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■ SECURITY BEAT

A CRUSHING FINISH...

*Students, fans rush field
after West Virginia win*

By MICHELLE KRUPA
Associate News Editor

After a 21-14 win over West Virginia Saturday, thousands of Notre Dame students and fans rushed the football field in celebration, causing minor injuries and creating the risk of people being crushed.

"It [the rush] was incredible. The excitement was overpowering. There was no way the ushers could have prevented it. I couldn't even prevent myself from being pushed onto the field," said sophomore Amanda Kirvan, who sat in section 34.

After students and fans began to push toward the field, ushers and police officers began helping them over concrete and metal barricades in

an effort to hinder injuries.

"We encourage people to stay in the stands, but once people decide to come over and risk injury, we try to help them get over [the fences]. I saw the whole thing from the press box, and I would guess there were a few thousand people on the field," Rex Rakow, director of Notre Dame Security/Police, said.

While reports are still being reviewed, one minor ankle injury that was treated on the site by first aid attendants was confirmed by Chuck Hurley, assistant director of Security/Police.

He reiterated Rakow's intentions with letting people on the field.

"If you hold people back, there is the chance that people will get crushed, so we [police officers and ushers] let them on the field and were actually helping them onto the field," Hurley said.



The Observer/John Daily

Students in section 35 of the stadium leaped up and over the barricades and onto the field after the Fighting Irish beat the Mountaineers of West Virginia. Some students were hurt in the field rush.

SEE ALSO:

• More game security coverage in tomorrow's Observer

■ OBITUARY

Observer Staff Report

Michael Santoli of Mt. Sinai, N.Y., died of a heart attack in the north dome of the Joyce Center at approximately noon on Saturday. He was transported by campus Security/Police to St. Joseph Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Santoli was the father of senior Darlene Santoli of Welsh Family Hall. He was 50 years old.

Rakow also noticed an increase in alcohol consumption this weekend compared to games earlier in the season. A few arrests were made for disorderly conduct, he said.

"There was more drinking than usual during this game. It was probably a product of this being the seniors' last game and all. That's not out of the ordinary," he said.

Fans raise shoes at football game in protest of land mines

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
News Writer

Thousands of students raised their shoes in the air during the national anthem during Saturday's football game to support the "One shoe in the air, one hand on the heart" campaign.

The activity was designed to express student concern about the deaths and injuries caused each year by the indiscriminate explosion of landmines.

The members of the Notre Dame Campaign to Ban Land Mines were excited that student discussion about landmines had been sparked by their efforts, said Mike Deemer, one of the organizing members of the campaign.

The group felt that the campaign was a success even before the game because it had generated interest and raised awareness among students.

Members of the group are uncertain as to what their future activities may be. Deemer commented that, if the U.S. approves the ban, the organization will disband.

The petition sponsored by the group was signed by more than 300 students by Friday afternoon, and a total of more than 400 signatures had been collected by game time Saturday.

The petition will be sent to President Clinton in the hope that it may influence him to approve the ban, which already has the support of 113 other countries and will be signed this December in Ottawa.

SEE ALSO:

• "Clinton rejects land mines treaty" p. 5



The Observer/Katie Kroener

Many students and fans removed their shoes during the singing of the national anthem at Saturday's game to express concern over the use of land mines.

■ NEWS ANALYSIS

Kmiec: Independent counsel is not legal

By KRISTI KLITSCH
News Writer

Title VI of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 provided for the appointment of an independent counsel to investigate and prosecute violations of

federal criminal law by high-ranking officials of the executive branch. The independent counsel is appointed by the Special Division of the Court of Appeals, and can only be removed by the Attorney General for reasonable good cause.

The statute stemmed from the Watergate scandal and the investigation of President Richard Nixon's involvement in the cover-up. Since 1978, the independent counsel statute has been used to investigate alleged sexual misconduct of past and present presidents, illegal campaign contributions, and other wrong-doings in Washington.

Yet according to Douglas Kmiec, professor of constitutional law at Notre Dame and visiting professor at Pepperdine Law School this academic year, independent counsel is a dangerous political weapon and unconstitutional. Kmiec served

as assistant attorney general and constitutional legal counsel to President Ronald Reagan, and he asserted in a column that appeared in the Chicago Tribune on Oct. 20 that, "[the Reagan administration] only had one word for the indepen-

dent counsel law: unconstitutional. Was then. Still is."

According to normal procedural law, any superior official in the United States government must be

appointed by the president and receive the consent of the Senate. Buried within Article II of the Constitution, however, is also a provision that guides the appointment of inferior officials.

"But the Congress may by Law vest the Appointment of such inferior Officers, as they think proper in the President alone, in the Courts of Law, or in the Heads of Departments," reads Article II, Section II.

One of Kmiec's objections to the constitutionality of the independent counsel statute rests in this section of the Constitution. He believes that the independent counsel is not an inferior officer, but rather a superior

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■ INSIDE COLUMN

Sentimentality makes you stupid

Sean O'Connor, in a recent column, asked why sentimentality is such a bad thing. Aside from the fact that sentimental people are wimps, there are very good reasons for avoiding sentimentality.

One of these would be that it makes you stupid.

For example, some people believe that the death penalty is a legitimate form of punishment in our country today. But this belief relies entirely on sentimentality.

Consider the usual arguments for the death penalty: "Think of the victim's family," "he lost his right to live when he took another life," or, "he is a hardened killer and cannot be changed."

All of this is nonsense. First, the victim's family is not the concern of the law. Lady Justice's eyes are dry. Second, there is no clause in the Constitution that says anything about forfeiting one's right to life. In answer to the third argument, how do you know he can't be changed?

If people relied on some theory behind punishments inflicted by the state, they wouldn't indulge in such sappy arguments.

The state punishes criminals for three main reasons: to exact recompense for crimes committed ("He deserves it"), to protect society and to deter other potential offenders.

The protection of society and deterrence from future crimes fall under the category of "the common good." The state has the right to execute criminals when it is for the common good.

For example, when Bad Bart ran through the small towns of the old West, shooting up the people and stealing the animals, there was no way to protect society except by putting the man to death. In the days before secure prisons, such a criminal could not be contained by the sheriff. If he was locked up in the town jail, his men would come and break him out. Or else a few \$20s in the right pocket would secure his release. It was really necessary for the common good that Bad Bart should die.

But there is no way in the world you can convince me that the execution of Gary Burris last week had anything to do with the common good. No one was threatened by the man. We could have easily put him away for life, and he never would have gotten out.

And no one is deterred by the death penalty: no one thinks about what the consequences will be if they are caught for murder. No one understands what it means to be put to death before he has committed a capital crime and faces that possibility.

A potential murderer will not be scared. He will see the execution and say to himself, "That man's mistake was getting caught. I will not get caught."

The only good argument for capital punishment in our society is that the killer deserves it for what he has done. All pretense of looking out for the common good should be dropped immediately. Execution is not cheaper than life in prison, nor will it protect the community any better.

The only question left is whether he really deserves it. Does a killer deserve to die, whether it is in the interest of the community or not? Why does he have to die? Is it just because he killed? If someone steals a stereo, should their punishment be to have their stereo stolen, too? Or should Gary Burris have been stripped, robbed, and shot instead of given a lethal injection?

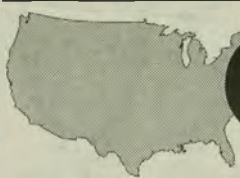
Death is not just one more punishment. It is the end of all punishment and everything else, for that matter. We had better have a really good reason to put someone to death, and our emotions do not make good reason.

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

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Outside the Dome

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Ole Miss fan sues for right to wave Confederate flag

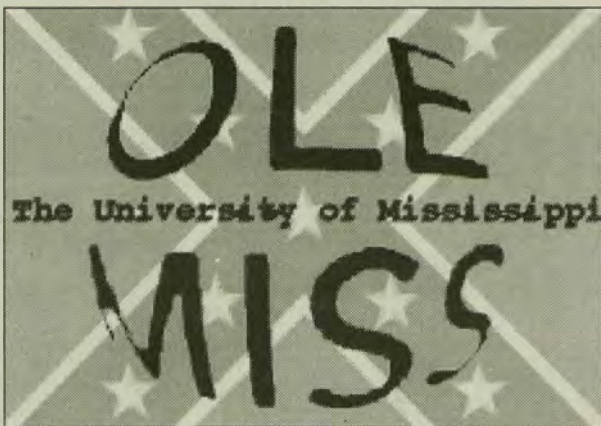
OXFORD, Miss.

The battle over the waving of the Rebel flag was taken off the football field and moved into the courts Wednesday when a Rankin County attorney filed suit in Oxford against Ole Miss for interfering with free speech rights.

Richard Barrett, a lawyer who did not attend Ole Miss, asked federal judge L.T. Senter to lift the ban on sticks in Vaught-Hemingway Stadium before Saturday's game against Georgia.

In a copy of the suit obtained by The Daily Mississippian, Barrett said, "There is a considerable interest in the Confederate Flag waving at the ball game among students and others throughout the nation."

Chancellor Robert Khayat and university attorney Mary Ann Connell



could not be reached for comment. The incident stemmed from a confrontation between Barrett, his clients David Edwards and Richard Geldreich, both of New Jersey and who do not attend Ole Miss, and the university police department.

Barrett said that Edwards and

Geldreich entered the stadium with a 3-by-5 foot flag without a stick and displayed the flag against a back wall near the scoreboard. After posting the flag "as so to not obscure anyone's vision," Barrett said that a UPD patrolman approached the group and ordered them to take the flag down.

Barrett said that UPD Captain Calvin Sellers was later called to the situation and threatened the three with arrest.

However, Sellers said that no threat of arrest was made and that the group was asked either to lower the flag or to leave the stadium and go to the Grove where the flag could be raised. The three left the stadium.

"The situation had nothing to do with the stick ban," Sellers said.

■ TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Pepper spray greets celebrators

FORT WORTH, Texas

As students climbed on the north goal post of Amon Carter Stadium on Thursday night to celebrate TCU's victory, Tarrant County sheriff's deputies used pepper spray on several TCU students in response to reported hostilities against the officers. After students rushed the field to congratulate Horned Frog players on their first and only win of the year, a 21-18 victory over Southern Methodist University, many ran to the north endzone and began to tear down the goal post. TCU Campus Police chief Steve McGee said students who were part of the announced crowd of 19,094 began to grab and assault the officers who were protecting the end zone, prompting the officers to use the pepper spray. McGee said he heard one sheriff's officer was thrown to the ground and kicked in the head. Mel Thomas, the assistant athletic director for Facilities, said he saw a similar incident from his vantage point in the press box. Don Mills, vice chancellor for Student Affairs, said a deputy sheriff was shoved from behind and knocked to the ground.

■ UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Policy would disclose use of tuition

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.

The National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education wants colleges and universities across the country to make public their financial records regarding the way they spend tuition dollars. More disclosure, the commission argues, would make it clearer why colleges charge what they do. The commission, which was convened by the U.S. House of Representatives last August, will forward its recommendations to Congress on Dec. 11. Congress could opt to enact such legislative changes. Peter Zetterberg, the director of the university's Office of Planning and Analysis, said the recommendations most likely would not affect the university. Like most public institutions, he said, the university's financial information is already public. "I can't think of any information we don't report," he said, adding that most of the records are available on the World Wide Web.

■ NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

AIDS Day planners provide home tests

EVANSTON, Ill.

One person across the globe is infected each second. As of December 1996, an estimated 21.8 million men, women and children worldwide were living with HIV/AIDS. With one person in the United States dying of AIDS every 11 minutes, AIDS has become a serious epidemic in contemporary times. World AIDS Day was created a decade ago to raise awareness of AIDS and to remember those who have died from the disease. In observance of World AIDS Day, falling this year on Dec. 1, Peer Health Educators and the Health Education Department will be giving away free Home Access HIV test kits to the Northwestern community on Monday. "Hopefully lots of people can become involved with this year's exciting programs," said Annann Hong, co-director of Health Education at NU. In addition to the distribution of free test kits on Monday at Norris University Center, PHEs will be giving away NU AIDS Days packages on Monday and Tuesday. The kits include resources on HIV/AIDS and information about the epidemic.

■ UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Nasdaq head admits 1965 cow prank

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.

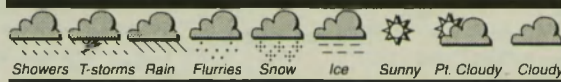
When designing the university, Thomas Jefferson never thought of putting cows on top of the Rotunda. But the most infamous prank in university history did just that when a group of five students placed a 250-pound black calf 50 feet in the air on top of the Rotunda during the spring of 1965. The animal died shortly after it was removed from the roof because of shock, dehydration and a sedative overdose. The bizarre bovine case remained unsolved for 31 years until Alfred Berkeley III, now president of the Nasdaq stock market, confessed to being one of the culprits last June. On Monday, Berkeley donated \$1,765, at the request of former Albemarle County Sheriff George Bailey, to the Western Albemarle Rescue Squad — the same amount of money investigators spent trying to solve the case 32 years ago.

■ SOUTH BEND WEATHER

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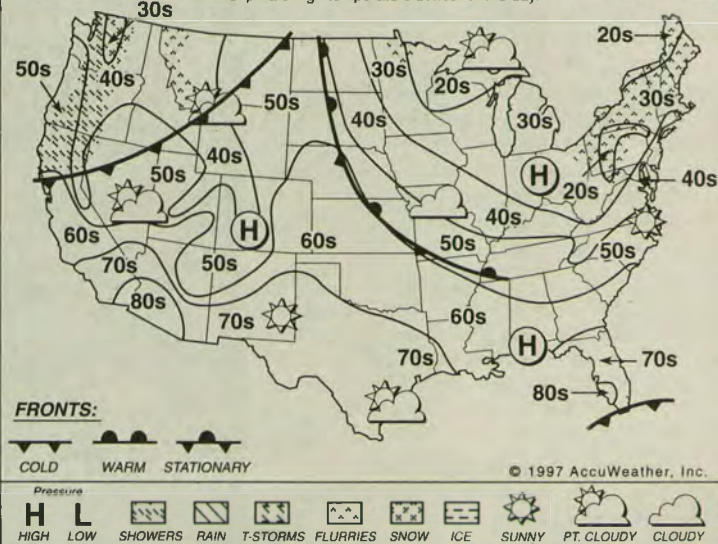


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■ NATIONAL WEATHER

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Boulder	62	27	Detroit	32	20	Omaha	50	31
Cape Cod	42	26	Key West	80	70	Santa Fe	54	25
Chicago	34	22	Manhattan	42	23	Seattle	48	40

SURV places SMC women in volunteer situations

By ARIANN BUTLER
News Writer

The tiny office on the third floor of Haggar College Center has been a busy place this year.

The office is home to SURV (Spes Unica Resource and Volunteer Center), an organization which places Saint Mary's students in various volunteer positions throughout the South Bend community.

SURV was started by students in 1991, but because of the hectic and transitory nature of students' schedules, however, the office closed. It was reopened this year in Haggar under the direction of Sister Linda Kors.

Kors plans to add another dimension to SURV. On the surface level, Kors wants to encourage students to volunteer and provide them with opportunities to do so. On a deeper level, she wants to provide students with an understanding of what it means to do service and the relationship between service and Christianity.

By incorporating this into the volunteering experience, Kors hopes to make volunteering a "natural part of [student] life."

SURV operates by contacting and being contacted by various organizations in the South Bend community, such as the

coordinates transportation between students who are volunteering at the same place.

"[SURV] is open to people being a part of the team," Kors said.

Kors wants to build a solid foundation for SURV and make a more concentrated effort towards participation by working more closely

with the other volunteer groups on campus.

"[Each group] works at various levels with the students," Kors explained. She believes more interaction will benefit

both the volunteers and the South Bend community.

For instance, Kors has been working closely with Janice Pilarski, lecturer in the justice education department.

Since both groups focus on similar aspects of volunteering, such as challenges in today's society, their working together in a comprehensive program benefits each group as well as the community.

"[Kors] puts a lot of energy into [SURV]," student Elisabeth Krick said. Krick works at SURV in the service organization aspect.

Kors has worked for 12 years in campus ministry since coming to Saint Mary's from Saint Joseph's College.

'SURV IS OPEN TO PEOPLE BEING A PART OF THE TEAM.'

SISTER LINDA KORS

DIRECTOR OF SPES UNICA RESOURCE AND VOLUNTEER CENTER

Homeless Shelter and Headstart. SURV keeps on file those organizations in need of volunteers and then contacts students who have expressed interest in volunteering. SURV

Students, alumni form mentoring relationships

By KRISTINA ZURCHER
News Writer

Through an open house sponsored by the Notre Dame Mentor Program, students can be paired with alumni to develop a support system and foster relationships that can prove beneficial in several areas of collegiate life, says Mike Novotney, the program's chairman.

"There are lots of benefits to the program. You get a first-hand account of life on campus, a good opportunity for career networking, and help on decisions like picking courses and going abroad," Novotney explained.

The program's co-sponsors, the Student Alumni Relations Group (SARG) and the Alumni Association, will match current students with alumni at the open house, which will take place today at 8:30 p.m. in 138 DeBartolo.

Though SARG has sponsored some events for students and mentors, such as a tailgater with cookies and subs, the program encourages freelance development of relationships. According to Novotney, the idea is to find a mentor and create a self-directed, lifelong relationship developed through activities like phone calls, visits and din-

ing together.

"We have had a really good reaction from students. I've received many e-mails requesting information," Novotney said.

To find their matches, the students first fill out bio sketch forms. Students can request a mentor based on geographical location, profession, interests, or any other characteristics they feel are essential for their mentor to possess.

From that information, volunteers match the students with alumni who have expressed interest in the program. If a suitable match can not be found, the volunteers contact the Alumni Association for other options. Once they are matched, the mentors will contact their students within a week.

When the Mentor Program began last fall, it was only open to students in SARG. This year it is open campus-wide. The open house is intended for freshmen specifically, but anyone can pick up a form in the Alumni Association Office in Brownson Hall.

Other programs sponsored by SARG include an Alumni Lecture Program and an extern program, in which students are paired with alumni for a week to experience career options.

Art finds a new home...



The Observer/Jeff Hsu

New works, like this sculpture in front of the Riley building, continue to grace campus as part of a continuing effort to bring modern art to Notre Dame.

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• To explore common issues of being gay or lesbian at Notre Dame
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officer, who should be appointed by the president and not the Special Division of the Court of Appeals.

In the 1988 case *Morrison vs. Olson*, the Supreme Court issued an opinion that declared the independent counsel an inferior officer. The Court gave a number of reasons for this decision, concluding that the independent counsel was inferior in rank and authority, duties, jurisdiction and tenure.

Kmiec refuted all these reasons and remained strong in opinion that the independent counsel was not an inferior officer.

"I cannot fathom how the court can argue that Ken Starr [the independent counsel appointed to investigate the Whitewater controversy] is an inferior officer," he asserted.

"He commands and receives as a co-equal branch of government ... when he asks for things he gets them," Kmiec added.

He also pointed out that the term of office for an independent counsel is longer than most Cabinet members; they sometimes spend years working on a trial.

"Someone with this scope of authority can't be categorized as an inferior officer," he declared.

Kmiec also discussed the power of the independent counsel and the futility of the Attorney General in removing him or her.

The Attorney General must



Kmiec

find reasonable good cause to remove the counsel, and Kmiec stated that "every attorney general has testified against it ... because they recognize the awesome power of a prosecutor."

The independent counsel is also unconstitutional because it is a violation of the separation of powers, he said.

"Prosecution of a crime is a purely executive function of Article II," he said. "Article II, Section I assigns all executive powers to the president," he added.

In this way, allowing the independent counsel to share in an executive function designed solely for the president is a blatant violation of the separation of powers. Kmiec urges Congress to see the serious harm the independent counsel statute brings to the democratic system and the threat it has on the presidency.

Donald Kommers, professor of government and law at Notre Dame, opposes Kmiec's narrow interpretation of the Constitution.

"I see no reason why the statute is unconstitutional," Kommers said. "[Kmiec] is wrong on that ... it is a very literalistic and formalistic view of the separation of powers."

Kommers agrees with the *Morrison vs. Olson* decision in its entirety. He believes that the statute does not threaten the executive branch, and that "the creation of the office of independent counsel is a convenient tool to see that executive officials are obeying the law."

"As long as it doesn't interfere with the normal functions of the executive, I see no violations," he added.

He referred to the Federalist papers and the systems of checks and balances that is vital to the function of the government.

"I see enough flexibility in the system to allow for this adjustment. The power rests in the Attorney General, and it doesn't seem to me that there is any interference with the executive branch," Kmiec said.

Kmiec and Kommers differ in opinion on the constitutionality of the statute, yet Kmiec also opposes the law on a policy level. He believes that the law is a dangerous political weapon used by government officials to tarnish the reputation and character of their opponents.

"To accuse the president of something is something not to be taken lightly," he said. "The structure of the independent counsel promptly comes from political opponents; they are expected to find something and not give up."

He believes that the statute gives merit to false beliefs, and makes non-criminal acts look criminal. He also asserted the belief that the statute impedes the actual criminal investigation.

In a normal criminal investigation by the Department of Justice, the investigation is kept confidential, so evidence is easier to collect. Yet, in an investigation led by an independent counsel, "we announce to the world who we are investigating," and then assume we will find evidence, Kmiec said.

Lastly, Kmiec compares the statute to the analogy of crying wolf.

"If we constantly cry wolf, when the wolf shows up no one will listen," he said.

"We have many allegations against the president, and we must separate the serious from the un-serious. Why waste our time wondering where Clinton made a phone call when we should be investigating allegations of foreign officials receiving special treatment."

■ EGYPT

Hosni blames money pressure for bombing

The Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt
Ruling out talks with Islamic militants blamed in last week's tourist massacre, President Hosni Mubarak on Sunday criticized Britain and Afghanistan for allegedly harboring the insurgents' financial backers.

"Terrorists are protected in countries such as England and Afghanistan," the Middle East News Agency quoted Mubarak as saying.

"They live on English ground and elsewhere collecting money and planning with those in Afghanistan."

Mubarak's denunciations, made in a speech opening a new antiquities museum in the southern city of Aswan, came six days after 58 tourists, including six Britons, were gunned down at an archaeological site in Luxor, 100 miles away.

It was the deadliest assault

in a five-year campaign of violence by Egypt's Islamic militants.

During his remarks, Mubarak said negotiations with the militants had been tried and failed, leaving but one alternative: force.

When late President Anwar Sadat tried bargaining in the 1980s, militants only "got stronger and started using weapons,"

Mubarak said. "Then we said, 'Since they resorted to weapons, we must answer by force,'" Mubarak said.

Replying to Mubarak's criticism of Britain, Home Secretary Jack Straw issued a statement in London, saying he intends to tighten anti-terrorism laws by making it illegal to conspire in Britain to commit terrorist acts abroad.

"We will also target terrorist fund-raising activities," Straw said, adding he is considering banning international terrorist groups in the country.

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HOSNI MUBARAK
PRESIDENT OF EGYPT

Septuplet mom goes home

The Associated Press

CARLISLE, Iowa
Septuplet mom Bobbi McCaughey left the hospital and returned home Sunday while her seven babies stayed behind in intensive care, continuing to impress doctors with their resilience.

Even the last-born of the seven — Joel Steven — who had been listed in critical condition shortly after Wednesday's birth and was dubbed "underdog" by doctors, was taken off a ventilator on Sunday and upgraded to fair condition.

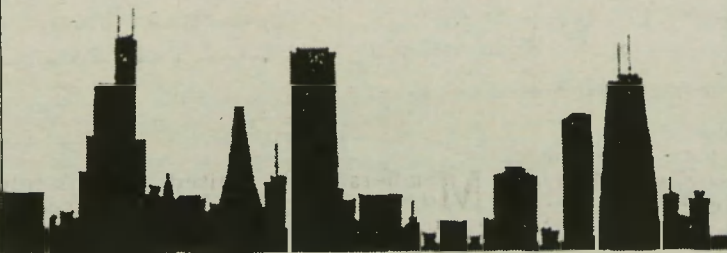
"Last week we had very high expectations for these babies, and to this point, they have fulfilled all of those expectations remarkably well," Doctor Robert Shaw the neonatologist overseeing the care of the septuplets, said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Mrs. McCaughey, 29, arrived Sunday afternoon at her home in Carlisle, 10 miles south of Des Moines, with her husband, Kenny. Hospitalized for more than a month, she walked into her home slowly and without anyone's help.

The McCaugheys made worldwide news when their septuplets were born by Caesarean section nine weeks' premature. Doctors have said the babies will be hospitalized into January.

Kenneth, the first-born, has been breathing on his own since Friday.

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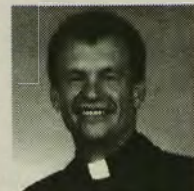
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Clinton rejects land mines treaty

VANCOUVER, British Columbia

President Clinton declined Sunday to join the growing drive for a comprehensive treaty banning land mines, which kill or injure 25,000 people each year. Clinton said the United States was doing more under his leadership than any nation had before to get rid of land mines. There are an estimated 100 million land mines buried in 60 countries, most of them vestiges of war. But Clinton said the United States could not sign the treaty, which will be taken up in a conference in Ottawa early next month, because he wants to keep land mines on the Korean peninsula and retain others that are aimed at blowing up tanks, not people. Clinton told the Dallas Morning News in an interview that he would not let proponents of the treaty "browbeat" him into signing an agreement he said was bad for the United States. "My primary responsibility is to protect the young people that I or one of my successors will have to send into battle," Clinton said.



Mission launched to retrieve satellite

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

Astronauts aboard the space shuttle Columbia will attempt a daring satellite rescue — the first in 5 1/2 years — under a plan approved by NASA on Sunday after considerable study. More than anything, the space agency wants to avoid a collision. The slowly spinning, 3,000-pound satellite could do serious damage if it struck the shuttle or the two spacewalkers during Monday night's salvage effort. Mission operations representative Bob Castle told reporters the risk of a collision is "very, very small." "We feel very confident that this is going to work," Castle said at a news conference. "The crew is quite capable of doing this. The flying tasks of bringing the orbiter up close to the tumbling spacecraft, I think, are very doable." The \$10 million reusable science satellite, called Spartan, has been tumbling out of control since Friday, when Columbia's crew released it, saw it wasn't working and then failed to recover it with the shuttle robot arm. When the six astronauts last saw it, before the shuttle backed off to a safe distance, Spartan was spinning at a rate of two degrees a second, making a full revolution every three minutes.

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BIGGEST PERCENTAGE GAINERS

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View Tech Inc-WT	VTKW	37.93	+6.20	2.50
Xenova group ADR	XNAV	35.29	+7.50	2.88
Euro Tech Mfgs	CLWTF	33.33	+2.000	8.00
Genemedicine	GMED	31.25	+1.250	5.25

BIGGEST PERCENTAGE LOSERS

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Illinois Superod	ISCO	31.67	-1.120	2.56
Amer Bing-Wits	BNGOW	27.78	-.625	1.63
Neoprobe Corp	NEOP	25.89	-3.120	9.13
Versatility Inc	VERS	24.24	-2.000	6.25
Odetics Inc	ODETB	22.22	-2.000	7.00

Eight killed, 12 injured in Lebanon

Associated Press

BEIT LIF, Lebanon

Artillery shells fired by Lebanese guerrillas accidentally struck a village Sunday near the Israeli border, killing eight Lebanese and wounding 12 others, some seriously.

The shelling of this Shiite Muslim village in the Israeli-held "security zone" in southern Lebanon came after a night of intense fighting between the guerrillas and Israeli forces.

Lebanese security and media sources put the death toll at nine. But Maj. Gen. Amiram Levine, head of Israel's northern command, said eight people were killed, including three children.

It was the deadliest attack on civilians in southern Lebanon since August, when six people were killed and 35 were wounded in bombardment of Sidon by the Israeli-allied militia.

Levine said the guerrillas belonging to the Amal and Hezbollah groups "fired intentionally with artillery and anti-tank fire into Beit Lif," hitting the center of the village, about two miles from the Israeli border.

About 25 artillery rounds struck the village, with most of the casualties stemming from two shells hitting a shop and a nearby house.

There were no claims of responsibility for the attack. Besides Amal, the other guerrilla group in the region, the Iranian-backed Hezbollah, also denied firing into the village.

Amal officials accused Israel of launching the artillery barrage and then covering it up by accusing the guerrillas. But the charge was refuted by U.N. peace-keeping officers in the south.

The officers, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the shells came from guerrilla-held positions north of the Israeli border, an account corroborated by Lebanese security officials, who said the shells landed by mistake on Beit Lif.

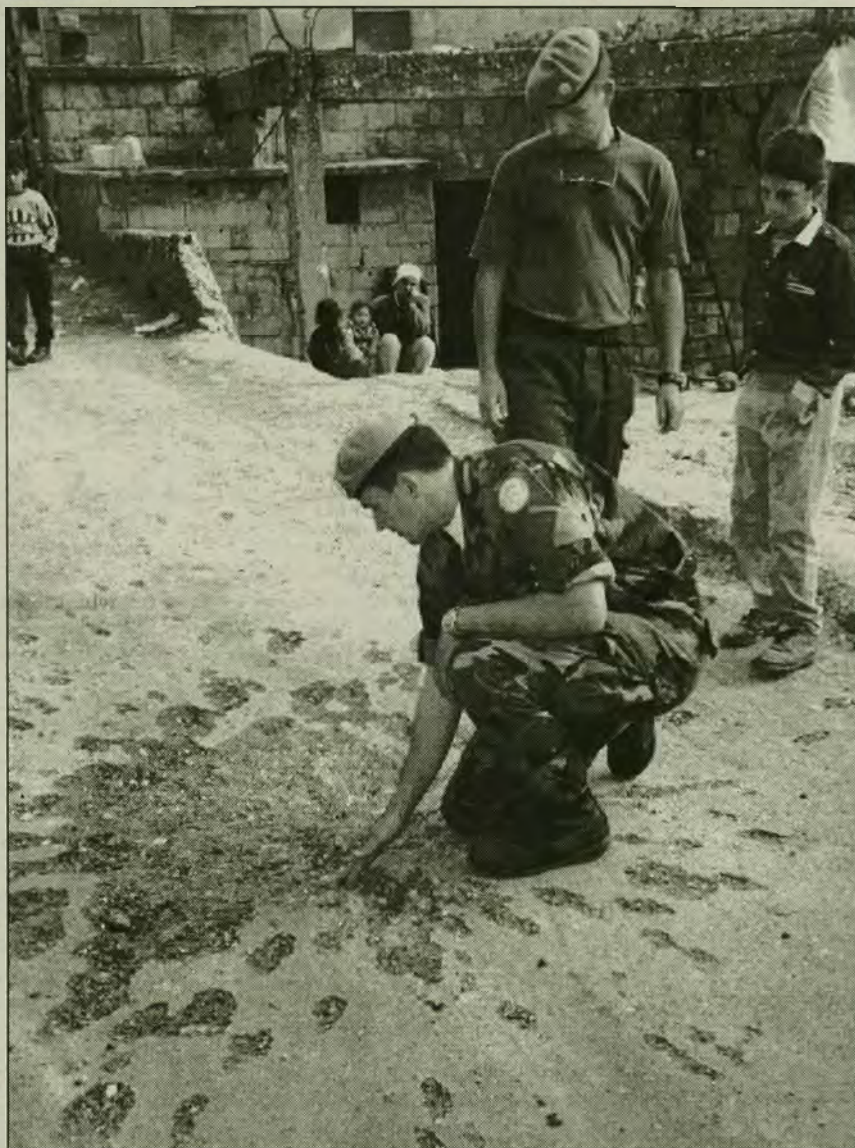
The intended target may have been a post of the Israeli-allied Lebanese militia on the edge of the village, said Timor Goksel, spokesman for the U.N. peace-keeping force in south Lebanon.

"Somebody missed very badly," Goksel said.

Television pictures showed at least four bodies lying in the street.

Two of the victims were women in long robes who apparently fell together, one hit by shrapnel in the back of the head.

Before and after the shelling of Beit Lif, the guerrillas fired four to seven Katyusha rockets, which landed in Israel's western Galilee, Levine, the Israeli commander, said. No casualties were reported.



AFP photo

Members of the United Nations Interim force in South Lebanon (UNIFIL) inspect the site where a mortar round exploded in the southwest Lebanese village of Beit Lif. Nine Lebanese civilians were killed and 12 others were wounded yesterday in Beit Lif, located inside the Israeli self-security zone. Initial reports said anti-Israeli militants fired mortar rounds on an Israeli post on the outskirts of Beit Lif but deviated and landed in the village itself.

Also, Israeli warplanes raided suspected guerrilla trails near the villages of Zibqine and Jebel al-Boutom, facing the occupied zone. No casualties were reported.

In fighting overnight, at least four guerrillas were killed when the two sides exchanged machine gun fire, mortars and rockets. Two Israeli soldiers also were wounded, Levine said.

Resistance sources confirmed one guerrilla died and said three others were missing.

The Shiite Hezbollah is leading a war of attrition to evict the Israeli

forces who control a swath of southern Lebanon, which they call a "security zone." Israel has occupied it since 1985 to guard its northern towns from cross-border attacks.

Civilians have often been caught in the fighting in southern Lebanon, taking hits from both sides. In the biggest tragedy, about 100 civilians who had taken refuge at a U.N. base in Qana were killed by Israeli artillery during a bombing campaign in April 1996.

Israel said it was a mistake.

Cuban exile leader Mas Canosa dies

Associated Press

MIAMI

Jorge Mas Canosa, the top Cuban exile leader who built a powerful political network and monopolized U.S. policy toward Cuba, died Sunday. He was 58.

His son, Jorge Mas Jr., announced his father's death in a news conference at which he was joined by more than 30 board members and officers of the anti-communist Cuban American National Foundation his father headed.

"Unfortunately he will never set foot in a free Cuba," Mas Jr. said his lower lip quivering and his eyes welling with tears. "But his spirit and the legacy that he has left us will."

Dr. Alberto Hernandez, Mas' physician who will also be the foundation's interim chairman, said the exile leader died of respiratory and cardiac failure caused by cancer. He also suffered from Paget's disease, a hereditary bone affliction.

The death of Mas leaves the exile community looking for

a new leader and ends a bitter, personal battle to oust Cuban dictator Fidel Castro. Realizing his dream of a free Cuba became his life's work after fleeing the island country in 1960 to avoid arrest for opposing Castro.

Mas, who many said wanted to be president of Cuba, rose to power utilizing hefty political contributions. He modeled his organization after the typical American political action committee and delivered thousands of Cuban exile votes to the Republican Party.

"Jorge has been a very important part of shaping U.S.-Cuba policy for a number of years, formulating and passing important legislation," said U.S. Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla.

"President Clinton, in Vancouver, British Columbia, for a summit with Asia-Pacific leaders, praised Mas.

"Jorge was a born leader and organizer whose tenacity, strength of conviction and passion I greatly admired. He galvanized his community, his adopted country and people around the world for the cause of freedom and democracy in Cuba," Clinton said in a statement.

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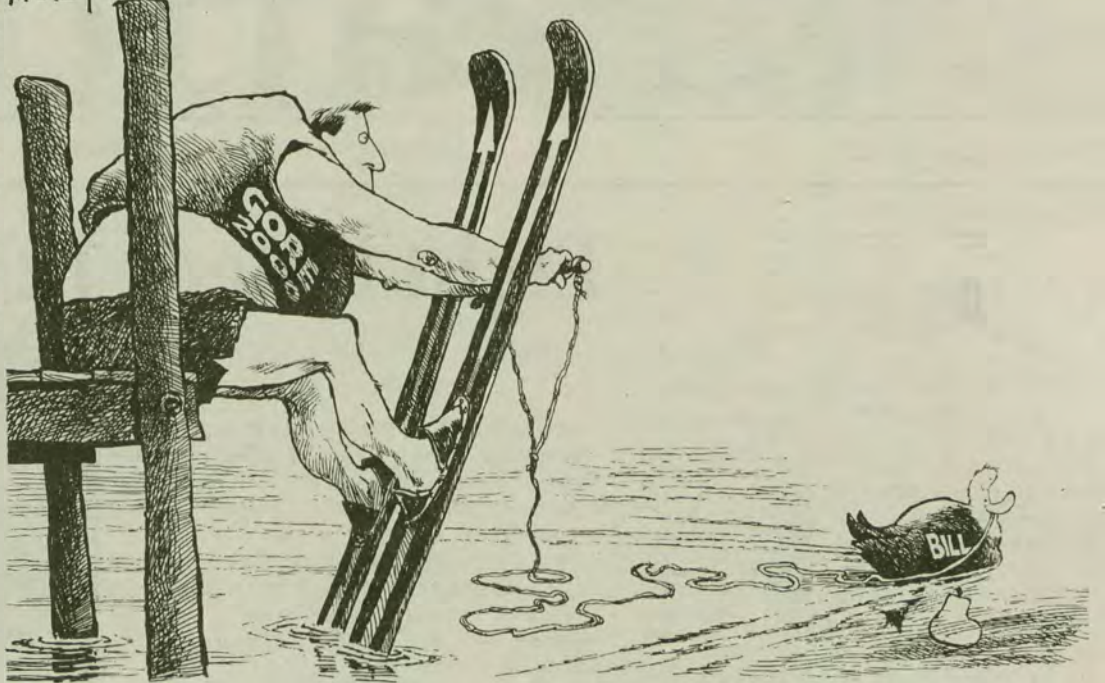
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■ DIGGING DEEPER

What Do You Stand to Lose?

The late John Henry Cardinal Newman once posed a probing question to his congregation: What have you ventured for Christ? He asked them to try the following thought experiment and see what kind of

results the data would yield. For the sake of the experiment, imagine that all the truths the Church proposes turned out (God forbid) to be false. Now our faith tells us that this is impossible but suspend your beliefs for a moment, just for the sake of the experiment. If it somehow turned out that Jesus Christ was not really God, that he was never raised from the dead, that in short, everything we hear on Sundays is pretty much bunk, what would we stand — personally — to lose?

Well, the immediate and obvious answer for most of us would be the hope of heaven. This of course would be significant. But what else, concretely, in our daily lives, would be lost if Christianity turned out to be history's biggest hoax? The following human analogy may be useful. Suppose I invest \$1,000 in the stock market. Now if the company I invested in takes a turn for the worse and goes under, and the stock is suddenly worthless, I have of course lost the hope of any return on my investment. But more significantly, I have also lost my \$1,000. You see, because I ventured the money, because I took the risk, I stood to lose something when the stock failed. Now suppose the Christian faith were suddenly to go bankrupt; what kind of stock in Jesus Christ would I stand to lose? Besides the hope of a "return" in heaven, what would happen to the bank account of my life?

Newman was bold enough to suggest that for many of us, perhaps not much would change in our lives. We would probably stop wasting our time at Mass on Sunday (unless we really missed the community bonding

Aaron Kheriaty

atmosphere). We would of course still celebrate Christmas and maybe even Easter, but we probably would not bother giving up Yo-cream for Lent. We would be disappointed that death really was the end for Aunt Edna, that she unfortunately was not playing a harp with the angels and saints. For many of us Christians, our psyche might be a bit disturbed, but our foundation would not be irreparably damaged. We would not feel the urge to jump out a window on Wall Street because we have not put much of our savings on the line. There would be a tremor, but the ground on which we stood would not open underneath us. Like the extremely conservative investor who could afford for the market to crash, not much would drastically change.

With this question, Newman was attempting to rouse his congregation out of their routine complacency. He wanted them to truly examine their lives, concretely, to see exactly what their Christian faith meant to them. He noted that people loved to hear him talk about faith when it was all kept in the sphere of the theoretical, the idealistic. They wanted to hear him say things like "love your neighbor" and "feed the hungry." That was all very well. Very comfortable. But a question like "What have you ventured for Christ?" hits you right between the eyes. It brings the reality of Christianity home. G. K.

Chesterton once said that "Christianity comforts the afflicted, and afflicts the comfortable." That is exactly the sort of thing that this little thought experiment was meant to do.

On the other hand, there still exist those foolish individuals who have placed their capital down — sometimes all of it — on this wily bet. Their world would come crashing down if ever the cross does. They believed this man when he said, "Without me you can do nothing." They staked their savings on that promise. What would they do if he ever failed them? They believed him when he said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." If he were to suddenly crash, to vanish, they would be left with nothing. Imagine that. It seems that they may have taken their religion all too seriously. They have rolled the dice and lost Pascal's Wager. Kind of a wasted life.

Or maybe not. Maybe the rest of us are the ones who need to do a bit more wheeling and dealing. Maybe we need to slap our money down and wait for the cards to be dealt. And not just our pocket change, but money that we cannot afford to lose. Money that we could easily spend on other things, but instead we choose to place our bet on a man who once told us to eat his body and drink his blood, so that we can live forever. We need to be daring in this great adventure of faith. For it is those who take a chance and let it ride that ultimately take home the jackpot at the end of the day.

What have you ventured for Christ?

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■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Student Challenges Szabo's Claim that Gipper is Inaccurate

I am writing in response to the front page article in The Observer on Tuesday about the CLC debate on inaccuracies in Scholastic's "Campus Watch by the Gipper." The Gipper's column provides the students with interesting stories that representatives of Notre Dame and the school itself try to cover up. So far this year, the Gipper has written about three stories that involve people that I know personally. All three stories have been true. I also know that the story involving Matt Szabo and an Asian American student is true because I AM the student in question.

Since writing in anonymity appears cowardly to some, I am going to reveal my name. My name is Vince Oh, and I am a fellow Manorite of Mr. Szabo. When I read The Observer on Tuesday, I could not believe that Szabo felt that the Gipper's column was inaccurate. So, Mr. Szabo, I have decided to analyze the Gipper's story to see where the inaccuracies lie.

The article states, "Ben was born in Korea, but is as American as apple pie." Hmm ... I guess I was born in Korea, and I am Americanized. The Gipper goes on to say that Szabo came into my room while I was on the phone and asked my roommate if I had chopsticks. Oh, I guess that's true also. Oh, I'm sorry, they didn't mention the real names of my roommate and me. Shame on you Gipper, for trying to keep the anonymity of your sources! Now, explain to me Mr. Szabo, what part of that story is wrong?

Apparently you are the only one of the four people that were in my room during the incident that believes that story is taken out of context.

I am not upset at you, Mr. Szabo, because you just ASSUMED that I had chopsticks just because I am Asian. I am upset because even though you make mistakes like this, you turn around and attempt to expel Dan Sullivan and suspend The Observer staff for making a mistake. The Gipper told the people of Notre Dame exactly how I felt about you. Everyone makes mistakes, Mr. Szabo, so don't go around trying to ruin other people just so you can get another mention in The Observer. Oh yeah, one more thing, I DO love cheeseburgers.

Vince "Ben" Oh
Sophomore, Morrissey Manor
November 18, 1997

■ DOONESBURY

GARRY TRUDEAU



■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"When you ask God to send you trials, you may be sure your prayer will be granted."

—Leon Bloy

■ FROM THE LEFT

University Should Take a Stand Against Rice, 'Reason'

There persists a sweeping current of homophobia and gay-bashing at Notre Dame, promulgated by faculty members, carried through socially by the student community, and blessed by the auspices of the Church by a weakly-worded document known as "The Spirit of Inclusion." This blemish of intolerance must be excised. We all certainly have not spoken up enough to stem the tide

of venomous skreed that bleats through such bleating horns as the horn of the Law School professor and perma-smiling columnist, Charles Rice. His newest assault on a persecuted group has taken the form of Inquisition-style Church intolerance, and a denial of the mere existence of homosexuality, outside of the realm of disorder.

By ascribing homosexuality to a disorder, Mr. Rice does nothing but retard hopes for progression and push the level of campus debate to a medieval-era status. The student body continues to act like a stunned calf, a tiny voice of protest being heroically voiced by the College Dems this semester. And, worst of all, the supposed head of the greatest Catholic university poorly plays politician and issues meaningless drivel in the form of "Spirit of Inclusion" — a warm and fuzzy document that veils the University's hard-line, right-wing denial of legal rights for the community of gays and lesbians. I fervently believe that Malloy should either step down as president, or step up to the moral higher ground — namely, the adopting of special anti-discrimination statutes for the University, a strengthening of the current harassment policy, and a "hands-off student sexuality" policy.

First, let us dispense with Rice and "Right Reason's" ceaseless babble about how students should follow their supposed higher moral code. Their rambling monologues are in reality perversions of Church doctrine to fit their short-term, right-wing political goals. We should all view Rice's robotic mumblings as the morbid intolerance of an extreme, right-wing, and ill-informed lawyer, who throws bits and pieces of a puzzle he can't seem to grasp into the faces of a semi-conscious student populace. That's for those of us who even bother to read such tedium. "Right Reason," on the other hand, presents as much of a problem to Notre Dame as does the American militia movement to the United States. Their fantastic litany of characterizing Adolf Hitler as a liberal, and Columbus as a hero, reeks of the self-same paranoia found in the extremist militia groups in Idaho. As a community, we all must breathe a deep sigh and shake our collective head every time the newspaper appears on campus. Their un-researched, un-analytical tripe, coupled with blatant racist and homophobic attacks borders on harassment of the minority, women, and gay University community. While I stop shy of requesting that the University reign them in, I would applaud a more unified approach to engaging such fascists, whether it be by a leftist publication or guerrilla action.

The University needs to get up off its collective posterior and get in gear to fight these extreme right wackos. What is needed now more than ever, is a unity amongst disparate pieces of Notre Dame progressives — such as was seen during the actions in 1995-1996 where an Amnesty International/GLND/SMC coalition garnered unprecedented support amongst all voting bodies on campus, and stirred up such a ruckus that media attention to the issue embarrassed those who had thrown GLND/SMC off of campus for no apparent reason. The University's continued position has been meaningless dialogue, hoping that with such "actions" as forming a panel (whose recommendations Patty O'Hara flat out denies), and issuing statements such as "Spirit of Inclusion," which obviously comes from the pen of lawyers, and lack any real substance, will smother the fires of discontent through the tactic of using student turnover to their advantage. Further, the misled attempts of Campus Ministry coupled by the sponsoring of "quack" psychologist lecturers throw more smoke over the true issues at heart — namely, the fact that the Church is built on a labyrinth of closets, and to open any (as many priests have threatened to do) would get too close to the source of power within the Church. Fortunately for the community, such groups as the College Democrats have continued to organize around this issue, fanning the flames of discontent.

I propose that the University adopt a much more stringent anti-discrimination policy which, coupled with a stronger wording of the harassment policy, should create an atmosphere of community tolerable to GLND/SMC — something other than the Campus Ministry full page ads on the issue. The University should move away from the single-sex dorm model, and create co-ed dorms which would hammer away at existing sexism, and set the stage for a broader understanding of all harassment issues. Also, the University should integrate specific anti-harassment seminars into the orientation process for first-year students.

Most importantly, the University should re-visit its stringent moral codes in relations to student sexuality. Because the one dominant voice in the community has remained that of the Catholic hierarchy, the community suffers from the hierarchy's broad misunderstandings of sexuality. A perfect example is how the University believes that by somehow protecting its gay students' civil rights, that they will find themselves in a quagmire of legal cases regarding student sexual practice. Thus we are faced once again with the Catholic Church's impotence and fear of human sexuality. By protecting gay students' civil rights, you are not condoning sexual behavior. To get past this obstacle, the University community must pressure the administration to drop its paranoid, homophobic stance. Indeed, the University administration does actual harm to its students by continuing the Church's confused practices of linking sex with sin, homosexuality with sin, civil rights with sexual practice, and theocracy with democracy.

We would be better off as a community if the University stopped meddling in the sexuality of its students. We need a "hands off student sexuality" policy which would only begin to repair the extensive damage done to a wonderful thing over the centuries by the Church. We need to look deeper as a Community into other more pressing issues — AIDS, rape, power, and misogyny to name only a few. We need to find the moral conscience which the University administration, alone in its unrealistic medieval tower, lacks in regards to these issues of acceptance, tolerance, diversity, and positive growth.

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■ GOD 'N' LIFE

Find your Personal 'Ground'

Having done extensive research in the course of writing my plays, and having shared local stages with a wide variety of actors and actresses, I have been amazed at the lifestyle of some of these people. On the amateur level, there are participants who work full time jobs, perform their roles in the evenings and on

Julie Ferraro

weekends, then migrate to the tavern for drinking and comraderie.

When asked what other activities they enjoy, they find themselves at a loss for an answer. The same can be said for a choice number of playwrights. They often labor into the wee hours, venting their frustrations with life, family or friends on paper. Yet, when the plot is completed and the last stage direction finalized, they find their existence relatively empty. Identifying a source for this problem is simple. When the "creative urge" consumes a soul, it is often difficult to break free of it and return to "normalcy."

In other words, it is a struggle for those so afflicted to locate their "ground." Just as "ground" on a car battery or electrical cord prevents a power surge or explosion, so too does one's personal "ground." It can best be described as what is "real" for a person: what we believe, what we hold dear. It may be

one's spouse or children, one's job, or a hobby; gardening or sailing come to mind. And, certainly, it is our faith in a loving God. Who else, after all, gave us the creative gifts we possess to make the world a better place? We need to be able to return to this "ground" after our successes, our failures. To deny oneself this chance is to deny the delicate balance between mind, body and soul — all of which combine to make creative expression a veritable miracle. Indeed, evidence of those "ungrounded" individuals reaches us daily through the media in reports of divorces, affairs, drug abuse, and so forth. It is so important to "get in touch" with oneself, to find one's "ground."

This need not be done using intricate psychological methods, expensive self discovery programs, or other advertised trends. All that is necessary is to remember the God who loves us unconditionally, give thanks in prayer for the talents with which we have been blessed, and let God's own law provided to us in the ultimate drama of the Bible guide us in setting priorities, including how our creativity is used.

It has to be admitted that there is no sensation quite like claiming the limelight after we have accomplished something special. Still, once the lights dim, or the event ends, remembering what is important, returning to our "ground" is what will ultimately keep us going and make our life so much more meaningful and complete.

Julie Ferraro is a local administrative assistant.

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■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The 'Blanket' of the Golden Dome

It had finally happened! My dream had come true! I was going to the University of Notre Dame. I was happy and my parents were ecstatic. The safe family atmosphere made me feel right at home. I was living it up and having fun, loving my new home, safe under the blanket of the Golden Dome.

Then I started to hear some rumors that this place was not what I thought it was. I didn't believe them until it happened to one of my friends. Date Rape! Here? At Notre Dame? Never! Not under the blanket of the Golden Dome.

I was nauseous. The naive image of my new home was shattered. The most frightening part was not that the rumors I heard were true, not that (although horrible) this had happened to one of my best friends, but that this happens so much more than the reported cases to the University (approximately 12 cases per year). This brought a new meaning to the shadowy blanket of the Golden Dome.

To say the least, this incident consumed my thoughts, and it didn't even happen to me. I couldn't imagine how a victim would do anything but think about it! One night, one incident, that affects the rest of your life. Suddenly, the blanket of the Golden Dome left me ice-cold.

Don't get me wrong. I love this place. I am the poster child, ND baby, would never miss a football game, bleeds blue and gold, typical Domer. But my view has been changed. This place is not as different from the real world as we think it to be. The blanket of the Golden Dome: not a protecting blanket, but merely a partition between the real world and the microcosm of the real world called Notre Dame.

Unfortunately, as a Catholic university, I hold Notre Dame, and thus myself, to a higher standard. The safe, family, Christian atmosphere is what draws students to this university. As a microcosm of the real world, Notre Dame does share in its horrors, but let us not forget our role as Christians at this university. I am dismayed that, as Christians, we have failed to be a model to the real world outside the Note Dame. Let us enjoy the protection of the golden blanket but use it as a basis to call all people to follow the morals we recognize as those this University was founded on: honesty, integrity, respect and love.

These few people, who choose victims and prey upon them, do not embody the Notre Dame attitude that defines this place. If nothing else, I am angry that they are allowed to bring down the reputation of my school. They do not represent the values of Notre Dame, nor do they represent the values of any moral person. As moral men and women at Notre Dame,

I hope you feel violated by the presence of these people on our campus. I want this golden blanket to protect me.

And after all this anger and hurt, what happens? Date rape, again! Another close friend. Another session of pain and unnecessary injury. Another semester of sleepless nights and distracted days. Another predator who has taken advantage of a trusting, innocent victim. Not at my Notre Dame. The time has come for this to stop! The blanket of the Golden Dome must protect me again.

So, attention predators! Your intimidation will not work anymore. You do not represent this university. NO one owes you anything. What gives you the audacity to hurt someone in a way you will never understand? Your sick power trip has affected many more than just the people you have raped. You do not deserve to be here at this Catholic university sharing in my blanket of the Golden Dome.

I did not realize the full effect these events have had on me as a secondary victim until one night last week. Walking from the Basilica to my dorm, a fairly short walk, I saw a person walking behind me. I was overcome with fear. I felt the adrenaline rush through my body, and I wanted nothing more than to get away. This person was probably just walking home or going out to study, but all I could see was a strange person following me. I could not make it all the way home. I ran into my friends' dorm and fell into their arms. My arms and legs were shaking and when they asked me what was wrong, my voice shook and I just cried. Overcome with emotion, I didn't know what to do. How could I be so frightened and so scared at my safe home? What, or more specifically who, had taken away the comfortable feeling of my Notre Dame? I longed for the protection of the blanket of the Golden Dome.

As these events have challenged me to focus on the good and help to eliminate the bad, I hope you, too, are challenged. Challenged to act as a Christian would, serve as a moral model for the world outside Notre Dame and help all ND students enjoy their home and the protection of the blanket of the Golden Dome.

Although I have always been taught that not signing your name is an indication that you do not fully stand behind you work, I have chosen anonymity to protect the identities of my friends. Please be assured that I am proud to be the author of this piece and passionately support the ideas presented.

Editor's note — Because of the sensitive subject matter of this letter, we chose to allow the writer to remain anonymous to protect the identity of her friends.

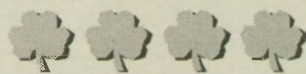
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Grisham's Story Shines on the Silverscreen

The Rainmaker

Directed by Francis Ford Coppola

Starring Matt Damon, Claire Danes, Danny DeVito, and Jon Voight



(out of five shamrocks)

By MIKE MCMORROW
Accent Movie Critic

The legal profession is always under scrutiny by society and especially in the movies. We get representations of the big-shot, rich attorney who gets all the important cases—he has a sling of staff lawyers who help him out to organize the defense or prosecution. His charisma and commanding presence are enough for him to be able to pull it off. Then we have the young prodigy who is just out of law school and gets in with a big firm and has his ethics severely corrupted. Then there's the less successful lawyer in the firm who may have family problems; usually this character doesn't have the legal savvy necessary to be one of the greats.

All these stereotypes are manifested with zest in your average John Grisham courtroom thriller. Some young lawyers are more successful than others, and some Grisham pieces adapt to the screen better—whatever humanity

they have comes across through the characters on-screen as well or better than on the pages. John Grisham's "The Rainmaker" is an especially well-done adaptation of the Grisham novel. And that success is due to the outstanding cast and finesse executed by the director, Francis Ford Coppola.

The film stars Matt Damon as Rudy Baylor who is a young lawyer fresh out of a second-tier law school who

goes to work for a non-licensed, shady lawyer by the name of Bruiser Stone portrayed by Mickey Rourke. Soon the law cracks down on Stone's tactics though, so Baylor teams up with another one of the lawyers in Stone's firm, a man by the name of Deck Shifflet played by Danny DeVito. After opening this partnership, Rudy gets the case of a young man named Ray Black whose insurance company is denying payment for medical treatment of leukemia. Rudy becomes his lawyer and challenges the insurance company for not paying for Black's treatment.

The insurance company hires Leo F. Drummond (Jon Voight) as their attorney. Drummond is the closest thing in this Grisham, courtroom drama to the big-shot attorney described above. The rest of the film centers around the case.

There are subplots, however. Coppola tries to intermingle the insurance company case with two other cases. One of them involves a young woman, played by Claire Danes, who is battered by her young husband (Andrew Shue). There is



photo courtesy Paramount Pictures
Rudy Baylor (Matt Damon, left) and Deck Shifflet (Danny DeVito) take a case of epic proportions in the screen adaptation of John Grisham's novel "The Rainmaker."

a hint of passion between Damon and Danes, but the screenplay does not distract us with cheap, gratuitous romantic interludes.

I found much more humanity in "The Rainmaker" than I have in other Grisham adaptations. "A Time to Kill" was so enveloped in nonsense melodrama that it distracted us from the humanity of the characters. The self-importance obvious in that film is exactly what "The Rainmaker" succeeds in protecting itself from. "The Firm" and "The Pelican Brief" were fun, but didn't have the substance to bring them above the level of mediocrity.

Coppola has found heart in his actors as well. If anybody seems out of place, it

is Damon. Perhaps he is too earnest in this role. A slight edge on his character may have given him some more panache. DeVito and Voight, however, seem to have been born into their roles: it's as if DeVito or Pacino were playing a mobster.

I don't want to reveal too much about the relationships and tensions that are generated throughout the film—experience this Grisham adaptation for yourself. Realize how refreshing it can be to finally have a main stream Hollywood movie adapted from a mainstream, Hollywood author and still have something with which you can sympathize in a way that does not feel cheap and necessary.

Disney Dazzles Moviegoers, Again

The Little Mermaid

Directed by John Musker

Starring Rene Auberjonois, Jodi Benson, and Christopher Daniel Barnes



(out of five shamrocks)

By JOSH BECK
Accent Movie Critic

From out of the Disney vault this past weekend came a masterpiece. No, not one of those live-action films which these famed movie producers feel should disgrace the screen in between their mega-animated blockbusters; no, this was something we could treasure for ages. The film was of course "The Little Mermaid," and although its engagement only lasts 17 days (until November 30), the joy it brings on the faces of the viewers is still evident. I happened to be in a packed house with little viewers who had obviously seen it countless times before. In some cases, they were even mouthing the lines to the ears of their parents who were, recognizably, not asleep. They seemed to be enjoying it as much as their little compatriots. How does Disney do it? Simple, they make visually stunning animations that are not only entertaining but also exciting to watch. Pulling fables from ancient lore and restoring the pages of antique novels, these filmmakers bring what were once lost stories back to life and make us see them in a whole new light.

"The Little Mermaid" stems from a story by the impeccable Hans Christian Anderson about a mermaid named Ariel who longs to be human. So, as in all Disney animations, she of course can't achieve her goal without the help of her little animal friends; in this case, little sea creatures including the adorable Sebastian the crab among other helpful species. Of course, there is an evil sea witch she must contend with and the lonely prince whom she



photo courtesy Walt Disney Pictures
Ariel and her best friend Flounder once again delight audiences young and old in the re-release of the Walt Disney Classic, "The Little Mermaid."

absolutely must fall in love with. But why am I telling you all this? Chances are you've already seen it countless times and know it all by heart, whether it was your own will or not. The second half of the money these movies make always comes from video, and I remember having to watch this movie with my little cousins about 450 million times in all, just as I did with the countless other classics afterwards. But this is what these movies are all about: grabbing the viewer regardless of age and keeping the viewer riveted until the film is unfortunately over. This is what makes them work and gross over the \$100 million mark everytime they appear on the screen.

Although "The Little Mermaid" was a masterpiece of animation and was the catalyst for movies such as "Beauty and The Beast" and "The Lion King," its success lies in the fact that it is one of the best musicals to have appeared in theaters in recent memory. Since musicals have simply died out after the countless years that they were being made, it is refreshing to see movies that still live up to the greatness of this genre, even if they are animated. This may be the main reason that parents love these movies so much: the fact that they are drawn back to a time when they were little children or still old enough to be young at heart.

The scores for these Disney films have had an unprecedented track record at the Academy; since 1989, they have been nominated for Oscars everytime that they have appeared. The musical team of Alan Menken and Tim Rice can be credited with almost all of this, as their lyrics and musical talent have spawned the hits "A Whole New World" from the film "Aladdin," "Beauty and the Beast," and "Can You Feel the Love Tonight" written by Elton John for

"The Lion King." "The Little Mermaid" also won two awards for Best Score and Best Song, "Under The Sea."

Classics like these Disney musicals don't die, and as long as we have "The Little Mermaid" among all the other countless Disney animated masterpieces, we are reminded of this very fact.

Summary: Incredible animation with adorable characters and amazing songs. Only out for 17 days. Short at 82 minutes but average for an animated film. If you haven't seen it, now's the time!

Notre Dame West Virginia 21-14

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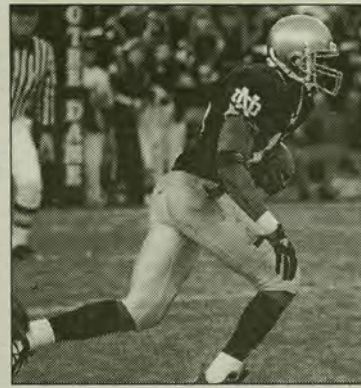
Before Saturday, the Irish had not beaten ranked opponents in consecutive weeks since 1992.

Player of the Game

Malcolm Johnson
The senior caught six balls for a career-high 125 yards and a TD.

Quote of the Game

"The key to the game was holding (Amos) Zereoue to 234 yards."
-Head coach Bob Davie



Thieving Irish

Seniors Ivory Covington and Ty Goode recorded key interceptions to lead the Notre Dame defense to a second-half shutout of West Virginia.

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Irish Insider

Top of the Mountain

Irish defense withstands last-minute surge

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Assistant Sports Editor

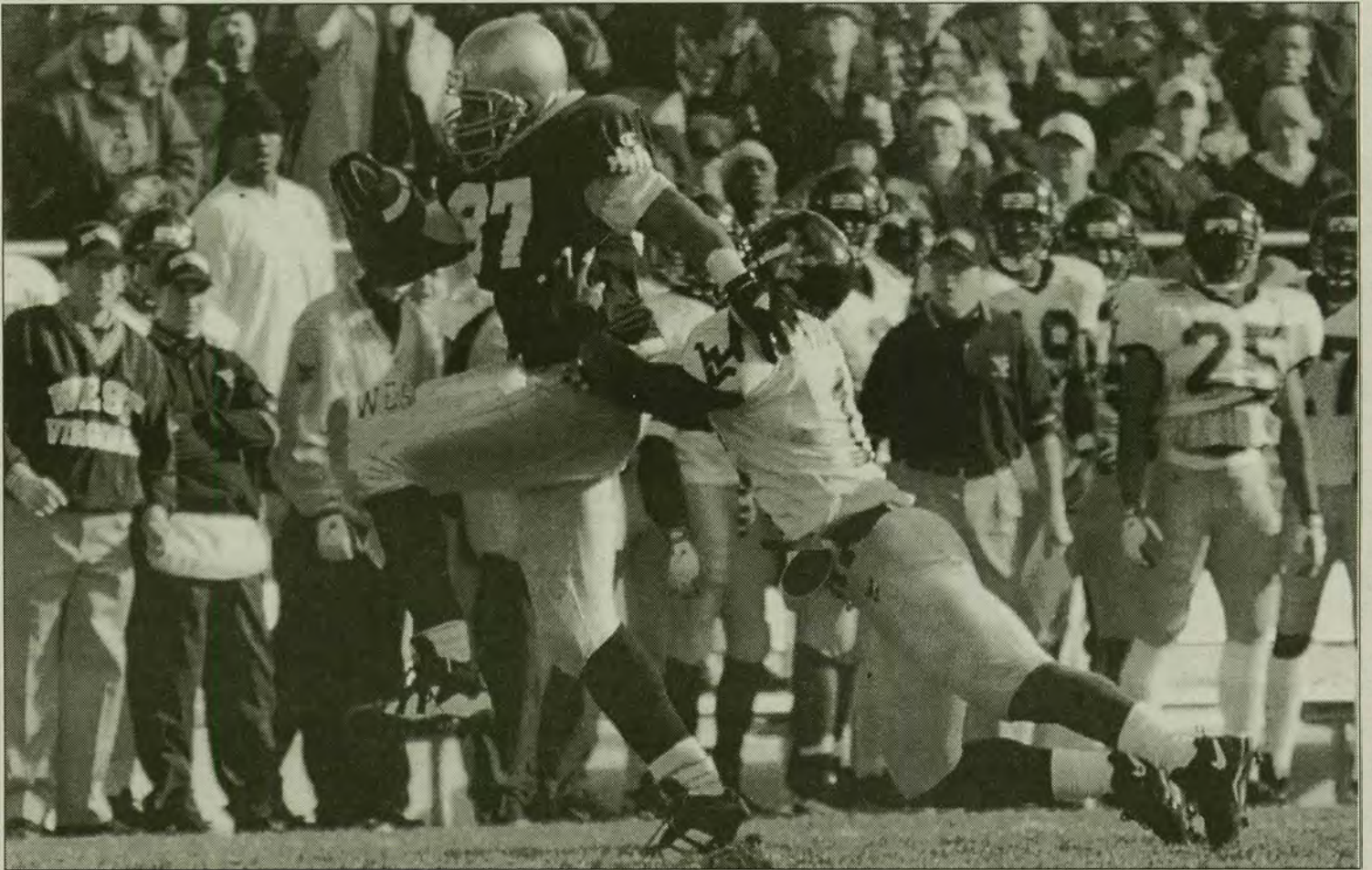
West Virginia tailback Amos Zereoue rushed for 234 yards Saturday, but the Mountaineers came up just short as Notre Dame extended its winning streak to four games by winning its final home game of the season 21-14.

A number of the Irish seniors came up big in their final home game in Notre Dame Stadium, and it was their leadership by example that pushed the team over the top.

With just under five minutes to play, fifth-year quarterback Ron Powlus hit Bobby Brown with the game-winning touchdown pass from 11 yards out. Senior center Rick Kaczinski indicated that he knew, in the huddle, that Powlus would make the play.

"As soon as he called the play, I looked him dead in the eye and he gave me a little smirk," recalled Kaczinski. "I told him, 'I said 'this is going to be a touchdown.'"

Senior wide out Malcom Johnson, who turned in a spectacular performance, catching six passes for a career-high 125 yards and a touchdown of his own, expressed similar confidence in Brown's ability to haul in



The Observer/John Daily

Freshman tight end Jabari Holloway, shown here powering his way through the arms of West Virginia linebacker Damon Cogdell, has emerged as an integral part of the Notre Dame offense.

the big catch.

"When the ball was in the air and I see Bobby Brown two yards away from the defender, I said 'money in the bank,'" said Johnson, "because that's what that is."

Brown was quick to give credit to the coaches for making the call and to Powlus for

the clutch throw.

"To take all of the criticism he (Powlus) has taken throughout the years and still keep on fighting, and then to throw a ball like that, perfectly," said Brown, "that just shows the type of character he's got."

Irish head coach Bob Davie

reflected on the significance of the much-maligned quarterback coming up with the clincher in the last home game of his Notre Dame career.

"He's a good person," said the first-year coach. "It's good to see the good guys win. That's why I'm happy

for him."

The 52nd touchdown pass of Powlus' career did not quite put the Mountaineers to bed, though.

After failing to strike back on its first possession after Notre Dame took the lead,

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IRISH INSIGHT



Following Saturday's 21-14 victory, Irish fans rushed the field to celebrate the win in the team's final home game of the season.

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Davie ushers in time of immense appreciation

As 80,225 fans in Notre Dame Stadium held their breath, backup cornerback Ty Goode came up with a diving snag of Marc Bugler's toss toward the end zone with seconds left on the clock. The Notre Dame student body erupted in a raucous roar, flooding the field.

Dotting the sea of people on the field were the famous golden helmets, raised high to salute the students.

Had the Irish defeated top-ranked Michigan or Florida State in a game with national championship implications?

No.

The Blue and Gold captured a fourth straight win, its second in as many weeks over a ranked opponent, increasing the chances of a post-season bowl game invitation.

But why all the excitement? Isn't this the same Notre Dame team that

refused an invitation to a lesser bowl game last year?

Yes and no.

We're still talking about the midwestern university founded on Father Edward Sorin's dream of academic and religious excellence, of course. But this is far from the same team of one year ago.

The end of the Lou Holtz era was just that, the end of an era. Although new head coach Bob Davie would have been at the helm, Notre Dame's appearance at a lesser bowl game would have been, well, lesser. It would have seemed a disappointing conclusion to an 8-3 season for a pretty good team riding the coattails of Notre Dame football tradition.

This year's team, however, is completely different. The Bob Davie era ushered in the promise of bringing Notre Dame football back on top of the college football ranks. A new stadium, a new TV contract and a new attitude for old players brought heightened



Allison Krilla
Sports Writer

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Johnson, receivers step up in pressure situation

By BETSY BAKER
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame's 21-14 victory over West Virginia Saturday served as the final proof that the team has turned its season around. No area of the team needed to do this more than the offense.

After the red zone frustration and chaotic offensive performances in the first couple of games, the offense has gradually improved to a point that makes the Irish a team with a winning record. And while Saturday's performance was sloppy at times and did not deliver the punch it did the week before at LSU, the offense was able to score when it needed it in order to get its sixth win of the season.

The most noticeable improvement of the offense this season is its ability to make the big plays. The emergence of Jarious Jackson has added an element of unpredictability by giving a different approach to the offense to complement Ron Powlus' consistency.

"Big plays are a part of the game," Powlus said. "We had some big plays that really helped set up the win. On both sides of the ball, it was a key factor in winning the game."

Also, despite the fact that Irish fans can count on seeing the team's receivers drop about two catchable balls every game, the receivers have stepped up in a huge way. This season is the first

season in the history of Irish football that two receivers have amassed more than 40 receptions each. Bobby Brown leads the Irish with 43 and Malcolm Johnson is right behind him with 40. Johnson's 45-yard diving over-the-shoulder reception from Jackson in the second quarter left nearly everyone in the stadium with wide open jaws.

"I was just in awe," Brown said of his teammate's catch. "I know he can make great catches like that. I see him practice every day, so I wasn't shocked. But I was just in awe to see someone do it in the game. To have that type of concentration just shows how great a player he is."

Johnson ended the day with a touchdown and six receptions for 125 yards, the best of any Irish receiver this season. In addition to Johnson's performance, freshman tight end Jabari Hallway continued his big-play performance with a 48-yard reception from Powlus at the end of the first quarter to set up the Irish first touchdown of the game.

Brown also has been a con-

sistent target for the Irish, scoring his sixth touchdown of the season in the fourth quarter to close the door on the Mountaineers.

On the rushing front, the Irish did not use as many runners as they have in the last few games, but with Autry Denson's 144 yards on 26 carries, they really didn't need too.

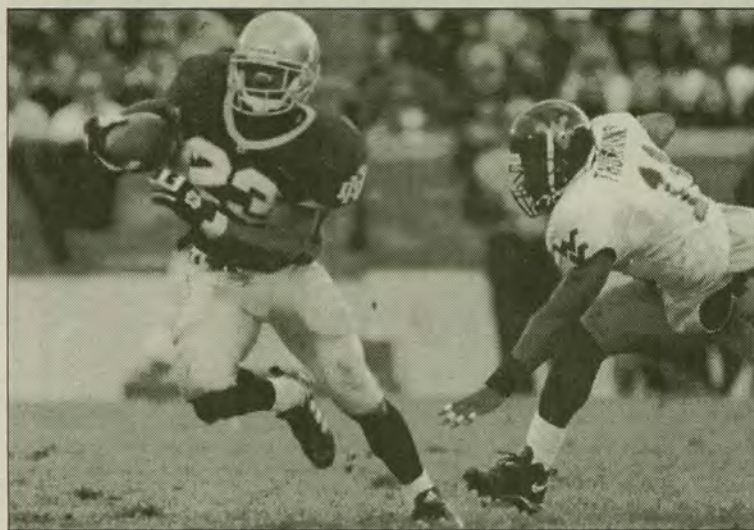
The Denson highlight of the game came after Ivory Covington's interception gave the Irish the ball back in the fourth quarter, when the junior tailback ran 36 yards to set up the game winning touchdown. Clement Stokes only got the ball five times, but score the first Irish touchdown of the game, which tied the game 7-7.

Most impressive about the offensive effort Saturday was the offense's tenacity that didn't really appear to exist

early in the season. The Irish have not fared well throughout the season when they do not jump out to an early lead, and when West Virginia scored on its first drive of the game, it did not look good for the Irish. However, the Irish fought back and the offense was able to maintain their composure.

"The thing I'm most proud of is we were down 7-0 and we clawed our way back and made it 7-7," Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie said. "Then we gave up a quick touchdown, and we clawed our way back and made it 14-14 at halftime. We struggled a little bit in the third quarter offensively, but we were able to come back in the fourth quarter, move the ball, and win."

"I think to come back like that really kind of parallels the season, and that's why I'm so proud of those players and those coaches."



The Observer/John Daily
With his 146 yards against the Mountaineers, tailback Autry Denson passed the 1,000-yard mark for the season.

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then converted on a critical third-and-10 play by scrambling for a first down and getting out of bounds to stop the clock. He then hit Jerry Porter for 37 yards and a first down inside the Notre Dame 30.

The Mountaineers took two shots at the end zone in the final 25 seconds.

The first ball was caught, but the play was ruled incomplete as the receiver was unable to get a foot down in-bounds. The next was picked off by senior defensive back Ty Goode, touching off a wild celebration with the Notre Dame band.

Powlus ran out the clock by taking a knee, and the Notre Dame student body rushed the field to join the players and the band. Irish supporters followed the team out of the tunnel at the north end of the stadium and could be heard cheering and chanting for almost an hour following the game.

"It was an emotional win," explained Powlus, "there's no question about it. It's the last one in the Stadium for us seniors, but more importantly, it's a big win for this team."

The play of the game was another fourth-quarter interception by Ivory Covington. The Mountaineers had been driving deep into Irish territory, when Bulger overthrew his intended receiver and Covington, also a senior, caught the ball and returned it to the Notre Dame 22-yard line to set up the game-winning drive.

"I hadn't had an interception since the last time we went to a bowl game," said Covington, who recorded a pick against Florida State in the 1996 Orange Bowl. "You play hard to make big plays such as interceptions, but you have to be patient. I try to be a leader week in and week out."

"When Allen (Rossum) went out today, I knew that I had to step up and I was fortunate enough to be able to have a couple of key plays."

Clement Stokes got the Irish on the board to start the second quarter with a one-yard touchdown run to tie the game 7-7. The Mountaineers responded with a

two-play 66-yard drive, capped by Zereoue's second score of the game from six yards.

Backup quarterback Jarious Jackson made the most of his only appearance by leading the Irish on a 67-yard drive to even the score before halftime. He was three-for-three through the air, connecting with Brown on a key third down play

and hitting Johnson for a 45-yard gain to set up his first touchdown pass of the season.

Johnson made a spectacular play, adjusting his position in mid-air to record the diving reception. He found himself in the right place again just three plays later and caught Jackson's bullet on a quick timing pattern for the

score.

Notre Dame, now at 6-5 and on a four-game winning streak, is in position to accept a bid to a minor bowl game, something that seemed virtually impossible just two weeks ago. A win at Hawaii next week should wrap up that invitation and launch the Irish into post-season having won six of their last seven games.

■ REPORT CARD

Quarterbacks: A-

Powlus connected on 53 percent of his passes, but more importantly averaged 17.3 yards per completion, threw no interceptions, and delivered a perfect ball for the game-winning score. Jackson was equally as impressive, going three-for-three and tossing his first touchdown pass of the year.

Running Backs: A-

Denson's 144 yards may have been overshadowed by Zereoue's performance, but his 36-yard jaunt sparked the Irish offense on the clinching drive. Barry looked strong and Stokes found the end zone once again.

Receivers: A-

There were a few costly dropped balls, but the receiving corps made things happen Saturday. Holloway's strength, Brown's ability to get open, and Johnson's fabulous all-around efforts prevented a prolonged offensive stall and converted on key opportunities all day.

Offensive Line: B+

The line was able to create enough room for the backs to contribute and protected the quarterbacks when it counted most. A couple of illegal procedure penalties could have hurt Notre Dame down the stretch.

Defensive Line: C+

Aside from one or two plays, Zereoue shot through the Irish line with ease from beginning to end. When one back gains more than 200 yards in a game, there has to be a breakdown somewhere in the defense, not matter how good he is.

Linebackers: B

The unit of four improved as the game went on, despite allowing

Zereoue 159 yards in the first half. Minor had a big sack and the linebacking corps contained Zereoue to some extent in the second half.

Defensive Backs: A

Covington and Goode played extremely well and each picked off West Virginia passes at critical points in the game. The secondary had momentary lapses which turned out to be harmless when all was said and done.

Special Teams: B

It's always a plus when the Irish connect on all of their extra points and Cengia, thankfully, did not make it interesting. Smith had a below average game and the coverage units could have done a better job limiting the Mountaineer returners to shorter gains.

Coaching: B+

The staff deserves a tremendous amount of credit for keeping the players in a strong state of mind following their huge upset in Baton Rouge last weekend. The lack of creativity in the playbook was apparent again when the Irish found themselves on the goal line in the first half and trying to run out the clock in the second. Mattison did a terrific job of adjusting at halftime to shut out West Virginia in the final two quarters.

Overall: 3.26

The Irish continued to show the heart that has allowed them to battle back from a 1-4 start. Davie's constant discussion of the "character of this football team" may sound monotonous at times, but that character is what has allowed Notre Dame to stick together and persevere through the low points of 1997.

-Brian Reinthaler

Irish seniors lift defense following sluggish start

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

Over the course of this season, there have been two versions of the Notre Dame defense.

While it has been dominated by Purdue, Michigan State and Stanford, it has also had extraordinary performances against Boston College, Pittsburgh and LSU.

So, with the game against the No. 21 Mountaineers approaching, and bowl hopes hanging in the balance, the question of most Irish fans was, "Which team will show up today?"

Early in the game, it looked very much like the earlier version, as Notre Dame was unable to shut down the West Virginia offense. Sophomore sensation Amos Zereoue picked away at the defense, ripping off chunks of yardage on almost every play. Third down conversions, which have been troublesome

all season for the Mountaineers, were converted with ease. And, when cornerback Allen Rossum was taken out of the game with a light concussion, it looked as if this version of the defense would remain for the rest of the game.

However, midway through the second quarter that other face began to show itself. Little by little, the Notre Dame defense that had torn LSU to shreds a week ago returned to the forefront and slowly wore the vaunted West Virginia offense down.

The Mountaineers did have their share of bright spots, but the Blue and Gold were able to escape without suffering a critical blow. While Zereoue did rack up 234 yards on Saturday, the most by an opposing player this season, he became less of a factor as time went on.

After gaining a mind-boggling 159 yards in the first half, Zereoue was held to a quiet 13 yards in the third quarter

and only 62 yards in the fourth. Melvin Dansby, in his final home game, along with linebackers Kory Minor and Jimmy Friday were key players in putting the breaks on the West Virginia running game.

Although West Virginia quarterback Mark Bulger entered the game as one of the best passers in the nation in efficiency, attempting to crack the Notre

Dame passing defense proved to be one of the toughest challenges he had faced this year. Passes that were easily completed early on were broken up by the quick hands of Ty Goode and Brad Williams. After Zereoue scored for the second time in the third Mountaineer drive of the game, they failed to reach the end zone again.

During the critical third quarter, the defense was able to hold off the West Virginia offensive threat while the Irish offensive unit struggled to get back on its feet. However, Notre Dame was not able to take full advantage of the Mountaineer penalties. It was not until another senior, Ivory Covington, stepped up that the Irish offense was able to capitalize on its opportunities.

Driving in the fourth quarter, West Virginia looked as strong as it had at the start of the game. Zereoue led them down the field making short but consistent gains. It looked as if the Mountaineers would score again when the improbable happened. Bulger, sensing that the defense would try to contain Zereoue, attempted a pass toward the end zone, which fell right into Covington's hands.

"It means a lot to any team to be able to close out a season on a positive note," Covington said. "I've been able to step up my game, and I've been able to make plays that people notice."

Head coach Bob Davie acknowledged the importance of Covington's play.

"I think that early in the second half we had the field position (advantage)," Davie said, "and then there was a point where West Virginia started to have the field position (advantage) and the momentum. I think that interception was a critical point in the game because it brought both the momentum and field position back on our side."

With the momentum in Notre Dame's favor, the Mountaineer offense never had a chance. On the next drive, a key sack by Minor and a Zereoue run for a



The Observer/Katie Kroener

Cornerback Ivory Covington takes on Mountaineer running back Amos Zereoue.

loss forced the special teams onto the field. On West Virginia's last opportunity, an interception by Goode in the end-zone clinched the game. The Irish prevailed, and the class of 1998 ended its career at home on a high note.

"You've just got to give these kids credit," defensive coordinator Greg Mattison said. "Allen Rossum doesn't play from the first play on. Jimmy Friday is hurt, and he doesn't play for most of the game. It really shows how much they've come on. I don't know if I could be any prouder of our defense for believing, and sticking with it."



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Notre Dame cornerback Ty Goode played extensively after Allen Rossum suffered a concussion on the game's third play.

AP TOP 25 AP

TEAM	RECORD	POINTS	PREVIOUS
1. Michigan (69)	11-0	1749	1
2. Nebraska (1)	10-0	1679	3
3. Tennessee	9-1	1570	5
4. Penn St	9-1	1497	6
5. Florida St	10-1	1470	2
6. UCLA	9-2	1311	7
7. Florida	9-2	1285	10
8. North Carolina	10-1	1236	8
9. Ohio St	10-2	1206	4
10. Washington St	10-1	1178	11
11. Kansas St	10-1	1163	9
12. Arizona St	8-2	978	12
13. Auburn	9-2	907	13
14. Georgia	8-2	865	14
15. Texas A&M	8-2	727	16
16. Syracuse	8-3	648	18
17. LSU	7-3	589	20
18. Purdue	8-3	473	23
19. Missouri	7-4	433	21
20. Colorado St	9-2	359	25
21. Washington	7-4	270	17
22. Mississippi St	7-3	257	15
23. So Mississippi	8-3	192	-
24. Air Force	10-2	148	-
25. Oklahoma St	8-3	118	-

Others receiving votes: Virginia Tech 112, Iowa 70, West Virginia 60, Wisconsin 44, New Mexico 41, Louisiana Tech 30, Marshall 30, **Notre Dame 20**, Virginia 6, USC 4, North Carolina St. 2.

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
West Virginia	7	7	0	0	14
Notre Dame	0	14	0	7	21

Team Statistics	WVU	ND
First Downs	19	16
Rushed-Yards	41-248	42-148
Passing Yards	140	217
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-5	2-16
Return Yards	39	44
Passes	12-28-2	12-20-0
Punts	6-36.3	7-37.9
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	9-89	6-52
Time of Possession	30:15	29:45

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: WVU-Zereoue 32-234, Bulger 6-14, White 2-1, Keaton 1-(minus 1). ND-Denson 26-144, Barry 3-20, Stokes 5-3, Spencer 3-3, Driver 1-(minus 5), Powlus 4-(minus 17).

PASSING: WVU-Bulger 12-28-2-140. ND-Powlus 9-17-0-156, Jackson 3-3-0-61.

RECEIVING: WVU-Foreman 6-50, Green 3-42, Porter 1-37, Zereoue 1-12, Bulger 1-(minus 1). ND-Johnson 6-125, Holloway 3-63, Brown 3-29.

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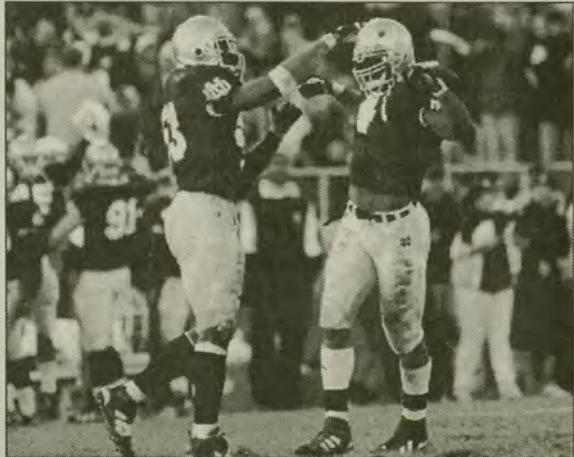
SCORING SUMMARY

1st Quarter
WVU-Zereoue 11-yard run (Taylor kick), 6:39

2nd Quarter
ND-Stokes 1-yard run (Cengia kick), 0:52
WVU-Zereoue 6-yard run (Taylor kick), 1:32
ND-Johnson 7-yard pass from Jackson (Cengia kick), 11:06

3rd Quarter
No Scoring

4th Quarter
ND-Brown 11-yard pass from Powlus (Cengia kick), 10:04



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Linebackers Lamont Bryant (left) and Kory Minor had reason to celebrate in Saturday's 21-14 victory.

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expectations. And as the Irish faltered early, the students felt new disappointments.

Notre Dame supporters wondered if even a .500 record was possible — with LSU and West Virginia remaining on the schedule, who knew?

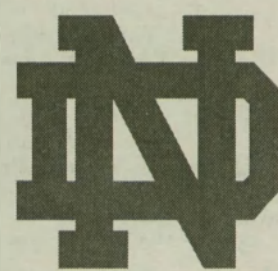
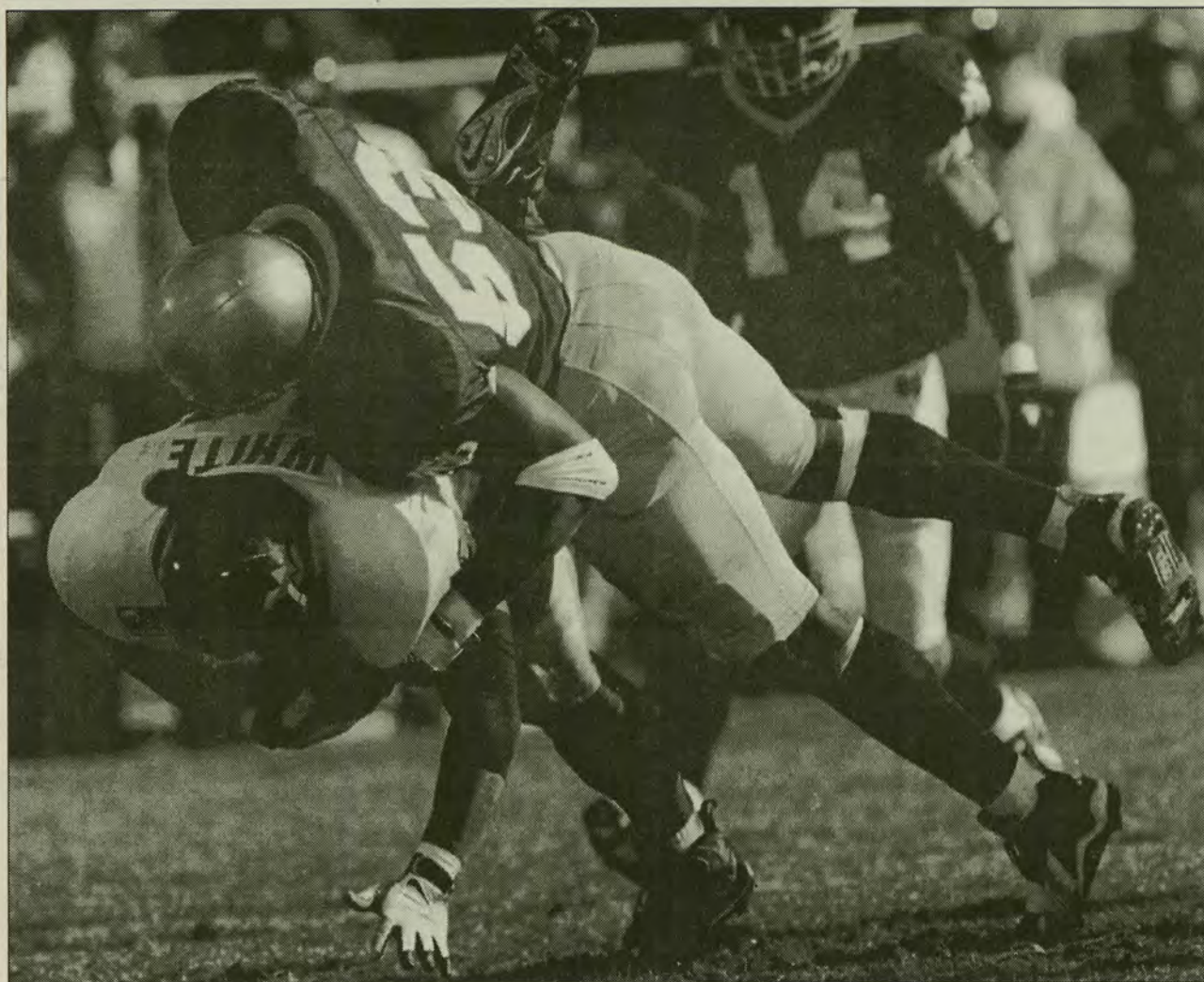
Fans began to find solace in the little things — a completed pass, a first down, a defensive stand. Touchdowns and field goals were hard to come by, making them all the more valuable. The things we take for granted were no longer overlooked with such ease.

Of course, being Notre Dame fans, the outcome was always the bottom line, but the essence of the game took on noticeable importance. The team's heart and soul were as talked about as the stat lines.

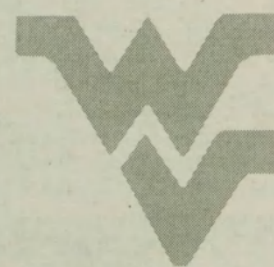
And then it happened. The Irish reeled off four consecutive wins. Just when "Bob Davie" and "Gerry Faust" were uttered in the same breath, Notre Dame football turned itself around. The bitter taste of an early string of defeats made the wins all the more sweet.

In the waning moments of Saturday's victory, the students felt the energy once again. It didn't hurt that this was the last home game for the class of 1998, either. But regardless of the opponent or the day, a victory is not something to be taken for granted anymore.

This year Notre Dame football taught us something new. There's more to a football game than wins or even pride. Don't take the little things for granted.



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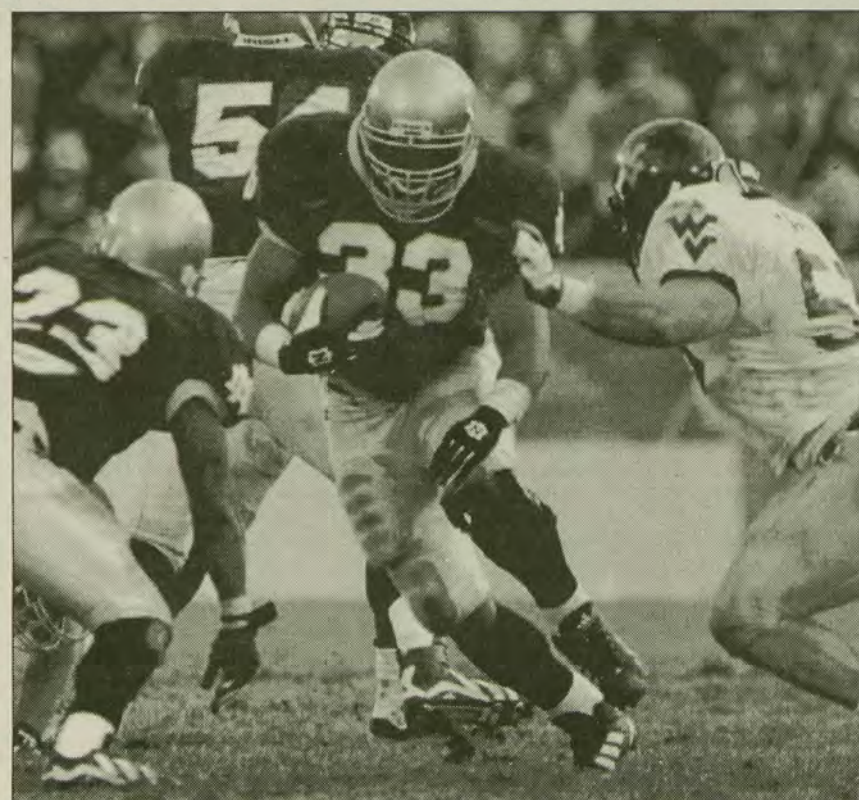
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Notre Dame Stadium
November 22, 1997

Irish linebacker Lamont Bryant corrals West Virginia fullback Leroy White. Although the Irish defense allowed nearly 300 yards rushing, the unit made the critical plays in the fourth quarter when the game was on the line. The Observer/John Daily



In the final home game of his Notre Dame career, quarterback Ron Powlus engineered the scoring drive in the fourth quarter that secured a victory for the Irish. The Observer/John Daily

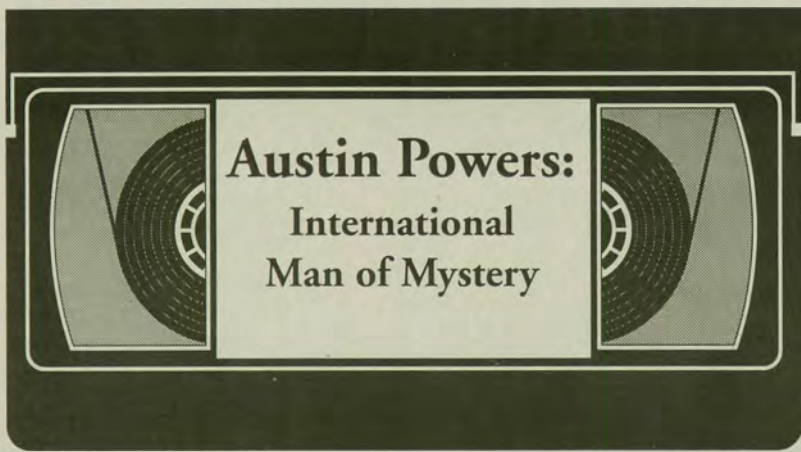


Fullback Jamie Spencer and the Irish running attack amassed just 148 yards on Saturday, but they moved the ball when they needed to in the fourth quarter. The Observer/John Daily



Irish nose guard Corey Bennett eyes West Virginia quarterback Marc Bulger. For the day, Notre Dame limited Bulger to just 140 yards on 12-of-28 passing. The Observer/John Daily

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK



Evil, who feels contempt towards his father for having deserted his parenting responsibilities. Eventually the father and son join a group therapy session to deal with their problems.

Austin works along side Vanessa Kensington (played to perfection by Elizabeth Hurley) who has to help Austin adjust to a world where free love isn't the common practice. As Austin and Vanessa eventually begin to click,

and a relationship seems possible, Vanessa confronts Austin that, although she feels guilty, she can't help feeling suspicious about Austin and the Italian sidekick of Number Two. Showing just how unfamiliar with the '90s he is, Austin gleefully responds "Oh no Vanessa, you have every right to be suspicious. I shagged her. I shagged her rotten, baby! Yeah!!"

Gene Siskel quips that the plot, where the bad guys hijack nuclear weapons to hold the world hostage, is a very weak one. Well, guess what, Gene, you're just missing more of the humor. "Austin Powers" is a great satire of James Bond movies, as it both mocks and honors such films which always had plots of villains with unoriginal hostage schemes and slow moving, easily escapable death traps for the heroes.

The movie just works on so many levels! The enthusiasm of Myers is amazing, and along with his concise and flowing writing, he gives the film its energy. James Bond fans will get a kick out of the many references to the 007 movies. "Austin Powers" is smart enough not to exaggerate the sixties, but instead to pretty much show the clothing and other cultural aspects as they were, because that's where the humor really lies.

Also, the supporting characters are particularly hilarious, especially Dr. Evil's fellow bad guys. Having already seen this movie four times, I have the urge to just go on and on about every little joke in the movie, but that would require me to submit the entire screen play, and The Observer does give me a word limit — darn it. (I encourage you to express those feelings and submit a formal complaint to the editor suggesting that movie critics get free reign of column space — thank you for your support!)

OVERALL: Great movie, "totally shagadelic." Lots of fun, with quick, witty humor.

POSSIBLE DOWN SIDE?: They're making a sequel. Remember Wayne's World 2? I hope not — it's one of those things you want to block out of your memory. Hopefully, Myers has learned his lesson and knows now that a sequel also has to try and be funny, and not just ride the coattails of the first film.

MULTIPLE VIEWINGS?: Definitely a movie that gets funnier as you become more familiar with it and can join in the British dialogue. Remember how in 1994 you saw Pulp Fiction so many times, as it became a '90s cult favorite, and you were able to quote every line? Well, "Austin Powers" is one of those movies, because the one liners written by Mike Myers are fantastic, and usable in almost any social situation: "This is my happening, and it freaks me out! Yeah, baby, yeah!!"

By JOHN BARRY
Accent Movie Critic

Every once in a while, a film comes along which makes you ponder the vastness of the universe and makes you try to understand the intricacies within the human mind and soul; a movie that spans all human emotions, inspiring great thoughts and actions; a movie which rivals the greats of the modern era, such as "Schindler's List," "The English Patient," and "Braveheart." Okay, "Austin Powers" isn't one of those movies, but it's dang funny, and you should definitely see it.

I don't know about you, but sometimes I just need a break from movies that are "critically acclaimed." You have to bear in mind that "critically acclaimed" just means that lifeless out-of-touch twerps like Siskel and Ebert couldn't understand it so they thought it must be really smart, so they felt obliged to give it "Two Thumbs Up, Way Up." Well, there's more to enjoying a good movie than being confused or bored. Sure, sometimes it can be okay to watch a film that people discuss in social situations by saying things like "It had great scenery," which is nice, but lends to films of over three hours in length. We're college students — we need fast entertainment, not "epics" which take a whole day to watch and a whole week to fully understand. So, I'm recommending a movie for everyone's Beer and Pizza Night, a movie that's just plain fun — "Austin Powers."

From the opening musical sequence where Austin (Mike Myers) first appears, all groovy in his velvet suit and Italian boots, you'll be instantly entertained by the 1967 spy hero — an international James Bond who's the object of every woman's desires, especially in his home town of swinging London. Austin nearly captures his nemesis, Dr. Evil (also played by Mike Myers), but the clever bad guy escapes into a rocket ship (shaped like a Big Boy) with a cryogenic freezer, determined to get even with Austin Powers in the future. Fast forward to 1997.

Dr. Evil struggles with the challenges of being a bad guy in the '90s. He invents the evil scheme of making these things called "lasers" which are intense beams of light — using these "lasers" he will put a hole in the "ozone layer" which will in time cause an increase in skin cancer... unless the world pays him a hefty ransom of one million dollars! Needless to say he is quite upset when his colleague, Number Two, informs him that this has already happened, and that one million dollars is not quite what it used to be. Dr. Evil also finds out that he has a teenage son, Scott

SOAP OPERA UPDATE

Days of Our Lives

By NAOMI FREEMAN,
KRISTINE HOWARD,
and NICOLE PAULINA
Days of Our Lives' Correspondents

Hello Days fans! Similarly to last week, there is only one columnist bringing you all of Salem's news this week. I, Nicole, have been left to keep you informed since Kristy is punishing me for not being here last week and Freeman, as usual, is nowhere to be found. Now, on to Days!

Jack is desperate to save Jennifer and even tries to get Mickey to help him, but it is his cellmate, Herbie, who comes to his rescue. Apparently, Herbie had tried to escape before through a secret passageway, and Jack plans to try this method as well. Jen, meanwhile, is still being help captive by Travis. Unfortunately, T.C. tells Travis that everyone knows that he's not Trent and that they are out looking for Jennifer. Susan is devastated to learn that Stefano is the father of her child (apparently, Stefano had poisoned her peanut butter and banana sandwich at an Elvis convention) and fears he will take little Elvis. However, Sister Mary Moira uses her karate moves (I kid you not!) to prevent him from taking the baby. John finds it difficult to keep his and Marlena's secret from Roman, especially when Roman asks him to be the best man at his wedding.

On Tuesday, Marlena stops John from telling Roman the truth because she believes that telling Roman any bad news could cause a setback. As if John wasn't insecure enough about his relationship with Marlena before, Marlena asks Roman to move in with her. Nutty Laura is on the verge of yet another breakdown while she is fearing for Jen's safety. Abe agrees to do all he can, which isn't that much, to find Jen. Jack finally manages to break through the prison walls just as it is discovered he is missing.

Jennifer tries to appeal to Travis' good side, on Wednesday, and begs him to let her go. However, her pleas have little affect on him and he still plans to deliver her to Peter. Jack manages to overpower a guard and make his way to Jen's house. However, it's surrounded by cops so he sneaks in the window. Bo learns the details of Hope's jungle adventure and realizes the feelings that he had of danger in Rome were correct. Later, he and Billie (sporting a new hair-do) meet up with Hope (and the rest of Salem for that matter) at Jen's house, where Bo and his "fancyface" exchange meaningful glances.

During Thursday's episode, Bo and Hope finally talk as both attempt to explain the events that led them to be apart. Thanks to Stefano, Jennifer's friends and family learn that she is alive. Later, Kristen suggests to Stefano the only way for him to gain everyone's trust is to admit that Peter is alive. Meanwhile, Kristen is hatching a plan of her own to win back John and it involves Little Elvis! After Jack escapes from Jen's house, unseen by the police, he finds the address of Travis' old girlfriend and hopes it will be useful in the future. Back to the hostage: Jennifer takes advantage of time alone with T.C. and tries to seduce him into letting her go.

Finally, on Friday, Hope is relieved to learn that Bo was only staying with Billie because of her illness, but she does not understand why they are still together. Jack runs into T.C. and forces him to take him to Jennifer. Unfortunately, Jack is too late as Travis had already disguised himself and Jennifer before they left the motel. However, they are on the verge of being discovered as they are pulled over by the police. Both Lexie and Kristen plead with Stefano to tell the truth about Peter, and in a dramatic moment, Stefano finally admits Peter is alive.

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Top Ten At the Box Office

1. Mortal Kombat: Annihilation
2. Anastasia
3. The Rainmaker
4. The Jackal
5. The Little Mermaid
6. Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil
7. Starship Troopers
8. Bean
9. The Man Who Knew Too Little
10. I Know What You Did Last Summer

Source: Reuters

Top Ten Video Rentals

1. Liar, Liar
2. Batman & Robin
3. The Fifth Element
4. Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery
5. The Lost World: Jurassic Park
6. Grosse Pointe Blank
7. Breakdown
8. Anaconda
9. Volcano
10. The Saint

Source: Billboard Online

■ BOXING

Foreman hangs up his gloves

Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. George Foreman walked away from boxing, and left them laughing.

Foreman, who will turn 49 on Jan. 10, announced his retirement following his majority decision loss to 25-year-old Shannon Briggs that was greeted with jeers and catcalls.

"I'm walking away," said the puncher with a paunch, who defied time for a decade and made an indelible mark in a young man's sport. "This could go on for the rest of my life, chasing young guys. Young guys should be chasing young guys."

In 1994, at age 45, Foreman became the oldest heavyweight champion in history by knocking out Michael Moorer in the 10th round for the WBA and IBF titles.

Asked if he thought anybody would break that record, Foreman said, "If some guy breaks it, I'm coming back."

Then, in his best carnival barker's voice, he added, "I'm the last of the bearded ladies. Step right up."

Almost everybody but two judges thought Foreman won the 12-round fight Saturday night.

"They said Shannon Briggs won," Foreman said. "Good luck to him."

"I'm not bitter about anything."

Said Briggs: "He had the crowd behind him, and that's why they reacted like they did."

The reactions of most of 5,220 fans at the Trump Taj Mahal were those of dismay and anger. Ringside reporters were virtually unanimous in thinking Foreman won.

Foreman, all 260 pounds of him, pressed Briggs through-

out. Briggs' movement and jab might have given him an edge, or at least had him even, after eight rounds. But Foreman appeared to control the last four rounds with punishing jabs and hard rights to the head. He hurt his 227-pound opponent in the 10th round and him a few times in the last round.

Judge Steve Weisfeld, who called the fight even at 114-114, gave Foreman three of the last four rounds. Calvin Claxton, who favored Briggs 116-114, gave Briggs three of the last four rounds. Larry Layton, who scored it 117-113 for Briggs, gave Briggs the seventh and eighth rounds and called each of the last two rounds even.

The AP scored it 116-112 for Foreman, favoring him in each of the last four rounds.

Despite the loss, Roy Foreman said his brother's accomplishments were incredible.

"This has been one of the great achievements in history, in life or in sports," he said.

That might have been laying it on a bit thick, but Foreman's career unquestionably is one of the most remarkable in sports history.

A street tough in Houston, Foreman won the heavyweight gold medal at the 1968 Olympics at Mexico City. He turned pro in 1969, became undisputed world champion by stopping Joe Frazier in the second round on Jan. 22, 1973, at Kingston, Jamaica, and lost the title to Muhammad Ali when he was stopped in the eighth round Oct. 30, 1974, in Kinshasa, the capital of what was then Zaire.

After being outpointed by Jimmy Young on March 17, 1977, at San Juan, Puerto Rico, Foreman said he had a vision and he retired to

become an evangelist in Houston.

He sounded like the Rev. Foreman early Sunday when he said, "I hope that nice young man (Briggs) doesn't smoke and doesn't drink. He should go forth and lead a good life."

In 1987, Foreman began a comeback, he said, to raise \$100,000 for his youth center. He has earned more than \$100 million in purses and endorsements. His purse Saturday night was \$5 million. Briggs got \$400,000.

The Foreman who retired in 1977 often was a scowling, menacing man. The one who came back in 1987 did so with a smile and quip, especially about his waistline and love for cheeseburgers. He became a middle-aged folk hero, especially after he went the distance in losing to Evander Holyfield in a bid for the undisputed championship in 1991 at Atlantic City.

Foreman fought his way back for a title shot and cashed in by knocking out Moorer. He won a controversial decision over Axel Schulz in 1995 at Las Vegas before he was stripped of the titles for not fighting opponents designated by the WBA and IBF.

In the Moorer fight, Foreman's age started to show. He was far behind when he scored the knockout. After the Schulz match, he needed 12 rounds to beat Crawford Grimsley and then eked out a split decision against Lou Savarese. He looked old against Briggs, too. An old winner.

"I'm happy, I'm not hurt," Foreman said.

And a lot people in boxing are happy as well, happy that Foreman has finally retired.

"I've had a wonderful career," he said.

■ NFL

Patriots stay close with win over Miami

Associated Press

FOXBORO, Mass.

The New England Patriots finally found a quarterback to win a big game for them — Dan Marino.

Then he nearly won it for the Miami Dolphins with a fourth-quarter comeback after throwing two first-half interceptions for touchdowns.

"You explain that game," relieved Patriots coach Pete Carroll said after Sunday's 27-24 win, only their second in six games, kept them within a game of the AFC East lead.

Patriots quarterback Drew Bledsoe had been criticized for not winning big games against strong teams. The last four losses by AFC champions (7-5) were against the New York Jets, Green Bay, Minnesota and Tampa Bay.

"If you're going to be a good quarterback, you have to be resilient," Bledsoe said. "You have to be able to survive three interceptions and keep coming back. You have to survive a bad game and come back the next week."

Bledsoe, coming off one of the worst games of his five pro seasons in a 27-7 loss at Tampa Bay, completed 15-of-26 passes for 207 yards. Marino was 38-for-60 for 389 yards with three interceptions.

Two of the interceptions in the last two minutes of the half were returned 60 yards by Larry Whigham and a team-record 100 yards by Jimmy Hitchcock for touchdowns that gave the Patriots a 24-3 lead.

Then Marino led the Dolphins to three 1-yard scoring runs by Karim Abdul-Jabbar, the last with 10 seconds left that cut the lead to three. They recovered the onside kick, but Marino's last two passes fell incomplete.

"An interception is a mistake," said Marino, the NFL's career leader in touchdown passes to his own players. "It doesn't matter if it's your first

year or 15th year. It's a mistake."

Whigham also intercepted a pass at the goal line for a touchdown with 6:50 to go and the Patriots leading 27-17.

"We just knew we were going to have to go in and fight Dan Marino and we'd have to fight him 'til the last second," said Whigham. Marino had thrown only five interceptions all season.

New England moved into a second-place tie with Miami in the AFC East, one game behind the Jets, who beat Minnesota.

"We're still in the thick of things," Miami coach Jimmy Johnson said. "We can't turn the ball over like we did today and expect to win."

After cutting the lead to 27-17, the Dolphins recovered their first inside kick with 11:51 left. Marino led them to a first-and-goal at the New England 1 before Abdul-Jabbar lost 5 yards on the next two runs. On the next play, Whigham outleaped Jerris McPhail for the ball.

The Patriots scored on three passes, but Bledsoe, whose streak of 11 games with a touchdown pass ended a week ago, didn't throw any.

With the score 3-3, Dave Meggett connected with Troy Brown on an option pass for a 35-yard touchdown with 2:37 left in the half.

Then Marino went to work.

Two completions moved the ball to the New England 45. Then he threw a short pass to his right, where Whigham stepped in front of O.J. McDuffie and ran untouched to the end zone.

The next Dolphins drive started with a pass interference call against Hitchcock. They moved from their 24 to a first down at the Patriots 7, where Marino threw toward McDuffie. But Hitchcock intercepted and took off for the longest interception return in Patriots history.

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■ SAINT MARY'S BASKETBALL

Belles' season opener meets with mixed results

By ANGELA OLSEN
Saint Mary's Sports Editor

The Saint Mary's basketball team opened its season this weekend at the Kalamazoo Hornet Tip-Off Classic. The Belles dropped their first game on Friday night to Defiance College 94-75, but came back Saturday afternoon and defeated Whittier College 76-57.

Head coach Dave Roeder's squad got off to an impressive start against Defiance, a top-ranked Division III team, and had the lead for a while before Defiance's seasoned squad took back control of the floor.

Saint Mary's senior and co-captain Julie McGill was a constant threat to Defiance. McGill kept her squad close by scoring 26 points and pulling down 11 rebounds.

"Julie was incredible," said senior co-captain Darcy Nikes. "She worked for every basket and she took it upon herself to get the rebounds."

Converting off fast breaks helped Defiance stay in the driver's seat. At the half, the Belles found themselves down 43-29. The Belles came out stronger in the second half and put the pressure on Defiance. Saint Mary's improved its second-half field goal shooting to 50 percent and its free throw shooting to 82.4 percent. The Belles pulled down 47 rebounds compared with 40 for Defiance. Point guard Nikes finished the game

with 10 points in 37 minutes of play.

"I was not satisfied by the way I played," said Nikes. "I was a little bit jittery."

Also scoring in double figures for the Belles was freshman guard Julie Norman with 16 points.

"We tested them," said Roeder. "They are a very good team."

Friday's loss forced a match-up on Saturday with Whittier College. Norman got the Belles off to a quick start by nailing her first of two three-pointers. At the end of the first half the Belles were leading 46-26.

The second half was more evenly balanced, as Whittier stepped up its level of play. The Belles continued to out-rebound Whittier however, finishing the game with 46 rebounds compared with 38 from Whittier. McGill led the Belles with 16 rebounds. McGill also had 24 points, three blocked shots, and three steals in 38 minutes of play.

"Julie [McGill] had a really solid performance," said senior co-captain Brenda Hoban. "It definitely kept us going and ended the other team's momentum."

Hoban also scored in double figures finishing with 11 points and five assists. Besides scoring 11 points, Nikes had two assists and eight steals.

Saint Mary's next match will be its home opener Tuesday against Hope College at the Angela Athletic Center at 7 p.m.

■ WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Notre Dame inks three swimming recruits

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame's defending Big East champion swimming team has signed three high school seniors to national letters of intent, according to head coach Bailey Weathers. Brooke Davey (Hopewell Junction, N.Y.), Allison Lloyd (Ft. Wayne, Ind.) and Tara Riggs (Mt. Pleasant, S.C.) comprise Notre Dame's class of 2002.

"This is probably the best early signing class that we've had," said Weathers, the 1997 Big East coach of the year. "All three have Olympic Trials cuts and will be NCAA scorers for us right away so we are excited about having them join our program. They all come from coaches who have spent a lot of time working on technique and have prepared them well for collegiate swimming."

Davey comes to Notre Dame after placing eighth in the 50 freestyle at the 1996 Olympic Trials. She is a three-time senior nationals finalist in the 50 free and a four-time high school All-American and New York state champion at John Jay High School. Davey is also a member of the U.S. swimming scholastic all-America team. She swims for her club team the Newburgh Sharks and coach Mark Piggott.

"One of the interesting things about Brooke is that she never had the oppor-

tunity to train long course so to finish eighth at the Olympic Trials is pretty remarkable," said Weathers. "Brooke will contribute heavily in the relays in addition to our individual events. With Brooke and Carrie Nixon, we will have a great one-two punch in our sprint freestyle."

Lloyd starred in breaststroke at Canterbury High School and for her club team Fort Wayne Aquatics, coached by Dave Gibson. She qualified for senior nationals in both the 100 and 200 breaststroke and was a finalist in the 100 breaststroke in February, 1996. Lloyd qualified for the Olympic Trials in the 100-meter breaststroke and attended the U.S. swimming select camp in Colorado in October, 1996.

"Allison prepares us for the future after Shannon Suddarth and Brittany Kline," said Weathers. "She will really add with those two to make the breaststroke one of our strongest events and adds a lot of options to allow Shannon and Brittany to swim in other events."

Riggs brings versatility to Notre Dame's freestyle with the ability to swim in freestyle events from 200 yards up to 1,650 yards as well as the butterfly. She has swum for the City of Charleston swim team and coach T.J. Liston and for Wando High School with times under NCAA qualifying standards.

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be the Irish who would advance, as they defeated the Panthers handily in three games, by a score of 15-7, 15-11, 15-9.

In the first game, both teams struggled at the start before the Irish took a 7-0 run for a quick 9-2 lead. Freshman setter Denise Boylan then led the balanced Irish offense to take a one game lead. In the second game, Pittsburgh got their second wind, opening a 8-0 gap. After a quick timeout, head coach Debbie Brown substituted senior Carey May for Boylan in the setter position. May sparked the Irish to capture 15 of the final 18 points and take a 2-0 lead in the match. The Panthers jumped out again in the third, taking leads of 5-1 and 8-4. However, the Irish rallied again, with the help of Lee, Harris, and junior middle Lindsay Treadwell. A solo block from Treadwell, followed by

back-to-back aces from freshman Jo Jameyson set the game at match point, where Harris scored the final kill.

Notre Dame's balanced offense was led by the duo of Lee and Harris, who each tallied 12 kills. Treadwell and Leffers also aided the Irish cause, each scoring eight kills and one error. Treadwell hit .500 on 14 attempts while Leffers had .368 hitting on 19 tries.

"Pittsburgh had been a little bit up and down this season," Brown said about the Panthers. "and that's mainly because they're a young team. They lost a couple of key seniors last year, and while they have the capability to play at a higher level, they have also had some matches where they haven't played quite so well."

The win against the Panthers set up a championship match between the Irish and No. 2 seed Villanova. The Wildcats advanced to the title match by defeating Connecticut on Saturday in four games, by a

score of 15-7, 19-15, 16-14, 15-7. This time, however, the Wildcats weren't nearly as lucky, as the Irish won in four games, 9-15, 15-3, 15-10, 15-4.

The Irish were given a scare early on, as Villanova jumped out early in the first game to leads of 11-4 and 14-6. However, the Wildcats were unable to close out the match on their first five attempts at game point. The Irish had five service errors in the first game while several opposing players were able to hold off the attacks of Lee and Harris.

Notre Dame came back, taking a quick 8-1 lead and extending it to 11-2 en route to tying the match at one game apiece. Notre Dame then kept that momentum to take a 7-3 lead in game three, but the Wildcats rallied back to take a 8-7 advantage. Lee regained her composure and recorded 12 kills in the third game to help the Irish take a 2-1 lead. The team then held off Villanova and coasted to its third straight Big East title.

Notre Dame was led by an extraordinary match from Lee, who scored a career-high 29 kills on 61 attempts. The performance bested her previous career-best of 27 kills last season in an NCAA Tournament loss to Ohio State. After the match, she was named the tournament MVP. Lee was aided by Harris, who had 14 kills and 13 digs on the day. For Harris, it was her 16th straight match with double-digit kills, equaling the Irish record set by Christy Peters in 1993. Harris needs 21 more digs to be the sixth member on Notre Dame's 1,000 kills/1,000 digs club. Treadwell led the blocking game with a team-high seven block assists and 15 digs.

"Along with us, Villanova is definitely one of the top teams in the conference," Brown said about the Wildcats, who the Irish defeated in three games during the regular season. "While they aren't a very big team, they work very well together as a team, and that's something we had to watch for."

The win gave the Irish a lock for their sixth straight NCAA Tournament. The team has advanced as far as the NCAA Regionals from 1993-95. The question still remains, however, on whether or not the Irish will meet their first opponent at home or on the road.

"It's very difficult to say right now," Brown said. "We don't have all the polls and indices in front of us that the conference pollsters have. A lot depends on what happens on the West Coast in our last two matches. But right now, I'd say our chances are about 40 percent."

With the tournament, Notre Dame improves to 23-6 on the season.

Currently, the Irish are on a 10 match winning streak, fourth longest in team history. The team has also won 17 of its last 18 matches, with the only loss coming at the hands of then-No. 9 Texas on Oct. 21.

With the win over Villanova, Notre Dame extended its conference winning streak to 76 matches, third longest in volleyball history.

The Irish will finish off the regular season next weekend by competing at the annual Long Beach State Thanksgiving tournament.

The Irish will face No. 6 UC Santa Barbara on Nov. 28 before facing the top-ranked host school on Nov. 30. On the same day, NCAA Tournament pairings will be announced.

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Mollie Pierick dropped in 11 points for the Irish, but the 19th-ranked Blue Devils handed the team its first loss of the young season.



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Antoni Wyche contributed three points, but could not stop Marquette guards Aaron Hutchins and Marcus West, who wreaked havoc.

Duke hands Irish first loss

By JOE CAVATO
Assistant Sports Editor

With a team as young as the Notre Dame women's basketball squad, the early season will provide many lessons. This Saturday in North Carolina, the Irish learned a lot about themselves as their record fell to 1-1 following an 80-62 loss at the hands of the 19th-ranked Duke Blue Devils.

Notre Dame trailed 38-29 at halftime but refused to give up as Sheila McMillen brought her squad within one at 55-54 with 8:13 left in the game. But, Blue Devil sharpshooter Nicole Erikson connected on all six of her three point attempts for a game high 18.

"The three point shooting is what killed us," sophomore Julie Henderson said. "The foul shooting was terrible and that made it hard."

Notre Dame shot just 50 per-

cent from the charity stripe which hindered its hopes for an upset.

What also made a comeback difficult was that the shots were falling for Duke, but not for the visiting Irish. Duke shot 54 percent in the second half and 48 percent in the game, while Notre Dame shot just 37 percent in the second half and 42 percent in the game.

After McMillen's lay-up, Peppi Brown and Naz Medhanie scored on back-to-back trips down the floor to give the Blue Devils a bit of breathing room. Henderson answered with two of her 10 points, but Duke had an answer for everything Notre Dame threw at them. Duke then went on an 18-6 run to ice the contest and improve its record to 2-0.

Danielle Green and Ruth Riley paced Notre Dame in the first half with seven and six points, respectively. The Irish battled with the Blue Devils before Duke

went on a 13-4 run in the final four minutes of the first half giving them a nine point lead. Mollie Peirick and Sheila McMillen went a combined 7 for 27 as they scored 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Peirick added nine rebounds and four assists in the losing effort.

In the post, Julie Henderson lead the way with 10 points on 5 of 7 shooting in just 20 minutes of play.

Freshman forward Kelley Siemon also scored in double figures with 10 points and four boards, but she fouled out in 28 minutes of play.

Despite the outcome, McGraw's team can see the positives in how it competed against a top 25 opponent.

"I think you can learn more from a loss than a win," Henderson said. "I think we learned how to stick together and what level we're up against."

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Aaron Hutchins and Marcus West, wreaked havoc for the Notre Dame defense. Hutchins finished with 19 points, nine assists and just one turnover sparking the Eagles' offense. West added 10 points and four assists as Marquette shot 49 percent from the field.

"I think Hutchins and West are both dynamos," MacLeod said. "They are very, very quick and put pressure on our guards."

The Eagles jumped out to a 13-4 lead but three pointers from Wyche and Friel, their only field goals of the game, helped bring the score to 16-14 Marquette. But the Irish 12 got

only two field goals in the next eight minutes.

Marquette was running away with the game, with a 32-16 lead, but a Jimmy Dillon three pointer and two free throws got Notre Dame within striking distance, down only 34-21 at half time.

The Irish began to make a move mid-way through the second half but Wyche missed a potentially momentum shifting lay-up and Garrity was forced to sit on the bench when he picked up his fourth foul with 11:20 left in the contest.

"I felt that we were making a move there," MacLeod noted, "But we missed a couple of opportunities that made it difficult."

The Eagles continued to work

effectively on offense as it only committed 11 turnovers compared to Notre Dame's 19. Marquette was also aided by balanced scoring six players scored eight or more points compared to Notre Dame's two.

The 24 point loss forces MacLeod and Co. to go back to the practice floor and try to fix the problems that were exposed at the Bradley Center.

"I don't think we can take anything from this game," Garrity said. "We just need to go back and work on it and try to forget about it."

Northeastern and Sam Houston State will travel to the Joyce Center this weekend, providing Notre Dame with opportunities to work out the kinks in their offense before they have to travel to Indiana.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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HOCKEY

Icers suffer setback in weekend against Bulldogs

Chipchase's hat trick fails to lift team to victory

By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's hockey team suffered its first major setback of the season this weekend. After playing Ferris State to a tie in Central Collegiate Hockey Association action Thursday evening at the Joyce Center, the Irish traveled to Big Rapids

Saturday evening for the second game in their three-game season series with the Bulldogs. Despite an impressive second-period hat trick by freshman left wing Chad Chipchase, the Irish lost the game, 4-3.

"This was a tough game for us," lamented Chipchase. "We really would have loved the points, but we'll deal with it."

Notre Dame (6-5-1 overall, 3-4-1 CCHA) held the lead twice but couldn't hold on as Brent Wishart notched two third-period goals to clinch the victory.

The Bulldogs wasted no time getting things started in the first period. FSU's Jim Dube slid one

past Irish senior goaltender Matt Eisler only 2:54 into the game. Ferris State's Brett Colborne set up the goal on the odd-man rush by feeding Dube's shot. That goal represented all the scoring in the first period.

Then came the second period and Chipchase's magic. He notched a pair of goals just nine seconds apart, and just like that the Boys of Winter were up 2-1. On the first goal, senior captain Steve Noble sent a crisp pass to Chipchase, who sent a hard shot from the left circle past Bulldog goaltender Vince Owen. The Irish won the ensuing face-off and sophomore defenseman Tyson Fraser worked the puck to Noble, who led a rush down the ice and fired a shot. Owen made the initial save but coughed up the rebound, and an opportunistic Chipchase was waiting just to the right of the crease and knocked in the rebound at 4:32 of the second period.

"Those two goals really shocked me," Chipchase explained. "I really didn't have time to react to the first one because the second one followed so quickly."

The Bulldogs struck back by converting a three-on-one breakaway. But Chipchase wasn't finished just yet. Twenty-five seconds later, he notched his third goal of the game, and Owen departed from the game. Chipchase's hat trick is the first by an Irish player in 81 games, a streak that stretches back to a four-goal performance by current junior Brian Urlick against Alaska-Fairbanks in October 1995.

"I didn't do anything differently today," stated Chipchase. "The puck bounced my way, that's all. I kept working hard,



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Notre Dame failed to improve its standing in the CCHA with a tie and loss to Ferris State this weekend.

and things just went for me."

But even Chipchase couldn't slow down the Bulldogs. The Irish headed into the third period leading, 3-2, but Wishart tied the game up with a fancy goal on a three-on-two rush. Wishart, a one-man wrecking crew, then notched the game-winner less than two minutes later.

"We made a few defensive mistakes," explained Chipchase. "We are a good defensive team but we have moments when we

commit errors, and the team that makes the most mistakes loses. That was us on Saturday."

Chipchase acknowledged that the team now faces a bit of adversity. The Irish defeated national powerhouses Michigan State and St. Cloud State but couldn't squeeze out a victory in a two-game stand with the mediocre Bulldogs.

"We're going to just work through the adversity," he explained.



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Senior captain Steve Noble's fancy stickwork did little to spark the Irish in two disappointing conference games.

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"STILL THE BEST"

Injury shadows big Irish win

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

Maybe it was the frigid temperatures and snow flurries, or perhaps the shock of seeing the team's leading scorer Jenny Streiffer go down with an ankle injury in the first minute of the contest that left the Notre Dame women's soccer team back on its heels.

Whatever the reason, the team warmed up quickly to defeat sixth-ranked Nebraska 6-0 in the second round of the NCAA tournament yesterday.

"When Streiffer got hurt, everybody was kind of in shock," said head coach Chris Petrucelli. "It took us a couple minutes just to figure out what was going on. We didn't even know on the bench whether she was going to stay in or come out. We were playing with 10 at that point because she was on (the field), but she wasn't running much. Ten against 11 is kind of tough."

Losing a 50-plus point scorer could have been disastrous for another soccer team. But Notre Dame's depth and talent really showed, as the other 50-plus point scorers picked up the slack in Streiffer's absence.

"I don't feel any pressure," said Meotis Erikson, who has 55 points for the Irish. "When you have people like Anne

(Makinen), Monica Gerardo, Jenny Heft, Holly (Manthei), Shannon Boxx and all those other great players, there's no pressure. If you're not going to get it done somebody else will be there."

Erikson opened the scoring for the Irish with an unassisted goal, her 21st of the year, from 18 yards out that found the upper left corner of the net.

Five minutes later, Makinen recorded her 52nd point, collecting a loose ball and blasting a shot through the hands of Nebraska goalkeeper Rebecca Hornbacher.

"We were aware of what was going on (the injury to Streiffer), but it didn't really affect my game, or anyone else's," said Makinen. "I really didn't think about it that much during the game."

Just over a minute later, Manthei took a perfect pass from Makinen that split the defense at midfield and capitalized on a breakaway for just her fourth goal of the year.

Before Nebraska could say "goodbye" to its NCAA tournament hopes, the Irish had a 3-0 halftime lead.

"(Nebraska) decided that they were going to try to be attack-oriented and play three in the back against us," said Petrucelli. "A number of teams have tried to do that against

us, and we have exposed it."

The Cornhuskers came out firing in the second half, trying to erase the three-goal deficit, but goalkeeper LaKeysia Beene and the defense hung tough and preserved the 17th shutout of the season. Beene made six saves in the game, while Kate Sobrero, Jen Grubb and Kelly Lindsey kept the Nebraska front line from getting a clear look at the goal.

"It's good to get some games in before you actually get thrown into later rounds," said Beene. "It's nice to get a touch on the ball."

The Irish offense also refused to yield in the second half, connecting on three more shots in an eight-minute span.

Forward Monica Gerardo, who notched a hat trick in first-round action against Cincinnati, stole the ball from a Nebraska defender and beat Hornbacher.

At 60:16, Makinen added another unassisted goal, putting a free kick from 26 yards into the upper left corner of the net beyond the goalie's outstretched arms.

Erikson scored the game's final tally, putting a Manthei pass, her 30th assist of the season, into the back of the

net.

"When you're down two or three goals to nothing against a team like Notre Dame it's difficult to come back," said Nebraska head coach John Walker. "They're just too good a team for us to have come back from that kind of deficit."

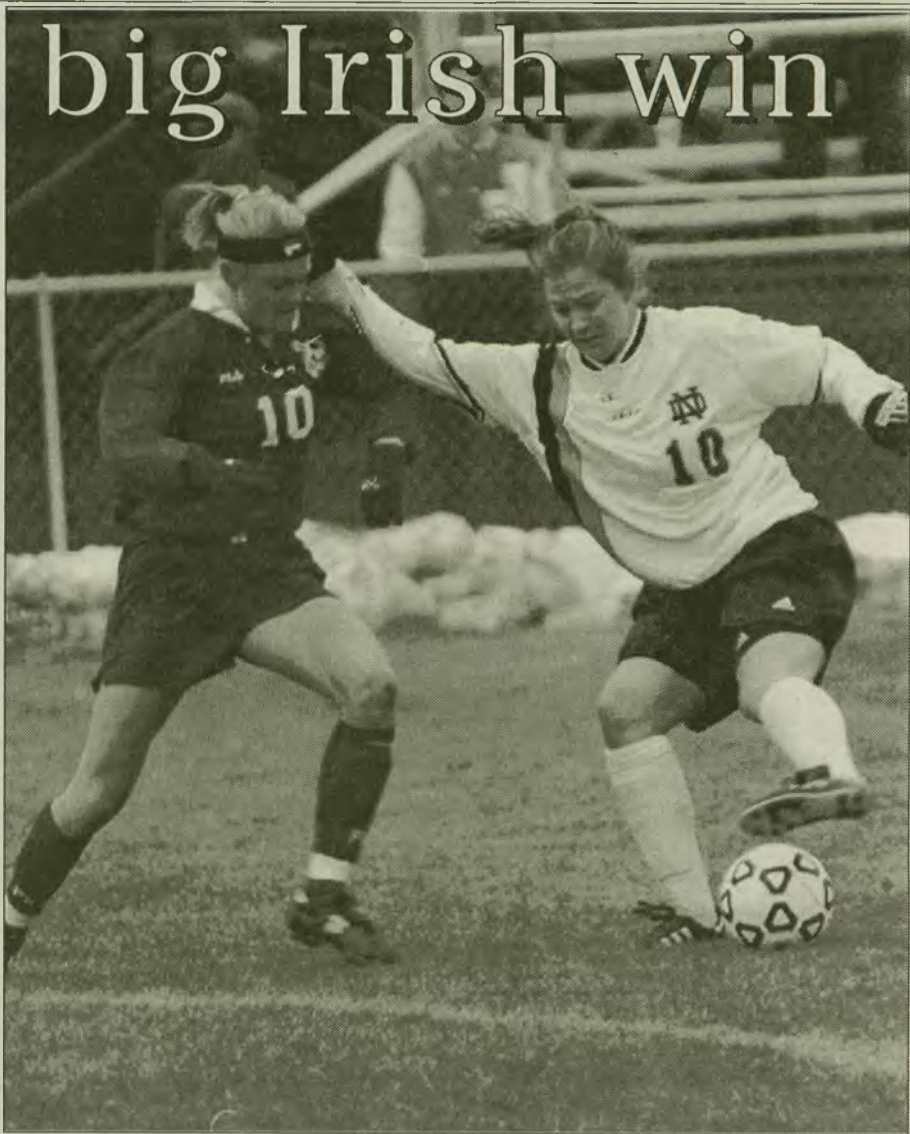
Now only one team stands between the Irish and a trip to the NCAA Final Four in Greensboro, N.C. — UCLA.

The Bruins knocked off Portland in the opening round before defeating SMU to advance to the Elite Eight, and

will travel to Alumni Field for a meeting with the Irish Saturday.

"I don't know that much about (UCLA)," said Petrucelli, "but we've got about six days to find some things out about them."

"I think everybody would have considered themselves an underdog coming in," said Petrucelli. "I'm very confident in our players, and I don't usually get too concerned about the other opponent. I'm just concerned about us playing."



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Meotis Erikson helped pick up the scoring slack when Jenny Streiffer suffered an ankle injury in the first few minutes of Notre Dame's shutout victory over Nebraska.

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Kate Sobrero played stellar defense, anchoring a back line that did not allow a goal for the 17th time this season.



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Nebraska goalie Becca Hornbacher (center) made several outstanding saves, but the Irish attack prevailed.

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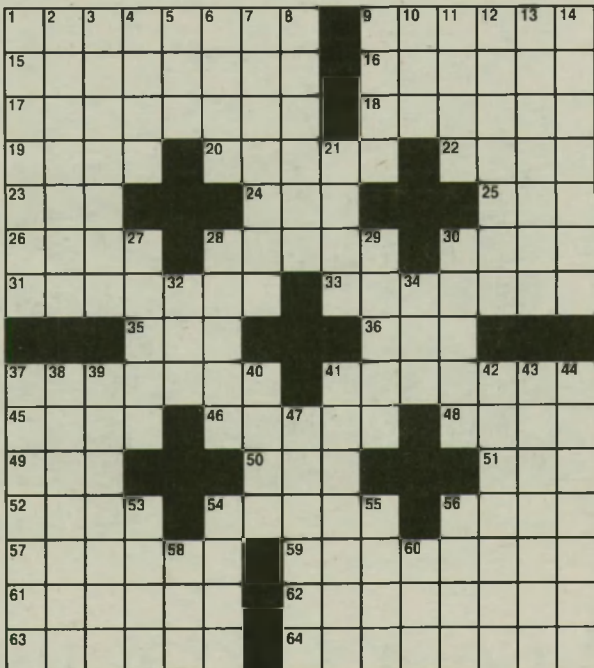
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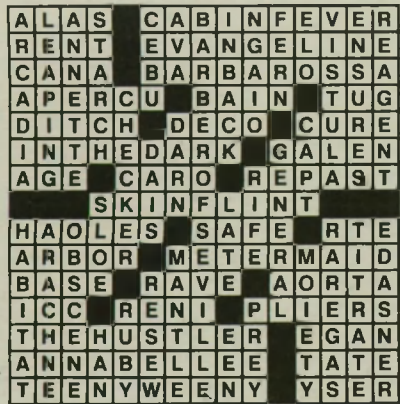


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■ VOLLEYBALL

Irish dominate field, capture Big East title

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

Since its inception into the Big East in 1995, Notre Dame's volleyball team has done nothing less than dominate the conference. In three years, it has not lost a single match in conference play, and has won two Big East conference titles.

This weekend, there was room for one more.

Notre Dame's volleyball team, in a fashion that was unprecedented in conference history yet not surprising to most experts, successfully defended and won its third consecutive conference title at the Big East Tournament on the campus of Seton Hall this weekend.

On Friday night at the conference's annual tournament banquet, five Notre Dame volleyball players were named to various Big East all-star teams. The highlight of the night came when senior hitter Jaimie Lee was named Big East player of the year for the second straight year. During the conference season, Lee led the conference with a .451 hitting percentage while ranking fourth in the conference with 4.33 kills a game. In the six matches this season against nationally ranked oppo-

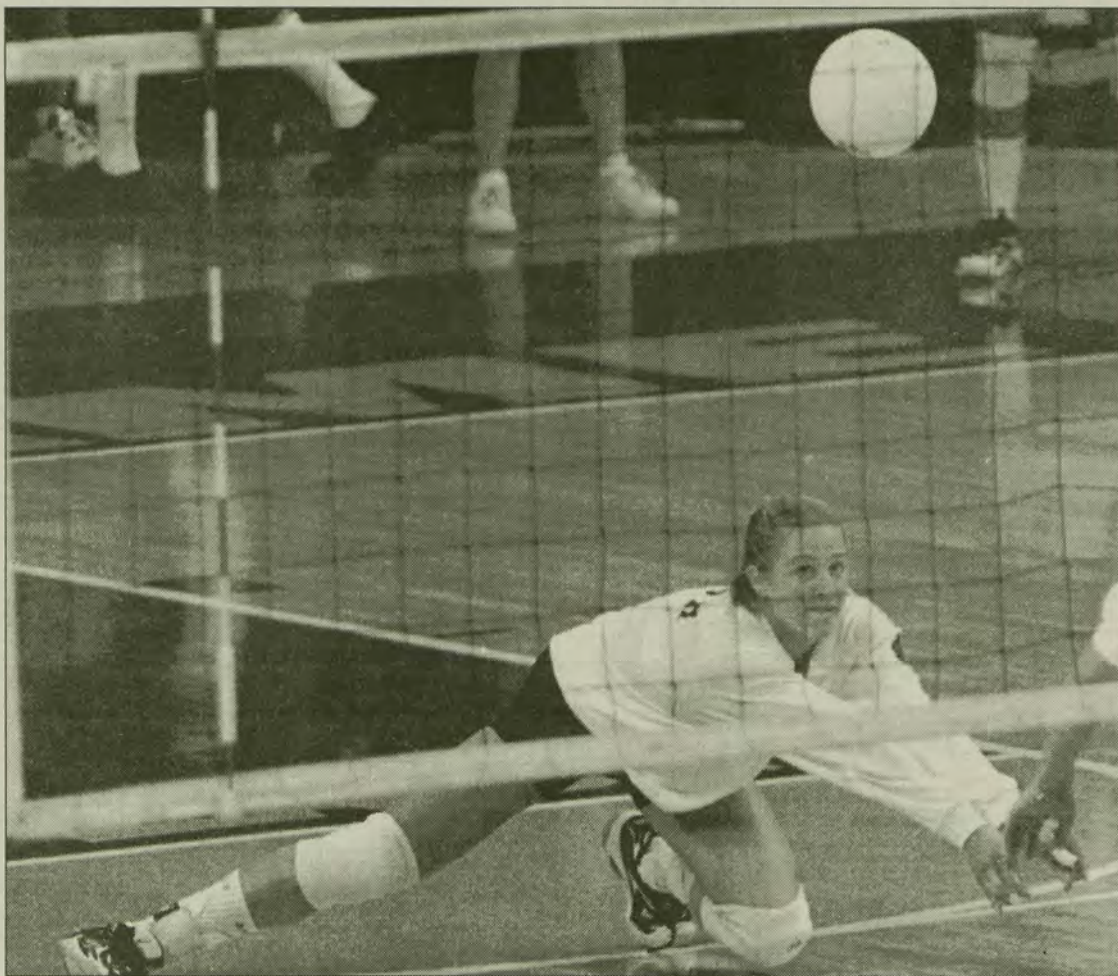
nents, Lee averaged 4.40 kills a game, including 20 kills against then-No.2 Florida.

Lee, along with senior Angie Harris and sophomore Mary Leffers, were named to the first team, while freshman setter Denise Boylan was named second team and to the all-rookie squad. Freshman opposite Christi Gorton rounded out the cast by also being named to the all-rookie team.

Georgetown's Kiren Gill was named Big East rookie of the year while West Virginia's Veronica Hammersmith received the Big East coach of the year award.

Competition began the next day, with first round matches played in the morning. Only two first round matches were played, since the No.1 and No.2 seeds in the bracket received byes. As a result, Notre Dame's first opponent of the tournament would be No.5 seed Pittsburgh. In a mild upset, the Panthers defeated fourth-seeded Syracuse in four games. Pittsburgh has traditionally had great success in the Big East tournament, as it has gone to the championship match every year since 1987. However, this season it would

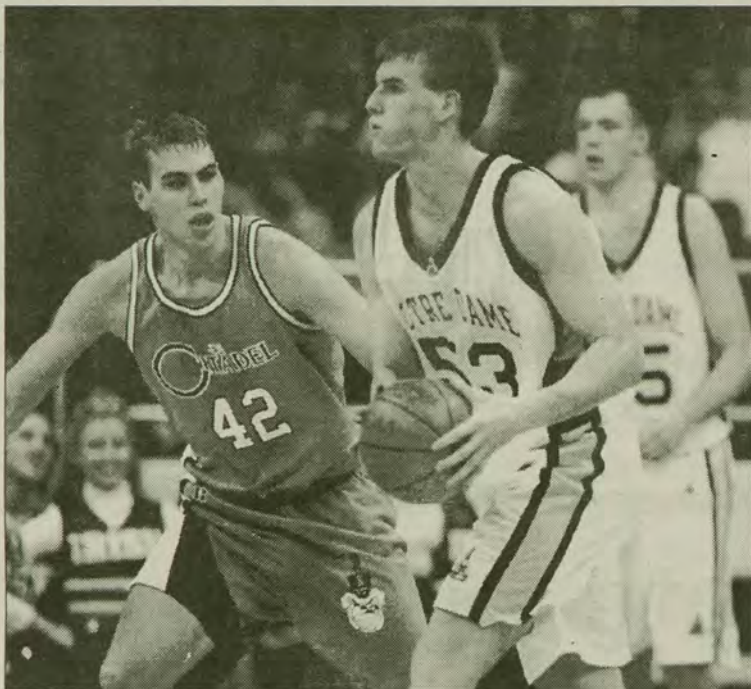
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Notre Dame flexed its muscles this weekend at the Big East tournament, grabbing a third straight title.

■ MEN'S BASKETBALL



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Senior Pat Garrity poured in 16 points in a losing effort for the Irish, who dropped a 72-48 contest to Marquette in Milwaukee on Friday.

Poor shooting plagues team

By JOE CAVATO
Assistant Sports Editor

MILWAUKEE

Three of the last five years, Marquette has led the nation with the lowest field goal percentage allowed to its opponents.

Friday night head basketball coach John MacLeod found out why.

The defense of Golden Eagles set the tone for the game as Notre Dame shot just 28 percent from the field in the first half and just 33 percent for the game. Marquette pushed its record to 2-0 with the 72-48 win while Notre Dame fell to 1-1 in front of more than 13,000 fans at Milwaukee's Bradley Center.

"They looked razor sharp on defense," MacLeod commented. "They were more aggressive

then we were tonight."

The Marquette defense made Garrity work for all of his shots. He finished with 16 points and seven rebounds but failed to connect from three-point range.

"They did a good job on me," Garrity explained. "There was a lot of help defensively and we weren't able to hit outside shots."

Outside of Garrity, Notre Dame players could not hit many shots at all. Garrity was the only Irish player with more than one field goal in the first half, and the only one to score in double figures for the game. Take out Garrity's seven of 15 shooting, and the rest of the team shot a dismal 12 of 43 (27.9 percent).

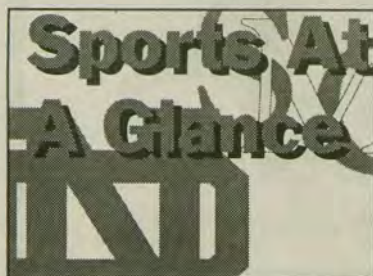
"We just weren't able to score," Garrity said, "we couldn't even score 50 points."

The defense collapsed on Garrity, forcing the Irish guards to shoot. Freshman Martin Ingelsby drained two three-pointers in the second half, but then went cold. Ingelsby, Antoni Wyche and Keith Friel shot a combined four-of-20, allowing Marquette to continue to concentrate on Garrity in the post.

Early foul trouble for Phil Hickey kept him quiet in the first half as seven of his nine points came in the second half. Garrity also picked up his second foul in the first half, forcing MacLeod to use a small and relatively inexperienced lineup in the closing minutes of the first half that included Derek Manner, Todd Palmer, Hans Rasmussen, Keith Friel and Jimmy Dillon.

A pair of 5-foot-10 guards,

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