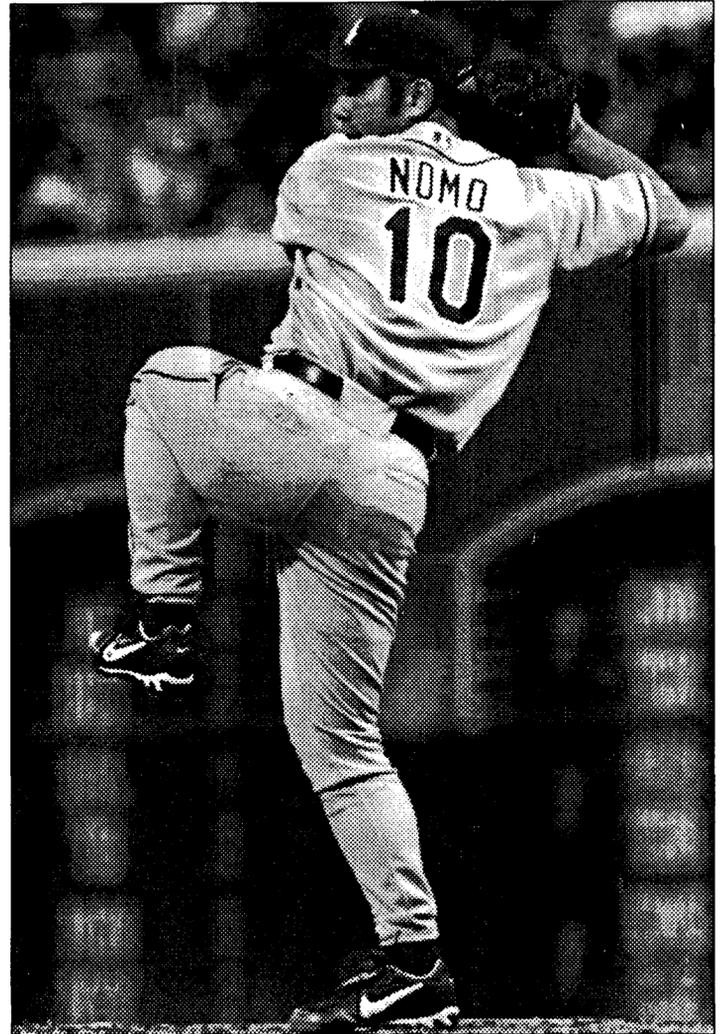
Hodges pitched into the fifth inning and Andruw Jones and Robert Fick both homered as the Braves bounced back from a lopsided defeat with a win over the Philadelphia Phillies.

After Maddux gave up 10 runs in a 16-2 loss Wednesday, the Braves got a well-balanced effort, with six players knocking in runs and six pitchers holding the Phillies to just four hits.

Hodges, making his first career start, was pulled after 4 2-3 innings and was unable to get a decision. He gave up one run, two hits and two walks as a fill-in starter.

Darren Holmes (1-0) got the win in relief, giving up one walk in one inning.

Phillies starter Joe Roa (0-2)



Los Angeles pitcher Hideo Nomo winds up in the Dodgers 2-1 loss to the San Francisco Giants Thursday night.

gave up four runs and eight hits in five innings.

Astros 4, Reds 2

Jerome Robertson pitched seven strong innings for his first career victory and Craig Biggio set the NL record with his 31st leadoff home run as the Houston Astros beat the Cincinnati Reds.

Robertson (1-1) allowed just two hits while striking out eight and walking three. He retired the last 11 batters he faced.

Octavio Dotel struck out the side in order in the eighth

inning and Billy Wagner finished for his third save.

Biggio led off the game with a homer off Danny Graves (0-2). It was his 31st career leadoff homer, breaking the NL mark set by Bobby Bonds. Rickey Henderson holds the major league record with 80 leadoff home runs.

Jeff Kent added an RBI double and Richard Hidalgo hit an RBI single in the inning to make it 3-0.

Sean Casey's RBI single drove in Aaron Boone in the fourth inning for Cincinnati's first run.

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NCAA HOCKEY

Minnesota, New Hampshire advance to NCAA finals

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y.

After a reprieve when replay disallowed a goal against him, Mike Ayers and the New Hampshire Wildcats finally woke up.

Ayers stopped 19 shots, including one off his mask in the waning seconds, as New Hampshire advanced to the NCAA championship game with a 3-2 upset of the top-seeded Cornell. Steve Saviano had two goals and Tim Horst also scored, as New Hampshire (28-7-6) advance to Saturday's title game.

Ryan Vesce and Chris Abbott scored for Cornell (30-5-1), which had gone 14-0-1 in its last 15 game. The Big Red, eliminated in last year's NCAA tournament quarterfinals by New Hampshire, were trying to win their first title since 1970, when they finished 29-0.

The Wildcats finished strong after a slow start, when they were outshot 7-1 in the first 12 minutes.

The turning point came when referee Don Adam, following a video review, disallowed a goal scored by Cornell's Shane Palahicky. Adam ruled Palahicky used a high stick to deflect in Jeremy Downs' point shot.

The Wildcats responded by outshooting Cornell 13-4 in

building a 3-0 lead on Saviano's power-play goal 7:10 into the second period.

Cornell eventually closed to within 3-2 on Chris Abbott's goal midway through the third period. But the Big Red's chances of forcing overtime ended when Stephen Baby, set up to the left of the net, had his shot go off Ayers' mask and off the post with 22 seconds remaining.

Minnesota 3, Michigan 2

So much for the theory defending champion Minnesota was too young to make it back to the NCAA title game.

With freshman Thomas Vanek leading the way, anything is possible.

Vanek scored on a bad-angle shot 8:55 into overtime, lifting the Golden Gophers to a victory over Michigan in a national semifinal. Gino Guyer and Troy Riddle also scored and Travis Weber stopped 31 shots for the Gophers, who overcame a 2-0 deficit.

The Wildcats, behind Steve Saviano's two goals, beat top-seeded Cornell 3-2 in the day's other Frozen Four semifinal.

Vanek, who also had an assist, ended the game when he pounced on a loose puck in the left corner. Spinning away from a Wolverines defender, he snapped a shot from just below the circle, beating goalie Al Montoya through the legs.

Brandon Kaleniecki and Jed

Ortmeyer scored for Michigan (30-10-2), which lost its third semifinal game in three years, including last year's 3-2 loss to the Gophers. The Wolverines, who lead the NCAA with nine hockey titles, have not advanced to the championship game since winning the title in 1998.

Minnesota, which has won four titles, returns to the championship game despite losing most of the core of last year's team. This season's Gophers feature only two seniors and six juniors.

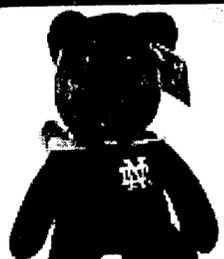
The Gophers beat Michigan by overcoming a sluggish start, in which they were outshot 15-5 and were hemmed in their end for most of the first period.

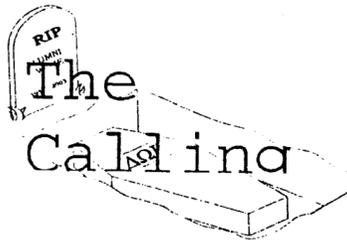
Minnesota, which possesses

the nation's third-ranked offense, finally responded after Ortmeyer put the Wolverines up 2-0 at 14:38 of the second period.

Riddle cut the lead three minutes later, capping a scramble in front by tapping in a loose puck. Guyer tied the game 1:35 into the third period, one-timing in Barry Tallackson's centering pass.

Michigan appeared to go up 3-2 with 10:09 left in regulation. Jason Ryznar's shot deflected off several legs and eventually trickled in. The goal was disallowed when referee Scott Hansen, backed by a video review, ruled he whistled down play before the puck crossed the goal line.

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NHL PLAYOFFS

Giguere's 63 saves leads Anaheim to 2-1 win in 3 OTs

Associated Press

DETROIT
Jean-Sebastien Giguere looked like he had been there before against a team that has been all the way quite often.

Giguere set a record for a playoff debut with 63 saves, and Paul Kariya scored 3:18 into the third overtime, giving the Anaheim Mighty Ducks a 2-1 victory night over the defending Stanley Cup champion Detroit Red Wings.

Giguere set the saves record thanks in part to making 20 in the first overtime. He kept the Red Wings frustrated until Kariya picked up a rebound in the slot and fired home a wrist shot.

Game 2 in the best-of-seven first-round series is Saturday afternoon in Detroit.

Toronto's Jiri Crha held the record for most saves in a playoff debut with 61 on April 8, 1980.

Detroit's Brendan Shanahan and Anaheim's Adam Oates scored in the first period, then the teams went 44:27 without a goal to force overtime.

The Red Wings have a chance to be regarded as a dynasty. If they repeat, they would have four Stanley Cups in seven years and would be the NHL's most successful team since Edmonton won five titles over seven seasons from 1984-90.

Detroit is making its 13th straight playoff appearance and 52nd overall in 77 years. The Mighty Ducks, who began play in 1993, are in the postseason for the third time.

The other times Anaheim was in the playoffs, it was swept by Detroit: in the first round in 1999, the second round in 1997. But the Mighty Ducks pushed Detroit to six overtime periods in '97 — and the only team that could sweep this year's series is Anaheim.

Detroit lost the first two games of the playoffs last season at home to Vancouver before winning the next four, and later its 10th Stanley Cup.

Detroit's Curtis Joseph made 42 saves Thursday. His playoff record is 58-59.

Giguere's glove save on Darren McCarty's slap shot with just under seven minutes left in regulation kept it tied, as did Joseph's kick save on Kariya's shot with a minute to go.

Giguere made eight saves in the first six minutes of overtime before Detroit — and the sellout crowd at Joe Louis Arena — thought the Wings had won at 9:21. But Luc Robitaille's shot ricocheted off the crossbar and the post, a video replay concluded, even though the goal light went on.

Shanahan scored a power-play goal at 4:15 of the first period. His one-timer from the lower left circle came on a cross-crease pass from Tomas Holmstrom, who received a pass from Igor Larionov along the right boards.

Oates tied the game at 15:33 of the first period.

Kurt Sauer's shot from above the right circle was redirected by Mike Leclerc in front, leaving Oates an open net.

Washington 3, Tampa Bay 0

The Washington Capitals gave the Tampa Bay Lightning a rude welcome back to the NHL playoffs.

Robert Lang scored two goals and Olaf Kolzig made 28 saves as the Capitals beat the young, inexperienced Lightning 3-0 Thursday night to ruin Tampa Bay's return to the postseason after a seven-year absence.

Washington will try to take a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven Eastern Conference series here Saturday.

Kolzig handily won Round 1 of the key matchup between him and Tampa Bay goalie Nikolai Khabibulin.

The Washington goaltender recorded his sixth career playoff shutout, stopping 10 shots to cling to a 1-0 lead early in the second period. His sensational play on a potential momentum-shifting shot by Vincent Lecavalier left the coaches of both saying that save was the biggest of the night.

Lang scored his second goal three minutes later. Kolzig rejected 13 more shots

in the third period, when the Lightning made a futile attempt to get back into the game after Michael Nylander's goal made it 3-0 with just under 19 minutes to play.

Khabibulin, a four-time All-Star who's never won a playoff series, was instrumental in the third-seeded Lightning going 14-2-8 down the stretch to win their first Southeast Division title.

Minnesota 4, Colorado 2

The Minnesota Wild weren't supposed to have a chance against the Colorado Avalanche.

Someone forgot to tell them. Dwayne Roloson stopped 39 shots and Minnesota scored three goals in 4:22 in the second period as the Wild knocked off Colorado in the first game of their playoff series.

Minnesota, a third-year team was making its first playoff appearance, while Colorado had won two Stanley Cup titles in seven years and a record nine straight division championships.

It looked like the mismatch it was supposed to be in the first period, but Minnesota somehow survived with a scoreless tie despite being outshot 18-3.

The Wild then stunned Colorado with three quick goals in the second period.

Filip Kuba scored the first postseason goal in Wild history 5:33 into the period, one-timing a pass from Andrew Brunette on a power play.

Marian Gaborik pushed the lead to two 3:55 later on another power play, knocking in a rebound that went between Patrick Roy's legs and off his

right skate.

The Wild barely had time to celebrate before Wes Walz lifted a shot over Roy just 25 seconds later. Walz scored from just outside the crease after Pascal Dupuis whiffed on a wraparound attempt.

Roy looked at his glove, then skated to the corner for a few seconds after the goal.

Joe Sakic gave Colorado a chance heading into the third period, one-timing a pass from Steven Reinprecht to cut the lead to 3-1.

But Brunette sent some fans to the exits with a goal from a tough angle with four minutes left in the game. Milan Hejduk weaved his way through Minnesota's defense to score on a wrister with 2:59 left.

Minnesota improved to 31-0-1 this season when leading after two periods.

The Wild did their best to take Peter Forsberg out of his game by knocking him around

every chance they got. Walz left Forsberg kneeling and holding his nose after a collision in the second period, and another check late in the period lifted him off the ice. Diminutive Cliff Ronning even took a shot at Forsberg shortly after jumping over the boards early in the third period.

Forsberg, the league's leading scorer with 106 points in the regular season, didn't figure in either of Colorado goals.

The Avalanche had 11 shots in the first 6 1/2 minutes, but they couldn't beat Roloson. He started by stopping a wrap-around attempt by Bates Battaglia in the first minute, then made a diving glove save on a rebound attempt by Sakic a few seconds later.

Roloson even made a save with his backside, sitting on the puck after a shot by Serge Aubin stopped next to the left goalpost.



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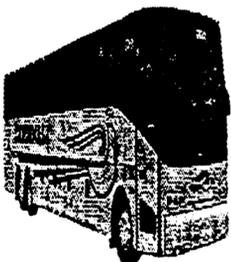
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NCAA BASKETBALL

North Carolina beckons Williams, but no decision yet

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. Roy Williams and North Carolina will talk through the weekend about his interest in returning to the program where he learned to coach under Dean Smith. Tar Heels athletic director Dick Baddour said Thursday

the Kansas coach wasn't yet ready to make a decision after two days of discussions. "Coach Williams and I feel the timing is too near the end of the Final Four and there is too much going on in Lawrence at this time for us to conclude our talks," Baddour said. Kansas lost to Syracuse 81-78 in the championship game

Monday night. It was unclear whether Williams was leaning toward staying with the Jayhawks or returning to North Carolina, where he was an assistant under Smith for a decade. Williams, who spoke with reporters briefly outside Allen Fieldhouse on Thursday, said he won't again speak with North Carolina officials until Sunday.

"How can I be torn if they haven't offered me the job yet?" Williams said with a smile.

"There are so many other things going on right now," he said. "And again, it's less than 72 hours away from the national championship game, so why would I be in a hurry to run off somewhere?"

The Tar Heels are looking for a replacement for Matt Doherty, who resigned April 1 with three years left on his con-

tract. "I have had several very good conversations with Roy Williams over the last two days," Baddour said. "Those talks will continue through the weekend."

Baddour said Williams had not been offered the job and the school would pursue other candidates in the next few days.

On Wednesday, Kansas chancellor Robert Hemenway fired athletic director Al Bohl, whose relationship with Williams had been strained since Bohl was hired two years ago. Bohl said Williams orchestrated his dismissal, but Hemenway denied he fired Bohl to persuade Williams to stay at Kansas. Hemenway added that Williams never indicated to him that he wanted Bohl fired.

Interim athletic director Drue Jennings met with Williams for

30 minutes Thursday to reiterate how much Kansas wants him to remain in Lawrence.

"I don't want to pressure him, but I don't want him to think he is unloved either," Jennings said.

Jennings said Williams expressed his regard for Kansas during the meeting.

"He absolutely loves this school. This is his program. He didn't build the tradition at Kansas, but he sure as heck has embellished it," Jennings said.

"He loves the kids. Loves his players. He's no less endeared to them than he was three years ago when he had this same issue. It truly tugs at him."

Williams plans to leave Friday night for the Wooden Awards ceremony and festivities in Los Angeles, said Kansas sports information director Mitch Germann.

Williams, 52, turned down the Tar Heels in 2000 when Bill Guthridge retired, saying he couldn't leave his players or the program he built into a national power.

He has won 418 games and been to four Final Fours in his 15 seasons there, but he has never won the national title.

Sophomore Keith Langford, one of Kansas' top returning players, said he would consider transferring if Williams decides to leave.

"I just want to play basketball and hopefully to continue to play for coach Williams," Langford said. "I can't see myself playing for anybody else at this school."

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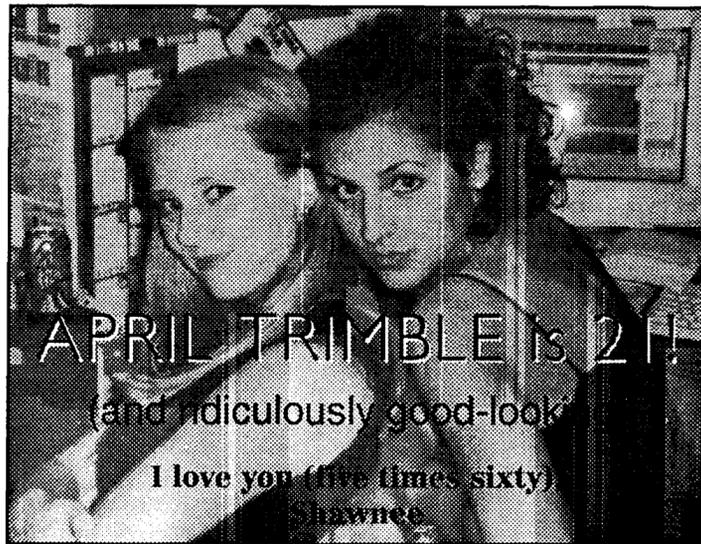
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NBA

Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
New Jersey	48-30	.615	7-3	-
Philadelphia	47-31	.603	7-3	1
Boston	42-37	.532	4-6	6 1/2
Orlando	40-38	.513	5-5	8
Washington	36-42	.462	4-6	12
New York	35-43	.449	5-5	13
Miami	24-55	.304	2-8	24 1/2

Eastern Conference, Central Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Detroit	48-30	.615	5-5	-
Indiana	46-32	.590	8-4	2
New Orleans	43-35	.551	5-5	5
Milwaukee	39-40	.494	6-4	9 1/2
Atlanta	32-46	.410	5-5	16
Chicago	28-51	.354	4-6	20 1/2
Toronto	24-54	.308	3-7	24
Cleveland	15-63	.192	3-7	33

Western Conference, Midwest Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
San Antonio	58-20	.744	10-0	-
Dallas	57-21	.731	6-4	1
Minnesota	48-31	.608	5-5	10 1/2
Utah	46-33	.582	6-4	12 1/2
Houston	40-39	.506	4-6	18 1/2
Memphis	27-51	.346	2-8	31
Denver	17-61	.218	3-7	41

Western Conference, Pacific Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Sacramento	57-22	.722	9-1	-
Portland	48-30	.615	4-6	8 1/2
LA Lakers	47-31	.603	8-2	9 1/2
Phoenix	42-36	.538	6-4	14 1/2
Seattle	39-39	.500	7-3	17 1/2
Golden State	38-40	.487	5-5	18 1/2
LA Clippers	24-54	.308	2-8	32 1/2

THE MASTERS



Grounds crew members attempt to dry out a fairway at the Augusta National Golf Club on Thursday, where rain canceled the first round of the Masters for the first time since 1939.

Rain postpones Masters' first round

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. Augusta National finally met its match — Mother Nature, not Martha Burk. Four days of heavy rain turned grounds into a muddy mess and forced the first round of the Masters to be postponed for the first time since 1939.

Tiger Woods, chasing history as he goes after his third straight title, didn't even make it to the golf course. Those who did never got much farther than the clubhouse.

"We believe this golf course is unplayable," said

Will Nicholson, chairman of the competition committees. "This golf course will just not take any more water."

The 93 players will return Friday for 36 holes — as the Masters continues on a strange path through uncharted waters.

Augusta National endured nine months of criticism leveled by Burk and the National Council of Women's Organizations against the club's all-male membership. She still plans to protest Saturday — the first day sunshine is in the forecast.

The club closed its gates

Monday for the first time in 20 years because of rain and lightning, and even part of the famed Par 3 Tournament was rained out Wednesday.

"I'd like to see something good happen here because of all the negative press," David Toms said. "But we don't play in a dome. They'll get the tournament in, and they'll have a great champion."

The forecast is for more showers in the morning, and officials are skeptical about being able to finish two rounds by darkness Friday.

When they do get around to the golf, the

soggy turf should play right into the hands of Woods, the two-time defending champion, and others who hit the ball high and far. That's what it might take to navigate a 7,290-yard course that will seem even longer.

Most everyone thought postponing the first round was the right move.

"Evidently, they felt it was unplayable," Woods said.

Starting times already were pushed back 30 minutes, and officials rescheduled to 11 a.m. because of more overnight showers that brought the rainfall to 4 inches since Sunday.

Baseball America Poll

	team	record
1	Rice	32-1
2	Cal-State Fullerton	27-7
3	Florida State	31-5
4	Stanford	20-10
5	Auburn	27-7
6	Mississippi State	24-5
7	Arizona State	34-7
8	Nebraska	23-7
9	Texas	25-11
10	Long Beach State	20-11
11	Louisiana State	21-10
12	Miami	25-6
13	Georgia Tech	24-6
14	North Carolina State	27-7
15	Florida Atlantic	30-8
16	Baylor	23-12
17	NOTRE DAME	20-6
18	Clemson	23-7
19	Texas A&M	26-10
20	Richmond	23-6
21	UNLV	26-9
22	Oklahoma State	21-9
23	Southern Mississippi	23-9
24	Wake Forest	20-10
25	Missouri	23-8

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IN BRIEF

Atlantan wants to buy Expos, move team to Puerto Rico

Atlanta businessman Charles Vaughn says he has a plan and investors to buy a major league team and move it to Puerto Rico.

Island officials are wary of spending money to upgrading a stadium, especially since games in the island's own professional league often play to empty seats.

Vaughn says he has Puerto Rican and U.S. investors ready to make an offer to the commissioner's office to buy either the Montreal Expos or another franchise. The Expos play 22 home games in San Juan this season, starting Friday night against the New York Mets.

This Spanish-speaking island often bills itself as a bridge to Latin America, while its position as a U.S. territory would maintain any investment in U.S. dollars.

Puerto Rican officials say they're concerned about the cost of building or renovating ballpark with a capaci-

ty of 40,000 or more.

"We are talking about a possible investment of over \$100 million ... I don't think there is mood for an investment of that nature at this time," said Puerto Rico's sport and recreation secretary, Jorge Rosario.

Vaughn said he has talked with San Juan Mayor Jorge Santini and neighboring Carolina Mayor Jose Aponte about the possibility of renovating either city's stadium.

Players asked to join US mens basketball team

Allen Iverson and Jermaine O'Neal will be asked to join the 2004 U.S. Olympic mens basketball team, a source told The Associated Press on Thursday.

The source was made in a conference call among members of the USA Basketball selection committee, a basketball source with knowledge of the selections said on condition of anonymity.

The choices of Iverson and O'Neal

bring to nine the number of players who have been either selected or officially named to the team.

USAB only has said publicly that Ray Allen, Tim Duncan, Jason Kidd and Tracy McGrady are on the team. Further announcements will be made to include the additions of Iverson, O'Neal, Mike Bibby, Karl Malone and Kobe Bryant.

Iverson's selection fulfills one of his wishes and sets him up to play for his Philadelphia 76ers coach, Larry Brown, on the national team.

O'Neal, who plays for the Indiana Pacers, will become the first member of the U.S. team that finished sixth last summer at the World Championships to be invited back to play for Team USA.

The U.S. team now has plenty of back-court scorers and three power forwards, but still no center.

If the selection committee does not select a true center when it fills out the final three roster spots, O'Neal and Duncan would presumably play.

ROWING

No. 21 Irish travel to Michigan State, host Dayton

By CHRISTINE ARMSTRONG
Sports Writer

The Irish, ranked 21st in the nation, will compete in back-to-back regattas this weekend. On Saturday, Notre Dame faces No. 9 Michigan State in East Lansing and will host the Dayton Flyers on Sunday.

Last year's dual regatta with Michigan State was cancelled due to bad weather. The Irish,

who contended with white caps, high winds, freezing temperatures and alterations to the racing course last Sunday, hope they will not encounter those same obstacles this weekend. If they do, however, they are ready to rise to the challenge like they did in their upset victory over Iowa last weekend.

"After seeing the weather conditions it would have been easy for us to just pack up and head back to South Bend with-

out racing, but our toughness prevailed as we refused to be defeated by the weather," said captain Ashlee Warren.

Despite the discouraging circumstances and location changes, the Irish defeated No.15 Iowa in four of five varsity races and also won two novice eight races.

"Although the morning was very hectic with moving race sites, we managed to stay focused on winning our

races against Iowa's strongly ranked team. It just so happens this had to take place over two shorter pieces instead of a full [2000 meters]," said coxswain Kacy McCaffrey.

Both the Spartans and Flyers faced similarly rough waters last weekend and returned with disappointing performances. Michigan State raced against No. 5 Michigan and Eastern Michigan, where both Spartan varsity eight boats and

varsity four boats took second place to the Wolverines. The Spartans did capture two first-place finishes in their novice races.

Notre Dame will race the Flyers, who were who were unable to defeat Cincinnati and Indiana boats last weekend, on the St. Joseph River Sunday, starting at 10:30 a.m.

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Belles

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Florida, so this is not out of the ordinary for our team."

Welsh and her team also have been anxious to prove that their 10-6-1 out of conference record is not a fluke. This weekend will be their chance.

Albion and Hope each went 11-3 in league play last year and finished second and third in the conference, respectively.

In the meantime, all the Belles could was prepare.

"Our focus at practice has been driving the ball," Welsh said. "Another key phrase we use is 'see the grunt.' I want to see them swing hard enough that I see their body grunt.

They are doing very well with the drills in practice and seem to be driving the ball better." The Belles are confident in their pitching at the moment.

"We will keep a consistent rotation with pitchers Libby Wilhelmy, Kate Sajewich and Bridget Grall. They compliment each other well with there different specialties," Welsh said. "They are all throwing like number one pitchers right now, which is a great spot to be in from a coach's standpoint. I am confident with all three."

Pitching and fielding are not the team's main concerns at the moment.

"Our defense and pitching have been solid thus far, so we are still practicing on those areas, but our concentration is hitting," Welsh said. "We seem to be taking too many good pitches and swinging at bad pitches. Our strikeouts are very high this season and we hope to not let the trend continue."

Welsh and the Belles' pitchers have reason to be disap-

pointed with the hitting of late. Saint Mary's has given up no more than two runs in each of its last six games, yet they have dropped three of those contests.

What Welsh and her players hope is that this extra week of practice prepared them to win the majority of their games on the weekend and maintain their first place standing in the conference.

"This week will be a very determining week for us," Welsh said. "We are still No. 1 in the conference and hope to be there on Sunday night as well. There have been some top teams in the conference losing so hopefully that opens some doors for us."

"These will be the three

biggest days of the season and I believe the team is ready for the challenge."

The first-year coach of the Belles has motivated a team that finished second to last in the conference last year and gotten her team to this point in the season with a very respectable record. Now, it is up to the players.

"This is a great chance for people to step and shine," Welsh said. "Whoever we ask to play the field and bat, we are looking for them to be at the top of their games this weekend. I know they are ready and excited for that challenge. We have been preparing mentally and physically for this."

"I want to see them swing hard enough that I see their body grunt."

Anna Welsh
Belles coach

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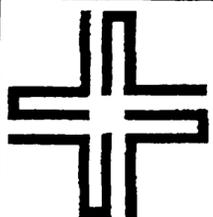
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WOMENS LACROSSE

Tough schedule continues for Irish with weekend games

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

Having already played a schedule that included five ranked teams in their first eight games, the womens lacrosse team will play two more ranked opponents this weekend when they travel to Durham, N.C., to face No. 3 Duke Friday afternoon before hosting No. 16 Stanford at noon Sunday at Moose Krause Field.

The Irish have not had much success against Duke, having lost all five meetings with the Blue Devils. They will be looking to avenge those defeats in Durham today, especially after Duke's 10-9 win in triple-overtime last year, the longest game in Notre Dame women's lacrosse history. Duke led 8-6 in regulation before the Irish scored twice in the last two minutes to tie it. Duke finally ended the game with a score with 15 seconds left in the third overtime.

The Irish head into the weekend after their biggest win of the season — a 15-7 romp over No. 19 Connecticut. Eleven players scored goals for the Irish, with freshman Crysti Foote and junior Meredith Simon leading the way with three goals. Seniors Danielle Shearer and Eleanor Weille each added four assists to lead the Irish cause. Notre Dame jumped out to a 7-1 lead at half-

time, then added three of the first four goals in the second half to put away the Huskies.

"We've played a really tough schedule with a lot of ranked opponents," said coach Tracy Coyne after the game. "When you play a tough schedule it really prepares you for a higher level of play and I think how we played [against Connecticut] is a benefit of that."

The games this weekend provide the Irish a break from Big East competition. The Irish stand in third place in the league standings at 3-1 with two league games remaining at home against Rutgers and No. 6 Georgetown. The Hoyas are the only unbeaten team in the league at 3-0, while No. 8 Syracuse has completed conference play with a 5-1 record.

Duke is likely the most formidable opponent the Irish have faced thus far this season. They stand at 9-2 on the year, having lost to No. 2 Maryland in overtime, and at No. 17 Vanderbilt. They have won at Georgetown, Stanford and No. 4 Virginia.

Stanford meanwhile will also present a strong challenge. They stand at 8-2 on the season, having lost at home to Duke and at Ohio State earlier in the season. They face the Irish as the second part of a Midwest road trip.

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Senior Angela Dixon heads past a Huskies player during Notre Dame's 15-7 defeat of Connecticut Saturday at the Loftus Sports Complex.

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ND SOFTBALL

1st place teams visit ND as Irish hope to continue streak

♦ Seton Hall, St. Johns doubleheaders give Notre Dame chance to move up in standings

By MATT LOZAR
Associate Sports Editor

The Irish have gotten their feet wet, now they want to jump all the way in.

Having finally started its Big East slate 11 days after it was originally scheduled, Notre Dame, riding a six-game winning streak, hosts Seton Hall and St. John's this weekend in their first Big East home games of the 2003 campaign.

"It was great, finally, finally, it is all I can say," senior third baseman Andrea Loman said. "It was nice to pick up some wins."

In a makeup doubleheader Wednesday afternoon at Pittsburgh, Notre Dame (16-11, 2-0 in the Big East) swept the doubleheader in contrasting styles. Down 4-0 in the top of the seventh of game one, the Irish took advantage of two Panthers' errors and scored five unearned runs, four of them with two outs. Loman's double to center cleared the bases and gave the Irish the 5-4 win.

Building off that rally, the

Irish got on the board early in game two, scoring two in the first and one in the second. That would be all the support pitcher Heather Booth needed as the freshman gave up one unearned run on one hit in seven innings of work. The Irish won 4-1.

"It took a while for us to get the bats going. We just rallied in the top of the seventh and kept the momentum from game one going to the beginning of game two," Loman said.

Booth leads the Irish pitching staff with a 10-5 record in 17 appearances and five complete games in her 11 starts. She is first on the team with a 2.02 ERA, 71 strikeouts and a .188 opponents batting average.

"She is pitching really awesome and she is doing everything we could ever ask of her," Loman said. "Being a freshman we have no expectations for her."

The Irish hold a 19-1 advantage in the series history against the Pirates with the lone loss coming in the 2001 Big East Championships. McKenzie Richards leads the Seton Hall (19-7, 5-2) offense with a .337 batting average.

Laura Taylor has provided most of the offensive firepower with nine home runs and 24 RBI to go along with a .320 average.

Notre Dame has never lost to St. John's in the teams' previous 14 matchups. The Red Storm (18-18, 5-3) have won four straight games in the Big East and have relied on their pitching for most of the season. Courtney Fitzgerald is 15-11, has a 1.89 ERA and has struck out 115. Meghan Allman is 3-2

with a 1.79 ERA.

"I think it is huge for us this weekend," Loman said. "We have already started the momentum at Pitt and it is very important to carry it through the weekend."

"We want to make a statement to the Big East that just because we are behind, we are still a force to be reckoned with."

The Irish and Pirates are scheduled to play a doubleheader Friday starting at 4 p.m. while Sunday's twinbill between the Irish and the Red Storm is set to begin at 11 a.m.

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Andrea Loman
Irish third baseman



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Irish second baseman Sara Schoonaert attempts to get a Northwestern player out during the March 26 Irish loss.

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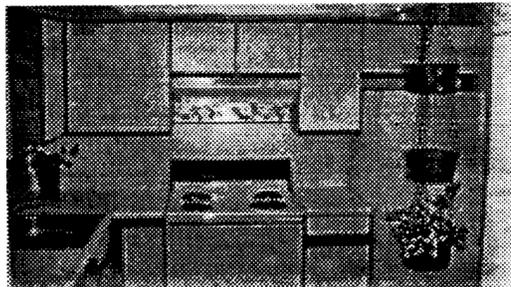
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MENS GOLF

Irish travel to Columbus looking for some momentum

◆ Kepler Invite is last tournament before Big East Championships

By ERIK POWERS
Sports Writer

Ohio State, Indiana, Kent State, Miami of Ohio and the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. Since its 1969 inception, only six schools have won Ohio State's Kepler Invitational. Notre Dame travels to the par 72, 7,250-yard Scarlet Course with hopes of joining this select fraternity.

The Irish will compete with the same lineup that they have used (except in the case of injury) throughout the spring season. Senior captain Brandon Lunke will be accompanied by freshmen Tommy Balderston, Mark Baldwin, Eric Deutsch

and Mark Gustafson. At last weekend's Laredo Border Olympics, the team shot its best rounds of the spring en route to a 14th place finish out of 20 teams. Although the Irish opened with solid scores of 302 and 297 strokes, they were mired in 19th place after the first day.

Undisturbed by its place in the standings, Notre Dame made a furious finish in the final round. Scott Gustafson (2-under par 70), Balderston (1-under par 71) and Baldwin (1-under par 71) led the Irish as they leapt five places up the leader board to 14th place. Deutsch (69-76-74-219) finished in a tie for 28th place, best among Notre Dame's golfers. Baldwin (79-70-71-220) finished ten places behind in 38th place. Overall, the Irish finished with a season-low total of 885 strokes. The team's previous low three-round total had

been a 912 at the Conrad Rehling Invitational.

But the Irish will have to continue improving if they wish to win the Kepler Invitational. The University of Nevada-Las Vegas won last year's rain-shortened tournament with a two round total of 576.

This task is hardly impossible, however. Gustafson, Lunke, Baldwin and Deutsch each had their best three-round totals of

the spring last week. With his score of 219, Deutsch shaved 11 strokes off of his previous spring best of 240. The Irish's top four golfers would need to eliminate about two strokes off of each their of rounds scores from last weekend in order to eclipse UNLV's score.

This is also the final meet for the Irish before next weekend's Big East Championships. Notre Dame will have the advantage

of hosting the event, and hopes to couple this with the momentum of its potential first Kepler championship.

The first 36 holes of the Kepler tournament will be played this Saturday beginning at 8:30 a.m. The final 18 holes will be played on Sunday beginning at 8:30 a.m.

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TRACK AND FIELD

Warmer weather awaits in Missouri

◆ Irish try to qualify more athletes for NCAA and Big East competitions

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

After experiencing weather in the 30-degree range that cancelled their only home meet, the Irish hope their trip to Missouri's Tom Botts Invitational will provide some sunshine.

Temperatures are supposed to be in the 70s this weekend at Walton Stadium in Columbia, Mo.

The Irish compete against the host Tigers of Missouri, the Cyclones of Iowa State and the Fighting Illini of Illinois in the seventh annual Tom Botts Invite.

Last week also saw Missouri hosting a meet in which they qualified nine athletes for the NCAA Regional.

Meanwhile, the Irish look to qualify even more athletes for not only the NCAA Regional meet, but for the Big East Conference meet as well.

Leading the way will be All-American Luke Watson, who will run in his first steeplechase of the season after earning All-American honors in the event last year. Meanwhile, Eric Morrison looks to improve on his seventh place finish at last year's Tom Botts Invitational in the 800-meter run.

Joining these two distance runners will be four other Irish steeplechase competitors, five 1,500-meter runners, and four 800-meter competitors.

The Irish distance runners

are joined by Lauren King and Molly Huddle, who have already qualified for the NCAA Regional in the 1,500-meters.

The solid corps of Irish distance runners will be accompanied by sprinters and jumpers as well, all of whom look to improve their times and move into qualifying for the NCAA Regional and the Big East meet.

The meet starts today at 2 p.m. with the heptathlon. It continues Saturday, beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing throughout the afternoon.

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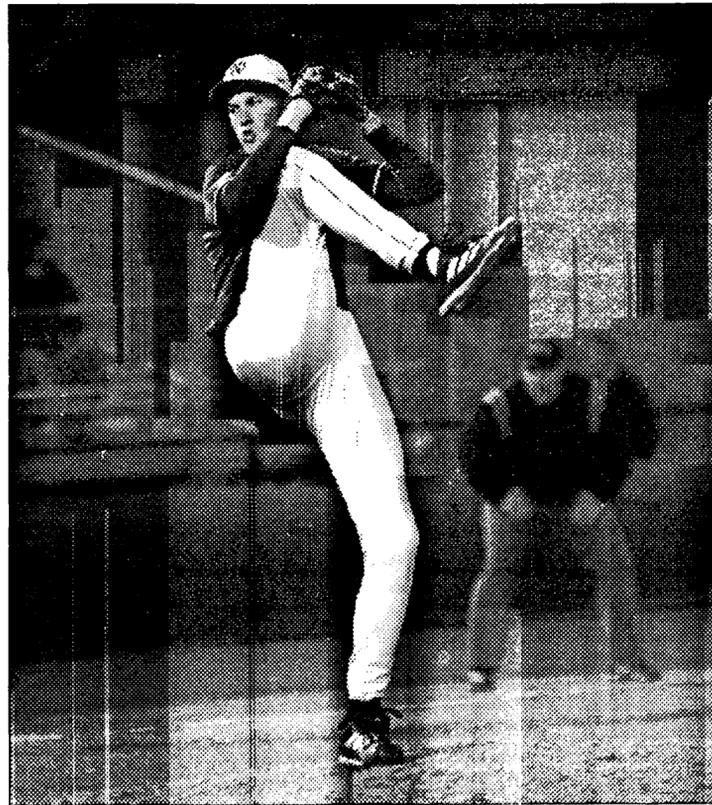
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Tom Thornton winds up against Bowling Green Thursday at Frank Eck Stadium. Thornton allowed two runs, one earned, on three hits in his five innings of work.

Streak

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Thornton which Rizzo might have been able to block, gave Bowling Green a 2-1 lead.

However, Rizzo redeemed himself in the bottom of the inning, smacking a line shot off a Bowling Green reliever just barely over the left field fence to tie the game back up at 2-2.

"I don't hit that many fly balls, I'm more of a line-drive hitter," Rizzo said. "I didn't know it was out and I'm just glad I hit it hard and in the right spot."

"I think it really relaxed our team and gave us a lot of confidence," Mainieri said.

The confidence the Irish swallowed seemed to balance the self-destruction of the Bowling Green defense witnessed in the late innings.

After Kris Billmaier led off the bottom of the sixth of the seven-inning game, Mainieri sent in pinch-hitter Zach Sisko to attempt a sacrifice bunt to move Billmaier to second.

However, the pitcher threw four straight balls, putting another runner on base and moving up Billmaier without the aid of an out.

After a double steal moved both runners up a base, a wild pitch scored what wound up being the game-winning run in Billmaier.

However, just for good measure, the Irish added four more runs.

Rizzo knocked in another run with a single through the right side, and a groundout by Greg Lopez three batters later drove Rizzo home.

The final two runs for the Irish came on throwing errors by the third baseman and shortstop, respectively.

J.P. Gagne, who helped close out Western Michigan Wednesday night, pitched another 1 1/3 innings of hitless relief to hold the Falcons at bay and extend the Irish winning streak — its third longest in the nine-year tenure under Mainieri, and seventh-longest in program history — to 14 games.

Notre Dame will look to extend the streak to 16 with a two-game series in Omaha, Neb., home of the College World Series, against Creighton, whom the Irish have already defeated this season.

Mainieri is excited to bring his freshmen to the site of Notre Dame's historic College World Series run last season, Rosenblatt Stadium, where the Irish and Bluejays will face off Saturday afternoon.

"I do think there are a lot of positives out of going on this trip, including these young players who that haven't been there, to see and play in Rosenblatt Stadium," Mainieri said. "I'm really looking forward to it, and all of our players are — it's going to be really fun this weekend."

Notes:

♦ Edwards' reign atop the Irish in batting average was short-lived, as his combined 0-for-4 performance in the two games, relative to Steve Sollmann's 2-for-6 outing Thursday, dropped Edwards' average to .375, below Sollmann's .383.

♦ Rizzo, who did not play in the first game, went 3-for-3 with three runs and 2 RBIs in the second game, raising his season average to .363.

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MENS LACROSSE

Intense Corrigan leads Irish to 9-2 win over Butler

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Kevin Corrigan is coaching with a sense of urgency.

The head coach, in his 15th year at the helm of Notre Dame mens lacrosse, said after Sunday's loss to Ohio State that the team needed to reestablish itself. Not only that, the Irish would most likely have to win the remainder of its games to have a chance at qualifying for postseason play.

Notre Dame took its first step in reestablishing themselves as a contender Thursday, when the No. 15 Irish (6-4, 2-1 GWLL) hosted league opponent Butler and trounced the Bulldogs, 9-2, at Moose Krause Stadium.

Corrigan paced the sidelines the entire game and became quite animated during its late stages — though the Irish were up big — when he disagreed with a few officiating calls. Corrigan's passion rubbed off on his players yesterday.

Freshman Pat Walsh again highlighted the Irish offensive attack, scoring two goals and dishing out four assists. The Notre Dame midfield stepped up and five different players tallied goals for the Irish.

"We really have started playing more people at the offensive end of the field, especially midfield wise," Corrigan said. "We

put three midfielders in instead of two, and we thought that would make a difference. It was nice to see it work out that way."

Following a slow start in which Butler maintained control inside Notre Dame's zone for close to four minutes in the early goings, freshman midfielder Drew

Peters got the Irish on the board off an assist from sophomore midfielder

Brian Giordano at the 45 second mark. Walsh snuck inside the Bulldog defense 44 seconds later to score unassisted and increase the lead to 2-0 at the buzzer.

Peters and Walsh were able to give the Irish the lead with their two goals due to tremendous defense and goaltending throughout the opening quarter. Freshman

D.J. Driscoll started his first game of the season and performed well. He and other defenseman communicated and worked as one unit to keep the game close until the offense could find its rhythm.

"I'm very happy with the defense," Corrigan said. "We finally played a game where we didn't give a goal away on the defensive end, and that's been a real problem for us. In recent games we've done such a poor job and we've made it easy for other teams at times. Today, Butler had to beat us, and when you have to beat our defense and Stew[art] Crosland, you're going to have some difficulty."

Notre Dame set the tone in the second quarter with sound and patient ball control. Senior midfielder and tri-captain Travis Wells ripped a goal into the back of the net at the 8:38 mark to make the lead 3-0.

In a game like Sunday's Ohio State loss, fans might have seen the opponent rebound and play themselves back into the game. Yesterday, however, the Irish maintained the intensity and applied consistent pressure on the offensive end.

After junior midfielder and tri-captain Steve Clagget shot two wide of the goal and sophomore

midfielder Colin Fatti hit the post, Owen Mulford found a cutting Fatti with 19 seconds remaining to send the score to 4-0 going into halftime.

The offensive pace the Irish set in the first half pleased Corrigan, who always expects a little more.

"I still don't think we've had the day we are capable of having," Corrigan said. "But today we had better possessions and we were patient with our shot selections. It's good to see that."

In the third quarter, the game's pace picked up.

Three Dan Berger goals within three minutes put the game out of reach for the Bulldogs.

Butler, which found itself stuck in the defensive zone. Walsh assisted on all three of Berger's goals.

The star freshman scored his second goal of the game towards the end of the quarter on assists from Peter and Wells at the 5:25 mark.

The Bulldogs scored late in the quarter and again in the fourth, but a goal from sophomore

attackman Jim Morrison and solid defense kept the game in check.

Goalie Stewart Crosland made 10 saves on 11 shots and Nick Antol finished the game, allowing one goal.

Notre Dame is back in action Saturday at home against unranked Air Force. The Irish defeated the Falcons 9-3 on the road last season. Going into this year's contest, Corrigan wants his team to concentrate on not allowing a let down.

"Air Force is a team that is 2-6, but on the other hand, they beat a very good Navy team and took Army to a double overtime loss," Corrigan said. "They are capable of playing good people and playing them well. Coming off a short rest, we have to go out there and really play hard in the early part of the game to make sure we don't give them confidence early."

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to the future of the offensive line.

"It's been one of my goals, just trying to be a leader out there helping the young guys figure out stuff they don't know, answer any questions they have and try and get them through it," Milligan said.

A problem with rotating so many different players at different positions is developing chemistry amongst the starters. In the team's current situation, that limitation of finding the starters quickly may actually be helpful as the season progresses.

"The flexibility makes you stronger down the road but it also slows down in some cases your progress forward," Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham said. "I think it is a necessary evil right now to find out who are the best people at these positions and get us the best combination."

With everyone from the coaches to the fans watching and waiting for the offensive line to develop and form a cohesive unit, Willingham is looking for everyone from his underclassmen to fifth-year seniors to make improvements from last year.

"When you have players come back, they have to come back better and that's whether they are freshman, sophomore, junior, it doesn't matter the position or the year," Willingham said. "They have to come back better, just coming back isn't enough because I don't know our opponents will have improved."

"We have got to get better. We can't imagine ourselves maintaining the status quo."

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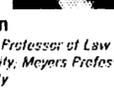
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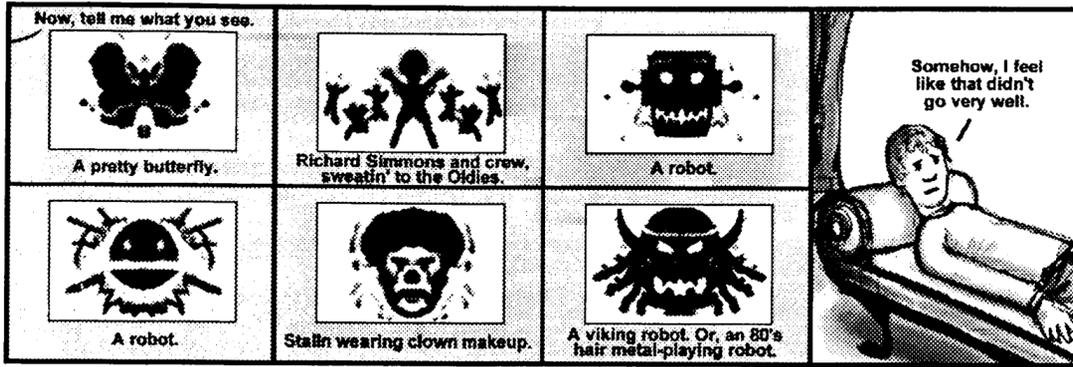
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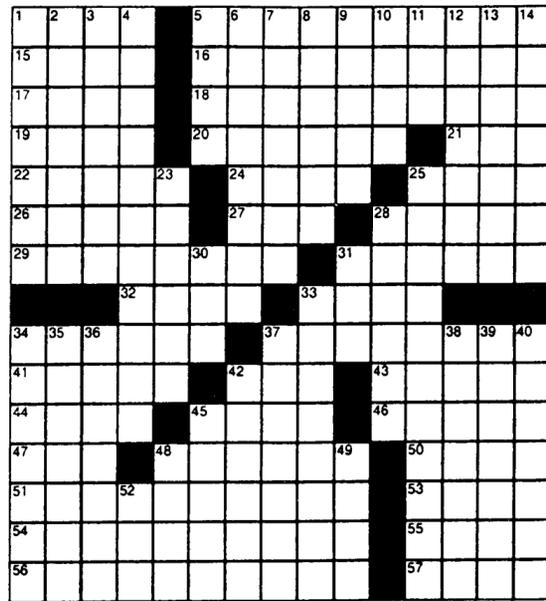
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- 1 Drifter?
 - 5 Answering device?
 - 15 ___ winds (herald of warm and muggy weather)
 - 16 Love poem of 1849
 - 17 Start of something small?
 - 18 Guns N' Roses music
 - 19 "No ___!"
 - 20 Foolish
 - 21 Motor add-on
 - 22 Relative of the custard apple
 - 24 Place-to-sign indicators
 - 25 French president before De Gaulle
 - 26 "All My Children" vixen
 - 27 Controversial agcy. since 1862
 - 28 It may be seen by a bank
 - 29 Swab
 - 31 Don't believe it
 - 32 Anna May of "Shanghai Express"
 - 33 Pigeonhole
 - 34 Outcome
 - 37 Do a charade
 - 41 They're just below heads
 - 42 War stat.
 - 43 Transported
 - 44 Be metrical
 - 45 Whoop
 - 46 Grudge
 - 47 Walt Frazier, for the Knicks
 - 48 Prime-time time
 - 50 Threaded fastener
 - 51 Where Merlin is imprisoned in "Idylls of the King"
 - 53 Give an edge
 - 54 Phone line
 - 55 Hot server
 - 56 Extraordinary perception
 - 57 Stone's throw
- DOWN**
- 1 Vamoosed
 - 2 Medium, maybe
 - 3 Germane
 - 4 In the past
 - 5 Island known as "The Gathering Place"
 - 6 Ceaseless
 - 7 Briefly
 - 8 New York's ___ Center
 - 9 Tartarus, in Greek myth
 - 10 "Let It ___" (Every Brothers hit)
 - 11 Encouraging word
 - 12 Penn State campus site
 - 13 One with lots to sell
 - 14 Flight board message
 - 23 Cries at a Wild West show
 - 25 "Got me beat"



- ACROSS**
- 28 38-Down area natives
 - 30 Social worker
 - 31 Bunk
 - 33 Surgical tray array
 - 34 Opens, as a bottle
 - 35 Eugenio ___ (Pope Pius XII)
 - 36 Gym wear
 - 37 Banking aid?
 - 38 River to the Atlantic
 - 39 Makes a string flat, maybe
 - 40 Wobbles
 - 42 Crème flavorer
 - 45 "Holy cow!"
 - 48 "The Bronx? No thonx" writer
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SPORTS

Friday, April 11, 2003

BASEBALL

Doubleheader sweep extends winning streak to 14 games

◆ Big innings and clutch pitching still the formula for streaking Irish

By BRYAN KRONK
Senior Staff Writer

Offensively speaking, all it took for the Irish to win its games Thursday was one inning. Twice.

Thanks to some more clutch hitting and two big offensive innings, the Irish walked away from Thursday's doubleheader with a sweep of Chicago State and Bowling Green at Eck Stadium, 9-3 and 7-2, to win its 13th and 14th consecutive games and improve to 23-6 on the year.

"The games were a little bit sloppy," Irish coach Paul Mainieri said, "but you can't play a picture perfect game all the time. We'll take the wins anytime."

In the first game, the Irish used an eight-run second inning — with a plethora of freshmen

in the lineup — to propel themselves to victory over the Cougars of Chicago State.

"It made me a little nervous having so many young guys out there," Mainieri said, "but they did some really good things."

Five singles surrounding a run-scoring groundout by Joe Thaman drove in the first two Irish runs. Another two runs scored on a fielder's choice off the bat of Matt Edwards, combined with a throwing error by the Chicago State second baseman. Two walks re-loaded the bases before Matt Bransfield hit a run-scoring single and Alex Nettey cleared the bases with a double to deep left-center field.

Martin Vergara took the hill in the opener for the Irish but pitched wildly, walking five batters and giving up three runs, one earned, in the top of the third. Vergara lasted only 2-2/3 innings before being yanked in favor of freshman Matt Arminio.

However, the trio of Arminio, Tyler Jones and Ryan Doherty combined to shut down the Cougars for the remaining 4-2/3

innings, not allowing a hit while striking out seven and walking only two.

The nightcap of the doubleheader was much more of a nail-biter, thanks to some strong pitching performances by Irish starter Tom Thornton and an abundance of Bowling Green pitchers.

Thornton found himself on the wrong end of a few fielding mistakes, including a run that scored on a throw by catcher Cody Rizzo during a delayed double-steal move by the Falcons. Rizzo's throw sailed into center field because no infielder was covering second base, allowing Bowling Green to tie the game at 1-1 in the top of the third.

"Cody wasn't supposed to throw the ball to second base on that first and third delayed steal," Mainieri said. "That's why nobody was covering, because he wasn't supposed to throw."

Another Falcon run in the top of the fourth, on a wild pitch by



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Steve Andres takes a swing in Notre Dame's 7-2 win over Bowling Green Thursday at Eck Stadium. The Irish scored four runs in the sixth to break open the game.

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FOOTBALL

Offensive line spots still undecided

◆ Replacing four starters makes linemen practice at many positions

By MATT LOZAR
Associate Sports Editor

They have a combination today, but tomorrow — who knows?

With four of the five starters on the offensive line not returning for the 2003 season, it's open season in spring practice for those starting spots. Due to the lack of experience, players are working at a combination of positions and the coaching staff is trying to find the right mix.

"Everybody's fighting for a spot, I'm trying to take center. Four of the positions are wide-open," rising junior Zach Giles said. "There's a starting five working right now but that doesn't mean that's going to be our starting five tomorrow."

"You try to build some continuity but you are still trying to have some competition out there."

The current offensive line consists of Jim Molinaro, Mark LeVoir, Giles, Sean Milligan and Dan Stevenson from left to

right, but that doesn't mean much.

"We are running with that group but everybody is mixing in and out," Giles said. "Everybody was taking different positions."

LeVoir works at tackle, Bob Morton is competing with Giles at center and Stevenson is also taking snaps at guard. That interchanging of bodies across the line will help the Irish if and when injuries transpire.

On any given play, the backup is one injury away from being thrust into the fire and being out in the middle of the action. The key is to have minimal drop-off when the backup enters the game.

"If a guy goes down in the season, it will be a lot easier having a guy step into the position than having a guy who has never played," Milligan said. "Getting people ready in spring ball is what's all about and it's going to help us in the long run."

Milligan is the only returning starter and with that distinction comes the weight of being a leader. As a fifth-year senior, Milligan has seen it all and is passing on his past experiences

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TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Quarterback Carlyle Hollday takes a snap from Zach Giles during practice earlier this month. Giles is competing for one of four open spots on the offensive line.

SMC SOFTBALL

6 games in 3 days for Belles

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's softball team opened league play by sweeping a doubleheader with Kalamazoo.

But that was over a week ago, and the Belles have yet to play their home MIAA opener. They have had three games postponed within two weeks due to frigid weather conditions.

Now, Saint Mary's (12-6-1, 2-0) will cram six games into one weekend as they take on Albion College at home (8-13, 1-1), Hope College (9-8, 1-1) away and Adrian College at home (8-14, 0-1) on today, Saturday and Sunday, respectively.

"We haven't played games in a while due to cancellations, so we are very hungry to get out there and play," Belles coach Anna Welsh said. "We played three games everyday in

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

MENS LACROSSE

Notre Dame 9
Butler 2

Looking to make a run at the postseason, the Irish start their push by defeating the Bulldogs.

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MENS GOLF

Kepler Invitational
Saturday-Sunday

Columbus, Ohio tournament is last tune-up for the Irish before post-season tournaments.

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Tom Botts
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Missouri event gives Irish another shot at post-season qualifications.

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