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Bush wins election

Senator Kerry concedes defeat in Ohio, stating hopes the nation 'can begin the healing'



President George W. Bush and wife Laura, left, celebrate Bush's victory Wednesday. Senator John Kerry and wife Teresa Heinz Kerry, right, exit Faneuil Hall in Boston after Kerry's concession speech Wednesday afternoon. Bush calls his re-election 'a new opportunity to reach out to the whole nation.'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush claimed a re-election mandate Wednesday after a record 59 million Americans chose him over Democrat John Kerry and voted to expand Republican control of Congress as well. He pledged to pursue his agenda on taxes and Iraq while seeking "the broad support of all Americans."

Kerry conceded defeat in make-or-break Ohio rather than launch a legal fight reminiscent of the contentious Florida recount of four years ago. "I hope

that we can begin the healing," the Massachusetts senator said.

Claiming a second term denied his father, George H.W. Bush, the president struck a conciliatory tone, too. "A new term is a new opportunity to reach out to the whole nation," he said, speaking directly to Kerry's supporters.

"To make this nation stronger and better, I will need your support and I will work to earn it," he said. "I will do all I can do to deserve your trust."

It was a warm-and-fuzzy close to one of the longest, most negative presidential races in a gener-

ation.

Bush didn't use the word mandate, but Vice President Dick Cheney did, and the president's intention was clear as he ticked off a familiar list of second-term goals: overhaul the tax code and Social Security at home while waging war in Iraq and elsewhere to stem terror.

Bush stands to reshape the federal judiciary, starting with an aging Supreme Court that voted 5-4 to award him Florida four years ago. In all branches of government, the GOP now holds a solid, if not permanent, ruling

majority.

Bush's vote totals were the biggest ever and his slice of the vote, 51 percent, made him the first president to claim a majority since 1988 when his father won 53 percent against Democrat Michael Dukakis.

Like Dukakis, Kerry is a Massachusetts politician who was labeled a liberal by a Bush. This president also called Kerry a flip-flopping opportunist who would fight feebly against terror.

None of that rancor was evident Wednesday, when Kerry called Bush to concede the race.

He told Bush the country needed to be united, and Bush agreed. But the numbers suggest the country is deeply split.

Bush's victory ensures Republican dominance of virtually every quarter of the U.S. political system for years to come — the White House, Congress and the federal judiciary. Democrats pored over election results and sadly determined that the GOP base was bigger, more rural, suburban and Hispanic than they had ever imagined.

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ND celebrates Dia de los Muertos



Dancers participate in a Dia de los Muertos celebration Tuesday to remember loved ones.

By SARAH BARRETT
News Writer

Over the past three days, many Latin Americans joined together in honoring their friends and family members that have passed away, but have not yet been forgotten.

The fourth annual Dia de los Muertos remembrance took place Tuesday at the Snite Museum.

Calixto Robles, an artist from Oaxaca, Mexico spoke at the memorial celebration, explaining the intricacy with which he designed a traditional sand painting.

"I used turquoise and blue to represent the universe in the background, the customary skull, as well as a purple and black outline which traditionally represent death," Robles said.

Robles dedicated his sand

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SENATE

Group debates ticket sales

By AMANDA MICHAELS
Associate News Editor

In a continuation of discussion from Monday's Council of Representatives meeting, the topic of men's basketball ticket distribution was brought up Wednesday at Student Senate.

Senior Karl Wahoske took the podium to make senators aware of the problems he perceived with the current ticketing process and to suggest possible solutions.

"For the second year in a row, I don't have basketball tickets. Last year I was the second person in line not to get them; this year I was the fifth," Wahoske said. "There has got to be some kind of change made to the system."

Echoing arguments made by Siegfried senator James

Leito at the COR meeting, Wahoske said that he saw the reservation of 200 tickets for Saint Mary's and Holy Cross students as unfair for those Notre Dame students left empty-handed.

"When there are a limited number of tickets — not like football, where everyone can get tickets — all of the student section tickets should be offered to Notre Dame students first," Wahoske said. "I just want to have the chance to watch my school's basketball team play."

Morrissey senator Josh Pasquesi said later he did not believe that eliminating fans from Saint Mary's and Holy Cross was the answer.

"A policy of exclusion is not going to be approved by the University, and it's not a

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INSIDE COLUMN

Congrats, America

Congratulations America for re-electing George W. Bush.
Congratulations for returning a man to the White House who repeatedly promised to unite our nation but has only driven a stake through it's middle.

Megan O'Neil

Please, pat yourself on the back for basing your vote on deep moral values such as family and respect for human life. Never mind the fact that your candidate hopes to constitutionally deny a portion of our population the joy of creating a family of their own. Nor should you have worried that as governor of Texas he oversaw the termination of more life than in any other state.

Congratulations America on electing a man who does not believe that health care is a universal right. Your vote has all but assured that increasing numbers of people, already at a frightening level, will be forced to live without doctors' visits and necessary medications.

Give me a high five for another term of fiscal responsibility in federal government. Now we count on a few extra bucks in our pocket accompanied by a huge budget deficit.

Thank you especially to my fellow young voters for their stellar turnout at the polls. Your engaged attitude is truly heartening. In 20 years we will have the privilege of bearing the billion dollar burden of social security.

Way to go on electing someone who believes the United States should lead by example. He truly showed that leadership when he opposed the Kyoto Protocol and later peeled back layer after layer of environmental protection laws in order to protect American economic interests.

Congratulations America on sending the right message to the world community. You have just placed your stamp of approval on the United States' direction over the last four years. Clearly, we have been on the right path all along, even if it has been an isolationist and arrogant one. What an affirmation of the xenophobic American.

Congratulations voters, on re-electing a man for whom diplomacy equals militarism. The country has been granted another four years under someone who largely ignored the already existing violent conflicts in the world, and added to the mix two of his own.

Hurray indeed for choosing a man who promised the liberation of the Iraqi people and the securing of prolific amounts of dangerous weaponry. Our returning president did indeed lasso a dictator, but in his place rose heated violence and alarming American and Iraqi casualties.

Congratulations for supporting the candidate who has had four years to capture the head of Al-Qaeda but has failed to do so. Your vote has truly made this great nation a safer place, both home and abroad.

Congratulations America, you have made yourself proud.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE HARRY POTTER BOOK, AND WHY?



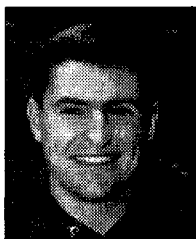
Saira Khan
senior
McGlinn



Mike Gigante
junior
Stanford



James King
junior
Sorin



Beckett Gremmels
senior
Alumni



Bridget Meacham
junior
McGlinn



Alex French
sophomore
O'Neill

"Prisoner of Azkaban because traveling through time is really cool."

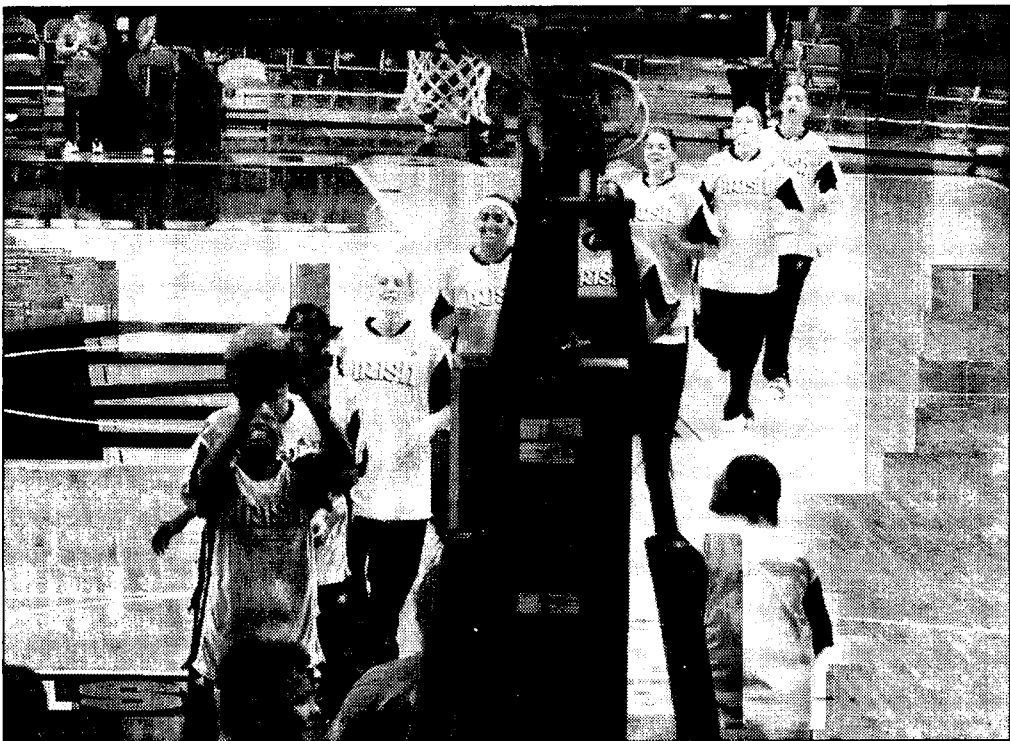
"I like the one where he plays football for Notre Dame."

"The Deuce. JK invented the remix."

"The one where Harry wins Ohio's electoral votes."

"Ron Weasley is my boyfriend."

"The fourth one, because there's another Frenchy."



RICHARD FRIEDMAN/The Observer

The Irish women's basketball team takes some warm-up shots before Wednesday night's game against the Premier All-Stars of Ohio at the Joyce Center. It was the team's first exhibition game of the season, and Notre Dame won 84-52.

OFFBEAT

Doctor gives birth, votes
HARRISBURG, Pa. — Dr. Andrea Shaer wanted to vote before she went to the delivery room to give birth to her third child, so she and her husband went first to their polling station at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center's fitness facility.

But more than 100 people were already in line, so Shaer went to the delivery room, gave birth, and returned to vote Tuesday night 30 minutes before the polls closed, intravenous drip in tow.

"Knowing how close the race is in Pennsylvania and

being a mom, with all the issues there, I just had to try" to vote, Shaer said.

Shaer, a nephrologist, or kidney doctor, at the medical center, awoke at 5 a.m. Tuesday when her water broke. She gave birth to a son, Jack.

Monkeys attack children
GAUHATI, India — Monkeys lurking at an ancient Hindu temple in India's northeast have attacked up to 300 children over three weeks, temple officials said.

"They hide in trees and swoop on unsuspecting children loitering about in the

temple premises or walking by, clawing them and even sucking a bit of blood," Bani Kumar Sharma, a priest at the Kamakhya temple in Assam state, said Tuesday.

At least 2,000 rhesus monkeys roam in and around the temple, but none had shown aggressive behavior in the past, he said.

"I was returning home from school when a monkey suddenly pounced on me, scratched my head and hand and pushed me to the ground," said Jolly Sharma, a 6-year-old girl.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Pasquerilla West will hold its first annual Wild Wild West Event tonight from 6 to 8 p.m. in Stepan Center. Festivities include a pie-eating contest and a mechanical bull.

Learn to line dance and get free cookies and hot chocolate at the Howard Hall Bonfire, tonight from 9 to 11 p.m.

SUB presents "Anchorman," starring Will Ferrell, tonight at 10 p.m. in DeBartolo 101. Tickets are \$3.

The Notre Dame men's basketball team will play an exhibition game tonight at 7:30 p.m. against St. Joseph's at the Joyce Center.

The silent film "Amleto" will be shown at 8 p.m. tonight in the Browning Cinema at the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. The movie will be accompanied by live pianist Philip Carli.

Cracker Barrel and the Mykalla Jazz Project — a jam band with jazz roots — will play in concert tonight from 10 p.m. to midnight at Legends.

There will be sign-ups for Saturday's Mara Fox Run today in the North and South Dining Halls from 5 to 7 p.m.

"Constructing a Curriculum on Inter-religious Dialogue and Conflict Resolution," featuring Kroc Institute visiting fellow Patrice Brodeur, takes place today from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center room C-103.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.

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Chicago professor lectures on 'confrontation of evil'

Elspeth enlightens Harry Potter fans and religious scholars on St. Augustine and children's series

By EILEEN DUFFY
News Writer

Professor Jean Elspeth of the University of Chicago enlightened "Harry Potter" fans and religious scholars alike Wednesday afternoon in her lecture entitled "St. Augustine, Harry Potter, and the Confrontation with Evil."

Elspeth began the talk, which was sponsored by the Schmidt Foundation and the Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture, with an assessment of evil today.

"Evil is in the air these days in our political life," she said, recalling President Reagan's reference to the Soviet Union as the "empire of evil;" President Clinton calling the perpetrators of the Oklahoma City bombing "doers of evil;" and President George W. Bush terming the Iraq, Iran and North Korea regimes the "axis of evil."

Evil has been a notion recognized throughout history, Elspeth noted. She related a story from her childhood: a Russian family was forced to immigrate to her tiny hometown in Colorado, narrowly escaping Stalin's destruction of small farms throughout Russia.

"When talking about her experiences, [The mother] would weep softly and rock back and forth," Elspeth explained. "Evil was what she had faced."

Elspeth then turned to St. Augustine, who, she said, has made "the most monumental of all efforts in Western thought to

grapple with the question of evil." As a child, Augustine was caught up in a world of physical hedonism, said Elspeth; in error, he recognized evil as an external force which he could blame for his wrongdoing. This erroneous thought was known as dualism.

Eventually, Augustine realized that it was his own impiety that had led to sin, Elspeth said, coming to reject the notion of evil as a force and beginning to understand it as a falling away from the good.

"Evil is the name we give to an assent to temptation that might become servitude over time," said Elspeth. She noted that doers of evil do not understand what it is like to live in the world of the good, and often search for something to attach themselves to.

"Evil lies in limited, hollowed-out, empty men and women who do horrific things," Elspeth said.

"Good relies on unrehearsed deed-doing of men and women who occasionally achieve extraordinary things."

Elspeth then began her discussion of the "Harry Potter" series, attributing much of her explanation to her grandson, Bobby, with whom she had read the five books this summer. She noted that despite the overwhelming presence of evil throughout the stories, there is good that is always able to fight back.

From volume one of the series, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," Elspeth noted three main

points. First, she pointed out that Voldemort is a powerful wizard who has gone to the dark side, much like the fallen angel Satan. Second, she noted Voldemort's important idea that there is no good and evil, there is only power." Third and finally, she highlighted the point that Harry escaped Voldemort's death curse because of the love and sacrifice of his mother — evil could do nothing in the presence of such good.

In volume two, "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," Elspeth pointed out the ability of evil, represented by Voldemort, to feed off of an evil subject (the younger version of himself, Tom Riddle) as well as a good one (Ginny Weasley, younger sister of Harry's friend Ron). Harry is saved by Dumbledore's phoenix Fawkes, whose tears of compassion heal Harry's wounds and blind an evil snake.

Volume three, "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban," introduces readers to "Dementors," evil guards of the Azkaban prison whose "kiss" sucks out a person's soul.

"Like evil," Elspeth said, "the Dementors take away, but cannot give anything."

Elspeth compared the feeling that the characters experience around the Dementors is like one who has succumbed to evil — such as Ron Weasley experiences in volume three when he says "I felt weird, like I would never be



MICHELLE OTTO/The Observer
University of Chicago professor Jean Elspeth speaks Wednesday, relating St. Augustine, politics and 'Harry Potter.'

cheerful again," Elspeth said.

Finally, Elspeth noted the ability of humor and wit to drive the demons away. She explained that Christians have often spoken of good humor as one of God's gifts to humanity.

Elspeth mainly chronicled Voldemort's desire to gain material form in volume four, "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire." Voldemort uses a servant called Wormtail to help him remain alive, feeding mainly on snake venom.

"Does this not suggest," Elspeth asked, "that if no one fed evil, it would not continue? [Voldemort] is kept alive through the willing actions of others."

Visiting Professor Umbridge was

Elspeth's focal point in her discussion of volume five, "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix." Umbridge often belittled and embarrassed her students. "This notion of a kind of mockery at the suffering of others is recognized as a characteristic of evil," said Elspeth.

In conclusion, Elspeth admitted that the books could be troubling for some children. "Harry Potter offers children a serious picture of a moral universe, in which very bad things sometimes happen," she said. "But none of us is without a way of fighting back against it."

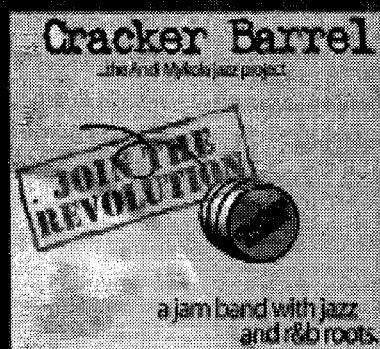
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This week at Legends...

Thursday

Cracker Barrel- 10pm
ND student Band

Brew and View-
Dazed and Confused
midnight



Friday

Professional comedian who appeared on The Late Show, Comedy Central, and VH1
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10pm
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Nightclub
midnight

Saturday

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Senate members listen as senior Karl Wahoske, middle, discusses basketball ticket sales. Members discussed the lack of seats and how best to determine student ticket allotment.

Senate

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good policy to follow in general," Pasquesi said.

Wahoske also took on the policy of allowing students to line up with six IDs when purchasing tickets. Calling six IDs "excessive," Wahoske suggested that limiting the number to two or three would help eliminate casual fans with weaker attendance numbers and reduce incidences of line cutting on distribution day.

Wahoske said that one of the main detriments to an increased ticket allotment for the student section was the poor average attendance of ticket holders, and that it was imperative for senators to encourage

students to go to games.

"You guys are leaders, so push for the necessity of students with tickets to come to games, so we can get more tickets in the future," he said.

After Wahoske spoke, senators briefly discussed ways to improve the system.

Welsh Family senator Stephanie Pelligra said that her dorm had already instituted an informal system of exchange within the dorm. Other senators were encouraged to talk with their hall governments about doing the same until a campus-wide system could be devised.

The issue was sent to the University Affairs committee for further investigation and discussion.

In other Senate news:

♦ The resolution on teacher course evaluations directed to the Campus Life Council planned for a vote Wednesday was removed from the agenda.

Academic Affairs committee chair and head of the TCE project Vijay Ramanan said that the resolution had been intended to force the administration and faculty to act on the TCE concerns. However, after faculty members were reportedly "warm and open" to the proposal Monday's Faculty Senate meeting, the resolution was deemed unnecessary in its current form.

Student body president Adam Istvan said that a more idea-specific resolution would come to a Senate vote by Nov. 17.

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Muertos

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painting to Alvarez Bravo, the foremost photographer in the history of Latin America who died two years ago, and placed it below the ofrenda (alter of offering) laden with fruit, loaves of bread, chocolate, skeletons and ornaments.

Many gathered in the basement of the Snite to witness Robles' speech, a slideshow of Bravo's famous photographs and two traditional Mexican dances.

"We are performing two dances which originated in the Mexican states of Jalisco and Veracruz. They are called 'les annas, les annas' and 'golas,'" Notre Dame junior and dancer April Garcia said.

Día de los Muertos is celebrated all over Mexico and in some of Latin America, Robles said.

"There is praise, singing and food all night long until six in the morning when the sand painting is destroyed into four parts and everyone at the ceremony is given a basket of the sand," Robles said. "Everyone goes to mass, where the basket of sand is blessed by the priest, and then go to the cemetery where the sand is thrown onto the grave of the person who has just died. This is the last tribute to that person."

When the dancers finished, a

buffet of Mexican treats was served, and the crowd exited past a cross of marigolds and white candles. Curator of education and public programs Jackie Welsh said the cross is highly significant.

"Marigolds, or cempazucha flowers, are thought to represent the sun and because of their strong scent, these are also dropped in a path from the cemetery to the doorstep to help lead the way home," Welsh said. "The candles are also there so that the spirit of the person being remembered can find its way home."

On Sunday afternoon there was a procession and a mass at St. Edward's Hall Chapel honoring this special holiday.

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Jackie Welsh
curator

"There was also a woodcarver who came to South Bend with some of his wooden skeleton carvings two weeks ago and a folk art workshop which took place [at the Snite Museum] last week. We made skeleton puppets, skull masks, and necklaces," Welsh recalled.

This celebration, despite coinciding with the election, was a success, according to organizers.

Campus ministry also plans to hold a popular Christmas celebration, called Las Posadas, on Friday, Dec. 3 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. to commemorate the journey to Bethlehem.

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FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5

9:30 a.m.

Welcome

Mark Roche, I.A.O'Shaughnessy Dean, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame

Session 1: Introduction

Peter Holland, University of Notre Dame
On the Gravy Train

Session 2: Shakespeare's Performances of Memory

Chair: Graham Hamill

Bruce Smith, University of Southern California
Speaking What We Feel about King Lear

John Joughin (University of Central Lancashire)
Shakespeare's Memorial Aesthetics: Richard II and the Performance of Grief

1 p.m. Morning Session Ends

2:15 p.m.

Session 2: Shakespeare's Performances of Memory (continued)

Anthony B. Dawson, University of British Columbia
Priamus Is Dead: Memorial Repetition in Shakespeare and Marlowe

Session 3: Editing Shakespeare and the Performance of Memory

Chair: Paul Rathburn

Michael Cordner, University of York
"Wrought with Things Forgotten": Memory and Performance in Editing Macbeth

Margaret Jane Kidnie, University of Western Ontario
Shakespeare's Work(s) in Progress

5:30 p.m. End of Sessions

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SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6

9:30 a.m.

Session 4: Performance Memory:

Costumes and Bodies

Chair: Donald Crafton

Barbara Hodgdon, University of Michigan
Shopping in the Archives: Material Memories

Carol Chillington Rutter, University of Warwick
"Her First Remembrance from the Moor": Actors and the Materials of Memory

Session 5: Reconstructing Shakespearean Performance

Chair: Jesse Lander

Russell Jackson, University of Birmingham
"As I remember, Adam": Paul Czinner's As You Like It, Max Reinhardt's Dream, and German emigré Shakespeare in the 1930s

12:45 p.m. Morning Session Ends

2 p.m.

Session 5: Reconstructing Shakespearean Performance (continued)

Michael Dobson, Roehampton University
Shakespeare Exposed

Session 6: Performance Memory: Technologies and the Museum

Chair: Peter Holland

W.B. Worthen, University of California Berkeley
Fond Records: Posthuman Shakespeare and the Drama of Memory

Robert Shaughnessy, University of Kent
The Shakespeare Revolution Will Not Be Televised

Dennis Kennedy, Trinity College, Dublin
Tourism, Performance, and the Idea of the Museum

6 p.m. Conference Ends

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Bin Laden releases new videotape

CAIRO, Egypt — Terror mastermind Osama bin Laden claimed in new video footage broadcast Wednesday that President Bush ignored warnings against invading Iraq because he was dazzled by the country's "black gold" and ended up leading the United States into a quagmire.

The full video, portions of which were broadcast Friday, was posted on a Web site used by Islamic groups Wednesday. The tape show the author of the Sept. 11 attacks accusing Bush of acting out of what he calls "private" interests — and allusion to his oil business past.

Bush ignored the warnings because "the darkness of the black gold blurred his vision and insight, and he gave priority to private interests over the public interests of America," bin Laden says in the portions of the tape that the Arab network Al-Jazeera did not broadcast Friday.

Muslim violence closes schools

BANGKOK, Thailand — Violence in Thailand's Muslim-dominated south forced hundreds of schools to close Wednesday, while two lawmakers scuffled in parliament over the government's handling of a riot in the region last week that left 85 people dead.

Warnings that Muslim insurgents may try to abduct Buddhist teachers and students prompted most schools in the country's three southernmost provinces of Narathiwat, Yala and Pattani to shut until at least Monday, education officials said.

The closed schools were in the countryside where they cannot easily be protected. Schools in urban areas mostly remained open.

NATIONAL NEWS

Kerry decides to concede election

BOSTON — Notwithstanding his athleticism and fighting spirit, Sen. John Kerry waged an occasionally awkward, run-walk-run campaign, a marathon bedeviled by his slow start and a lumbering response to attacks by the Swift Boat veterans.

"I'm sorry that we got here a little bit late and little bit short," Kerry told a crowd of family, friends and staff Wednesday at Faneuil Hall as he formally ended the race.

In what seems like ages ago, the Massachusetts senator began the campaign with a certain appeal for Democrats determined to oust President Bush — a decorated Vietnam War record to counter the commander in chief, a wealthy spouse even if she could only contribute a limited amount and an experienced campaign team.

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LOCAL NEWS

Daniels captures governorship

INDIANAPOLIS — Gov.-elect Mitch Daniels huddled with advisers Wednesday to start building the first Republican state administration in 16 years and map out a legislative agenda aimed at economic revival and government reform.

Meanwhile, House Republicans beamed after winning control of the chamber in Tuesday's election, eager to work with a GOP governor and pursue some of their own initiatives. They are likely to include economic development proposals and a state constitutional ban on gay marriage.

FRANCE

Europe seeks new start with Bush

Leaders offer to let bygones be bygones as they hope for changes in foreign policy

Associated Press

PARIS — European allies alienated by President Bush's first four years in power offered Wednesday to let bygones be bygones, saying they want to work with the new administration and seeking, right from Day 1, to get the new White House to listen more to overseas opinion.

French President Jacques Chirac, in a congratulatory letter, said he hoped Bush's second term "will be the occasion for strengthening the French-American friendship."

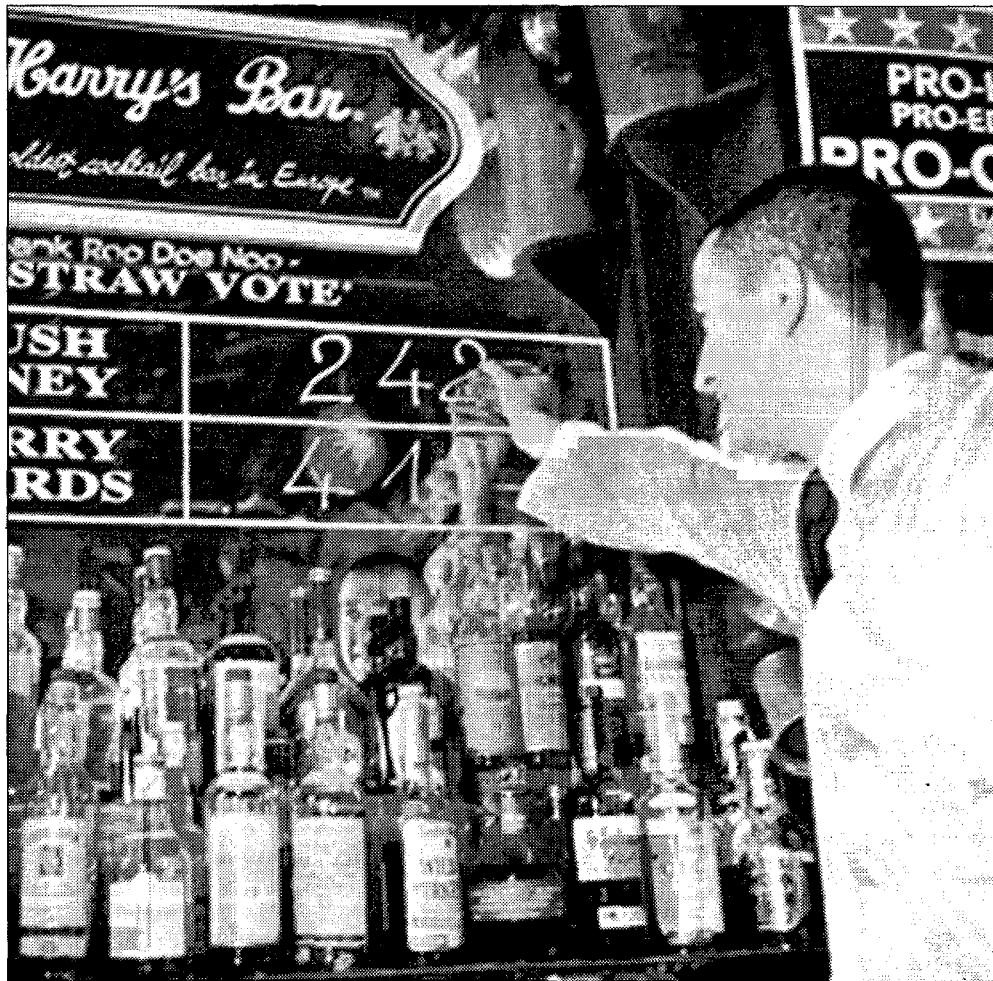
"We will be unable to find satisfying responses to the numerous challenges that confront us today without a close trans-Atlantic partnership," wrote Chirac. He addressed the letter to "Dear George."

German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, who also clashed with Bush over Iraq, wrote the president a congratulatory letter expressing "great expectations" for renewed cooperation.

"The world stands before great challenges at the beginning of your second term: international terrorism, the danger of weapons of mass destruction, regional crises — but also poverty, climate change and epidemics threaten our security and stability," Schroeder wrote. "These challenges can only be mastered together."

Another critic of the Iraq war, Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero said his government wants "a relationship of efficient, constructive cooperation" with the U.S. government and with President Bush, respecting the ideas of each side.

Zapatero, who angered Washington by withdraw-



Walter George Rodriguez writes down the results of a U.S. presidential election straw vote at Harry's Bar in Paris, France on Tuesday night.

ing Spanish troops from Iraq, stayed up most of the night to watch as Republican red crept across the U.S. electoral map.

Election interest in Europe was intense, as was the disappointment many felt over Bush's victory. Some saw it as proof that Europe and the United States are further apart than ever.

"There is a major and lasting lack of understanding between the American people and the rest of the world, in both directions," said Hubert Vedrine, a former French foreign minister. "Almost all nations, with perhaps three or four exceptions,

wanted change."

Others worried that Bush, strengthened by a bigger win than in 2000 and backed by a Republican Congress, would turn a deaf ear to world concerns.

"Europe will continue to criticize Bush the same way as earlier," said Swedish Prime Minister Goeran Persson. "But I do not believe that he will be more willing to listen."

Bush allies in the war on terror took comfort in continuity.

"From our point of view, the Bush administration is a known quantity," said Australian Foreign Minister Alexander Downer. "We've had a

very good relationship with them for the last four years and I'm sure we'll be able to keep building on that over the next four."

Russian President Vladimir Putin said a Bush victory would mean the American people had not given in to terrorist threats.

"I would feel happy that the American people have not allowed themselves to be scared and made the decision they considered reasonable," Putin said at a Kremlin news conference after talks with Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi.

"Bush will keep up that policy that gives the

Tallying continues despite concession

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The counting of more than 150,000 provisional ballots cast in Ohio will go forward, despite John Kerry's concession that President Bush had won the state's 20 electoral votes, election officials said Wednesday.

Elections workers planned to spend the next 10 days verifying that each provisional voter lives in the precinct where he or she cast a ballot and meets age and citizenship requirements.

"The pressure is off in the eyes of the media," said Jeff La Rue,

spokesman for the Franklin County Board of Elections. "The pressure to count every vote and validate every vote that is a valid vote — that pressure is never off."

Provisional ballots — required in all states for the first time this year — are used when voters believe they are properly registered but their names do not appear in registration records.

The ballots are counted later if election officials determine the voters' registrations are valid.

Kerry acknowledged Wednesday in his concession speech that the provisional votes

would not be enough for him to win the state, where President Bush had a lead of 136,000 votes.

Mark Weaver, a lawyer for Ohio Republicans, predicted that election officials would throw out most of the ballots after determining the people who cast them were not eligible to vote.

Provisional ballots were the focus of an intense legal battle even before Election Day. An appeals court rejected Democrats' request that provisional ballots be counted if they are filed in the right county but the wrong precinct.

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They looked within their own party, and found plenty of Democrats to blame — Kerry, his running mate John Edwards, their layers of consultants and legions of former Bill Clinton aides. The jockeying began in earnest for the 2008 race, with Edwards signaling his ambitions by pressing Kerry to wage a legal fight for Ohio. Democrats love to fight the GOP, particularly those Democrats who vote in primaries and caucuses.

"You can be disappointed, but you cannot walk away," Edwards told supporters at Kerry's concession. "This fight has just begun."

Supporters of Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, herself a potential candidate in 2008, accused Edwards of posturing.

Kerry himself showed no signs of exiting the political arena. "I'll never stop fighting for you," he told backers.

Still, it was a grim day for Democrats.

Party strategists had longed hoped to supplant their political losses in the Midwest and South

with growth in the Hispanic-rich Western states, but those plans were put in doubt Tuesday night. Exit polls suggested that Bush had increased his minority share of the Hispanic vote since 2000.

One-third of Hispanics said they were born-again Christians and nearly 20 percent listed moral values as their top issue, suggesting they have more in common with Republicans than Democrats.

The election also vindicated Bush's unorthodox strategy of governing from the right and then targeting his voters with a volunteer-driven organization run through his campaign headquarters. Kerry played to the center and relied on a loosely knit conglomerate of liberal groups who paid get-out-the-vote workers.

Americans Coming Together, the Media Fund and other liberal special interest groups spent more than \$200 million to defeat Bush. Kerry spent tens of millions more, and what did he get? Just one state won by Bush in 2000, New Hampshire, switched to the Democratic column this year.

Young voters didn't increase their turnout as Democrats had hoped. Neither did blacks or

union members, two keys to the party's base.

Bush, meanwhile, saw a surge in rural and evangelical voters, according to strategists on both sides. The rural vote, once reliably Democratic, swelled in size and supported Bush over Kerry.

In Ohio, exit polls suggested the rural vote increased from 15 percent of the electorate in 2000 to 25 percent on Tuesday. Rural voters backed Bush over Kerry 60 percent to 40.

In Ohio and Florida, the two most important states Election Night, Democrats said they met their turnout targets, only to see Bush's forces trounce them. They said state ballot measures to ban gay marriage may have driven GOP voters to the polls.

The most stinging defeat was in Ohio, which may no longer be considered a swing state. With 232,000 jobs lost under Bush and state voters uneasy about Iraq, it was as ripe as it will ever be for Democrats, strategists said.

Ohio's 20 electoral votes gave Bush 279 in the Associated Press count, nine more than the 270 needed for victory. Kerry had 252 electoral votes, with Iowa's seven unsettled.

Bush beat Kerry by more than 3 million votes.

Subway train rolls backward, injures 20

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An empty subway train backed into an occupied one Wednesday, injuring 20 people, transit officials said.

The occupied train had pulled into one of the city's busiest stations moments before the empty train backed into it. Most of the 75-foot-long rear car of the empty train came off the tracks and about one-third of its aluminum shell was pulled apart.

Witnesses said the operator of the occupied train began screaming for people to get off a few seconds before impact.

The next thing we knew there was a big crash, and a lot of dirt and dust flying everywhere, and panic, and everybody just ran out of the Metro station," said Mike Cucciardi, a teacher traveling on the train with more than 40 kids from a District of Columbia charter school.

Thirteen students were among the injured.

One of the injuries was life-threatening, said Alan Eitter, a fire department spokesman. He said it was "astounding," given the force of the crash, that more people weren't more seriously hurt. The worst injury appeared to be a broken leg, he said.

The crash happened after a loaded six-car train pulled into the Woodley Park-National Zoo Metro station around 12:49 p.m., spokesman Steven Taubenkibel said.

Each train has an automatic control system to keep trains a safe distance from each other, Deputy General Manager for Operations James Gallagher said. Officials were looking into whether the system failed.

"The train rolled backward. Trains don't roll backward," Gallagher said. "There's something unusual about this event."

Arby's employee kills 2

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — A fired Arby's employee was charged Wednesday with killing two co-workers while robbing the restaurant, and another worker was charged with providing help in return for part of the \$2,500 take.

James Walker, 23, was charged with being a party to first-degree intentional homicide and armed robbery. The same charges were filed Tuesday against Michael Duane Reit, 20.

Criminal complaints allege Walker offered money to Reit for helping him sneak inside the restaurant the night of Oct. 24.

The men were arrested two days after the shootings of Nicole Joslyn, 24, an assistant manager, and co-worker Alan Lowrie, 17. Both were shot multiple times and were found in the restaurant cooler.

Walker's attorney Jonathan Smith said the state is accusing his client of the fatal shooting.

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IN BRIEF

Businesses pleased with agenda

NEW YORK — President Bush's re-election and the Republican Party's larger membership in the next Congress have made small business advocacy groups optimistic about some of the issues on their national agendas.

The National Federation of Independent Business welcomed Bush's re-election in a statement Wednesday, and Dan Danner, the NFIB's senior vice president for public policy, said in an interview, "We believe very strongly that this president — probably more than any other in my recollection — has gone out of his way to be a supporter of small business."

"We are optimistic that will continue," Danner said.

With health care costs a major concern for business owners, the election has raised hopes that national association health plans will become a reality in the second Bush term. Under AHPs, small businesses can buy into group health insurance plans anywhere in the country, giving them greater leeway in shopping for a cheaper plan.

Time Warner reports decline

NEW YORK — Time Warner Inc., the world's largest media company, reported an 8 percent decline in third-quarter earnings Wednesday and set aside a \$500 million reserve in anticipation of settling government investigations into its bookkeeping.

The company said it would restate earnings for 2000 and 2001 to correct its accounting for AOL Europe.

The moves put the company a step closer to resolving the investigations, which have caused anxiety among investors after dragging on for more than two years. The Securities and Exchange Commission and the Department of Justice are still investigating accounting practices at America Online, including its advertising arrangements and the way it reports subscriber numbers. m Inc., including the departure of Jonathan Dolgen, who had shared power with Lansing at Paramount.

Dick Parsons, Time Warner's CEO, told investors and analysts on a conference call that while the investigations were ongoing, the company had "some visibility" into the costs that would likely be required to resolve the inquiries.

Four executives convicted of fraud

Merrill Lynch employees charged with conspiracy in first criminal trial of Enron

Associated Press

HOUSTON — A jury convicted four one-time Merrill Lynch executives and a former midlevel Enron Corp. finance executive of conspiracy and fraud Wednesday in the first criminal trial of Enron and Wall Street executives for their role in the energy company's 2001 collapse.

The deal at the center of the charges involved a bogus sale of interest in power plants mounted on barges to the brokerage at the end of 1999 so the company could appear to have met earnings targets.

The barge case marked the first time Wall Street bankers were charged with active participation in a criminal Enron scheme. While Enron's former auditor, Arthur Andersen LLP, was convicted more than two years ago of obstruction of justice for destroying Enron documents before the collapse, the barge case was the first to involve former Enron employees as defendants.

Among those convicted of conspiracy and two counts of wire fraud was Merrill's former head of investment banking, Daniel Bayly. The others were James A. Brown, former head of Merrill's asset lease and finance group; William Fuhs, a vice president who reported to Brown; Robert S. Furst, a former manager of Merrill's relationship with Enron; and Dan O. Boyle, a former Enron finance executive.

A sixth defendant, a former in-house Enron accountant, was acquitted. Sheila Kahane testified she consistently opposed a verbal promise that the government contended made the deal a loan —



Sheila Kahane, left, a former in-house Enron accountant, leaves the federal courthouse after being acquitted on Wednesday in Houston.

that Enron would resell or buy back Merrill's interest within six months.

The verdict came after 21 hours of deliberations that began at the close of six weeks of testimony. The jury was instructed to return Thursday to begin the sentencing phase of the trial, which is complicated by a challenge to federal sentencing guidelines that is before the Supreme Court.

The defendants are not set to be sentenced until early next year. All remain free on bond.

Bayly, Furst and Fuhs face a few months to 15 years in prison.

Brown, who also was convicted of perjury and obstructing a special grand jury in Houston for testifying that he didn't know of a verbal buyback promise, faces up to 30 years in prison. Boyle, who also was convicted of lying to investigators for a Senate subcommittee for saying the same thing, faces up to 20 years.

All five men declined to comment. Most of their lawyers also declined to

comment, though some said they would appeal the verdicts.

The barge deal isn't among the numerous alleged financial machinations that pushed one-time Wall Street darling Enron into bankruptcy in December 2001, as a web of accounting maneuvers to prop up its books unraveled. But the government contends the barge deal was an example of many illegal accounting schemes Enron used to pump up its appearance of financial success.

Students compete in economics event

By JEANNINE PRIVAT
News Writer

Notre Dame students traveled to Chicago on Monday to compete against five other Midwestern colleges in an event sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

The Notre Dame team, lead by Frank Bonello, associate professor of Economics and Policy Studies, consisted of three seniors, Kim Anderson, Chris Hammer (alternate) and Keith Harwood; and three juniors, Leah Cogswell, Matthew Garibaldi and Jenna Leary.

For the month prior to the competition, team members followed current economic trends, changes in the oil market, and other factors concerning the Federal Reserve in an effort to better understand the current economy, their presentation topic during the competition.

"We did a lot of reading and keeping up to date with current economic developments," Leary said.

During a twenty-minute presentation, teams were required to make an analysis of the current state of the United States' economy, make a short-term economic forecast and offer a monetary policy recommendation.

For their presentations, each team was judged on five criteria: the team's knowledge of the Federal Reserve, the economy and monetary policy; the team's performance during Q & A with the judges; the quality of the team's presentation; the quality of the team's research; and analysis and the team's cooperation with one another.

In the competition against Michigan State University, Northwestern University, the University of Chicago, the University of Illinois at Chicago and the University of Michigan at Dearborn, the Notre Dame

team tied for third place with the University of Chicago, while Northwestern won and will continue on to the national competition in Washington, D.C.

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago's Economic Education Specialist Tim Schilling offered praise for teams' performances.

"I was pleased with the quality of the presentations [and] impressed with the knowledge during Q and A," he said.

Leary said the competition was a rewarding experience.

"It was a lot of work, but a lot of fun, as well," she said. "All the time and effort was definitely worth it."

This is the first year that the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago offered the competition and hopes to do so again in coming years.

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Defeated Kernan eases pain

Former governor turns to baseball

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The old ballplayer finally forced to retire looked forward Wednesday to visiting spring training and realizing his dream of owning a team.

Joe Kernan, gracious in defeat and basking in the love and dedication of a staff that had rallied around him when fate suddenly thrust him into the governorship, spoke not of missed opportunities Wednesday but of the good fortune bestowed upon him and turning his attention to the next chapter in his life.

"I'm a very, very lucky guy," Kernan said during a news conference in his Statehouse office that he must vacate in two months.

The Indiana constituency that had embraced its new leader during that fateful second week of Sept. 2003 — when a stroke felled and, five days later, killed his good friend and predecessor, Frank O'Bannon — turned him out of office Tuesday. Republican Mitch Daniels beat Kernan 53 percent to 45 percent in unofficial results.

"We ran a good race. I don't have any regrets," said Kernan, the first sitting governor rejected by voters since Indiana amended its constitution in 1972 to allow its chief executive to serve consecutive terms.

He underestimated the enormity of the task. Republican voters historically have outnumbered Democrats by about seven percentage points, but exit polling Tuesday suggested a gap twice as large, 46 percent to 32 percent.

"That's an awful big mountain to climb," Kernan said.

Kernan took himself out of the race once, saying in December 2002 that he and his wife, Maggie, decided his second term as lieutenant governor would be his last in elective office. After O'Bannon died, Kernan reconsidered and announced his candidacy one year ago to the lyric "Put me in, coach" from the John Fogerty song "Centerfield."

The former catcher for Notre Dame now can turn his attention to his first passion, baseball. His only solid plans after he leaves office in January are to attend major league spring training in Florida with his father and brother.

He'll also likely take another look at putting together investors to buy a team, possibly the South Bend Silver Hawks, a minor league affiliate of the Arizona Diamondbacks. He pursued that idea until O'Bannon's stroke on Sept. 8, 2003, and "that all fell off the table."

"It's been an extraordinary 14 months beginning last Sept. 8, and I really have not had a chance to focus on much other than the task at hand," he said, standing at the podium in shirt sleeves.

Kernan said he did not anticipate running for office again, then quickly caught himself and quipped, "Now, you know, I said that once before."

Four more years — for both political parties

Announcement of 2004 election results signals beginning of the 2008 Presidential campaigns

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The day that dropped the curtain on the 2004 presidential race raised one for the 2008 contest, with Sens. Hillary Rodham Clinton and John Edwards jockeying for advantage among Democrats and Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist the first on the stage for Republicans.

It's only four more years to go — minus a day. Who's counting? Lots of folks.

"You can be disappointed, but you cannot walk away. This fight has just begun," Edwards told Democratic loyalists in Boston in a concession speech that also could qualify as the leadoff stump speech of the next presidential campaign.

The Democratic decks are cleared with John Kerry's defeat, and Edwards and Clinton start off as early favorites within their party

for 2008. Not that they — or Kerry — are talking about any plans so soon.

Since Bush cannot run again, the race is wide open on the Republican side as well, even more so than it would normally be. Usually the outgoing incumbent's vice president is the automatic favorite for the nomination. For instance, Democratic Vice President Walter Mondale in 1984 and Al Gore in 2000, Republican Vice President George H.W. Bush in 1988.

But Vice President Dick Cheney, who is 63 and has a history of heart disease, has ruled out a run on his own for president.

That leaves a potentially crowded field — including

Sens. Frist of Tennessee, John McCain of Arizona, George Allen of Virginia, Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania and Chuck Hagel of Nebraska, former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, New York Gov. George Pataki and Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney — with no early favorite.

Frist wasted no time in putting himself into play, beginning a "victory tour" of the South on Wednesday that included stops in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and

South Carolina with victorious GOP Senate candidates. "Last night was a monumental victory" for the GOP-led Senate, Frist said. Wins included a five-state sweep of the South and the defeat of

Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle in South Dakota. Frist's expanded GOP majority gives him a high-profile platform at least for the next two years. Frist said he will stick with a pledge to resign from the chamber when his second term is up in 2006.

Clinton, who would have been sidelined in 2008 with a Kerry-Edwards victory, is now front and center among would-be Democratic contenders. And her supporters were busy getting her name in circulation.

The former first lady has plenty of name recognition and a wide following. But some analysts suggest she could meet the same fate as Kerry as a liberal senator from a Northeastern state, despite the years she spent in Arkansas.

"She's already known. The public is already polarized around her," said political analyst Stuart Rothenberg.

"You can be disappointed, but you cannot walk away. This fight has just begun."

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NBC's Brokaw gets top television ratings

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NEW YORK — NBC's Tom Brokaw was watched by 15.2 million viewers during prime-time Tuesday, according to Nielsen Media Research. Brokaw and analyst Tim Russert worked through the night on election cov-

erage.

ABC's coverage was seen by 13.2 million viewers, CBS' coverage by 9.5 million and Fox's by 4.7 million, Nielsen said.

8.1 million people watched Fox News Channel, 6.2 million saw CNN and 2.8 million viewers tuned in to MSNBC.

Bloggers blamed for inaccuracies

News organizations say online sources spread incorrect poll data

Associated Press

NEW YORK — News organizations promised Wednesday to look into why their Election Day exit polls showed an initial surge for John Kerry, but also blamed bloggers for spreading news that gave a misleading view of the presidential race.

The exit poll data was delivered at several points Tuesday to ABC, CBS, NBC, CNN, Fox News Channel and The Associated Press by the National Election Pool, a company formed in the wake of the networks' blown calls on election night 2000.

The first wave showed Kerry with a lead of three percentage points in Florida and four points in Ohio — both battleground states won by President Bush when the votes were actually counted, giving the president his margin of victory.

"Once one part of it is in question and is wrong, it kind of puts the whole thing in question," said Marty Ryan, Fox News Channel's executive producer for political coverage. "It was disappointing. ... During the primary season, it worked very well for us, we

were happy with it. But that was not good last night."

Other network representatives said their confidence in NEP remained unshaken.

The Florida and Ohio exit poll results, along with those in other states where Kerry was strong, was quickly disseminated on Web sites such as Slate, the Drudge Report, Wonkette.com, Atrios.blogspot.com and Command Post.

Some of these sites cautioned readers not to make too much of the information. The Command Post delivered the news under the headline "Grain of Salt."

Drudge removed the numbers almost as quickly as they were posted. And Slate warned: "these early exit poll numbers do not divine the name of the winner."

"I didn't have any real compunction about putting it up there," said Alan Nelson, co-manager of The Command Post. "I didn't struggle with the decision, because I knew it was going to become a global news item within about 30 seconds."

"Our approach is: We post, you decide," Nelson said.

But the people who read these numbers — among them, thousands of ordinary Americans with an intense interest in the election — put too much faith into them and leaped to conclusions, said Bill Schneider, CNN's polling expert.

"I think people believed them, and it's particularly the case with Internet bloggers," said Kathy Frankovic, CBS News' polling director. "That's unfortunate because it sets up expectations that may or may not be met. I think it's a good exercise because it reminded people that early exit polls can be unreliable."

Bloggers picked out different numbers to use for their purposes, said Joseph Lenski, who ran the poll with partner Warren Mitofsky for the NEP. As the day wore on, later waves of exit polling showed the race tightening.

"Doing an early poll is like reporting the results of the game at halftime," Lenski said. "You only have about a third of the information. No other survey research is held to that level of accuracy."

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War and sacrifice

Marathon was a city long before it was a sporting event. It was at Marathon in 490 B.C.E. that 10,000 Athenians, aided by 1,000 Plataeans, faced the forces of the Persian emperor Darius. Despite being severely outnumbered, the Greeks won a decisive victory and sustained remarkably few casualties.

Legend has it that after the battle the messenger Philippides ran the 25 miles from Marathon to Athens bearing the news. Upon arrival he exclaimed "Rejoice, we conquer," before collapsing dead from exhaustion. Since the first modern Olympic Games in 1896 athletes have run a similar distance to commemorate Philippides' achievement, which has always seemed to me to rather miss the point of the story.

Along with the battle of Salamis, the victory at Marathon saved Greece, the cradle of Western Civilization, from Persian conquest. Those who fought in the battle took great pride in their achievement. Aeschylus was the greatest of tragedians and yet his epitaph, which he wrote himself, does not mention his plays but instead identifies him as a veteran of Marathon.

To understand the Greek view of war one must begin at the beginning, with Homer. Thomas Paine called Homer a warmonger, but actually he was something more complex. He celebrated heroism and martial prowess, but he was also acutely aware of the extent of the suffering that war produces.

Salvador Dali once offered the distinctly sub-Wildean aphorism, "Wars have never hurt anybody except the people who die." Homer knew better. The Iliad is suffused not only with death but with bereavement. Homer has Diomedes say, "Ill-fated are those whose sons oppose my strength." A lesser poet would have written "Ill-fated are those who oppose my strength." The poem ends, not with the

sacking of Troy, but with the funeral rites of Hector, the Trojan hero. The scene in which Hector's wife, Andromache, laments that without his father her son will not reach manhood is as moving as any in Western literature.

It would be a misunderstanding to describe Homer's attitude to war as balanced. War was inevitable — although some particular conflicts might be avoidable — and hence not the kind of thing that one could be for or against. And yet, alive to both the glory and the devastation of war, the blind bard of Ionia seems to have achieved a more stereoscopic view of war than most of the artists of the last century who took it as their theme. With some exceptions, the consensus of the creative class seems to have formed around what we might call the Apocalypse Now position: War is hell, next question.

The controversy surrounding the invasion and occupation of Iraq has been a catalyst for questions about military recruitment. In the run-up to the election the national Rock the Vote campaign, along with other groups and campaigners, warned of the impending reintroduction of the draft. That many of those who made this warning felt no compunction about berating the Bush Administration for creating a "climate of fear" was of course hypocritical, but hardly surprising.

There will not be a military draft in the United States in our lifetime. The bill to reintroduce the draft (which was defeated in the House of Representatives by 402 votes to 2) was sponsored by Rep. Charles Rangel, a Democrat concerned about the fact that the military disproportionately recruits from the poor and underprivileged, the attractiveness of a military career will naturally vary according to the other options that are available to you.

A further problem arises when, as has been the case since the Vietnam era, the most privileged demographic in

the United States, the graduates of the country's elite colleges, are the most likely to oppose the projection of American military power abroad. Members of that elite may be reluctant to enlist knowing that there is a high chance that they will be asked to risk their lives in military actions which a substantial amount of their peers will regard as unjust.

I cannot see any good solution to this problem. For that matter I cannot see any reason to believe that for every problem there must exist a good solution.

Next Thursday is Remembrance Day in England, Veterans Day in the United States. Nov. 11 is the anniversary of the Armistice that ended the First World War, which was often called "the war to end all wars" — a phrase Homer would have dismissed as naïve, and rightly so.

At the center of the village in which I grew up there is a memorial to the soldiers who lost their lives in the two world wars. As a member of the local Scout troop, each year I was required to attend the memorial service, which mostly involved standing outside in the rain. The solemnity of the occasion was not entirely lost on me, but I would be lying if I said that I was filled with pious sentiments towards those who fought and fell defending their country. But now I am grateful that I was made to attend those services. "Allez à la messe," said Pascal, "et la foi vous viendra." Go to mass and faith will come.

There is much to be said for going through the motions. The gratitude I now feel for those who gave what Lincoln called the "last full measure of devotion" is, I suspect, made possible by those November days in which we stood in silence outside in the rain.

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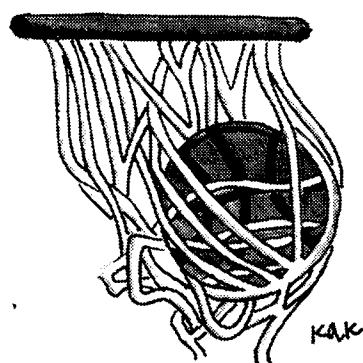
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Mothers all want their sons to grow up to be president, but they don't want them to become politicians in the process."

John Fitzgerald Kennedy
former president



Revolt of the orange slice eaters

When I was in 7th grade, I did what every red-blooded, Communist hating Indiana pre-teen does once in his life: I joined the junior high school basketball team. Now, I may have stood all of five feet flat and weighed 90 pounds dripping wet, but at the time I owned a pair of Reebok Pumps, so I had no doubt that I could be reasonably assured of a Larry Bird-esque ascension to Hoosier Hardwood glory.

These humble hoop dreams were quickly deflated when the reality of my athletic ability hit me in the face. I mean that quite literally. In my first game against the hated St. Anthony Panthers, I was struck in the head by a rope of a pass so violent that I can still make out the word SPALDING across my forehead. We had spent weeks practicing and mastering the bounce-pass, baseball-pass and no-look-pass, but no one had prepared me for the basketball-to-the-cranium pass. This illustrious beginning kicked-off an athletic career of bench-warming, day-dreaming, orange slice-eating and at least two broken bones. Oh, how I loved those half-time orange slices.

As I enter the autumn of my sporting endeavors, however, I find myself in the bizarre position of high sovereign lord ruling over some of the National Football League's finest athletes. Each and every Sunday without fail seven All-Star caliber professionals line up at my very behest and answer to my beck and call. Two-time Super Bowl champion quarterback — and on-again, off-again beau of Tara Reid — Tom Brady takes his walking orders from a man who once ate 50 donut holes on a dare. Sticky-handed Steelers' receiver and all-around super freak athletic specimen Plaxico Burress has a dude who can't be troubled walking all the way to the Rock deciding if he starts over the equally mind-blowing Isaac Bruce.

In short, I have become a Fantasy Football franchise owner. My friend Joe, a recent Notre Dame alum, invited me into the league as a way of keeping in touch with mutual friends who have since graduated. We picked our athletes and gave our teams ridiculous names and decided exactly what color we wanted the lighting bolt on our helmets to be. We left jovial instant messages and exchanged polite emails, wishing each other well on the (make-believe) field of (pretend) competition.

This good-natured spirit of sportsmanship worked just fine until the first week of the season when we discovered the intoxicating blood-lust that accompanies destroying your good friend with a fictitious team of professional head-hunters. Our instant messages and emails these days would make Patton blush and I myself have sunk into such a state of unbridled coaching rage that even Bob Knight's professional sensibilities would be offended. As our young season moves along, I find myself at two major infuriating disadvantages which fuel this hysteria: my players stink and I don't scare anybody. However, my boys are pros and I trust they'll turn it around. We've been in worse spots.

Ultimately, what I've learned as a pretend footballer is that the appeal of a Fantasy League is self-evident. It is, pure and simple, fantasy. Our generation grew up in the age of ESPN, maturing in a sport-centric universe that extolled the virtue of being "Like Mike." We are the young people of one sports-nation of the Adidas logo, for the Adidas logo, by the Adidas logo where you didn't get on the school bus until you saw the Top Ten plays of last night on the 7 a.m. Sportscenter. In Sports-Nation the Fantasy League becomes the great tool of athletic democracy. We, the average-athlete masses, rise to equal footing with the NFL's All-Pro aristocracy. We are the common bench-warming, orange slice-eaters ... but in a Fantasy League we get to be the hero on our childhood bedroom wall.

But still I feel this isn't enough. In a truly democratic Sports-Nation, we orange-slice eaters wouldn't be relegated to the realms of internet fantasy. That's why today, inspired by my illuminating Fantasy experience, I advocate a full-scale bench-warmer revolution, a Bastille Day for the short and fat where we, as one body, take over our nation's athletic institutions and redistribute them to each according to his never-lettered-in-high-school needs.

We must strike first with our local basketball team. Now, Mike Brey is one fantastic coach and one fantastic man. But he's just one man. One tie-hating man. Thus, he should not be that difficult to lay siege upon him in the first battle of our Not-So-Hard-Worker's Revolution. Much like the first guns at Lexington and Concord, the Battle of the JACC Basketball Office will signal a new and glorious age of freedom from oppression.

Ask yourself, wouldn't our team receive a greater benefit from having the collective will of 10,000 non-varsity students all at once deciding if Jordan Cornette should shoot the 3 or pass the ball? Isn't such a democratic coaching theory more akin to the ideals of our Founding Fathers? Wouldn't coaching the Irish make me feel better about the time when I scored two points for the opposing team? The answers are "yes!" and "shoot!"

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Fall on the Floor and I'm Laughing

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Post-election syndrome

You did everything you could. You gave up your weekends. You walked a hole in your favorite pair of shoes and knocked on doors until you had raw knuckles.

Then the polls closed. You went to an Election Day party, but no one celebrated. Your candidate lost. Or did he?

Politicians promise to bring change to our lives. The signs clearly show all around us that they did exactly that during this election cycle. Hundreds of thousands of people registered to vote for this election. Dozens waited in lines for hours to mark their ballots early. And as Rev. Jessie Jackson said this week on 95.7 The Beat's morning gospel show, young black men in America have gone from planning funerals to planning futures. His comments referred to celebrities such as hip-hop mogul Sean "P. Diddy" Combs and Def Jam Records founder Russell Simmons encouraging voter participation.

Former President Bill Clinton said during a Wild 98.7 interview Tuesday morning that this country will live with the results of this year's election for the next 20 years. But beyond the policies that our newly and re-elected officials will create, we are a nation that has been awakened.

The elections four years ago came at the eve of our politically conscious resurrection. The Sept. 11 attacks hadn't happened yet. And most Americans couldn't spell Condoleezza Rice, let alone even knew that she's the U.S. national security advisor. Since Sept. 11, our nation has paid more attention to who runs our country. We know their names, and Tuesday we showed up at the polls in droves to give thumbs up or thumbs down to our elected officials.

Politics and religion remain two subjects you learn to avoid at any social gathering. You still may not sit at a bar and discuss the war in Iraq, but there's a chance that while walking to class you had a conversation about the differences between the

Republicans and the Democrats. From the Mel Martinez and Betty Castor U.S. Senate campaign attack ads to celebrity endorsements, discussing politics has gained popularity.

Don't let the disappointing outcome of a race in this year's election cause you to turn your back on our democracy. Use the lessons you've learned and the contacts you've made to fuel your interest and participation year round.

Don't wait another four years for a major election to get involved. Stay involved.

This year's election marked the beginning of a revolution in the United States. Keep in mind that the uprising should be a peaceful one. No doubt there will be days of contested results ahead of us in some races. The campaign sign stealing that has been a problem around Tampa Bay this year was like a side show to the main event. One would almost have expected to hear an announcer say at the close of the polls Tuesday, "Let's get ready to rumble!" A radio personality on 970 WFLA joked that we'll need some kind of spray to get rid of the attorney stench once this is over and every race has a clear winner.

To other countries, we may seem like a nation divided. I say we are a nation ignited.

We've survived pregnant and hanging chads and butterfly ballots. The person who is in office doesn't change the fact that you still have a voice.

Thank you to all those who worked tirelessly this year to advocate for change. Thank you to all those who voted. And a special thank you to those who woke up Tuesday morning and pledged to finish the work they started by remaining politically aware and socially active.

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Bush should open oil reserves for winter

After the 1973-74 oil embargo, a Strategic Petroleum Reserve was established to protect against future crises. The reserve was placed on the Gulf of Mexico and consisted of a number of gigantic salt caves. The science behind drilling a hole 2,000 feet into the earth filled with water to dissolve the salt, creating a cavern the Eiffel tower could be dumped into with room to spare, was originally perfected by oil companies along the Gulf. The United States government bought a few caves from them and then drilled many more, creating a space that now has a capacity of 727 million barrels.

The circumstances in which petroleum can be withdrawn from the reserves are outlined in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA). For a full draw-down of the reserves, the president must deem there is an energy shortage that would adversely affect either national security or the national economy. However, a limited drawdown of resources may occur if this action would aid in a circumstance in which there is a supply shortage, and thus lessen the effects of the crisis.

President George W. Bush ordered the reserves filled in 2001, and as of this September the reserves were nearing capacity at 669 million barrels. It is on track to be filled by July 2005.

OPEC asked the United States on Oct. 27 to dip further into its reserves. OPEC President Purnomo Yusgiantoro was quoted as saying, "We have asked them [the United States] to use their oil reserves to help cool down the prices."

With gas well above \$2 and winter coming, requiring still more oil for heating, one must ask why the Bush administration has only loaned out oil from the reserves in small, insignificant amounts. The government should open the reserves more to help families in need, since heating bills will have doubled since several years ago. If the government won't help the prices of fuel for cars, it should help keep us warm.

If the government is truly confident that everything will be fine, then there should be no hesitation in releasing the reserves to aid citizens. Unless, that is, the government is not confident that it will not need the Strategic Petroleum Reserves later. If the Bush administration wants us to believe everything will return to normal once Mexico and Nigeria get their production on track, and we're not in the early stages of peak oil, it should convey that confidence by aiding its own people.

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ALBUM REVIEWS

Kweli's latest not up to par

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On his last album, Jay-Z rapped, "If skills sold, truth be told, I'd probably be lyrically, Talib Kweli."

If anyone is worthy of such a compliment it would surely be Talib Kweli. Since 1998, when he and Mos Def blew critics away with their classic album, "Black Star," Kweli has consistently wowed critics with a flow that is both skillful and intellectual. Contrary to most of the rap you hear on the radio, which is often about as thought provoking as a Schwarzenegger flick, Kweli raps about societal issues, with an emphasis on the harsh realities of life. But despite his critical acclaim and skillful flow, he has always flattered just underneath mainstream popularity.

In "The Beautiful Struggle," Kweli clearly tries to ride on Jay-Z's shout out and bridge

the gap from underground to mainstream, as it is by far his most commercial album to date. Kweli arms himself with a slew of hit-making weapons, bringing in popular producers The Neptunes, Kanye West and Just Blaze, as well as radio-friendly singers Mary J. Blige, Anthony Hamilton and Faith Evans. He even brings back old partner, DJ Hi-Tek, who helped jumpstart Kweli's career. On paper, "The Beautiful Struggle" has the makings of a pop-juggernaut like Kanye West's "College Dropout." However, as it turns out, while Kweli's rhymes are strong for the most part, his supporting cast lets him down and the result is an awkward album that is not catchy enough for followers of mainstream hip-hop, and may alienate some of his long-time underground fans.

Kweli is often called a political rapper, and he clearly takes offense to this, for on the title track of the album, Kweli raps "They call me the political rapper / Even after I tell 'em I don't lextelive! with politics." Even though

he is political in the sense that he addresses important political issues in his rhymes, there is certainly some truth to his words because he does not tell listeners to condemn a particular political party or take political action. Instead his rhymes are more about the trials and tribulations of life, which he calls a "beautiful struggle" in reference to the album's title.

Under this general theme, Kweli reflects on a number of different topics and the results are generally quite satisfying, and often rather provocative. On "We Got the Beat" he urges people to be wary of ignorance: "It don't matter if you're Muslim, Hebrew, or you a Christian / Information is the newest religion." And on "Around My Way" he criticizes Americans who suddenly became patriotic after 9/11: "The way be saluting flags / Wrapping them around our heads / When [people] ain't become American till 9/11."

Kweli's only real lyrical misstep is "We Know," a love song with mundane lines like, "Hey baby / Look like you need a break tonight / Let me make it right, baby, won't you stay the night."

Despite Kweli's generally strong lyricism, none of the songs really draw you in as much as they should primarily because of a lack of strong beats and occasionally weak choruses. The production showcases a wide range of different styles, but after a few listens, it loses much of its charm. Even The Neptunes' "Broken Glass," Kanye West's "I Try" and DJ Hi-Tek's three tracks, do not match the quality of their past work. This is not to say that the beats are bad, but rather that they simply do not quite reach the high bar set by previous Kweli efforts.

While most of the choruses work, a hand-



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Talib Kweli's latest album does not match the quality of his previous works.

ful of them are weak and forced. In particular, the album's lead single, "I Try" suffers from this, where Mary J. Blige repeats the words "I Try" over and over, which sounds a bit too much like Kweli's last single, "Get By."

Kweli is an impressive MC, but he might be better off going back to his roots in future albums. "The Beautiful Struggle" has its moments, especially lyrically, but overall it lacks the unique sound and feel of his previous albums. Although the so-so production is not entirely Kweli's fault, his decision to use pop producers in the first place is questionable. Simply put, Kweli tries too hard to join the ranks of mainstream rappers, and it clearly shows.

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The Beautiful Struggle

Talib Kweli

Rawkus



The Explosion shreds through 'Black Tape'

By RYAN ROGERS
Scene Music Critic

Just when you have fallen off your skateboard and you cannot seem to find any glass to smash The Explosion comes out with "Black Tape."

Hailing from Boston, The Explosion touts a blue-collar harder-than-thou attitude. "Black Tape" features straightforward punk rock very similar to The Explosion's previous releases. "Street Punk" or 70's style punk are the easiest terms to use when classifying this album. Simple guitar riffs and repeating chanting vocals will remind listeners of a more produced version of old school punk bands. Power chord after power chord, The Explosion keeps the short, fast, loud culture moving.

The lyrical content of "Black Tape" stays true to punk rockers everywhere. There is not one song about girls or love, yet the

album is extremely romantic. The album romanticizes being dedicated to your beliefs and loyalty to your friends the only way distorted guitars and scratchy vocals can. With lines like "We both know that people come and go / But it's alright cuz good friends never die" and "Facing truth is in our blood," "Black Tape" is perfect background music when you are slapping high fives with buddies.

The band's front man, Million Dollar Matt Hock, has a gorgeous voice. He rasps and chants with punchy energy, but beneath the gravelly vocals his voice finds a melody that works remarkably well. His voice perfectly compliments "Black Tape's" lyrical content. Hock sings about being battle-hardened and the modern revolution in an optimistic way. Listening to him sing feels authentic, like he's been there, or at least his vocal chords have.

However, this macho style is both "Black Tape's" strength and weakness. On the one



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"Black Tape" is a fun, high-energy album, but it offers very little in terms of originality.

hand, it is a whole lot of fun, and perfect for singing along or playing air guitar. But on the other hand, it offers very little in terms of originality. There is next to nothing that sets this album apart from other fist-pumping punk outfits.

The first spin of this album is a rush. It opens with "Deliver Us" which begins with some funky feedback that leads into ringing guitar chords until a pick slide cues havoc in the mosh pit. The very first lyrics of the album lets the listener know what they are in for: "Give us this day our daily dead."

From here "Black Tape" has several hard and true punk tracks like "Filthy Insane" and "Go Blank," both of which quickly repeat their respective titles over and over again. These songs will please harder punk fans but

The Explosion also has some more ballad style rock songs. "Heavyweight" gently rocks at a slower pace but still maintains a thrashing nature.

"Black Tape's" first listen is high-energy and diverse enough for the listener to want to put the thirty-seven minute disc right back into the player. But after a few listens the album does not really endure. Some of the tracks are very catchy and memorable, keeping the listener coming back for more, but on the whole the album gets a little boring. Repeat listening is the downfall of this album.

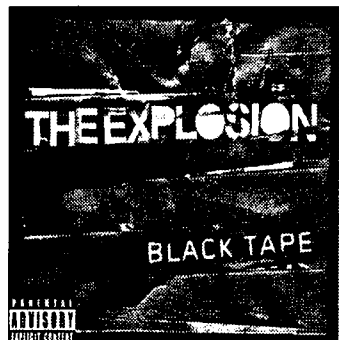
For artistic, intelligent, soft music ignore The Explosion, but if you want furious, gutsy punk rock, pick up "Black Tape."

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ALBUM REVIEWS

More like going out of business

By **BRODERICK HENRY**
Scene Music Critic

There is no love lost between Jay-Z and R. Kelly.

A string of cancelled shows at the onset of a tour in support of their new release, "Unfinished Business," already had fans and music insiders speculating about the relationship between the two hip-hop stars. Such speculation has only been fueled by a recent concert appearance at New York's Madison Square Garden in which Kelly was actually pepper sprayed by a member of Jay-Z's entourage. In response to the aforementioned event, on a New York radio station Jay-Z described Kelly as a jealous egomaniac, and Kelly portrayed Jay-Z as an unsympathetic friend who was willing to permit woeful stage production. Clearly, this exchange has done little to alleviate the tense situation.

These recent events beg the question: why did these two giants of urban

music join together to create a second collaborative album?

The artists' first collaboration, "Best of Both Worlds," can easily be categorized as disappointing. Commercially, the album did not move a million units and fan support for the album was minimal at best. Also, at this point in their careers neither needs a spark if you consider that Jay-Z has retired as a solo artist, and Kelly's latest release from a little over two months ago has been a solid hit.

Whatever the reason, the two should have stayed far away from each other, for "Unfinished Business" is unquestionably the most abysmal effort from either of the stars. Overall, the album is characterized by the reluctance of either performer to explore his artistic abilities as he would usually on his own album. As a result, each relies heavily on the other to pick up the slack, but neither does. Fans of Jay-Z's last release will not find the artist who answered the questions surrounding the lack of a father in his life and the



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R. Kelly was pepper sprayed by one of Jay-Z's entourage at a recent concert in New York, causing a feud between the two and a number of cancelled shows.

impact of life in the ghetto. Those same fans hoping Kelly would bring some of his "Chicago-step" flavor and R&B standards will be surprised to discover there is not a hint of either on this album.

Instead, what listeners will find is that "Unfinished Business" sounds a lot like music they have heard before. In fact a number of the album's tracks are tweaked up versions of songs that were on "Best of Both Worlds."

Regrettably, the producers of the album, Trackmasters, have not had a real hit in close to five years. Their staccato beats, equipped with a fair share of tired guitar and piano melodies sound like something straight out of 1998. Jay-Z's lackluster rhymes focus on his new Maybach, girls and homes, and Kelly's constant sex talking, fail to provide a reprieve from the albums lackluster production. Undoubtedly, at this point in their

careers neither should be rhyming or singing on a track that sounds like something his cousin produced in his basement studio.

Occasionally, Kelly and Jay-Z find a way to remind listeners why they love their music. "Feelin' You in Stereo" serves as a fine example. On the track, Jay-Z states that everything cannot be hardcore and allows Kelly to sing in the rap/singing style for which he has become famous. Jay-Z also adds a verse with an atypical rhyme pattern that is clean and suits the song perfectly. "Mo' Money" also a reused track is the only other standout.

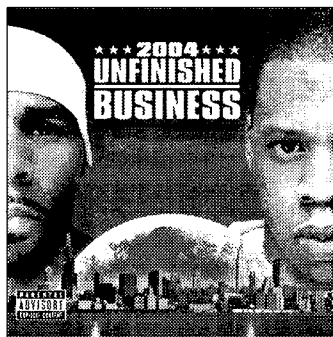
Overall, "Unfinished Business" is aptly titled. It definitely sounds like it is unfinished. Much is left to the imagination, and it is clear this merger is fated to go out of business.

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Unfinished Business

R. Kelly / Jay-Z

Def Jam



Action Action has impressive debut

By **MARTY SCHROEDER**
Scene Music Critic

Action Action's debut album on Victory Records includes some of the best emo songwriting to come out in a long time.

It takes the synth of emo godfathers, The Get Up Kids, a step further, and also just plain rocks out. "Don't Cut your Fabric to This Year's Fashion" is an amazing blend of the "I just broke up with my girlfriend and it reeeeaaly hurt" mentality combined with a maturity that is rarely seen in an emo release. This album also makes some

departures from the traditional emo-fuzz guitars with a dash of heart-break recipe. Synths, loops, and sequencers play along side the guitars and drums.

The opening track, "This Year's Fashion," meanders through a weave of synth pop and crunchy guitars. This song displays some of the emotional tendencies of the band when frontman Mark Thomas Kluepfel croons, "Sweeten my tea you lied, you lied, you lied / you've got your hands around my throat / you've got your eyes inside my back." However, these typical lyrics are countered by the opening lines, "Head trip on the scene again, pumping in the veins of the rabid mouths to

feed. / head back, obsolete / trapped with the secrets that I cannot keep today." These lyrics will not be heard from the slew of punk "boy-bands" out there. Action Action is emotional but they write with a maturity that puts them a cut above the rest.

"Photograph" is the first real upbeat song on the album and mixes a sugar-coated Andrew WK melody, which is actually quite disarming. Dan Leo's drums drive this song forward and Adam Manning's guitar adds the emotional punch to Kluepfel's lyrics: "And I never should have kissed those lips before / I never should've let you out my door."

"Instructions on Building a Model Airplane" is the hardest song on the album, giving more attention to traditional rock and less on the synths, even though they still play a part. This song is the sonic pinnacle of the album as it tears through its 2:28 track time, making it the shortest track on the album.

However, after putting the pedal to the floor with that track, Action Action slows it down on the next song, "A Simple Question." A wandering synth loop guides the first half of this song as Kluepfel laments on a relationship turned sour. About halfway through this song, however, the pace picks up and Kluepfel's keyboards and Manning's guitar walk hand-in-hand

with a sound that ends the song on a happy note even though its lyrics are of a more morose nature.

Perhaps the most visceral song on this album is the closing track, "The Short Weekend Begins with a Longing." Keyboards open this track, as Clarke Foley's thumping bass kicks in. The title gives away the theme of this song: contradiction. The chorus is a pleading "And when I get to dig too deep / when I get too high (I'll never ask of you / I'll ask of) and when I talk too much / don't talk enough (I'll never ask of you / I'll ask of)." These lyrics run from the microphone like a teenager running into his room after his first heartbreak. The emotion is palpable and when Kluepfel yells, "And when I fall apart over the weekend / and the pills begin to stop working," the seriousness of this song is made apparent.

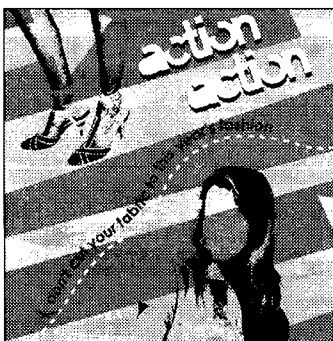
Action Action will make you laugh, and they will make you cry. They take emo and indie rock and meld the two with keyboards and mature song writing. This mixture of rock and synths is the next step in the world of popular rock music and Action Action have proven that they will be one of the harbingers of this trend with "Don't Cut your Fabric to This Year's Fashion."

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Don't Cut your Fabrics to This Year's Fashion

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Missouri basketball penalized for violations

Tigers on probation, avoid postseason ban

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Missouri's basketball team was placed on three years' probation Wednesday for NCAA recruiting violations but avoided a ban on postseason play.

The infractions committee took away one scholarship next year and two in 2006-07 and limited all basketball coaches to recruiting on campus until November 2005.

"We felt the off-campus ban would be a significant statement on the violations and removes the criticism of punishing current student-athletes," committee chairman Thomas Yeager said in a conference call.

The penalty prevents coaches from visiting high schools, making home visits, attending summer camps and even giving speeches at high-school awards banquets. Yeager said the ban had not been imposed since 1990 when Illinois' basketball team was punished.

Missouri chancellor Brady Deaton said the school would not appeal.

Coach Quin Snyder said he hoped the Tigers would still be competitive in recruiting because of the school's new \$75 million arena.

"I still think we're going to be able to be successful in recruiting," he said. "We just need to get people to come to Columbia and see it."

The committee found the Tigers violated NCAA recruiting rules from 1999-2003 and rejected the school's explanation that most of the violations were inadvertent.

"The men's basketball staff had the benefit of extensive rules education and compliance procedures," the committee said. "Nevertheless, the men's basketball staff took risks and pushed the limits with respect to recruiting legislation, particularly while recruiting top prospects."

The case came to light when former point guard Ricky Clemons accused ex-assistant coach Tony Harvey of paying him \$250. Harvey later

resigned.

The committee did not mention Clemons or Harvey by name in its report but acknowledged that an assistant coach violated NCAA rules by buying meals, providing transportation and illegally contacting recruits and their families.

"The charge of being paid \$250 on one occasion, we bandied that about a great deal," committee chairman Thomas Yeager said in a conference call. "But we felt the information didn't rise to the level we could make a finding on it."

University officials already said they were putting the program on probation for two years, but the NCAA decided to extend the punishment through 2007. Coaches also will be prohibited from off-campus recruiting through November 2005.

"We felt the off-campus ban would be a significant statement on the violations and removes the criticism of punishing current student-athletes," Yeager said.

In addition, the Tigers must reduce the number of official



Missouri men's basketball coach Quin Snyder looks on as president Elson Floyd discusses the recent NCAA-imposed penalties.

paid visits from 12 to nine this year and next year although Missouri could delay that penalty by one year.

Additional punishments include a public reprimand and

censure. The committee also accepted the school's self-imposed sanctions that include not renegotiating coach Quin Snyder's contract until July 2006.

NFL

Owens can't understand animosity from fellow players

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Terrell Owens has never had any problems off the field. His antics on the field cause him enough trouble.

Owens' brash-talking, showboating image hasn't made him a popular guy around the NFL. But the perennial Pro Bowl wide receiver,

an MVP contender in his first season with the Philadelphia Eagles, can't understand why he's become such a villain.

He said Wednesday he received several "hate" e-mails through his Web site from players asking how he can embarrass Ray Lewis by imitating Lewis' dance after Owens scored a touchdown in Sunday's 15-

10 victory over Baltimore.

"It's discouraging at times that I get labeled and put in that same mold and that I'm the worst guy that ever put on a uniform," Owens said. "It's funny. I listen to all the comments and it baffles me."

"You have a guy like Ray Lewis, who I thought he was pretty much my friend. This is a guy, double murder case, and he could have been in jail, but it seems like the league embraces a guy like that. But I'm going out scoring touchdowns and having fun, but I'm the bad guy."

Owens has feuded with Lewis, Baltimore's All-Pro linebacker, since he spurned the Ravens and forced a trade to the Eagles in March. After Owens mocked Lewis by imitating his dance, Lewis, several Ravens and other players around the league heavily criticized the innovative Owens for his latest self-expression.

"All I can really narrow it down to is that they don't like me," Owens said. "Like (Pittsburgh linebacker) Joey Porter said, Lewis comes back and the league embraces him. He

makes tackles and he gets up and does his thing. He probably gets credited for tackles and he don't even make them."

"For whatever reason, they just don't like me. I think just the fact that I have a lot of confidence for what I can do on the field, and I still go out there and I do it and I still have fun with it, so I don't know why they have a problem with me."

Lewis was arrested following a double murder outside an after-hours nightclub in Atlanta in January 2000. The murder charges later were dropped in exchange for a guilty plea to a charge of obstruction of justice a misdemeanor.

A two-time NFL Defensive Player of the Year and Super Bowl MVP in 2001, Lewis' image was tarnished by his arrest and he initially was snubbed by advertisers. He since has become an overwhelming commercial success, marketing video games, NFL garb and high-performance apparel.

"I'm obviously not one of those guys who are a face of the NFL that they're going to have on commer-

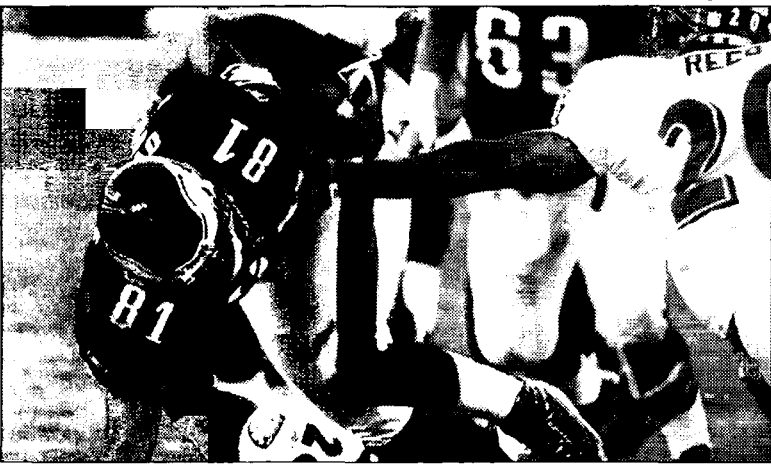
cials," Owens said. "They pick the guys that they feel best suits whatever position they're trying to come across with. So who knows? I just go out there and I still do my thing."

Owens became infamous for his TD celebrations in San Francisco, including pulling a Sharpie from his sock and autographing a football, posing on the Cowboys' star at mid-field in Texas Stadium, and waving a cheerleader's pompoms.

This season, he performed sit-ups in the end zone, threw a football at a derogatory sign and tore down another negative one.

Though he has many critics, Owens also has a few supporters.

"It's fine for this guy to celebrate, but it's not fine for this guy," Porter told the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review. "Why isn't it funny when Terrell does the pompoms? The media has total control over that. Because you guys like Ray Lewis so much, you love it when he dances. But Terrell dances or does something, just because you guys don't like him, you say, 'Ah, I don't think he should do that.'"



Eagles wide receiver Terrell Owens is tackled during Sunday's game against the Baltimore Ravens.

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what's happening

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Basilica of the Sacred Heart

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9:00pm
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considerations...

What are YOU doing here?

by Courtney Schuster
Intern, Campus Ministry

We all know when it hits. You're running to La Fun because the COMO cluster is closed for a class. They have classes in there? It's a cluster not a classroom. Quick, no time to worry about that. You've got a co-rec game tonight and hall council is at 10. Shoot! There is no paper in the printer. Class starts in...it started 5 minutes ago. Great, your cell phone is ringing, now your roommate wants to borrow your car. You just want to get that paper off your hands. Your group needs to meet tonight to go over tomorrow's presentation. Ugh! You shouldn't have gone to bed last night...

You're ready to throw in the towel when the BIG question hits--WHAT are you doing here anyway?

Have you asked yourself that lately? You know, between that job interview and your Meijer run?

I don't mean, "What are you physically doing here at ND?" I mean the BIG, "What are you DOING here, as in with your life?" Whether you're a freshman and you're just getting started or you've only got a semester and a half to go...between all the running around have you thought about what you're really here to do?

Have you taken time to slow down? Taken time to reflect? When's the last time you really cleared your mind? Went for a walk? Intentionally found silence?

I graduated last May. I was your typical Hall President, super-fan run around in circles, I have three meetings at the same time, but I do-this-because-it's-fun kind of girl. Until somewhere along the way, between an interview with General Mills and the ACE information session, it hit me. I spent four years making great friends and doing a lot, but I was not really sure where I was going or why.

And then after 21 years, I decided to learn how to listen. It wasn't easy. First I had to see the clutter in my life, put it to the side and be silent. Who am I? What am I going to do? I made time. What is important to me? How am I to love? Finally, I could listen. What is God telling me to do?

Suddenly, running around the lakes wasn't just exercise; it was reflection time. Eating alone wasn't just a quick embarrassing trip to the DH; it was my time to be quiet. No plans on Friday night became my time to read.

People find peace in many ways, through the liturgy, journaling, meditation, artwork or a walk around the lakes. How do you find time to listen? We are all called to do God's work, but first we need to listen to what God is telling us to do.

In addition to everything else, allow your time Notre Dame to be time for contemplation and growth. Take an hour for daily Mass. Spend some time in your dorm chapel journaling. Take a walk to the Grotto after class. Just be.

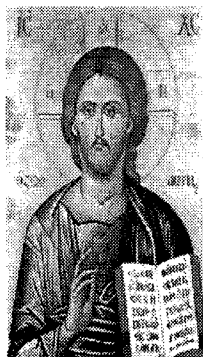
So, keep running around. Make sure you soak in every last speaker, late night pizza party, sporting event, and service project Notre Dame has to offer. BUT, take time to ask yourself the big questions...and more importantly, LISTEN to what God has to say.



have you wondered...

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A: Images of Jesus, Mary, and the saints have been used by Christians for devotional & decorative purposes since the very beginning of Christianity. Their purpose in our midst serves to remind us of those who are the focus of our Christian worship (the Holy Trinity) or those we love, honor, and respect for having lived the model Christian life (ie, Mary & the saints). In our everyday lives, this resembles our use of family photos to remind us of those we love. Just as we would never value the photos more than the people themselves, the images in our churches are never the object of our worship. Rather, the use of statues & icons should only seek to draw us closer to our loving God.



mass schedule

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Saturday, November 6

5:00pm Vigil Mass
Rev. Kenneth M. Molinaro, csc

Sunday, November 7

10:00 am Sunday Mass
Rev. Kenneth M. Molinaro, csc

11:45 am Sunday Mass
Rev. Robert A. Dowd, csc

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1:30 pm
Spanish Mass
St. Edward's
Hall Chapel

5:00 pm
Law School Mass
Law School Chapel

7:00 pm
MBA Mass
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Faculty Lounge

Sunday's Scripture Readings

1st: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 2nd: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

NCAA FOOTBALL

Croom downplays revenge against Alabama

Coach says he is not bitter towards Shula

Associated Press

STARKVILLE — Sylvester Croom was ready to rescue Alabama.

His beloved alma mater was scrambling after an abrupt, embarrassing coaching change last year, and Croom wanted the job. But the Crimson Tide spurned him for one of his protégés Mike Shula and broke his heart.

Now at Mississippi State, Croom is checking his emotions before a return to his hometown of Tuscaloosa on Saturday night, and defusing talk about turning the game into a referendum on which coach Alabama should have chosen.

"That's beside the point. Mike's their head coach, and I'm here," Croom said. "From my standpoint, that's not changing not any time soon."

Shula also is trying to keep the focus on the field, not the sideline even though after last year's losing season in Tuscaloosa, some Alabama fans say the Tide picked the wrong guy.

"It's not coach Croom vs. Mike Shula," he said. "It's about our players. It's about our universities, our programs."

Croom has never hidden his disappointment about not getting the Alabama job. He had more expe-

rience than Shula and he coached and played under Bear Bryant.

But as gameday neared, Croom refused to say whether he has any sour feelings about Alabama's choice.

"It's in the past," said Croom, who was an NFL assistant for 16 years. "That's history."

"The great thing about being in the NFL is, I am learning how to stay on an even keel. I'm going to do that same thing this week."

But one thing is clear: The first black head football coach in Southeastern Conference history could have been walking the

home sideline at Bryant-Denny Stadium.

Croom's name is synonymous with accomplishment at Alabama the team issues an award bearing his name every spring and he

was one of the Crimson Tide's first black players.

His tireless work ethic was revered there, and it made him a standout offensive lineman on Alabama's national championship team in 1973. Croom coached under Bryant and Ray Perkins before moving to the pros.

And he seemed a natural fit last year when Alabama fired Mike Price for his activities at a strip club.

The search turned up two prominent names Croom and Shula.

Both were assistants with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the late 1990s, and Shula was a quarterback at Alabama during Croom's last season there in 1986.

Alabama went with Shula amid complaints from some that the Crimson Tide hired the wrong man. Some, like Rev. Jesse Jackson, said race may have played a part in Alabama's decision. Debuting with a 4-9 record didn't help Shula quiet the critics.

Mississippi State gleefully scooped up Croom months later and made headlines for the move.

He led the Bulldogs (3-5, 2-3) past then-No. 20 Florida in one of the season's biggest upsets two weeks ago,

then followed up that victory by beating Kentucky.

"Alabama hired who they wanted to hire," said Bulldogs punt returner Jonathan Lowe, whose father and uncle played for the Tide. "I guess they felt like Shula was better than Croom. Mississippi State got Croom, and we're going to show them that we've got to do what we've got to do."

The Bulldogs still have plenty of

room for improvement. Winning at Tuscaloosa would be about as surprising as beating Florida.

Croom said he doesn't have time to think about revenge. He's more concerned with breaking Mississippi State's 15-game road losing streak. Everything else is a

sideshow.

"Winning a road game is all that matters this week," Croom said. "The fact that it's at Alabama makes it more special because it is Alabama, and it is one of the top programs in all of football."



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NBA

Shaq burns New Jersey in debut with Heat

Francis, Hill provide spark in Magic win

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD — Shaquille O'Neal caught the ball deep in the low post, used his oversized posterior to bump Alonzo Mourning out of the way, then dropped in a layup with no one else around.

Miami's new center had his way against a familiar face from the Heat's recent past, shooting 7-for-9 from the field and scoring 16 points in a 100-77 victory Wednesday night over the New Jersey Nets.

It was anything but a dominant debut in black for O'Neal, who was acquired over the summer from the Los Angeles Lakers for three starters and a first-round draft pick.

But he certainly had his moments despite playing on a sore left hamstring, the best of them coming in the first four minutes of the fourth quarter against the player drafted one spot behind him in 1992.

The next time downcourt after shaking Mourning with his butt bump, O'Neal freed himself with a shove to the back that the referees didn't see before knocking down a short jump hook.

Moments later, O'Neal got the ball in the low left block and hit a 10-foot baseline turnaround over Mourning for an 83-60 lead.

Both players left for good moments later, O'Neal's night a success because of the victory; Mourning's an accomplishment simply because the former Miami center was able to play less than a year after undergoing a kidney transplant.

Mourning finished with seven points, five rebounds and four fouls in 14 minutes for a gutted Nets team that's a shadow of the squad that reached the NBA Finals two of the past three years.

Former starters Kenyon Martin and Kerry Kittles were traded for draft picks over the summer, and Jason Kidd is beginning the season on the injured list after undergoing knee surgery.

Richard Jefferson had 19 points to lead New Jersey, but he was the Nets' only starter to reach double figures.

Miami, which also changed a

majority of its starting lineup, had six players in double figures.

Dwyane Wade scored 21 with six assists and five rebounds, Udonis Haslem had 18, Rasual Butler 16, Damon Jones 15 and Eddie Jones 10.

O'Neal only touched the ball once on Miami's first three possessions, all of which ended with scores for a 7-0 lead. The Heat got their edge up to 16 early in the second quarter before New Jersey forcing O'Neal as far from the basket as possible on defense and shooting 12-for-19 on offense pulled to 46-41 at half-time.

O'Neal had only six points and three rebounds in the first half, missing his first shot, making his next three and missing his last.

Magic 93, Bucks 92

Steve Francis hit the game-winning basket with two-tenths of a second remaining and finished with 26 points in his Orlando debut to lead the new-look Magic to a victory Wednesday night over the Milwaukee Bucks.

Grant Hill, in his first regular-season action since Jan. 16, 2003, scored 20 points. Top draft pick Dwight Howard had 12 points, 10 rebounds and four blocks.

The Bucks took a 92-91 lead on Michael Redd's banked-in jumper with 3.5 seconds to play in their opener. Redd finished with 19 points.

On the final possession, Hill inbounded from the left to Francis at the top the arc. Francis beat Mo Williams on the turn to the basket and got the shot off despite being fouled.

The buzzer sounded as the shot fell, and the Magic celebrated before racing off the court when they saw the officials consulting. After a brief review, the officials let the shot stand but reset the clock and brought the Magic back out for Francis' free throw.

Francis intentionally missed the foul shot, and time expired.

Francis, one of the Magic's many offseason acquisitions, also had nine rebounds and seven assists.

The Magic, trying to shake off a disastrous 61-loss season, underwent a massive overhaul during the summer, highlighted by the blockbuster seven-player trade that sent Tracy McGrady to Houston. Orlando now has just four players remaining from April's roster.

Orlando took a 15-point lead midway through the third quarter behind Hill and Howard. Hill began the period with three jumpers in four minutes, and Howard's soaring windmill dunk put the Magic ahead 68-53. Francis dunked a possession later.

Hill made 10 of 21 shots and Howard went 6-for-11. But he missed all six of his foul shots.

Pacers 109, Cavaliers 104

They're limping. They're aching. They're bandaged. And somehow, the Indiana Pacers are 1-0.

Ron Artest scored 31 points and Jamal Tinsley added 15 points and 14 assists as the banged-up Pacers opened the season with a double-overtime win against the Cleveland Cavaliers on Wednesday night.

Artest didn't decide to play on sore right knee until shortly before tipoff, and then gave the Pacers everything he had, adding nine rebounds in 50 minutes.

The Pacers needed every second since they were without starters Jermaine O'Neal, Reggie Miller and Jeff Foster as well as guard Anthony Johnson.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas had 35 points and 18 rebounds for the Cavaliers, who were unable to take advantage of Indiana's injuries.

LeBron James added 28 points, eight assists and five rebounds for Cleveland.

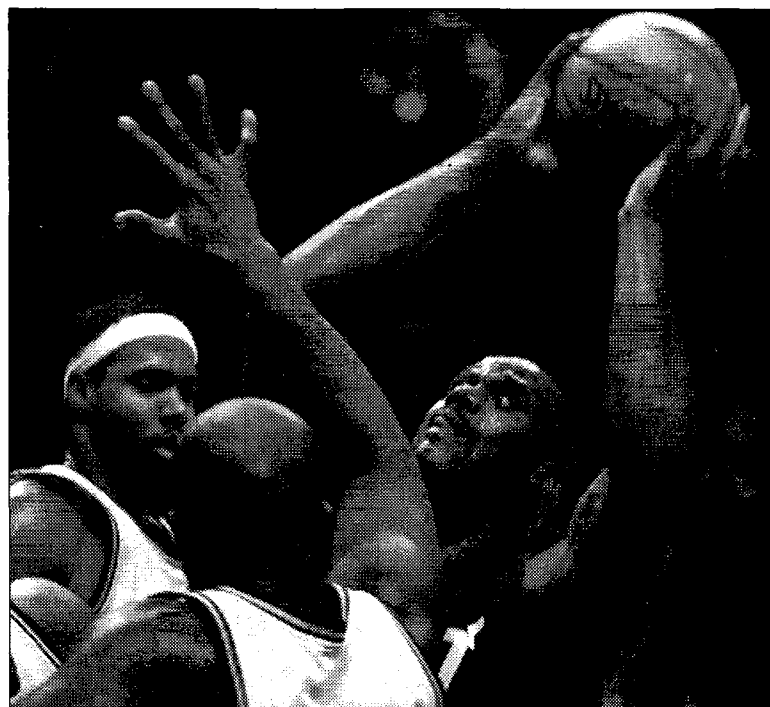
Austin Croshere added 20 points for Indiana and sank a crucial 3-pointer with 54.6 seconds left in the second overtime to put the Pacers ahead 105-102.

The Cavaliers made two turnovers before pulling within a points on Robert Traylor's two free throws with 13.9 seconds remaining. Fred Jones then hit two free throws to put Indiana up 107-104 with 12.1 seconds to go.

James, who forced overtime with a 3-pointer late in regulation, was short on another 3 and Tinsley put it away by making two free throws with 4.8 seconds remaining.

Scot Pollard added 10 points and 10 rebounds and Jonathan Bender, another of the ailing Pacers, added 11 points.

Cleveland got only four points and six rebounds from Drew Gooden, whom they are hoping can fill the void left by Carlos Boozer's departure as a free



Shaquille O'Neal shoots over two New Jersey defenders. O'Neal scored 16 points in his first game as a member of the Miami Heat.

agent.

James sent the game to overtime by draining a 3-pointer with 1.7 seconds remaining to tie it 85-all. Coming off a screen, James made a small jab step to his left, came right and nailed his 3 over Artest, who tried his best but couldn't rattle Cleveland's forward.

Artest had a chance to win it, but missed a 3-pointer at the final horn.

James could have put Cleveland up late in OT, but missed the first of two free throws with 2.9 seconds to play. Again, Artest had the ball with the game on the line but missed an eight-footer from the left side.

76ers 98, Celtics 95

Allen Iverson scored 30 points, five of them during an 11-0 fourth-quarter run when the Philadelphia 76ers took the lead and held off the Boston Celtics on Wednesday night.

Former Celtics coach Jim O'Brien returned to Boston with the Sixers, and the World Series trophy made its first appearance at the FleetCenter or the Boston Garden, for that matter.

But the Celtics, in Doc Rivers' debut, were unable to re-create

the success of the Boston Red Sox or even the Boston team O'Brien coached to the conference finals in 2002.

Paul Pierce had 35 points and 13 rebounds, but missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer that could have tied it. Gary Payton, making his Boston debut, had six points and eight assists and missed a pair of 3-pointers in the final minute with the Celtics trailing by 3.

Boston made one basket over the final 7:45 of the game. Having come back from a 14-point, second-quarter deficit, Boston led 93-87 with 5:08 left when Kyle Korver made a 3-pointer and Iverson made a scoop shot coming across the lane.

Willie Green made a 3-pointer to give the Sixers a 95-93 lead with 3:34 left. Mark Blount missed two free throws, then Iverson made a 3-pointer to make it a five-point game.

Ricky Davis hit a jumper to pull Boston within 3. But neither Payton nor Pierce could convert their final attempts.

Kenny Thomas had 12 points and 10 rebounds for Philadelphia.

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2 Oklahoma (8)	2 Oklahoma (8)
3 Auburn (1)	3 Auburn (1)
4 California	4 Wisconsin
5 Wisconsin	5 Georgia
6 Texas	6 California
7 Utah	7 Texas
8 Georgia	8 Utah
9 Tennessee	9 Michigan
10 Michigan	10 Miami
11 Miami	11 Tennessee
12 Virginia	12 West Virginia
13 Florida State	13 Virginia
14 Louisville	14 Florida State
15 West Virginia	15 Boise State
16 Boise State	16 Louisville
17 LSU	17 LSU
18 Virginia Tech	18 Virginia Tech
19 Oklahoma State	19 Oklahoma State
20 Iowa	20 Iowa
21 Southern Miss	21 Southern Miss
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Preseason Men's College Basketball Top 25

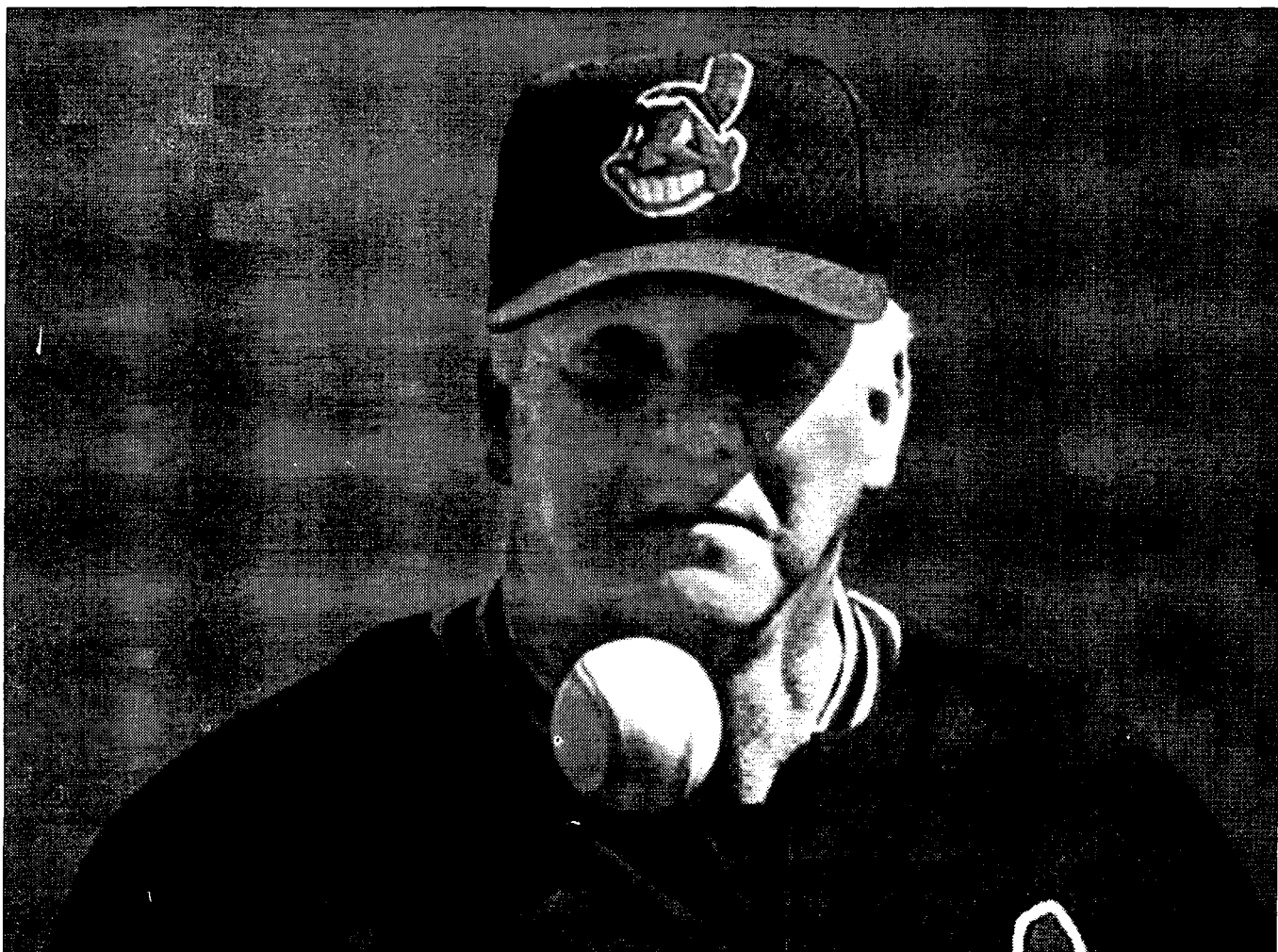
Coaches Poll

team	points
1 Kansas (8)	741
2 Wake Forest (12)	724
3 North Carolina (6)	697
4 Georgia Tech (1)	604
5 Illinois (1)	598
6 Syracuse	557
7 Connecticut	541
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15 Texas	334
16 Maryland	316
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20 Wisconsin	216
21 NOTRE DAME	214
22 Florida	160
23 Memphis	131
24 Washington	108
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Men's College Soccer Big East Conference

team	Big East	Overall
NOTRE DAME	8-1-1	13-2-2
St. John's	6-1-3	10-4-4
Boston College	6-3-1	11-3-2
Villanova	5-3-2	7-5-4
Georgetown	5-4-1	11-7-1
Connecticut	5-4-1	9-7-2
West Virginia	5-4-1	11-6-1
Seton Hall	5-5-0	11-6-1
Pittsburgh	3-6-1	5-8-3
Syracuse	3-7-0	5-12-0
Rutgers	2-5-3	6-8-4
Providence	0-10-0	0-16-0

MLB



Former Cleveland Indians manager Charlie Manuel flips a ball while walking across the field in a Feb. 27, 2001 intrasquad game. Manuel will replace Larry Bowa as the Philadelphia Phillies next manager.

Phillies to hire Manuel as new manager

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Charlie Manuel will be the next manager of the Philadelphia Phillies, replacing the fired Larry Bowa, baseball officials told The Associated Press on Wednesday night.

Manuel will be introduced at a news conference Thursday or Friday, one official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. Two other sources also said Manuel was the team's choice.

Manuel's hiring was first reported by The Philadelphia Inquirer.

The 60-year-old Manuel

managed the Cleveland Indians from 2000-02. He takes over a talented but underachieving club that hasn't reached the playoffs since 1993.

Phillies general manager Ed Wade didn't immediately return a phone message Wednesday night.

Manuel spent the last two seasons working as a special assistant to Wade. He was the second of eight candidates interviewed by the Phillies after Bowa was fired with two games remaining in a disappointing season in which the Phillies finished 10 games behind first-

place Atlanta in the NL East.

Manuel, Jim Leyland and Jim Fregosi were the three finalists for the job, according to one of the sources. Fregosi managed the Phillies to the NL pennant 11 years ago. Leyland led Florida to its first World Series championship and guided Pittsburgh to three division titles in the '90s.

Manuel had a 220-190 record with the Indians and led them to the AL Central championship in 2001, but was fired after a 39-47 start in 2002.

Known as a player's manager, Manuel is close

with Phillies first baseman Jim Thome, who thrived in Cleveland when Manuel was the Indians' hitting coach.

Manuel's affable personality and folksy nature make him the anti-Bowa. Though he was popular among fans in Philadelphia, Bowa wasn't well-liked by some of his players because of his fiery demeanor.

Manuel also beat out former major league managers Grady Little, Don Baylor, Buddy Bell, and Braves hitting coach Terry Pendleton and Pirates third-base coach John Russell.

IN BRIEF

Brown has hip surgery, out seven to 10 days

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Pistons coach Larry Brown had surgery on his left hip Wednesday and is expected to be away from the team for seven to 10 days.

Assistant coach Gar Heard will run the NBA champions during Brown's absence. Heard coached the Dallas Mavericks in 1993 and the Washington Wizards in 2000. The 64-year-old Brown could return in time for Detroit's home against Minnesota on Nov. 17.

"I talked to the doctors in the operating room, and they told me that seven to 10 days is a conservative estimate," Pistons president Joe Dumars said. "It all depends on how Larry is feeling, but that's what we are looking at."

Brown had his hip replaced 15 years ago, and this latest operation was the result of wear on the artificial joint. It had recently caused him severe pain, the team said.

Brown is expected to spend two to three days in the hospital. Dumars wasn't sure what kind of rehabilitation his coach faces.

Seau to miss rest of season with torn pectoral muscle

DAVIE, Fla. — Junior Seau avoided a major injury for 15 NFL seasons — until now.

A torn pectoral muscle has ended Seau's season, and perhaps his career. The Miami Dolphins linebacker will undergo an operation Thursday in his hometown of San Diego, and he'll decide later whether to return in 2005.

"Of course, I will play again," Seau said with a grin Wednesday. "I'll say that now. But that could change tomorrow. ... Assessing my situation after surgery is definitely going to be something that I need to do."

Seau, 35, has missed only nine games during his career. In an emotional farewell speech to his teammates, the former Pro Bowl linebacker said he regretted leaving

when the Dolphins (1-7) have the NFL's worst record.

"That's the toughest thing," he said. "I wanted to fight through it with the men in that locker room. ... I shared with them how hard it is going to be, and how to persevere during these times. The only way through this is by loving the game."

Predators center Zholtok dies in Latvia

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Former Nashville Predators center Sergei Zholtok died Wednesday in his native Latvia of an apparent heart ailment. He was 31.

The Predators' Web site said Zholtok died in Latvia on Wednesday. Zholtok was playing for Riga 2000 this year during the NHL lockout.

"We are all saddened and shocked to hear of Sergei's sudden passing," Predators general manager David Poile said in a statement. "He was a hardworking player who was well-liked by his teammates and coaches. We extend our deepest sympathies."

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NHL

All-Star weekend cancelled due to lockout

Players, owners face loss of entire season

Associated Press

NEW YORK — In another sign the NHL season is slipping away, the league canceled its All-Star game Wednesday because of the lockout.

No regular-season games have been played since the season was scheduled to begin Oct. 13, and NHL arenas have been given

the go-ahead to release dates on a 45-day rolling basis. With the All-Star game now off the schedule, the next announcement could be the cancellation of the entire season.

"To call off something that's a lot of fun for the fans to enjoy is a shame," nine-time All-Star Jeremy Roenick of the Philadelphia Flyers told The Associated Press. "It has no bearing on anything. They still haven't canceled games in January. Why haven't they can-

celed games in January but they're canceling the All-Star game?"

Bill Daly, the league's chief legal officer, said this decision "is not tactical at all," saying it was more of a practical decision to free up blocks of hotel rooms and other facilities that would've been needed.

"We had to make a decision on whether making those advance commitments made sense," Daly said in Dallas prior to an open forum with fans. "Given where

we are with the status of our negotiations, it didn't warrant making those commitments. ... It's not tactical at all."

The lockout, now in its 49th day, was imposed by commissioner Gary Bettman after the collective bargaining agreement expired on Sept. 15. Bettman declined comment on the cancellation of the game, which was scheduled to be held in Atlanta in February.

The NHL and the players association haven't met since Sept. 9 and have no plans to return to the bargaining table.

Atlanta Thrashers general manager Don Waddell said the league began discussing the cancellation last week and finalized the decision Wednesday.

"Even if you're going to start playing in January, to try to take five days off to play the All-Star game, it's just not going to work," he said.

The lockout during the 1994-95 season also forced the All-Star game to be canceled.

"I don't know if it's so much a ploy as to get anybody all riled up or nervous that they're canceling stuff like that," Roenick said. "I don't think it changed the mind-frame of what the PA is getting behind."

The previous lockout ended when an agreement was reached in January 1995. Each team then played a 48-game schedule.

A new deal would have to be reached by the same time in this season for any part of the campaign to be salvaged.

"The season is likely to slip away," Bettman said in an interview this week with TSN in Canada. "Whether or not we miss half a season or three-quarters of a season, or don't have a season at all that is not the issue from our standpoint. We need a deal that is the right deal to address the problems and let us go forward."

"Then if there is time for the semblance of a season, we'll

have one. If not, we'll see you next season or whenever."

Over 70 players got together in Toronto on Tuesday to get an update from union leadership. The meeting came after a handful of the more than 700 members said they would be willing to play under a salary-cap system or would return to the ice next season if the NHL decided to use replacement players if a deal wasn't reached.

The NHLPA made the last proposal in September, a plan centered around a luxury tax instead of a salary cap. The NHL rejected it because the league

says that won't achieve "cost certainty."

The players association says that term is tantamount to a salary cap, which it won't accept.

NHLPA executive director Bob Goodenow said there was no "crack or divisiveness" in the

union and he's waiting for a new offer from the league.

"I'm hopeful that there will be a season, but I have to tell you, there's a good chance there won't be," Goodenow said.

Atlanta would've held its third All-Star game in five years, after hosting the Major League Baseball and NBA events. The weekend scheduled for Feb. 12-13 would've been the first time the Thrashers, who began play in 1999, served as the host.

"This is another unfortunate casualty of the owners' decision to lock out the players and shut down the game," said Ted Saskin, the NHLPA senior director. "Players would obviously have enjoyed participating in an All-Star Game that could have helped build interest for hockey in Atlanta."

In the NHL's statement, the league said the earliest Atlanta can hold All-Star weekend is 2008 since the 2006 game has already been awarded to the Phoenix Coyotes and plans for the 2007 game are near completion.

"We apologize to the fans, to the city of Atlanta, to the Thrashers and to all those who already have devoted so much effort to planning this important hockey celebration," said Frank Supovitz the group vice president of NHL events and entertainment.

Waddell said league officials made it clear that Atlanta would be one of the first cities in line for the next available All-Star game.

"We're more disappointed about where we are with the season, but with the All-Star game we would have had an opportunity to showcase our city and our great venue," Waddell said.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL SEMIFINALS



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Pangborn celebrates a win over Lewis during the regular season. The Phoxes will play against Cavanaugh in the semifinals.

Phoxes look to option against No. 1 Chaos

Cavanaugh counters with passing attack

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

Only one year removed from scoring its first touchdown in five years, Pangborn is just one win away from the championship game.

But captain Katie Murray's eyes are set on a prize much larger than a semifinal win against the Cavanaugh Chaos.

"We don't want to stop it here," Murray said. "We've come a long way, and we want to win the championship, not just make it there."

To do so, however, they will have to beat an undefeated Cavanaugh team tonight.

After completing the regular season 5-0-1, Cavanaugh defeated eighth-seeded Badin 26-6 in the first round Sunday, extending both the team's unbeaten streak and championship run.

Chaos co-captain Sara Gilloon was pleased with the result.

"Our defense really helped us out with two interceptions, and our offense was on target," she said. "We're really hoping to continue that."

Cavanaugh's defensive play will be pivotal, as Pangborn runs an option-style offense different from the rest of the league.

However, with Cavanaugh safety Lauren Manning snagging two interceptions Sunday, the Chaos defense comes into the

contest playing well.

Pangborn will continue to use its three-back offense, and it has enjoyed substantial success with the ground game this year. Its fakes and multiple choices help string out the defense and create holes for the backs.

Pangborn's defense enters the game with confidence after shutting out Lyons and star quarterback Traci Kazmerski. However, Pangborn will have to match – if not improve upon – its performance tonight if the team has hopes of quelling the high-powered Cavanaugh offense.

"We've come a long way, and we want to win the championship, not just make it there."

Katie Murray
Pangborn captain

In this regard, a definite advantage in the game for the Phoxes could come from Mother Nature.

With rain in the forecast for much of the day and gusty winds, conditions may be ripe for running and nearly impossible for passing.

For Pangborn, its reliance on the ground game should be less vulnerable to the inclement weather.

Murray is not worried about Pangborn's effectiveness, despite the possible sloppy conditions.

"We're going to stay with what's been succeeding all season," she said. "We don't think the weather should be a big factor for us."

However, Cavanaugh's Gilloon said that the majority of the Chaos' big plays come through the air, and slippery conditions could prevent receivers from making some adjustments to balls mid-flight.

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Walsh, Welsh renew rivalry

By TOM DORWART
Sports Writer

After a dramatic, come-from-behind victory in the quarterfinals, the No. 2 Welsh Family Whirlwinds ride their momentum into a semifinal showdown with the No. 3 Walsh Wild Women.

"We're ready to play," Welsh wide receiver Kelly Bushelle said.

Tonight at 8 p.m. at McGlinn fields, Welsh and Walsh collide for a spot in the championship. With their seasons and goals on the line, the two teams head into the contest fired up.

"It's going to be a tough game. We both have good teams," Welsh offensive lineman Whitney Endsley said. "It's a huge game, and no one wants their season to end."

The Whirlwinds came from 13 down against Breen-Phillips for the 22-19 win. This time around, they know they must

play a complete game.

"We didn't play up to our potential," Welsh center Katie Reynolds said. "We turned it around after halftime and picked up the intensity."

The Wild Women pulled out a nail-biter of their own in their 12-7 semifinal win against P.W. Walsh captain Carrie Campbell expects an even tighter game tonight.

"We saw them [Welsh] play B.P. the other day," she said. "They're a really good team. Welsh Fam has been kind of a rivalry; it's a longtime rivalry."

The rivalry stems from Walsh's 2001 semifinal loss to Welsh during Campbell's freshman season.

"They beat us a couple of years back when I was a freshman. We're out for some revenge," Campbell said.

Welsh and Walsh each use their own unique methods for pumping up their teams before the big game.

"We've been watching inspi-

ration movies," Campbell said. "We watched 'Remember the Titans.'"

The Whirlwinds know they'll be facing an inspired Welsh defense. Walsh lost cornerback Katie Hesmond during the final regular season game due to a sprained ankle.

"We're facing one of the toughest defenses in the league," Welsh quarterback Melissa Sands said.

They might not have watched "Remember the Titans," but the Whirlwinds certainly have motivation.

"This is the game that we lost last year [the semifinal game], so obviously we're motivated," Sands said.

"It's been a great season; everyone's really excited," Campbell said. "This is a game we've been looking forward to a lot. What better place to play a rival than in the semifinal?"

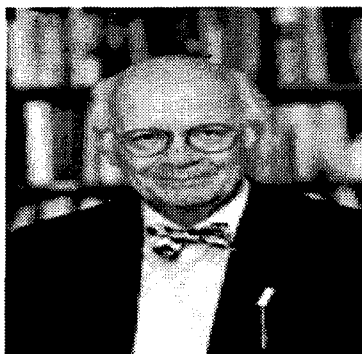
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FOOTBALL

Irish offer problems for tired Volunteers

By PAT LEONARD
Associate Sports Editor

Tennessee opened its season against UNLV and had an early bye week. But the Volunteers' game against Notre Dame Saturday will be their eighth straight, and the coaches are letting people know it.

"I would have liked to have [the schedule format] changed," Tennessee coach Phillip Fulmer said. "But, I think it came out of the Memphis game where they had to change that game with them canceling and finding a time

when Louisiana Tech could play."

Notre Dame is coming off a much-needed bye week. The Irish are 23-2 all-time coming out of bye weeks.

"The other thing is that ... we are about to go to 12 games sooner or later," Fulmer said. "They need to look at that, because if they do go to 12 games then they need to start the season earlier so that everybody can still have two open dates."

The leading headline of a Nov. 2 article on UTSports.com, Tennessee's athletic Web site, read "Vols face rested Irish

opponent Saturday."

Respect Brady

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn received ample compliments from Fulmer during the week as Tennessee prepared to face a Notre Dame passing attack improved from last season.

"Coach [Willingham] was talking about his quarterback Brady Quinn, who is one of those guys that is going to be a star in the future," Fulmer said. "He is big, athletic and has a great arm, and he sees the field well. He is one of the better quarterbacks we will have played against this year."

Quinn has completed 132 out of 246 passes for 1,890 yards, ten touchdowns and seven interceptions.

The only other Notre Dame players to attempt a pass this season are backup quarterback Pat Dillingham (3-for-3, 28 yards) and running back Marcus Wilson (0-for-1).

The Irish are No. 34 in the country in passing offense, averaging 241 yards per game. **Vols' defense suspect?**

No, at least Bill Diedrick says so.

Even though South Carolina went for 567 yards (226 rushing, 341 passing) in a loss to

Tennessee last week, Diedrick said the numbers do not fool him.

"I think a lot of it was in the latter portions of the game," Diedrick said. "[Tennessee] was kind of in a semi-prevent, and [South Carolina] got a lot of what you would term as maybe wasted yardage."

The Notre Dame offensive coordinator knows Tennessee holds opponents to just 21.1 points per game and is No. 26 in rushing defense, giving up just 109.7 yards per game.

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Chris Thomas drives to the hoop in a game last season against Pittsburgh. The Irish open their preseason tonight.

Observer File Photo

Preseason

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beating up on each other ever since we stepped on campus," Irish co-captain Jordan Cornette said. "It's going to be great take some of it and kind of unleash it on another team and I think it'll be a lot of fun for us."

As for tonight's game, Brey has some things he'd like to work on, specifically starting to find the right combinations of players where different line-ups will work in different situations.

Having an extremely deep bench will allow Brey to try some different things in preparation for the non-conference and Big East schedules.

"I would hope you want to see different groups play

together, see when we substitute and use depth, keep our momentum up and not lose any intensity," Brey said. "I'd like to see us be better defensively, but it may not be a realistic evaluation of us defensively because they are not real big, and our big guys may have to chase smaller guys for awhile."

The disappointing end to a disappointing 2003-04 season was a quarterfinal loss in the National Invitational Tournament to Oregon on the Joyce Center floor. That memory has stuck in the minds of the veterans returning to this year's team, and it's something they want to correct starting

tonight.

I think the guys that experienced that last year left a taste in their mouth," Cornette said. "We're going to unleash that on St. Joe's and carry it out through the season."

"It starts [today] against St. Joe's in the exhibition, and nobody is taking them lightly."

Note

♦ Brey said forward Rick Cornett will be held out of tonight's game due to a lower back strain and it's only a precautionary measure.

♦ The Irish will dress nine scholarship players.

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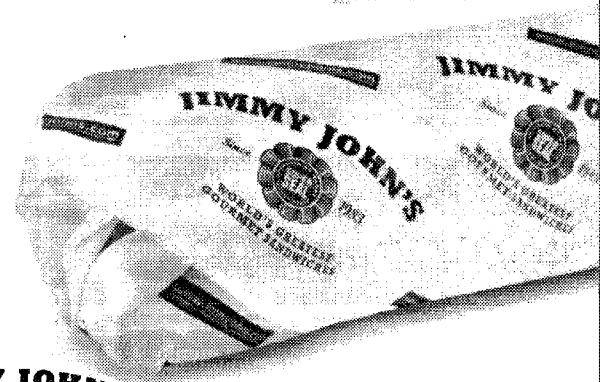
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Boston College with a game total of 104 yards rushing. Freshman back Darius Walker has dropped to 3.65 yards per carry after a hot start against Michigan.

And Tennessee brings a No. 26-ranked run defense that gives up just 109.7 yards per game.

"Overall defensively, they have excellent team speed," Diedrick said. "And that front is probably as good as a group that we've faced. That would probably include the size of Michigan State and the quickness of some of the other units."

Notre Dame also lacks consistency on the defensive side of the ball. But that consistency could also be described as a lopsided or unbalanced threat.

While opposing offenses gain 232.3 yards passing per game against Notre Dame (No. 52 in the nation), the Irish run defense ranks No. 21 nationally in stopping the run, holding teams to 105.3 yards per game.

Willingham thought a reporter pinpointed the word to describe the overall defensive effort.

"Struggle" is probably a correct word to some degree, because we have been inconsistent," Willingham said.

Despite Notre Dame's woes, Tennessee head coach Phillip Fulmer says he fears this Irish team no less as he welcomes them into Neyland Stadium Saturday.

"We have great respect for Notre Dame and the job they have done," Fulmer said. "You don't beat Michigan unless you [are] a pretty darn good football team."

Notre Dame may have given its best effort of the season against Michigan Sept. 11, beating a team now considered one of the top teams in the Big Ten behind undefeated Wisconsin.

But even in that game, the Irish fell behind 9-0 at halftime. The defense played well throughout the game, holding wide receiver Braylon Edwards without a touchdown. But the offense needed the defense to hold for three first half field goals before rattling off 28 second-half points to win the contest.

"If we could be a little bit more consistent, then I think we could improve on our record and be a much sounder ... football team,"

Willingham said.

The Irish know the improvements need to start immediately, and there have been whispers of possible new faces on the offensive side of the ball.

"Those decisions haven't been finalized yet," Willingham said. "We start the week off with what we think, as we start the week who will be the starting group, and as we progress through, we see how they track what they do and then we'll look at it and see. In the vast majority of cases, those will probably come just before the game, once we have seen exactly how things worked out this week."

But the improvements will gear in particular to improving the running game and making it more consistent.

"We do believe that the running game is so important, that you have to be a solid running team and be able to execute in that area," Willingham said. "And when we do ... when we have Ryan Grant and Darius Walker contributing to our running game, then we are a much stronger and much better team."

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Falcons

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Bryan Dobek, Mike Falk, Don Morrison and Brett Pilkington.

None of the seven will be available for tonight or Friday's games. But Irish coach Dave Poulin isn't letting his team get caught up in the controversy.

"We just have to go out and win games," he said. "We want to be rewarded finally for all the good effort we've put in so far this season."

The Irish head into Bowling Green tonight after the worst offensive start in the program's 37-year history. Notre Dame has scored just 10 goals in its first seven games of the season, including only two last weekend at home in a two-game series against No. 15 Northern Michigan.

"I think we really have to simplify some on offense," Poulin said. "We continue to pass on our shots too often, so we really have to go out there and shoot the puck a lot more. There's always the chance for a rebound, or a fluky bounce — good things happen when you shoot the puck."

"We have a lot of unselfish players on this team, and that can actually be too much of a bad thing because goal-scoring takes a little bit of selfishness and the willingness to take a shot when you have it."

Perhaps one reason for Notre Dame's slow start has been a schedule that can only be

described as brutal. The Irish have yet to play a team who is not ranked in the top 15 in the country.

That will change tonight, with both teams currently unranked. Even after being depleted by the suspensions, Bowling Green has still proven to be a competitive team — primarily because of the play of starting goalie Jordan Sigalet.

Sigalet is considered one of the best goalies in the country, and his statistics so far do a lot to defend that status. The senior has started all four games for the Falcons so far, and has amassed a 1.75 goals-against average and a .946 save percentage.

Last season, Sigalet was named a first-team all-CCIA team member after leading the nation in saves with 1,140 and in minutes played with 2,210 minutes, two seconds.

"If you look at all the teams in this league I don't really see any who have fallen off," Poulin said. "That's what makes this a great league, all the teams are good and so you're really battle-tested anytime you play a conference game."

Poulin's own hot goalie, Morgan Cey (1.92 GAA, .942 save percentage) will start tonight's game. The coach said he would make the decision on who would start Friday night based on the results of tonight's game.

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games.

"I was really pleased with a lot of things that went on," McGraw said. "I thought we started out with some first-game jitters. I thought Jackie played like a very poised veteran. We still have a lot of things to work on, but overall I'm very pleased."

McGraw's one concern for her team this season is finding another scorer to compliment Batteast.

"We know what [Batteast] can do," McGraw said. "So I purposely took her out to see who was going to take on the bulk of the scoring. I thought in the first half, she really carried us."

With Batteast on the bench, Notre Dame turned to junior guard Megan Duffy, the reigning Big East Most Improved Player. Duffy finished the game with 16 points, six rebounds and five assists. She scored 12 of her 16 points in the second half, including 3-for-3 from behind the 3-point arc.

"We need to have more people in double figures [in scoring] on a consistent basis. If you look at

our starting team, we have four upperclassmen, and I would expect all four of them to carry the load."

Three of Notre Dame's freshmen, guards Charel Allen and Tuylah Gaines and center Melissa D'Amico, saw significant minutes and made the most of their playing time. Allen and Gaines showed off their quickness, while D'Amico displayed soft touch on her jump shots. Allen led the team in rebounding with nine and added 10 points, while Gaines and D'Amico scored four and 10 points, respectively.

"I think that our freshmen are going to add a tremendous amount of good things," McGraw said. "I think [they] makes us a little more versatile. We'll be able to up-tempo a little bit more."

During the last officials' timeout, McGraw put in all four of her freshmen and sophomore Crystal Erwin to get the younger players some work together.

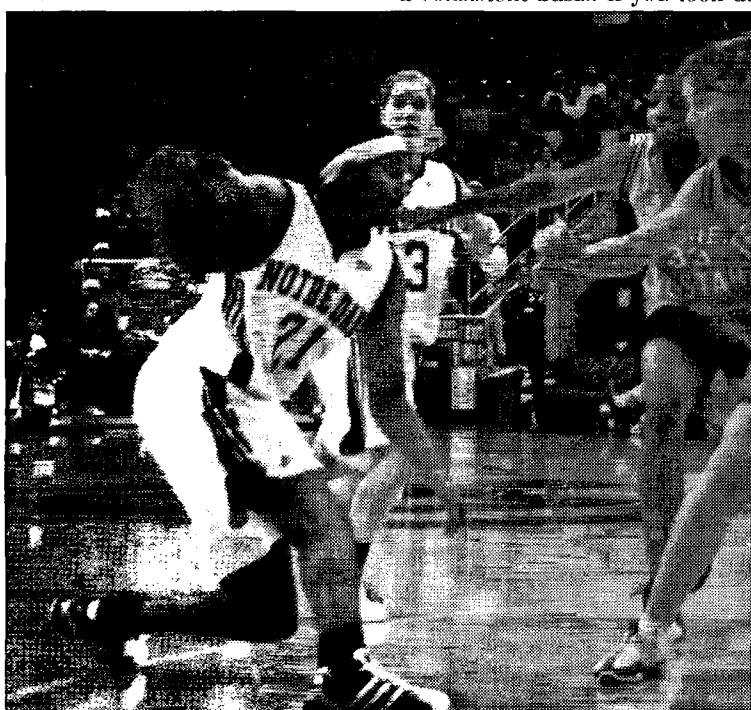
Notre Dame, who opens its regular season against Illinois State Nov. 12, played its first of two exhibition contest this season. The team also faces the Hoosier Lady Stars Saturday at noon inside the Joyce Center.

Notes

♦ The Irish shot 44.6 percent from the field for the game and made 6-of-7 3-point attempts in the second half.

♦ The team will take today off after six straight days of practice.

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Jacqueline Batteast crosses over in Wednesday's preseason game against the Premier All-Stars of Ohio.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): The more you battle with others, the worse things will get. Refuse to let anyone or anything get to you. Take care of your health.**

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Look to an old comrade and you will discover the truth. This person will put you in touch with someone who will influence your future. Good changes are about to take place.****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Consider a career move. Don't limit yourself by thinking you aren't capable of doing something different. Believe it and you can become it.***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Emotions will be close to the surface today. Try to deal with personal matters diplomatically. Not everyone will understand your reason for your actions.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will have plenty to think about today. Someone will try to hold you back from doing what you believe is right. Do your research and make your own mind up. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a moment and restructure your day. Work alongside others to complete something that is important or that will benefit people in need. ****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may be the victim of gossip. Keep your personal business to yourself. Situations will get blown out of proportion. Protect yourself. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can do plenty to ensure that you get ahead today. Focus on dealing with the people that you know will be in your corner. Once you get your allies in place, success will follow *****

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Added responsibilities will surface. Take care of pressing issues that deal with health, finance or legal dealings. Someone may be a burden. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't get into a heated discussion with a partner. Protect your interests but, if you are the least bit close-minded, you can expect to be challenged. **

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The better you get along with the people you have to do business with, the more success you will have. Diplomacy and integrity should lead the way. Creative ideas will develop. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Social events will turn out better than anticipated. Love and romance will be yours if you are affectionate and

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish to open highly-anticipated season

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

No, it isn't that St. Joseph's. Due to a change passed by the NCAA Board of Directors, teams can't play exhibition games against non-collegiate opponents. So tonight, the Irish open their preseason schedule and 100th season against Division II school St. Joseph's from the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

"I had two phone calls or e-mails. 'Is that the same St. Joe's from Philadelphia?' [I said] no," fifth-year Irish coach Mike Brey said. "[It's] obviously a new rule. Again we haven't done it yet, so ask me [tonight

at] 10 o'clock but I think we are going to like this better because we are going to be playing against a system and a group of kids that have been practicing as long as us, and they are chasing team goals and they run plays.

"So your preparations are more game-like than rolling it out and pickup game-like."

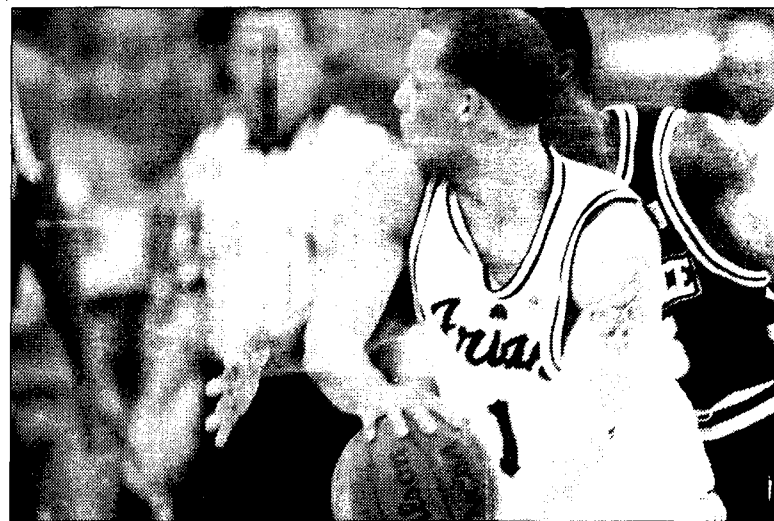
It's difficult to project what the competition level between these two teams will be tonight since the Irish have played preseason games against "all-star" teams in previous years. But Brey feels Saint Joseph's will come out on an emotional high as it gets to travel to South Bend and play a nationally recognized opponent.

"I think they are going to come out and really battle us," Brey said. "For them it's their biggest game on the schedule. I look at this like the Harvard game. We better feel like this one counts. They are going to come out unlike the AAU teams of the past."

With only one new scholarship player on the roster for 2004-05, Brey has a veteran bunch on his bench this season. Combine that experience with the fact this team has been playing in the summer, working out or practicing together for months, and they're finally ready to see new faces.

"These guys have been

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Observer File Photo

Chris Thomas must play well this year if the Irish are going to live up to their hype. The Irish open their preseason tonight.

FOOTBALL

Willingham hopes for consistency

By PAT LEONARD
Associate Sports Editor

Heading into an opportunity to beat a top BCS team Saturday, Notre Dame coaches are working to correct the team's main consistency — inconsistency.

But that problem presents another problem — coaches and players cannot solve it until game day.

"To be quite honest, our play has been good at times and then not so good," coach Tyrone Willingham said. "Our running

game has been a bonus for us some weeks, then sometimes we are not where we need to be. It is probably that inconsistency right now that has us at 5-3."

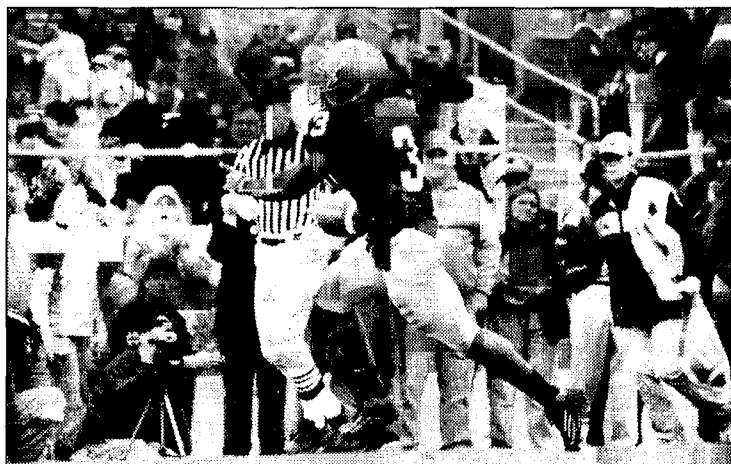
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The inconsistency running the ball has frustrated Notre Dame all season. While coaches speak of a balanced attack in the pro-style system, Irish offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick ideally would like to call more running plays to open more productive passing opportunities.

Notre Dame finished its loss to

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CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

Darius Walker rushes for a touchdown against Boston College. The Irish need to establish consistency Saturday.

HOCKEY

Irish look to reverse troubles

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame can't get caught up in Bowling Green's problems. The Irish have enough troubles of their own to worry about.

Notre Dame (1-4-2, 0-3-1 in the CCHA) travels to Bowling Green (3-1-0, 1-1-0) tonight to take on the Falcons in the first game of a home-and-home conference series. The Falcons return to the Joyce Center to face the Irish Friday night at 7:35 p.m. to close out the series.

Bowling Green is still reeling from a disciplinary incident that has gutted the team of several of its best players for an undetermined amount of time.

Falcon coach Scott Paluch suspended seven players indefinitely Oct. 19 after the coach was shown a picture of a nude Bowling Green player with profanity and racial slurs written on his body, according to uscho.com.

The seven players suspended by Paluch included the team's senior captain Alex Rogosheske. Also suspended were senior Steve Brudzewski and juniors Ryan Barnett,

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



RICHARD FRIEDMAN/The Observer

Notre Dame gets together before the start of their exhibition game. The Irish won the game easily, 84-52.

Batteast dominates in preseason opener

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's first exhibition game of the season played out as expected Wednesday night.

Their all-American forward Jacqueline Batteast, who finished the game with 23 points and five rebounds in 25 minutes, led the Irish.

Head coach Muffet McGraw played everyone on her bench, including all four freshmen, in a variety of lineups.

And the Irish did what they always do in preseason contests — win — this time by an 84-52 margin against the Premier All-Stars from Ohio. Notre Dame is 21-1 all-time in exhibition

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