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Choice on joining Big Ten coming this winter

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
Assistant News Editor

Rumors that began last April about the possibility of Notre Dame joining the Big Ten conference will likely be put to end by February. At that time, the University plans to reach a final decision after measuring the athletic and academic ramifications of such a move.

Talk between the University and the conference began three years ago when Michael Wadsworth accepted the position as athletic director at Notre Dame. Big Ten commissioner Jim Delaney approached Wadsworth at that time, launching a discussion that evolved into an official exchange of information in April.

The Big Ten "had indicated they would like to make us aware of potentially interesting opportunities the conference

could offer us," Wadsworth said. "I told Jim that if they wanted to engage in an exchange of information, I didn't see any reason why we couldn't do that."

The "exchange of information" has benefited Notre Dame, Wadsworth said.

"We learned a great deal from this exchange such as where the Big Ten is, where they are going and what they're doing," he said. "We also know what is going on with our major competition now."

With the information exchange complete, University officials are discussing the possibilities and will make a decision by Feb., 1999.

Although Wadsworth said he's reached a decision personally about whether the University should join the Big Ten, he couldn't reveal it, nor could he elaborate on selling points the Big Ten used during the process.

In order to have a full and thorough exchange of information, the University and the Big Ten entered into a confidentiality agreement, Wadsworth said.

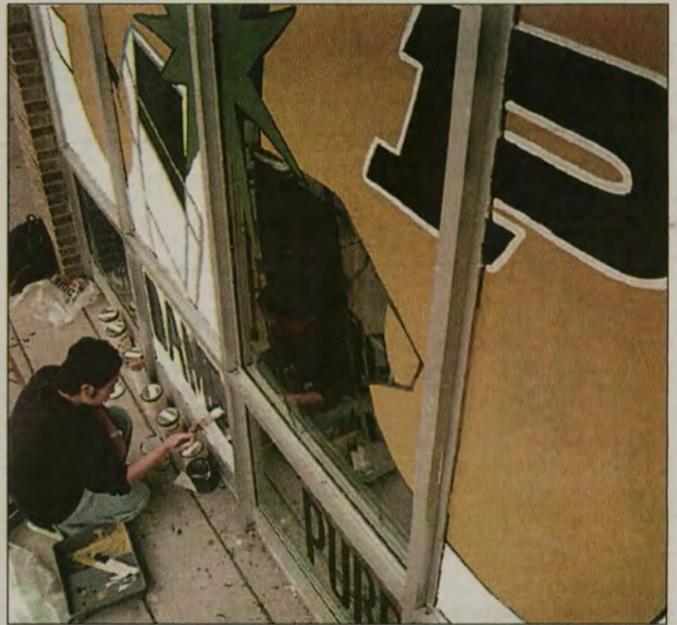
The decision will be a difficult one.

"We weren't shopping for a conference affiliation," said John Heisler, director of sports information. "We feel as comfortable as we've ever been."

Some comforting factors for Notre Dame, whose football team remains independent but whose other sports have ties to the Big East conference, are a television contract with NBC through 2005 and no difficulty in filling its schedule or the stadium.

"Right now we have an awful lot of things in place as an independent football team," Heisler said. "What we have to assess is

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The Observer/Peter Richardson

A worker finishes up a window mural at the bookstore for tomorrow's game. The Irish could be joining Purdue in the Big Ten soon.

FRIDAY FEATURE

Expansion creates mild impact locally Not all businesses receive anticipated growth



The Observer/Peter Richardson

By BRIDGET O'CONNOR
Associate News Editor

The addition of 21,000 seats to Notre Dame Stadium has had a mixed impact on South Bend and the surrounding area in the 13 months since the renovated stadium opened.

"We anticipated tax receipts to increase over the prior year," said David Harr, president of the Hotel/Motel Tax Board for St. Joseph County and general manager of the Morris Inn. The board oversees the collection and disbursement of taxes levied on all hotel and motel guests in the county.

Surprisingly, in the two fiscal quarters during which the football season occurs, the board reported a decrease in tax receipts from that received in the same period the previous year. As football weekends only account for four to six days per quarter, much of that decrease is attributed to lower demand during times other than football weekends. However, Harr explained, "We thought the football season would offset [those periods]."

"I think the poor performance of the football team had more to do with it," said Mark McDonnell, vice president of the Hotel/Motel Tax Board and owner of the LaSalle Grille. "More rides on the success of the team than the size of the stadium."

He explained that when the team has a losing season receipts might decrease as much as 10 percent, but during a winning season, they may increase from normal levels as much as five percent. People are more inclined to stay the night after the game if the Irish win, according to McDonnell.

"Expansion of the stadium has definitely increased our other activity," said

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ND mandates drug tests for new staffers

By LAURA ROMPF
News Writer

The Office of Human Resources implemented a pre-employment drug testing procedure for prospective University staffers that started July 1.

"Employment offers are now contingent on individual passing a drug test," said Roger Mullins, associate vice president for Human Resources. "Prior to this new policy, we were one of the only major employers in the Mishawaka area who did not require a drug test before hiring. This created a concern that drug users could come and work here."

"The University of Notre Dame is a special environment and we have an obligation to make sure we are protecting the students from adverse exposure. It is our duty to give students a positive and healthy environment where they can grow and learn," Mullins added.

The new test resulted from a variety of causes. The University has had a "for cause" drug testing policy for approximately four years. This means that if an accident occurred in which substance abuse could have been a factor, an employee would be tested.

The new pre-employment test expands on that. Federal regulations also put in place by the U.S. Department of Transportation require drug tests on people who drive certain vehicles. In addition, employees in safety-sensitive positions, such as workers at the Notre Dame Fire and Security/Police Departments and at the Human Resource center, have already undergone random drug tests. Pre-employment testing would supplement these tests.

All of these factors led to start the pre-employment testing, according to Mullins and Richard Nugent, director of Employee Relations for the Employment, Training and Development department.

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HOTELS... OR
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The Observer/Jeff Hsu

INSIDE COLUMN

Second First Impressions

We've all seen that old Head and Shoulders commercial where the guy brushes imaginary dandruff off his coat, looks directly at you, smiles, and says, "Because you never get a second chance to make a first impression."

Collen Gaughen
Asst. Viewpoint Editor

That catch phrase has become a reality, especially here at Notre Dame. We judge people on what our first impression of them is, and that judgement tends to stick, humorous or not.

My brother Michael flew into town this morning from sunny southern California for the weekend. I wonder what his first impression of Notre Dame will be. Maybe it will be the harsh difference in weather. Maybe it'll be all the football hype. Maybe his image of ND will be the autumn beauty of the campus. Or perhaps what will strike him the most will be the unbelievable illogic of having to crash in another dorm because he's not allowed in mine after midnight.

Or maybe Mike's lasting impression of Notre Dame will be of its people ... the wide variety of friends I introduce him to, the masses of fans tailgating and milling about South Quad, the crazy partyers this weekend, my amazing professors when he comes to class with me, and the bountiful number of incredible priests.

Within the student world of people, though, what I find most amusing is our habit of assigning very specific nicknames to people to identify them. We all have a Cute Philosophy Boy or Hot Dining Hall Girl we talk about, but it's those unique names we come up with that really make life interesting: Wafflehead, Crouton Boy, Banana Girl, Prep Kid, Fill-in-the-Blank-Nickname-From-Fill-in-the-Blank-Bar, Green Jacket Backpack Sideways Boy, and That Chick Who Looks Like Janet From Three's Company. We also label those unfortunates who have common names like Joe, Christy, Brian, and Kelly with nicknames such as The Mike I Don't Remember and Cracklin' Oat Bran Bob.

And we never know what kind of nicknames have been bequeathed upon us without our knowledge. I just recently found out that I am known as Reserve Book Room Girl simply because I work there. I personally think it's hysterical and lots of fun, but really, is that the extent of my identity?! Isn't there more to the people we encounter than that nickname, that first impression? Of course there is. Then why don't we go find out?

Maybe we could look beyond our first impressions of people and discover the treasures underneath our funny names for one another. Go ahead and ask Crouton Boy out. Get to know Hot Bio Girl instead of just lust-ing after her. Be friendly to Library Guy.

Even if the first impression of Notre Dame made on my brother Mick is one of football fanaticism, he will soon discover as the weekend unfolds that there is much more to this university. He will see the social side, the spiritual side, the academic side, and the people side, complete with all of our wonderful nicknames.

And if my little brother develops one impression here this visit, he may develop another if he visits again someday. Just as if we actually, oh I don't know, communicate with each other here, we just may develop a very different sense of each other rather than the impression we originally had.

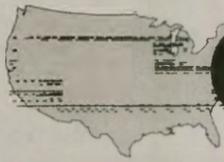
Hey Head and Shoulders, guess what? You do get a second chance to make a first impression.

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Outside the Dome

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Fraternity sues former Western Kentucky chapter for hazing

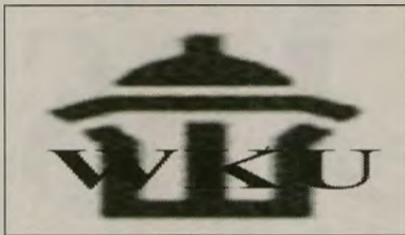
BOWLING GREEN, Ky.

The Kappa Sigma national fraternity has filed suit against nine former Western Kappa Sigma members who allegedly hazed a student two years ago.

The national organization said in a recently filed suit that it is not responsible for the alleged hazing of former Louisville student Eric Cecil, who sued the national organization after suffering a mental breakdown.

Allegations of hazing surfaced in October 1996, when Cecil said he was hazed while pledging for the fraternity in August 1996. The fraternity lost its charter at Western October 18, 1996, after the national organization received word of the alleged hazing.

Cecil said members stripped him, made him bark while in a dog house, eat rotten food and drink excessive amounts of alcohol — all causing him to suffer an emotional breakdown.



Cecil was hospitalized for mental problems for several weeks after the incident, according to David Gray, Cecil's attorney.

Hudson senior Henry Pile, one of the nine defendants, refused to comment about either suit. Efforts to reach other members were unsuccessful.

Cecil's case, which was opened in Warren County Circuit Court in August 1997, was expected to go to trial soon. But the national fraternity's suit against the nine former

members has delayed the proceedings, since each of them must get his own lawyer.

Kelly Thompson Jr., an attorney for some of the former members, said it could be another year before the case is resolved.

"It's hard to start a case when you can't get everybody together," Thompson said. "A lot of kids are movable, and not all have been served or at least they haven't got a lawyer. We're still at stage one."

Gray said the national fraternity's decision to file suit against the students is an attempt to delay the case, shift the blame and save money.

"They're bringing in a bunch of young guys who have no assets," he said. "The national fraternity is turning their backs on these guys and trying to place the blame elsewhere."

"But the national fraternity will have to be ultimately responsible."

PENN STATE

Same-sex partners denied benefits

STATE COLLEGE, Penn.

A gay or lesbian Penn State employee cannot receive health insurance benefits for his or her partner — regardless of how many years they've spent together or how intertwined their lives may be. But health benefits are extended to the partners of unmarried heterosexual employees due to a little-known Pennsylvania policy that recognizes "common-law" marriages. This contradiction shows Penn State's denial of same-sex domestic partner benefits (DPB) is indeed a case of discrimination, said Barbara Bullock, chair of Penn State's Employee Concerns Committee. Various committees and task forces at Penn State have tried to secure domestic partner medical benefits and tuition reductions since 1992 — to no avail. At a Faculty Senate meeting Sept. 15, Penn State's Task Force on the Future of Benefits issued a report to the senate recommending DPB.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Senior dies in apparent suicide jump

NEW YORK, N.Y.

Shirley Yoon, CC '99, was found dead yesterday on the roof above the stairwell to an East Campus townhouse, apparently having jumped from the roof of the adjacent 20-story East Campus highrise, a police spokesperson said. Her body was discovered by a building resident at approximately noon yesterday, Director of Columbia Security George Smartt said. It is unclear how long her body had been there at the time of the discovery. Over a dozen police detectives and medical examiners swarmed the dormitory yesterday afternoon, closing off the 20th floor of the highrise, where Yoon lived, to non-residents. Columbia Security guards stood patrol in and around the building. Police left the body uncovered for nearly five hours atop the roof while detectives snapped polaroids and medical examiners in yellow gloves inspected the scene.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Sigma Pi shirt causes uproar

SACRAMENTO, Calif.

Under fire from feminist groups on campus, the CSUS chapter of Sigma Pi fraternity has been asked by their national office to stop using their rush slogan "We put the Pi back in Pimp." According to Mark Briscoe, executive director of Sigma Pi's international organization, the Eta Alpha chapter of Sigma Pi created the slogan on their own, without the support or participation of the national office. "It was absolutely a local decision. By no means was it a national or even regional slogan," Briscoe said. Chapter president Stephen Dean said the fraternity was told by Lou Camera, director of Student Activities, that there had been at least three complaints by students, who found the slogan offensive. Dean said the slogan, printed on flyers, posters and T-shirts, was a joke meant to grab attention. "It was a joke, an attention getter," Dean said. "It was in no way meant to offend or degrade."

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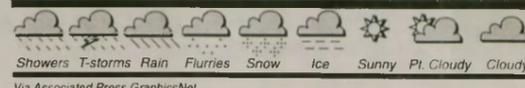
Case opens confidentiality questions

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.

Honor Committee members voiced concerns about the state of the University's "community of trust" following an apparent breach of confidentiality by individuals close to a recent case. Confidentiality questions first surfaced in response to last Thursday's edition of the Cavalier Daily, in which anonymous sources released details about the Investigation Panel dismissal of charges against Chris Butler, former Student Council chief financial officer. Committee bylaws promise students involved in an honor case that all matters will remain confidential. All Honor Council members, including counsels, advisors and Committee members, are bound to maintain the privacy of those involved in the cases. According to the Committee handbook, confidentiality exists to spare the accused student "worry or confusion that might result from hearing about an investigation second-hand."

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NATIONAL WEATHER

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Atlanta	84	64	Gary	81	65	Maui	84	66
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Carmel	67	50	Fresno	84	55	Phoenix	94	66
Chicago	82	64	Key West	87	78	Rochester	74	60
Denver	82	48	Las Vegas	75	42	Tampa	89	72

Schedule of Events

Friday, September 25

10:00 am Open House
ND stadium

11:30 am ND Football Luncheon
tickets required

3:00 pm Historical Tour of Campus
meet at soccer circle

6:30 pm Women's Soccer
vs. Indiana Univ.

7:30 pm Pep Rally
JACC

Saturday, September 26

11:00 am Shenanigans & Glee Club
North Dome JACC

12:00 noon Band Concert
Bond Hall

1:30 pm ND vs. Purdue
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7:30 pm Men's Soccer
vs. St. John's

Sunday, September 27

8,10,11:45 p.m. Basilica Mass
11:30 a.m.

The Observer/Joe Mueller

Parisi: 'We are ... in a pretty big mess'

SMC prof talks about the nature of the soul

By RUTH SNELL
News Writer

Thomas Parisi put the relationship between the soul and the brain into a new context yesterday by drawing on scientific leaders like Freud to explore the biological and natural — rather than religious — history of the soul in his lecture at Saint Mary's.

"When looking for the soul, I am reminded that we are evolved creatures," said Parisi, chair of the psychology department at the College. "We are contingent creatures. The fact that we are here at all is because of nature."

He also emphasized that people's emotional lives are often more important than their cognitive ones.

Our cognitive abilities and intelli-

gence enable us to communicate through language, but they also present us with the emotional problem of expressing ourselves, according to Parisi. We can't perceive ourselves as others do.

"Seems to me we are creatures in a pretty big mess ... because of the evolutionary niche we find ourselves in," Parisi noted. "We experience an alienation which we always seek to remove, but that remains."

This alienation leads to anxiety, and as far as we actually know, this problem is uniquely ours. Although the Lord's Prayer says "and protect us from all anxiety," it is this anxiety that makes us human. Without the anxiety we would be just like all other species, according to Parisi.

But we may not be the only creatures in such a mess. Human brains are distinguished by very large neo-

cortexes, but dolphins also have neo-cortexes: In fact, dolphin brains are larger.

"A dolphin brain is to a human brain as a human brain is to a rat brain," Parisi said.

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THOMAS PARISI

And it will be our larger neocortex that leads to our inevitable extinction, for, Parisi noted, biologically all species become extinct. Nuclear power and environmental problems, among others, will lead to humanity's downfall.

To relieve anxiety and "existential dread," humans turn to God and science. Parisi emphasized that humans are the only creatures who need God to do this.

Parisi's lecture was part of "The Landscape of the Soul" series highlighted by the Center for Spirituality this fall.

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Big Ten

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where we will be 20 to 30 years from now.

"We're trying to have foresight because this is a decision with long-reaching ramifications," he continued. "Joining the Big Ten is a major commitment that you can't walk away from after two years and go back in the other direction."

Joining the Big Ten has more than just athletic implications. With members including large, public state schools such as Michigan, Wisconsin and Penn State University, Notre Dame would be affiliating itself with some of the nation's top research universities.

The University would not be the lone private school in the Big Ten, should it decide to join. It would also be able to maintain its admission and academic standards.

"There are varying degrees of difference between the schools, but Northwestern is a member that would be most like us in terms of size, academic standing and being a private institution," Wadsworth said. "There are significant pockets of excellence at the member schools which are

public too. They just have a much broader base of acceptance for admission than Notre Dame or Northwestern."

This is an advantage for the University, according to Gregory Sterling, chairman of the Faculty Senate's academic affairs committee and an associate professor of theology.

"We are studying the advan-



'IT WOULD BE A VERY EASY DECISION IF IT WAS JUST THE DOLLARS AND CENTS OF IT.'

MICHEAL WADSWORTH
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

tages and disadvantages," Sterling said. "There are mostly plusses."

Wadsworth agreed.

"I've had discussions with faculty members about it and there are some who see the Big Ten as a structure that goes beyond athletic competition," he said. "Other benefits would be opportunities for research for faculty members."

Various University officials will be involved in the final decision.

"This is a decision by the University that will involve all aspects of the University putting forth pros and cons which joining or not joining the Big Ten may offer," Wadsworth said. "That's the way it should be."

Additionally, administrators will evaluate Notre Dame's position not only in athletics but in how it is perceived nationally and internationally.

"We have to look at what is going to help us most in the future," Wadsworth said. "We're asking whether it is our advantage to continue marketing ourselves as being an independent institution and the premiere Catholic university in the world or would we be in a better position by joining the conference of the Big Ten and the recognition that would bring."

"It would be a very easy decision if it was just the dollars and cents of it," he said. "It's more relative to the long-term positioning of the University."

Testing

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Nearly all employees who are not faculty members are subject to the tests. "It does not affect student employees because that office is basically an extension of financial aid," Mullins said.

"It also does not include 'on call' employees such as football ushers or football Friday lunch workers," added Nugent.

The testing procedure will be

funded for by the department of Hiring and conducted by taking a hair sample.

"This is a very accurate method and can precisely tell which drug was used. Unlike urine testing, it detects drug use from back in time," Mullins said.

"Our particular sample will discover drug use from up to three months back," added Nugent. "To emphasize how accurate these test are, the Chicago Police Department uses the same tests from the same company."

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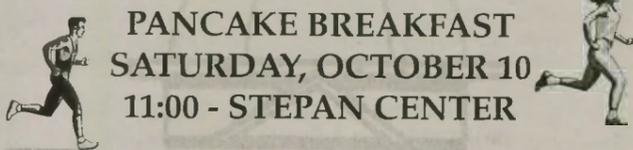
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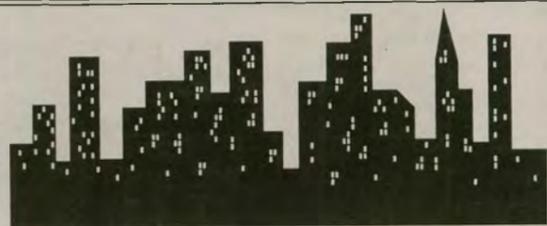
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Women's group begins poll

DES MOINES, Iowa

A group promoting women in politics is asking the country to determine which women would be capable of running for president. The White House Project on Thursday announced plans to mail 1 million ballots listing 20 prominent women and asking people to pick five they think are capable of seeking the White House. The group also plans to place ballots in magazines such as Parade, Glamour, Jane, Essence, and People and on its Web site: www.thewhitehouseproject.org. "The goal is to get a conversation going that changes the climate," said Marie Wilson, head of the project, a New York-based nonpartisan group. Ms. Wilson noted that while women account for 52 percent of the population, they make up 9 percent of the Senate, 12 percent of the House and 6 percent of the nation's governors.

Kabila announces elections

KINSHASA, Congo

President Laurent Kabila plans to hold presidential elections next year, state-controlled radio reported today, an apparent reversal of earlier decisions to postpone the vote. Kabila's recent success in fighting a six-week rebellion in this central African nation has boosted his popularity and may have influenced his decision to allow elections in April. He has also been under international pressure to hold a national vote since taking power last year, ousting longtime dictator Mobutu Sese Seko. He initially promised elections in 1999 but hedged several times, saying conditions may not be conducive to free and fair voting. But today, the Voice of the People Radio quoted Kabila as saying, "The election process will start with presidential elections." While many Congolese have said Kabila has done little to help the economy or rebuild the country, a growing number now say they support the president because of his ability to put down the uprising.

Rats invade White House

WASHINGTON

"Dirty rats" among the White House press corps? Nothing new: Kill 'em anyway, ordered Mike McCurry. Workers from the General Services Administration laid traps Thursday after CBS News correspondent Peter Maer — first through the West Wing briefing room door at 6:10 a.m. — was greeted by what he called an 8- to 10-inch, not counting the tail. "I know the feeling," commiserated McCurry, the White House press secretary who confronts pesky reporters' questions in the same room just about every day. He opened Thursday's briefing, which was broadcast live by CNN, with the announcement that GSA workers would "capture and exterminate" the critter. "It's a problem they are very familiar with, apparently, here in the press briefing room," McCurry said.



KRT Photo

Workers fill sandbags for hotels on Miami Beach, Fla., yesterday in preparation for the arrival of Hurricane Georges, which was expected to hit the area early today.

Hurricane Georges threatens Florida

ASSOCIATED PRESS

KEY WEST, Fla.

Leaving at least 110 people dead in its wake, Hurricane Georges stormed toward the Florida Keys with gathering speed Thursday, and three-quarters of a million people along the coast were warned to clear out.

Forecasters said Georges would probably slice through the Keys — the curving, whisker-like string of islands off the tip of Florida — with 105 mph winds early Friday and could be up to 125 mph by Sunday in the northern Gulf of Mexico.

"This storm looks like it's all set to explosively intensify once the eye gets over water," said a worried Jerry Jarrell, director of the National Hurricane Center in Miami. He urged strag-

glers in the Keys to get out: "We're extremely concerned that the land areas will be inundated with water and we'll lose a lot of folks down there."

The first squall line from the hurricane moved into Marathon in the middle Keys shortly before sunset, spawning a waterspout. As many as 690,000 people were urged to evacuate along Florida's Atlantic Coast as far north as Fort Lauderdale, and along the Gulf Coast up to the Tampa Bay area, for a total of about 300 miles of coastline. The roughly 80,000 people in the Florida Keys were ordered out on Wednesday.

"When I return I might not have a home. Anything could happen," Juana Ingles, a 67-year-old widow, said as she waited for a bus to take her from

her Miami Beach apartment to a shelter at a school.

At 5 p.m. EDT, Georges was centered along the northern coast of Cuba, 255 miles southeast of Key West, moving to the northwest at 14 mph, with winds of 80 mph. Hurricane warnings were posted for four counties — Monroe, Dade, Broward and Collier — with a population of 3.8 million. Along Ocean Drive on Miami Beach's chic South Beach, workers at cafes and bars put up plywood and took down awnings.

NASA initially ordered space shuttle Discovery rolled back to its giant hangar 3 1/2 miles from the Atlantic Ocean, but decided Thursday evening to keep it on its seaside launch pad. The shuttle had been moved to the pad Monday for next month's flight with John Glenn. The threat of

lightning and sporadic rain prevented the shuttle from being moved into its hangar throughout the day. NASA decided the risk of a lightning hit en route to the hangar was greater than the risk of damage in possible hurricane-spawned storms.

At Miami's Metrozoo, which lost most of its birds and many other animals during Hurricane Andrew in 1992, workers planned to round up the flamingos and put them in a bathroom. Other animals were to be shut up in their quarters for the night. At nearby Parrot Jungle, birds and monkeys were moved inside concrete buildings.

"They know something is up," said Robert Diaz, show director at Parrot Jungle. "They are uneasy, pacing back and forth, acting irregular."

Government releases redesigned bills

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON

After months of planning and printing, the government Thursday began circulating a redesigned, harder-to-counterfeit \$20 bill.

Some lucky customers of a bank in California are getting free samples right away, but most Americans will have to wait for weeks before they see the notes spitting from automated teller machines.

The Federal Reserve's 12 regional banks began shipping 2 billion new notes — \$40 billion — to the nation's banks, savings institutions and credit unions. But the old notes will remain legal tender, said officials at a ceremony marking the introduction.

"Older notes will not be recalled or devalued. All existing notes will con-

tinue to be legal tender," said Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

The Federal Reserve will circulate old notes until they wear out, on average in two years. After six months, Treasury Department officials expect one in every four \$20s in circulation will be of the new design, which incorporates a range of features intended to frustrate counterfeiters armed with personal computers, scanners, ink-jet printers and color copiers.

"Together, these features amount to a formidable tool, and make spotting a counterfeit note easier than ever," said Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin. "For them to be effective, it is important that people stop for a moment to look for the new features."

The Treasury Department has

begun an \$8 million public relations campaign aimed at persuading Americans to check for the new features so they're not fooled by poor-quality knockoffs.

The most obvious change is the larger and off-center portrait of Andrew Jackson, the nation's seventh president, on the bill's face. The reverse features a picture of the north side of the White House (instead of the south side seen on the old notes). To help people with poor vision, the bill's denomination appears in large dark numerals on a light background.

The government issued new \$100 notes, with Benjamin Franklin, in March 1996, and new \$50s, with Ulysses S. Grant, in October 1997. It plans to issue new \$10 bills and \$5 notes simultaneously in 2000.

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Business

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Harr, referring to increases in customers to restaurants and other businesses resulting from the addition.

"The phone calls have increased but we can only accommodate so many each weekend," said McDonnell. He explained that since the LaSalle Grill seats by reservation only, the expansion hasn't impacted the volume of clients they serve. He has definitely noticed the impact of greater numbers of people, though.

"It's a very busy time in the community, yet an exciting time to work," said Marijo Martinec, director of Public Relations and Communication for the Convention and Visitor's Bureau of the St. Joseph County Chamber of Commerce. Martinec agreed that the success of the football team had a significant impact on the economy. "If Notre Dame has a losing season, hotels call with rooms available."

"Who the opponent is dictates how long the people stay," said Harr, who noted that the geographic location of the opponent affects the likelihood and duration of hotel stays.

"The increase in the Notre Dame seating in the stadium doesn't really affect us because our hotels were full," said Martinec. The number of rooms in South Bend has not increased to the degree that seating in the stadium has. However, Martinec indicated

that no large-scale plans are underway to increase the number of hotels in the area.

"I think right now [the increased seating] is certainly something that developers look at, but they also have to be aware of the 46 weeks per year that are not football weekends," she said. In the mean time, Martinec said, outlying areas such as Elkhart, LaPorte and southwestern Michigan have experienced increases in hotel business.

'THE INCREASE IN ... SEATING ... DOESN'T REALLY AFFECT US BECAUSE OUR HOTELS WERE FULL.'

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Harr said that there have been a handful of new hotels and motels in the South Bend area. These have been confined to "limited service" hotels, which are hotels that offer rooms, but which do not provide restaurant or other hospitality options that full service hotels provide. He noted that there has not been one full service hotel built in the city since 1981. The limited service hotels are able to support lower revenue streams to make up for the non-football periods.

"We need more demand factors in the

community to support full service hotels," said Harr.

Despite the somewhat mixed impact of the stadium expansion, there seems to be no doubt that the University in general has a significant annual direct economic impact on the community. That impact on the Michiana region was measured at one-half billion dollars in a 1991 survey completed by the Independent Colleges and Universities of Indiana, Inc. (ICUI).

That figure was calculated without including major factors such as construction and tourism. Other factors that were not considered, but which definitely impact the economy, are the housing and food costs of the more than 3,000 students who live off campus and the expenditures of the thousands of tourists who patronize area restaurants, service stations and hotels while in the area to visit campus for various reasons.

Notwithstanding the significant impact of the University, there are no formal approval processes in place with the county, beyond that required for any other business or citizen, according to Dennis Brown, associate director of Public Relations and Information for the University. "There's no obligation because we're private property," he said.

"We've got such a great relationship with the local government," said Brown. "We communicate with local government regarding many things that go on here."

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SMC Class of '02 Election Results

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2. Kehen/Weldon	20.31%
3. Cronley/Kocourek	14.92%
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6. Leonard/Meyer	7.96%
7. Abstained	3.38%
8. Magnuson/Chapin	2.98%

The Observer/Joe Mueller

By MEGHAN DONAHUE
News Writer

After a day of voting, two tickets remain in contention for the freshman class presidency/vice presidency at Saint Mary's College. The ticket of Katie O'Connell and Michelle Nagle

will face off against Callie Kuhen and Erin Weldon in Monday's run-off.

"The first time we were told on the phone we were ecstatic, but now we realize how hard it will be to run against our friends," said O'Connell. "We are grateful we got this far though."

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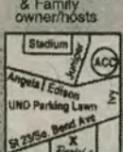
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Albright optimistic on world crises

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS
 Declaring herself an "eternal optimist," Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said Thursday the administration was taking small steps toward resolving conflicts in the Mideast, the Balkans, India and Pakistan.



Albright

Speaking outside the U.N. Security Council chamber where she sat for four years as the U.S. representative, Albright hailed steps taken by India and Pakistan to

put the nuclear genie back in the bottle. And she cast developments in the Balkans in the same favorable light.

"We keep making progress" in helping Israel and the Palestinians reach a West Bank accord, she added.

An administration official said Thursday that Clinton invited Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to separate meetings at the White House next week in hopes of breaking the Mideast deadlock.

Albright met with Netanyahu on Wednesday, and was expected to see Arafat over the weekend.

"There are small steps in all these areas that lead in the

right direction," Albright said. Applying traditional diplomatic caution, though, she reminded reporters that there was a lot of work to be done across the board.

"We are constantly working at them," Albright told reporters. "And as I have been asked many times before, I am an eternal optimist, which is what you need to be to keep pushing this process forward."

India's pledge Thursday to sign the nuclear test ban treaty if negotiations are concluded successfully followed by a day a pledge by Pakistan to sign next year.

Carefully, Albright described the twin steps as "some progress," as she hailed the two old antagonists' contested territory of Kashmir.

U.S. income rises while poverty falls

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

A continued decline in poverty rates among blacks and Hispanics cheered minority economic experts, but they worried about what could happen if and when the nation's healthy economy catches a cold.

"Any decline in poverty rates is good news, but what happens when things slow down?" said Robert B. Hill, director of the Institute of Urban Research at Morgan State University. "Too many blacks are in poverty now in these good economic times, so it makes you wonder how bad things will get in a slow economy."

Hill and other black economic experts fear minorities employment pool begins to dry.

"We haven't done enough to raise people's skill level for the jobs that will be produced in the future," said Margaret Simms, an economist and vice president at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies in Washington. "Once the strong economy is gone, I don't see anything on the horizon that will prop up these positive changes in the poverty rate."

Propelled by the seven-year economic surge, the poverty rate dipped from 13.7 percent to 13.3 percent last year, according to the Census Bureau annual income and poverty

report. In 1997, the poverty rate meant an annual income of \$16,400 for a family of four.

But the real news came in the huge drops in minority poverty rates.

The number of poor blacks dropped by 600,000 to 9.1 million as the poverty rate plunged from 28.4 percent to 26.5 percent in the last year. In 1983, the black

poverty rate was 35.7 percent.

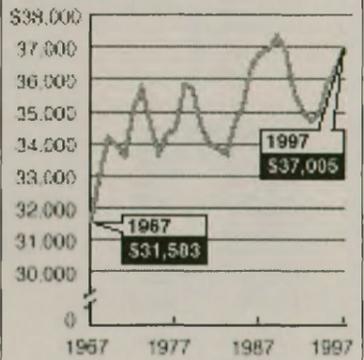
For Hispanics, who can be of any race, the number in poverty fell from 8.7 million to 8.3 million as the poverty rate tumbled from 29.4 percent to 27.1 percent.

While the brighter economic

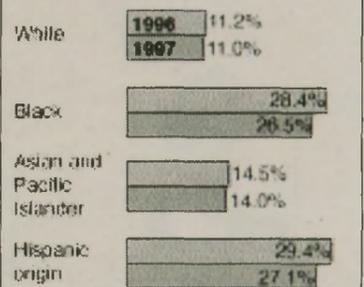
Poverty decline

U.S. household incomes rose and poverty rates fell in 1997 with the greatest drop in poverty led by blacks and Hispanics.

Median household income (in 1997 dollars)



Poverty rates by race



Source: Department of Commerce

picture has extended to minorities, it wasn't always the case that minorities shared in good fiscal times nationally, said William

Spriggs, director of Research and Public Policy for the National Urban League.

When the economy grew from 1983 to 1988, minority poverty rates stayed flat or nudged slightly lower, he said.

Spriggs credited an increase in the minimum wage, the earned income tax credit and better enforcement of federal laws barring discrimination in hiring as reasons

why "the Clinton recovery has done more for minorities than the Reagan recovery."

"Blacks are now benefiting the way they should have but didn't in the mid 1980's," Spriggs said. "Under Reagan, the minimum wage didn't keep pace with inflation and tax relief came for people at the top."

"The tax credit has brought some relief to people at the middle and the bottom," he said.

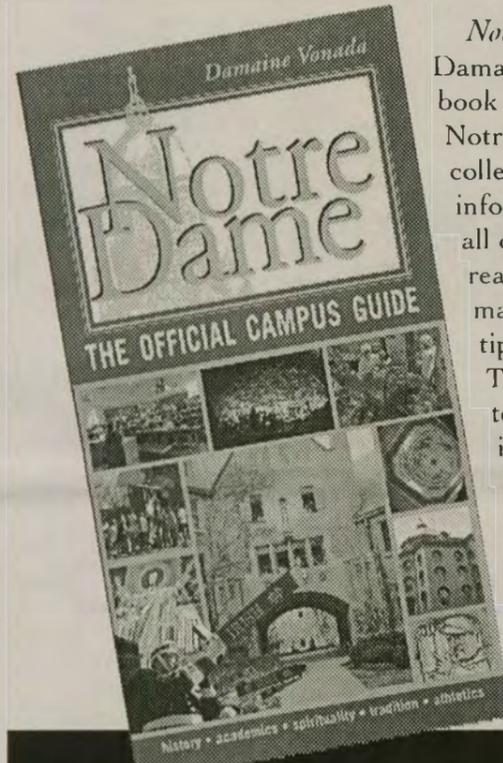
The lower black poverty rate is part of a package of positive recent indicators for blacks, said National Urban League President Hugh Price.

Black men who work full time are narrowing the gap between their incomes and those of white males. Black home ownership has been sharply increasing. And black high school graduation rates, which long lagged behind those of white students, are now nearly equal to white rates.

"We are seeing some welcomed improvement in areas," Price said. "But there are still some stubborn gaps in standardized test scores and black and white family assets and wealth that won't go away."

Simms said the demand for higher job skills means educational leaders and business leaders should do more to match the skills of newcomers to the workforce with job providers.

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NATO prepares for air strikes against Yugoslavia

Associated Press

VILAMOURA, Portugal
NATO instructed its generals Thursday to begin preparing for air strikes on Yugoslavia unless President Slobodan Milosevic ends his attacks on ethnic Albanians in Kosovo.

The big question now: Will the tough Yugoslav president be intimidated?

The difference between this action and previous NATO tough talk is the tone and the timing, NATO officials asserted. A tough U.N. resolution Wednesday, combined with NATO's "activation warning" Thursday of phased air strikes and cruise missile attacks takes the 16-nation alliance to the brink of shooting.

"Today, NATO sent a clear message to President Milosevic that it is time to stop the killing and destruction in Kosovo," said U.S. Defense Secretary

William Cohen after a meeting of allied defense ministers. "Our patience is running out."

NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana said the activation warning from the North Atlantic Council, NATO's top policy-making body, takes NATO "to an increased level of military preparedness."

But he added, "Let me stress that the use of force will require further decisions" by NATO governments.

Milosevic's massive attacks on ethnic Albanian villages in Kosovo have continued unabated since February, despite previous NATO threats. His seven-month crackdown on ethnic Albanian separatists fighting for independence in Kosovo has claimed hundreds of lives and forced as many as 275,000 people from their homes.

Previous threats of military action have failed to persuade Milosevic to mend his ways, and the latest saber-rattling

from the alliance did not appear to have slowed his onslaught on Kosovo, a province of Serbia where ethnic Albanians make up 90 percent of the population.

If the political decision is made to launch a NATO military action against Yugoslavia, it would be a phased campaign, gradually increasing in intensity.

"The targets would be military targets," said Walter B. Slocombe, U.S. undersecretary of defense for policy. "Very, very effective and very, very strong blows would be aimed at the very instruments that Milosevic is using to carry out this repression."

Asked if he thought NATO could bomb Milosevic into submission, Gen. Henry Shelton, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, said: "I believe that we have a wide range of options available to us, the end result of which will be that

Milosevic will comply with the demands made of him by NATO."

"Certainly we will start with the lighter of the options to give him a chance to respond," he added. "But it might not end with the light option."

Gen. Wesley Clark, the supreme allied commander in Europe, said it would take "just a very few days" to line up the necessary forces to begin a military operation. He has already surveyed what he will need; now, under the "activation warning," he will be asking for specific commitments.

A number of countries indicated at Thursday's ministerial meeting they would participate, according to Slocombe. None said they would not.

Clark noted that Milosevic is moving fast to complete the destruction of ethnic Albanian villages before winter sets in.

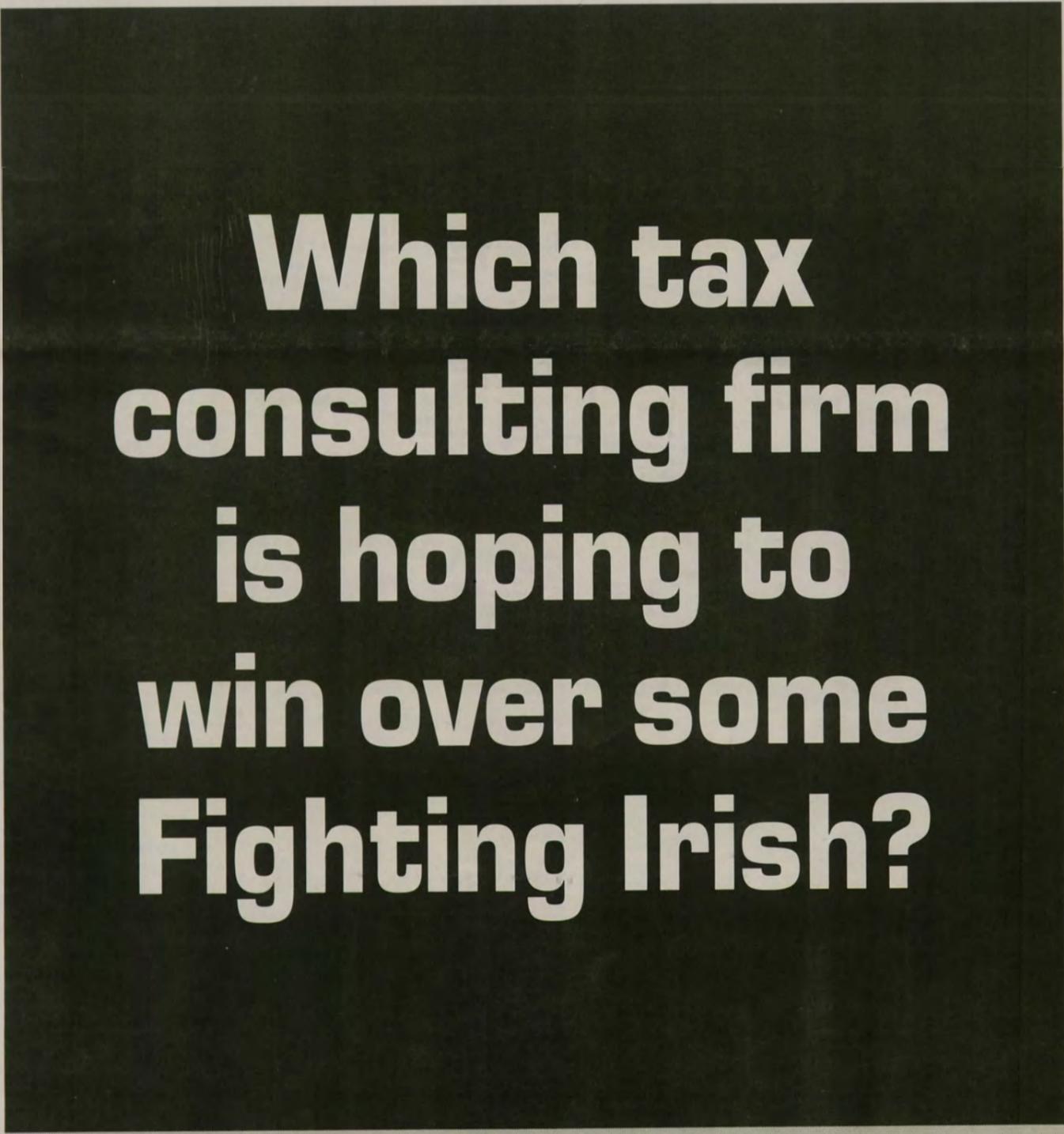
"Belgrade is clearly conducting a war against its own peo-

ple," said German Defense Minister Volker Ruehe. "Pictures of people camping out in the open ... are in themselves an ultimatum" to Milosevic.

The NATO defense ministers made clear their call for a cessation of hostilities goes out to both sides. "All of the blame for this war does not entirely rest with the Serbian side," Slocombe said.

NATO has no military assets of its own except for some communications hardware and airborne warning and control aircraft. But it has access to a wide array of equipment from the national armies of all its members except Iceland, which has no military force. The three candidate members, Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic, who will be welcomed into the NATO fold next April, have also said they are prepared to participate in the Kosovo operation.

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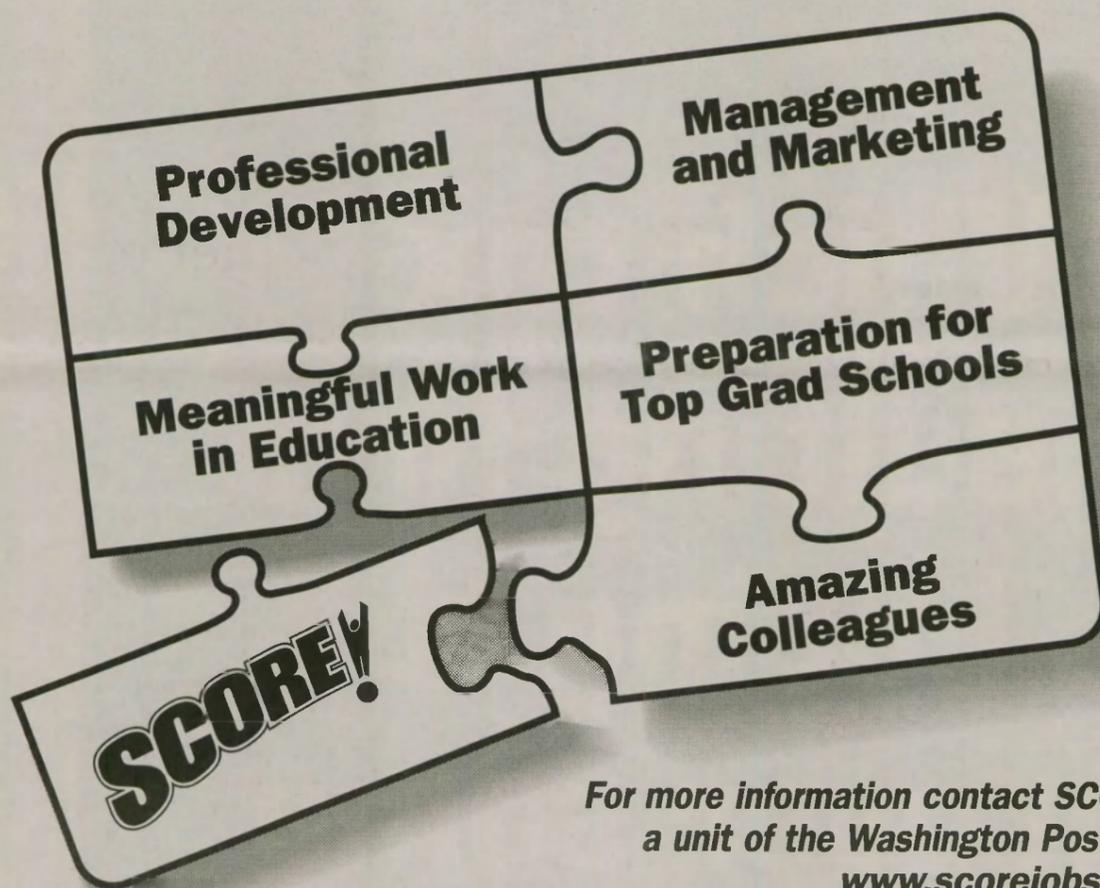
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U.S. job growth slowed, but not stopped in last quarter

Fed chief hints at interest rate cut soon

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The American job market is holding up fairly well despite weakness sloshing across the borders from overseas, but economists warn that may not remain true much longer.

In a fresh estimate, the Commerce Department said Thursday the economy grew at a lackluster 1.8 percent annual rate during the April-June quarter.

Global economic turmoil and other factors reduced it to less than half the vibrant 5.5 percent rate of the year's first three months, and analysts don't expect much better growth before next year.

Despite that, three separate reports showed the U.S. expansion — at 7 1/2 years the second longest in history — has life left yet.

First-time claims for unemployment benefits fell by 8,000 to a seasonally adjusted 292,000 last week, the lowest level in five months, the Labor Department said.

The Conference Board, a private business research group in New York, said major newspapers enjoyed strong sales of help-wanted advertisements in August. Its monthly advertising index rose to 92, up one point from July.

And orders for big-ticket factory goods jumped 1.6 percent in August, the third consecutive gain to follow a 3.3 percent plunge in May, the Commerce Department said.

All three reports support the view the U.S. economy will weather the economic storms that so far have triggered slumps in Asia and Russia and threatened Latin America.

"Growth will continue, only at a slower pace," said economist Jerry Jasinowski, president of the National Association of

Manufacturers.

But he and other analysts noted that both the unemployment claims and factory orders reports were weaker than they first appeared. Without a surge in aircraft orders and a rebound in auto manufacturing reflecting the end of the General Motors strikes, orders for durable goods, items expected to last three or more years, would have fallen 2.1 percent in August.

And continuing — as opposed to new — unemployment claims rose by 2,000 but remained

Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa., said businesses are filling positions that have been open for some months rather than creating new positions.

He said by early next year the impact of the world slump will be felt more broadly in the U.S. economy than just in agriculture, energy and manufacturing. Chances of a recession next year have risen to about one in three, he said.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan signaled in a Senate committee appearance Wednesday that he and his colleagues were ready to support economic growth by cutting short-term interest rates as early as next week.

His remarks sent the Dow Jones average of

industrial stocks soaring 257 points, but traders used that advance as an opportunity to realize profits Thursday. The index fell 152 points to close at 8,002.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, speaking to reporters a day after Greenspan's testimony, said he believes the U.S. economy remains on a good path. But he added, "Risk to our economy is real, and as the crisis has gone on ... that risk has become greater."

Thursday's estimate of second-quarter growth in the gross domestic product, the value of all goods and services produced within U.S. borders, was a bit better than the 1.6 percent rate estimated a month ago.

Businesses sharply slowed production of goods for inventory, and that alone subtracted 2.7 percentage points from the growth rate. Also, the global slowdown showed up in a drop in export sales, at a 7.7 percent annual rate, and an increase in imports at a 9.3 percent rate.

After-tax corporate profits managed a weak rebound in the second quarter, rising 0.6 percent following back-to-back drops during the two previous quarters.



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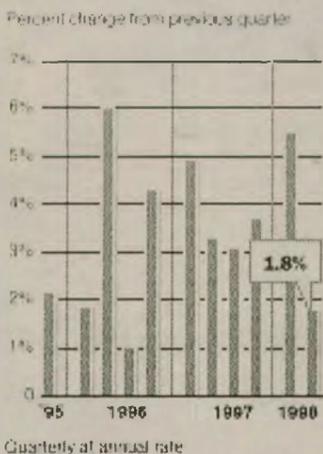
basically unchanged at 2.2 million.

That's a sign it's taking a long time for the unemployed to find work, and many economists believe overseas turmoil will further erode labor market strength.

Economist Mark Zandi of

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■ WORLD BANK

Officials confident, despite loan increase

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Increased lending by the World Bank in response to Asia's financial crisis does not mean the organization has become a cash machine for global financial problems, bank officials say.

They maintain the increased risk these loans carry for the bank should not cause concern in the market because the bank has a reputation for prudent management and clear financial statements.

The organization's annual report, released Thursday, said structural adjustment loans increased from \$350 million in 1996 to \$8.2 billion in the fiscal year that ended June 30. This represents 39 percent of total bank loans compared with 9 percent for 1997 and 2 percent for 1996.

Governments use structure loans to make changes in how they operate. The loans are different from ones for development projects such as improving or building schools or roads.

Mark Malloch Brown, the bank's vice president for

external affairs, said the structural adjustment loans complement the role of the bank's sister institution, the International Monetary Fund. The IMF has provided emergency multi-billion dollar rescue packages for troubled economies in Asia and Russia.

"We do not see (a relationship) between structural lending and an ATM," Malloch Brown said. "We see it as consistent with our mission" to alleviate poverty. "We're more like an annuity or investment fund than a cash card."

He also pointed out that \$5 billion of the \$8.2 billion in structural loans went to South Korea as part of a record \$58 billion IMF rescue package.

Malloch Brown said he did not expect credit agencies that rate banks' risks to lower their ranking of the World Bank because "we have a reputation for prudent financing and the transparency of our financial statements. The markets have no cause for alarm."

The bank's annual report said lending increased 49.3 percent in fiscal 1998 to a record \$28.59 billion.

■ NEW ZEALAND

Another economy falls victim to Asian crisis

Associated Press

WELLINGTON

New Zealand's economy slumped into recession as a result of drought and the prolonged Asian crisis, according to data released Friday.

Statistics New Zealand said those industries with a strong export orientation to Asian markets had been particularly hard hit over the last two quarters.

Gross domestic product decreased by 0.8 percent in the June quarter, following a revised contraction of 1.0 percent in the March quarter. It was originally reported as minus 0.9 percent.

A recession is defined as two consecutive quarters of negative growth. Friday's data had

been widely expected to confirm that drought and a weaker international economy had tipped the New Zealand economy into recession.

The economy grew by 1.2 percent in the year to June 1998 compared with the year June 1997. This compared with a revised 2.3 percent growth in the year to March 1998, originally reported at 2.2 percent and expectations of 1.4 percent annual growth.

Government statistician Len Cook said the economy was now growing at its slowest annual rate in five years.

"The fallout from the severe east coast drought and the slump in Asian export markets has been a downturn in business investment," he said.

Some university endowments losing money

Associated Press

BOSTON

The 1990s were a golden era for university endowment funds, which grew to more than \$150 billion by the end of 1997.

Until recent stock market gyrations, that is. Universities used to double-digit investment returns every year now face the harsh reality that endowments can lose money, too.

Harvard, for example, has lost about 10 percent of its \$13 billion endowment since July 1. Even for the country's richest university endowment fund, \$1.3 billion is a lot to lose.

But it's not surprising, given that the Dow Jones industrial average, which closed at 8,001.99 Thursday, has fallen more than 1,300 points below

its July peak of 9,337.97.

"I'll bet you'll find a lot of people down 10 percent," said Wayne Coon, chief investment officer for Emory University in Atlanta. "I don't think that's unusual."

Emory's \$5 billion endowment has 60 percent of its

Coon.

Nor does Kansas University, which had \$816.7 million in assets as of June 30, 1998.

"We tend to be not too awful concerned about short-term changes in the market," said John

Common Fund, a not-for-profit investment company for schools, colleges and universities.

"The nice thing is the trustees understand these are perpetual investments and they shouldn't be worried about short-term volatility," said Petzel. "They are not getting too upset about the 10 percent drop."

Endowments — the stocks, cash, and real estate that colleges and universities receive as gifts — generate funds for operating expenses and financial aid.

Petzel said most endowment funds invest between 60 and 75 percent of their assets in

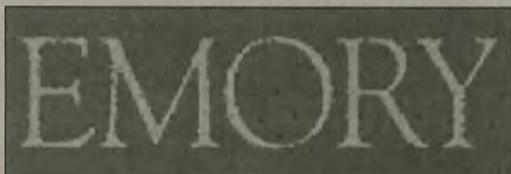
stocks. Since the stock market declined 10 percent in August and the bond market rose only a percent or two, he said, a 10 percent decline is pretty standard.

He also noted that the 10 percent drop in many cases follows three years of compound annual returns of 20 percent.

A study by the National Association of College and University Business Officers released in February showed the average investment return rate for 498 colleges and universities was 20.4 percent for the year starting July 1, 1996, an increase over the previous year's return of 17.2 percent.

Larry Goldstein, senior vice president for NACUBO, said colleges and universities are familiar with short-term stock market volatility. The 1987 drop, he said, was a dramatic hit when it happened.

"But most schools didn't do



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CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER
EMORY UNIVERSITY

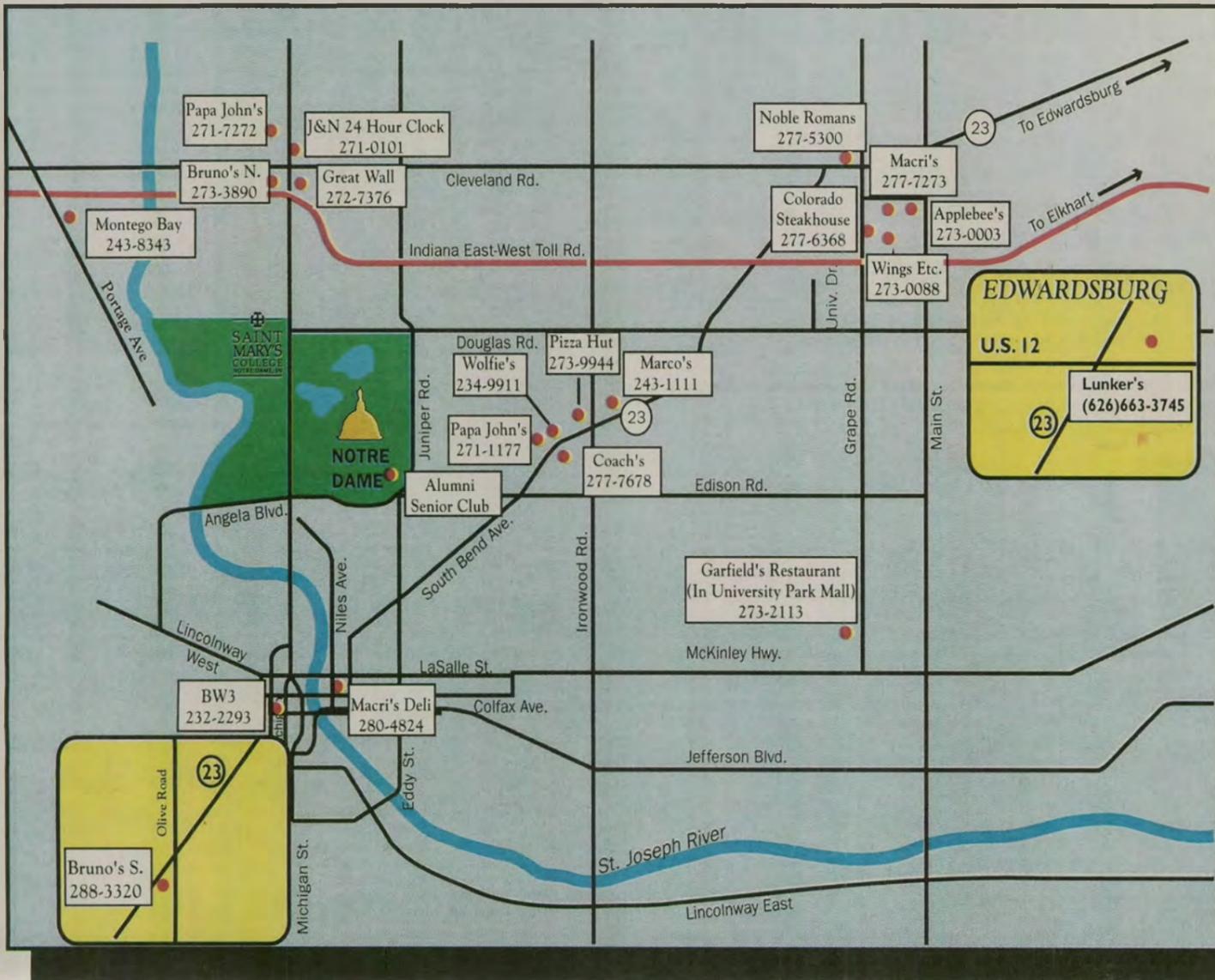
assets in Coca-Cola Co. stock — a gift from the company, which is also based in Atlanta. With the drop in Coca-Cola stock's price, the value of Emory's endowment has also declined by about 10 percent.

Emory, however, has no intention of changing its investment strategy, said

Scarffe, spokesman for the Kansas University Endowment Association.

Most universities and colleges, in fact, are not terribly worried about a 10 percent drop, said Todd Petzel, chief investment officer of the Westport, Conn. based

After the Game. . .



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Embassy bomb plot foiled

Associated Press

KAMPALA, Uganda

Ugandan authorities are holding 20 people in connection with a plot to blow up the U.S. Embassy in Kampala, and the FBI was invited into the East African nation to help with the investigation, a government minister said Thursday.

Regional cooperation minister Amama Mbabazi told a parliamentary session that the FBI agents were invited to Uganda following the Aug. 7 bombings of the U.S. diplomatic missions in neighboring Kenya and

Tanzania in which 259 people, including 12 Americans, died.

"It is true that the Ugandan government through security services asked for and obtained services of the FBI for expertise on bomb attacks which are beyond our capacity to handle," Mbabazi said.

He said Ugandan intelligence officials had learned that the group that carried out the bombings in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam also planned to attack the U.S. Embassy in Uganda.

American intelligence officers also helped thwart the plot, The Washington Post reported in

Friday's editions. Ugandan authorities were aided by information from the CIA.

Among those detained are the two alleged ringleaders, arrested last week as they tried to enter the country from Kenya. The two men are believed to be associates of Islamic extremist Osama bin Laden, the suspected mastermind in the bombings of U.S. embassies last month, the Post said.

Over the weekend, security officials said 18 people had been arrested in connection with plans to hit American and Ugandan targets in the country.

Iran backs off Rushdie reward

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS

Iran's government distanced itself Thursday from a \$2.5 million reward for the death of Salman Rushdie, a move interpreted by the author as meaning an end to 10 years of living in the shadows.

The Iranian "government disassociates itself from any reward which has been offered in this regard and does not support it," Iranian Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi said after a meeting with his British counterpart, Robin Cook.

While the religious decree that called on Muslims to kill Rushdie was not lifted, Rushdie said Kharrazi's statement "means everything."

"This looks like it's over," he said in London.

"An extraordinary thing has been achieved," Rushdie said, speaking outside the Foreign Office where he was briefed on the development that came out of British talks with Iran at the United Nations in New York.

Rushdie was forced into hiding, spending much of his time under guard in Britain, after the death sentence was imposed. Western intellectuals took up his cause as an important battle over freedom of expression.

Cook said he was delighted with Iran's gesture, and said both nations were ready to exchange ambassadors.

Publication of Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses" in 1988 caused an uproar among many Muslims around the world, who contended that it insulted Islam.

Months before he died of cancer, Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini issued a "fatwa," or Islamic edict, calling on Muslims to kill the Indian-born British writer.

Shortly after, Iran's semi-official Khoradad Foundation offered a large reward to any-

one who killed Rushdie. A few years ago, it increased the bounty to \$2.5 million.

Kharrazi's comments stopped short of lifting Iran's death sentence on Rushdie, but was an important step in improving ties with the West.

The gesture contains little that is new, however. The Iranian government has never officially backed the reward, and in recent years has even given assurances that it would not actively seek Rushdie's death.

The Rushdie affair has been the main hurdle in Iran's efforts to improve ties with the European Union. Britain has sought better ties in order to benefit from lucrative projects in Iran, which have gone to France and other European countries that have better ties with Tehran.

Iran has been trying to change its foreign policy ever since Mohammad Khatami, a moderate cleric, took over as president in August 1997. Khatami has underscored the need to replace confrontation with dialogue in Iran's relations with the West, including the United States.

On Tuesday, Khatami told reporters that his government wanted to put the Rushdie affair behind it.

But powerful hard-liners inside the Islamic government have always supported the death sentence and are likely to continue to do so.

Seven months ago, the head of the foundation that is offering the reward said he was considering upping the bounty, especially if Rushdie were killed in the United States.

Iran's chief prosecutor, Morteza Moqtadaie, marked the last anniversary of the fatwa in February by saying: "The shedding of this man's blood is obligatory."

"The destruction of this man's worthless life could breathe the new life into Islam," state-run Tehran radio said at the time.

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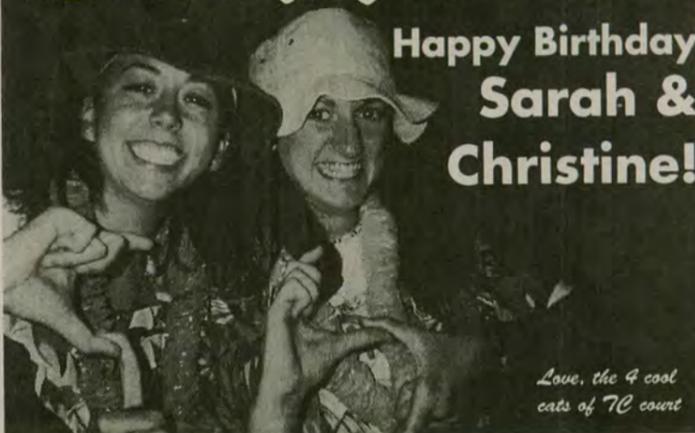
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Women's News Needs to Educate and Inform

The absurdity that greeted readers upon opening their Observer on Wed., September 16 should never be repeated.

There is nothing quite so backwards and horrific as a Women's News section of a newspaper choosing to feature three articles on beauty pageants. A newspaper classification intended for Women's News should want to report news that is promotional, informative and beneficial to women, and not news that is inconsequential or detrimental. The word "tiara" has no place in the Women's News of any newspaper. I would think that, particularly at Notre Dame, a Women's News department would want to be very careful about the attitudes and messages it chooses to convey. In fact, it is difficult to entirely justify having a Women's page because it implies that women's news is something separate, something out of the ordinary, and to single out does not equalize.

At Notre Dame, we have issues with gender relations, so much in fact, that the HPC feels the need to organize a (Gender) "Interaction Week" where students can be rewarded for showing an ability to socialize with the opposite sex. In a previous article, this same newspaper reported that women are not yet in as many prominent leadership roles on campus. If anything, Women's News should educate and inform in order to reverse those admittedly male-dominated patterns on campus.

The frustrating part is that there are numerous other current topics and events, on-campus or beyond, that could be reported if one insists on having a section of Women's News. If our newspaper is not aware of these happenings, are we, the students, aware of them?

A report could have covered the Gender Studies Forum being presented by Margaret Porter at Hesburgh Library on September 17. An interview could have been done with Marisa Marquez about Hispanic Heritage Month, and her leadership as the president of La Alianza. It would be interesting to have the perspective of female members of ROTC. It might be appropriate to have been informed on what is new and changing about women's roles in the Catholic Church.

Perhaps, in national news, a story could be done on NOW's Initiative To Stop Sexual Harassment. No, instead, Women's News tells us that Miss America airs Saturday on ABC. There should be no question that beauty pageants are a retrogressive issue! If this society wants to get away from judging women by their beauty, then it will stop having beauty contests. Be objective, these articles weakly attempted to be objective about beauty pageants. However, simply asking "Are pageants degrading to women?" in the same article that praises pageants as a platform for women's educational and professional opportunities, does not present a reasonable viewpoint!

Whether the answer to that question is "yes" is not my main concern. Neither is it my intention to discredit women who have participated in

pageants, or to critique the writers of the Women's News. The fact that the articles appeared, making a gross contradiction of Women's News, is a disturbing hint that students might be perfectly oblivious to the problems with the gender roles encouraged by this society and on this campus.

It may be tempting, but one can't place all the blame on the University for separating us like children at a summer camp. If women and men at ND are allowed to coexist in outdated roles, it is primarily because we, the female students, are the quiet ones. We are the ones who would let beauty pageant articles be published. We are the ones who seldom visit the Women's Resource Center.

My main concern is the complacency surrounding the accepted unhealthy attitudes towards genders at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame. We are not questioning enough, we are not using our voices, we are chanting in unison with the crowd.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, especially women, should not let themselves be taken in by the gender dictation, the accepted social behavior or the customs of Notre Dame campus life. Notre Dame and Saint Mary's women, I suggest we first try to change the ways we hinder ourselves, and to illustrate how we hinder ourselves, I'll have to generalize terribly.

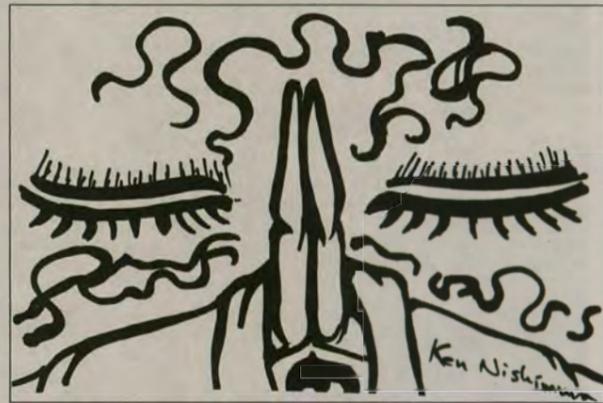
This standpoint is not about thrusting anger towards men or even taking up feminist beliefs. It is simply about being more aware, three-dimensional people. When Women's News tries to pass off beauty pageants as credible news, there needs to be an outcry! We need to be louder about our opinions! We need to listen to less Celine Dion, and more Ani DiFranco. We need to throw out our "bar-pants." We need to go to more women's basketball games. Saint Mary's students need to say so when they are offended by the label "SMC Chicks." We need to visit the Women's Resource Center, not because we are ultra-feminists or because we have any particular problems, but simply to find out what is

there. We need to recognize that the format of most Freshman Orientation Activities encourages college-age men and women to have junior high-level attitudes. We need to boycott SYRs on the grounds that they are detrimental to gender relations. We need to show that we can stay in our physics classes and we need to speak up more often in Core discussions! The glass "girl box" needs to be shattered! We need to say that twenty-six years is an ample amount of time to be ready for a female president!

Until we change ourselves, our own accepted behavior and attitudes, there will be no improvements in our newspapers, on our campus or in this society. Only then will the absurdity that greeted readers of The Observer on Wed., September 16 never be repeated.

Rene Mulligan
Sophomore
Pasquerilla West
September 18, 1998

Pacifist Priests Wasting Their Own Time and Efforts



I read The Observer column by a student praising the exploits of two priests who are urging a campus protest against ROTC. The author is clearly enamored by the pouring of blood, and hammering, on an airplane in quest of peace on earth.

The priests were also pictured in the South Bend Tribune laughing and holding a banner. They were obviously having a real hoot, enjoying the publicity and quite proud of breaking laws, wasting nine years in jail, and eagerly awaiting more time behind bars.

Every Diocese in the world desperately needs Priests. The Vietnam War is over. Our world is in relative peace. Wouldn't these priests be more productive seriously ministering to people in 1998 rather than romping around the nation and cavorting back to 1968?

Brian Regan
Notre Dame '61
September 18, 1998

Abortion Should Be Discussed, Not Censured

In recent weeks The Observer has reported that the Women's Resource Center was placed on probation for providing information concerning "activities contrary to the moral teachings of the Catholic Church," i.e., they carried information about abortion and birth control services in the area. In subsequent editions, The Observer reported on the ROTC unit on campus.

Now one can argue that a university is supposed to provide information on all of the many sides of human thinking and activities. From that standpoint, the censure of the Center is contrary to the purposes of a university, even a Catholic one.

It is true that the University Library, as well as the local phone books, contain some of the information under censure at the Center. The probation is absurd.

But further, one would have to say that many of the activities of the military, for which ROTC is a feeder system, are "contrary to the moral teachings of the Catholic Church," i.e., ROTC does not train its students to avoid all but just wars.

Abortion is women's "just war." The topic should be debated and discussed at an institution of higher learning, not censured.

Ellyn Stecker
Parent of a Double Domer
September 16, 1998



HEATING UP



Notre Dame
September

Hail Purdue

To your call once more we rally,
Alma Mater, hear your praise;
Where the Wabash spreads its valley,
Filled with joy our voices raise.
From the skies in swelling echoes
Come the cheers that tell the tale
Of your vic'tries and your heroes,
Hail Purdue! We sing all hail!

Hail, Hail to Old Purdue!
All hail to our old gold and black!
Hail, Hail to Old Purdue!
Our friendship may she never lack,
Ever grateful, ever true,
Thus we raise our song anew,
Of the days we've spent with you
All hail our own Purdue.



A Quick Look at Purdue

Location: West Lafayette, Ind.
Founded: 1869
Enrollment: 35,000
President: Dr. Steven C. Beering
Athletic Director: Morgan J. Burke
Nickname: Boilermakers
Colors: Old Gold and Black
Song: "Hail Purdue"
Mascot: Boilermaker Special
Conference: Big Ten

What is a Boilermaker anyway??

Technically, a boiler is used to heat water to steam, especially for the railroad industry. Thus a boiler-maker produces boilers.

Supporters of Wabash College, Purdue's athletic rival in 1889,

originally intended the name boilmnakers as a derogatory comment. As a liberal arts college, Wabash College students did not have much respect for the engineering and agricultural focus of Purdue. Since Purdue players were also being called cornfield-sailors, blacksmiths and pumpkin-shackers, they chose the lesser evil and adopted the nickname 'boilermaker.'



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THE RIVALRY



Purdue
1998



THE MATCH VS. UP



IN THE
PAST

Series Record:

Notre Dame leads 45-22-2

Games in West Lafayette:

Notre Dame leads 22-10-2

Games in South Bend:

Notre Dame leads 19-9

Last Purdue win:

1997 (28-17 at West Lafayette)

Last Notre Dame win:

1996 (35-0 at South Bend)

The Fighting Irish and Boilermakers have met every year since 1946, with this weekend marking the 53rd consecutive season match up.

Irish dancers take the field during half-time show

Special to The Observer

Local students from the World Academy of Irish Dancing, which offers classes in South Bend and Valparaiso, have been selected by the University of Notre Dame to perform during the half-time show of the Notre Dame-Purdue game on Saturday, Sept. 26. The Band of the Fighting Irish will provide the half-time music while local World Academy dancers will be featured in a celebration of Irish dance and culture.

Performing at half-time of a football game is unique and unprecedented for an Irish-dancing school. The dancers will perform to a selection of music featuring highlights from the popular musical "Riverdance". The

performance will incorporate a variety of traditional Irish "ceili" dances, or dances that are regarded as official dances of Ireland. Twenty-five students will take the field at the 50-yard line ranging in age from seven to 17. Lead by artistic director and 1994 Saint Mary's College graduate Julie Showalter, the dancers will have an audience of more than 80,000 people in addition to the TV viewing audience.

Local students from South Bend performing at half-time include: Mary Brigid Halloran, Meredith Nolan, Tara Ladewski, Mary Ladewski and Cathlin Brien. Notre Dame students include Cathlin Allen, Cathleen Jordan and Heather Donovan. The three Notre

Dame students will continue to dance to their "home" schools, but will join World Academy on the field for the performance. Allen recently retired from the Riverdance troupe so that she may pursue her studies at Notre Dame.

Halloran, 10, is a St. Joseph's Grade School student and has danced with World Academy for almost five years.

"Irish dancing is interesting and unique. I like to dance and show people what Irish culture is about," she said.

Halloran is especially excited to perform in Notre Dame stadium. "It's cool that we get to dance with the Notre Dame band," she said. "I'm looking forward to dancing in front of so many

people."

Her brother, Brendan Halloran, is a freshman trumpet player in the Notre Dame Marching Band this year.

Showalter, the school's founder, opened her first school in 1994. Since then the academy has grown to more than 350 students in five locations — South Bend, Valparaiso, Chicago, Western Springs and Lemont, Ill.

Showalter, a world champion, believes strongly in personal attention for each student in her school and travels to the various locations for each class.

Irish dancing students don't have recitals, but instead perform at various events for the public throughout the year. The World Academy of Irish

Dancing has had the honor of performing at a Notre Dame women's basketball game, the University Coaches' Dinner, the South Bend Ethnic festival, Chicago's St. Patrick's Day parade and the South Side Irish parade.

What began as an ethnic dance has evolved into a broader artistic-athletic dance form. Although rooted in the Irish-American community, the success of Riverdance has brought the fancy footwork and percussive hardshoe dances into the mainstream.

For more information about the World Academy of Irish Dancing, contact Julie Showalter at (630) 789-1128.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

HR Ball: Keep it or throw it back?

Associated Press

Far too many people believe the drama ends the second the baseball leaves the playing field. In truth, it's just the beginning.

What's happened so far to the people who caught the home runs that Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa have been launching since early September would easily fill up a week of "Jerry Springer" — with enough left over for a "Judge Judy" show or two. And the best episode has yet to play itself out.

Already fans have pummeled, cursed, crushed, kicked and bit one another in pursuit of the prized baseballs. A spectator outside Wrigley Field compared the chase for one Sosa home-run ball with the running of the bulls in Pamplona, Spain. The exhilaration must be something; even poor men have handed them back to millionaire ballplayers for mostly meager rewards.

One went to Disneyland as a result. Two others wound up in court in Chicago. One man returned the baseball to McGwire amid pomp and circumstance, found out he might have kissed a cool quarter-mil good-bye and lay awake for parts of the next few nights wondering if he'd made the right choice.

Another fan sold a Sosa home-run ball to a collector soon after catching it and has slept like a baby ever since. Yet another man had his hands on what he thought would be the historic home run. All he has to show for it at the moment is a trespassing citation for \$518.15.

At least two of the specially marked baseballs — McGwire's 63rd and Sosa's 64th — are still out there somewhere. So, too, probably, is a gang of ball-hawking, teen-age opportunists commanded by a 40-year-old bridge painter, which sounds like something out of a Dickens novel.

Gerald Digilio, the lone adult and ringleader, drove the gang from their New York City neighborhood in Astoria, Queens, last week to Milwaukee to be in the stands when the Cardinals and McGwire, then the Cubs and Sosa, played consecutive series against the pitching-challenged Brewers.

"We didn't come down here to give anything to McGwire," Digilio said. "He never came to Astoria to give us anything. We came to catch the ball and sell it for the highest price."

As luck would have it, the effort paid off — sort of. One of Digilio's kids, 17-year-old Johnny Luna, wound up with the ball that McGwire hit into the center-field seats in Milwaukee, apparently for home run No. 66. But umpire Bob Davidson ruled

that the first fan to touch the ball — Michael Chapes, a gym teacher who got hit with the trespassing fine — interfered, and McGwire ended up with a ground-rule double. No one knows if the ball is worth more or less because of it.

Either way, it wasn't the first time fate intervened.

McGwire's historic 62nd was a sinking line drive that barely cleared the wall in St. Louis and was promptly returned by Cardinals groundskeeper and Disneyland tourist Tim Forneris.

Sosa's 65th ricocheted off the stands in center directly to Milwaukee outfielder Marquis Grissom. He picked up the baseball, playfully hid it under his jersey for a second, then sent it back in the direction of the Cubs dugout.

As McGwire and Sosa closed in on the single-season marks set by Babe Ruth and Roger Maris, the estimates of what the record-breaking baseballs would be worth kept escalating. So did the tone of the debate over whether the brave souls who wound up with those baseballs should return them to the sluggers or sell them to the highest bidder. It will probably reach a crescendo Sunday, the final day of the season.

A consortium of memorabilia dealers has a standing offer of \$1 million for the final McGwire-Sosa record ball. The folks at the Hall of Fame and the money-is-the-root-of-all-evil crowd is praying that fate has one more trick up her sleeve. Whoever winds up with that baseball will truly find himself at the center of what Sports Illustrated so aptly described as the "national referendum on the price of a man's soul."

What to do? The advice here is take the money That's what Maris told 19-year-old Sal Durante in 1961. It's what McGwire and Sosa — each making about \$10 million a year already — and the owners stuffing their pockets with newly found dollars should have been saying from the start.

Let them ransom the baseball for display in the Hall. They can afford to — because they don't let fans into the ballparks for free.

Remember: Four years ago, the players and owners canceled a third of the season and the World Series because they couldn't agree on how to divvy up your money.

So think of the record-breaking ball as found money. Use it to put food on the table, pay off loans, buy college bonds for the kids, take a vacation. Make a sizable donation to a deserving charity. It might even embarrass baseball into doing the same.

Ripken heads to Fenway after streak

Associated Press

BOSTON

This is where The Streak was supposed to end.

Cal Ripken's plan was simple. Play 161 games, sit out the season finale at Fenway Park on Sunday and avoid an offseason of speculation about when he would miss a game for the first time since May 29, 1982.

But with Baltimore out of playoff contention, he changed his mind. He ended his major-league record consecutive games streak at 2,632 in the Orioles' final home game last Sunday against the New York Yankees.

So the Boston Red Sox, who hope to end a 79-year streak without a World Series championship, lost an opportunity to be linked to the end of another streak.

But the Fenway fans got their chance to honor Ripken when the Orioles opened a four-game series Thursday night.

He waved his helmet when the fans gave him a standing ovation as he walked into the on-deck circle in the second inning. They cheered again when Pedro Martinez struck him out on three pitches as he looked at a breaking ball on the outside corner.

Ripken had hoped to play all 162 games this season. That would have meant the Orioles still would have a shot at a wild-card berth on the final day of the regular season.

Instead, it was the Red Sox

who had the chance to clinch that spot with a win Thursday night.

"I was hoping very secretly that these last four games would be the deciding games for the wild-card spot and that issues of the streak wouldn't even come into play," Ripken said.

"That didn't work out that way. We did falter a little bit, Boston continued to play very strong and we, as a team, couldn't catch them. So I was faced with the decision that I had made earlier in the season and I just implemented it."

Red Sox general manager Dan Duquette wouldn't have minded if his team had been part of history.

"Cal Ripken's streak is one of the great achievements of modern sports," Duquette said. "We would have been honored to have him end it in Boston."

Ripken sat on Baltimore's bench 2 1/2 hours before the game, grasping a bat and wearing an Ironman watch on his wrist. And he was in the starting lineup, batting fifth and playing third base.

One missed game is quite enough.

He'd like manager Ray Miller to put him in the lineup Friday night, Saturday and Sunday, too.

"I've had a good second half. I've made some adjustments in my swing and I'm feeling good about it," Ripken said. "Ray wanted to finish strong teamwise, for what it means going into next season, and I want to finish strong."

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BOXING

Tyson fighting to get back into ring after assault

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS

The two top members of the Nevada Athletic Commission said Thursday they will vote to reject Mike Tyson's request to return to the ring unless he can explain his alleged assault of two men following a traffic accident in Maryland last month.

Claims by Tyson's lawyers that he is innocent of the charges simply aren't good enough if Tyson wants his license back, commission Chairman Dr. Elias Ghanem and Vice Chairman James Nave said.

"I would vote no if I have to vote today," Ghanem said.

Nave agreed, saying the position of Tyson's lawyers that he couldn't discuss the matter because of pending charges gave him little option in his vote.

"It's not going to work for me," Nave said. "How can we license him without knowing about it?"

The Maryland issue had seemed to fade into the background at Saturday's marathon hearing that ended

when the commission ordered Tyson to take a batter of psychological tests before returning Oct. 3 for a vote on whether to give him the license stripped when he bit Evander Holyfield's ears.

Following the meeting, Ghanem said that if the psychological reports came back OK "then we have the responsibility to maybe, probably, license him to fight again."

Tyson agreed to the psychological tests and traveled to Boston to undergo them Thursday at Massachusetts General Hospital. But even as he was being examined by a team of three psychiatrists, his licensing was again thrown into question.

Tyson's adviser, Shelly Finkel, said both he and Tyson's lawyers had thought that the psychological testing was the only issue still to be resolved.

"It's pretty obvious to me that it's different than when we left (the commission hearing)," Finkel said. "It's different than what we were told."

Nave, though, said the Maryland incident was still on the table, and that commis-

sioners thought that it went to the heart of Tyson's problems with anger management.

During Saturday's hearing, Tyson's attorney, Dale Kinsella, told commissioners that the former heavyweight champion would answer no questions about the Maryland incident because charges were still pending in the state.

Tyson is charged by two men with attacking them following a minor traffic accident in the Washington, D.C., suburb of Gaithersburg, Md. A preliminary hearing on the charges had been set for Oct. 2, a day before the commission hearing, but that has been scrapped and the case will head toward trial at a later date instead.

"I can't vote to move this thing forward without knowing more about Maryland," Nave said. "They can get a report from Massachusetts saying he's OK, but we still have to know about Maryland."

Finkel said he would have to discuss the latest development with Tyson's attorneys. He said Tyson should be judged innocent until proven guilty.

"I think what the commission

is asking for is illegal," Finkel said. "It seems to me as if someone is playing a game."

Nave said the commission can't license Tyson without knowing whether he actually attacked the two men. Tyson's attorneys have said he is innocent.

"At some point they're going to have to realize that they have to answer that situation," Nave said. "This commission is not going to be embarrassed

and approve him to fight and find out a month later he hit and kicked somebody."

Nave said he felt Tyson's advisers did not adequately answer many of the commission's concerns during Saturday's hearing and that he would have voted against Tyson then if it had come to a vote.

"If the vote came to yes or no last Saturday, I would have voted no," he said.

FIGURE SKATING

Kwan back on ice at Grand Slam after cool vacation

Associated Press

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C.

Olympic silver medalist Michelle Kwan did something this year she'd never allowed herself since first lacing on skates when she was 5 years old. She took a vacation.

"I went to Hawaii for two weeks," Kwan said as she prepared to compete in this weekend's First Union Grand Slam of Skating.

"I took the whole month of August off." Before that, except for an injury that kept her off the ice for three weeks last year, the longest break the 18-year-old Kwan ever took from skating was three days.

Kwan, who won her second world championship this year after finishing second to Tara Lipinski at the Nagano Olympics, always worried she might lose her touch if she took more time off.

"What happens if I lose everything?" she said she asked herself.

But after coming back strong from a toe stress fracture, she knows that's not the case.

"It's all in your head," said Kwan, who said this season she might take a week or so of down time.

The Grand Slam, sanctioned by the International Skating Union, allows Olympic-eligible and professional skaters to compete for the \$40,000 first-place prize. The eligible skaters remain qualified for the Olympics and the world championships.

Sixteen skaters were invited, including men's Olympic gold medalist Ilia Kulik of Russia, 1992 Olympic champion Viktor Petrenko of Ukraine and former world champions Todd Eldredge of the United States and Kurt Browning of Canada. It's the first judged head-to-head competition

between eligible and non-eligible skaters.

"I think it's great," Kwan said. "It's great having an opportunity to be able to compete with ineligible people. Competition is competition."

Kwan, who graduated from high school this year, is still undecided about where to attend college and what she wants to study, though she is considering journalism and public relations.

"There are so many things out there I want to do. I personally want to commentate on skating," she said. "I don't want to postpone school for four years while I do the skating."

Kwan still has her eyes on Olympic gold in 2002 at Salt Lake City and said she would not have turned pro even if she had won this year.

"What I love about this sport is competing and doing your very best and going out there and going to the Olympics and the world championships," she said. "If that disappears, what else do I have to look forward to?"

The women's competition also includes world silver medalist Irina Slutskaya of Russia and former world champions Lu Chen of China — a two-time Olympic bronze medalist — and Yuka Sato of Japan. Russian Maria Butyrskaya, Canadian Josee Chouinard and Americans Nicole Bobek and Caryn Kadavy round out the field.

Other men in the Grand Slam include two-time U.S. champion Scott Davis, Takeshi Honda of Japan, Evgeny Plushenko of Russia and Eric Millot of France.

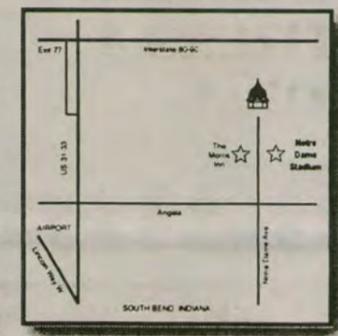
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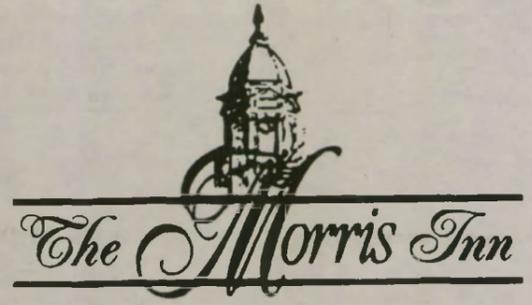
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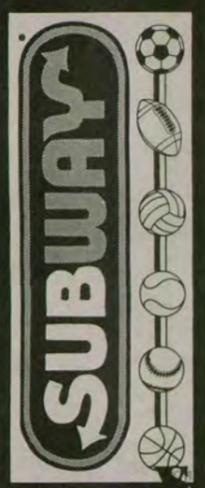


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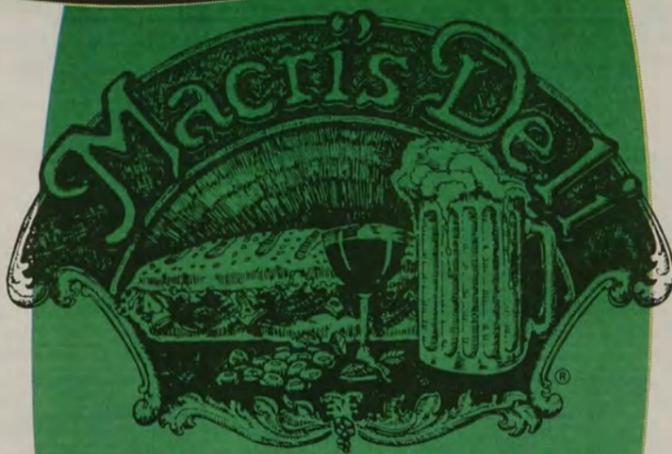
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■ NFL

Indianapolis pass rush hurting

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

The Indianapolis Colts, the only NFL team in the without a sack, might face the New Orleans Saints without their top two pass-rushers.

Right defensive end Dan Footman is out with a knee injury that might require arthroscopic surgery. And left end Al Fontenot is hobbled with a calf problem suffered in Indianapolis' 44-6 loss at the New York Jets.

Fontenot is listed as questionable for Sunday's game at the RCA Dome. But Colts coach Jim Mora downgraded Fontenot to doubtful Thursday.

"We just have to adjust," Mora said. "We've got guys who can play end. ... There are things we can do, and things we're going to have to do."

The Colts will likely start converted linebacker Bertram Berry to replace Footman, who led the team in sacks a year ago with 10 1/2.

If Berry gets the assignment, he will be matched against New Orleans' four-time Pro Bowl left tackle William Roaf.

Six years ago, Mora, then the Saints' coach, drafted Roaf.

"They've got a guy at left tackle that always has been a great football player," Mora said. "Willie Roaf is playing as well now as I've ever seen an offensive lineman play. I mean that sincerely."

"You don't see many people dominate people in this league, but he is. We might have to line up about five guys over there. I'm very concerned about it."

Berry, a second-year player, started one game as a rookie.

"It's going to be a great challenge," said Berry, who has five tackles this season. "I'm definitely going to get a chance to see where I stand as far as some of the NFL's elite are concerned. This is what you play for."

Footman, a former Florida State standout, has spent the last two days getting his knee examined by doctors in Tallahassee. Mora said arthroscopic surgery is likely, which could keep Footman out at least two weeks.

With Fontenot ailing, the Colts are considering using either Van Tuinei or Kendel Shello at left end. Tuinei was signed a week ago, and Shello missed the opening three games with a sprained ankle.



Photo courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information
Former Irish linebacker Bert Berry has found success with the Indianapolis Colt defense, following a stellar college career.

Elway questionable for Washington game

Associated Press

DENVER

One day after saying he was giving serious consideration to skipping Sunday's game in Washington because of a strained right hamstring, Denver quarterback John Elway participated in about half of his team's practice on Thursday.

"He looked good," coach Mike Shanahan said. "It was really his call (to practice Thursday). We kept him out of any type of play action where he has to be on the move. But he did a great job dropping back and handing the ball off. Things you're hoping he'd be able to do, he's been able to do. For him to go out there was really a positive sign."

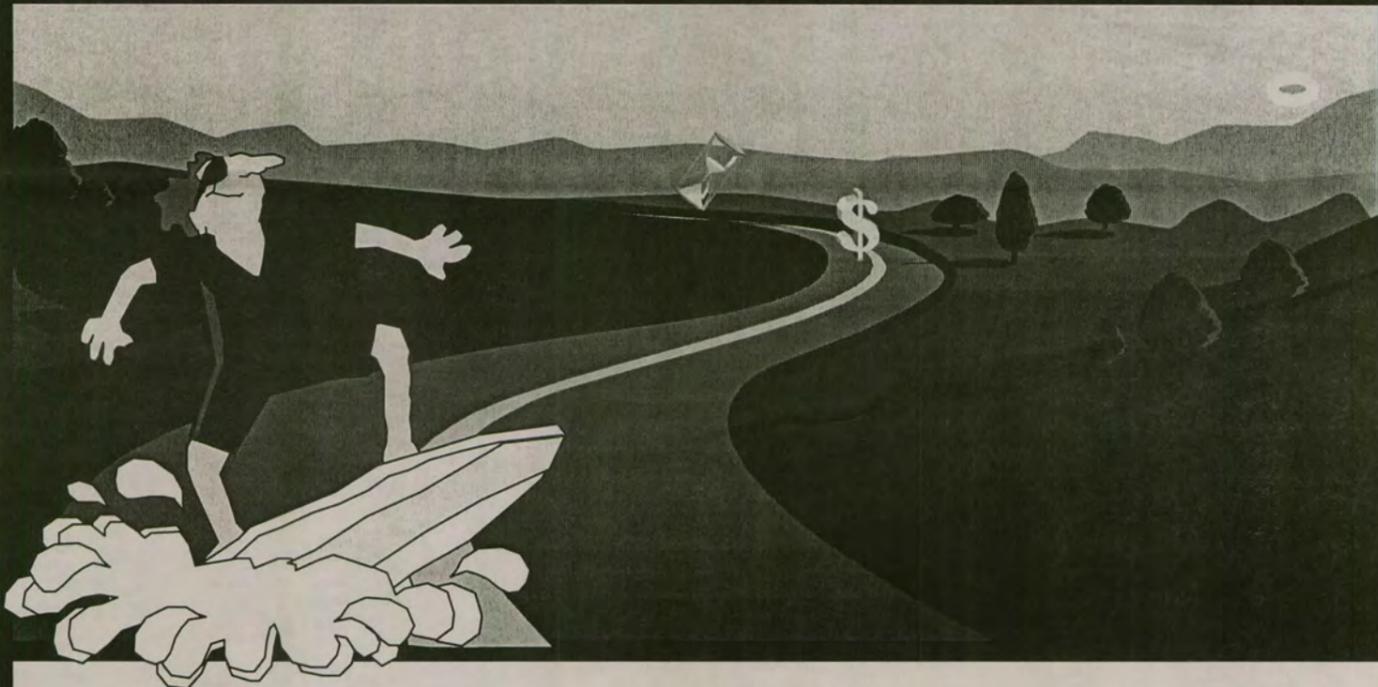
Elway, 38, was injured in the fourth quarter of a 42-23 victory over Dallas two weeks ago. After missing most of last week's practice, he worked out on Friday and played in Sunday's 34-17 victory at Oakland, only to aggravate the injury and depart in the second quarter.

Veteran Bubby Brister relieved Elway and led the Broncos to victory Sunday, completing 10 of 17 passes for 140 yards and two touchdowns with one interception. He and Elway shared snaps during practice on Thursday.

"He's ready to go. Write that down," Brister said after practice.

Elway, who did some light running on a treadmill on Wednesday, said he was determined that the injury not linger throughout the season, and thus was considering a week of rest.

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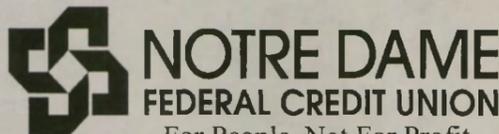


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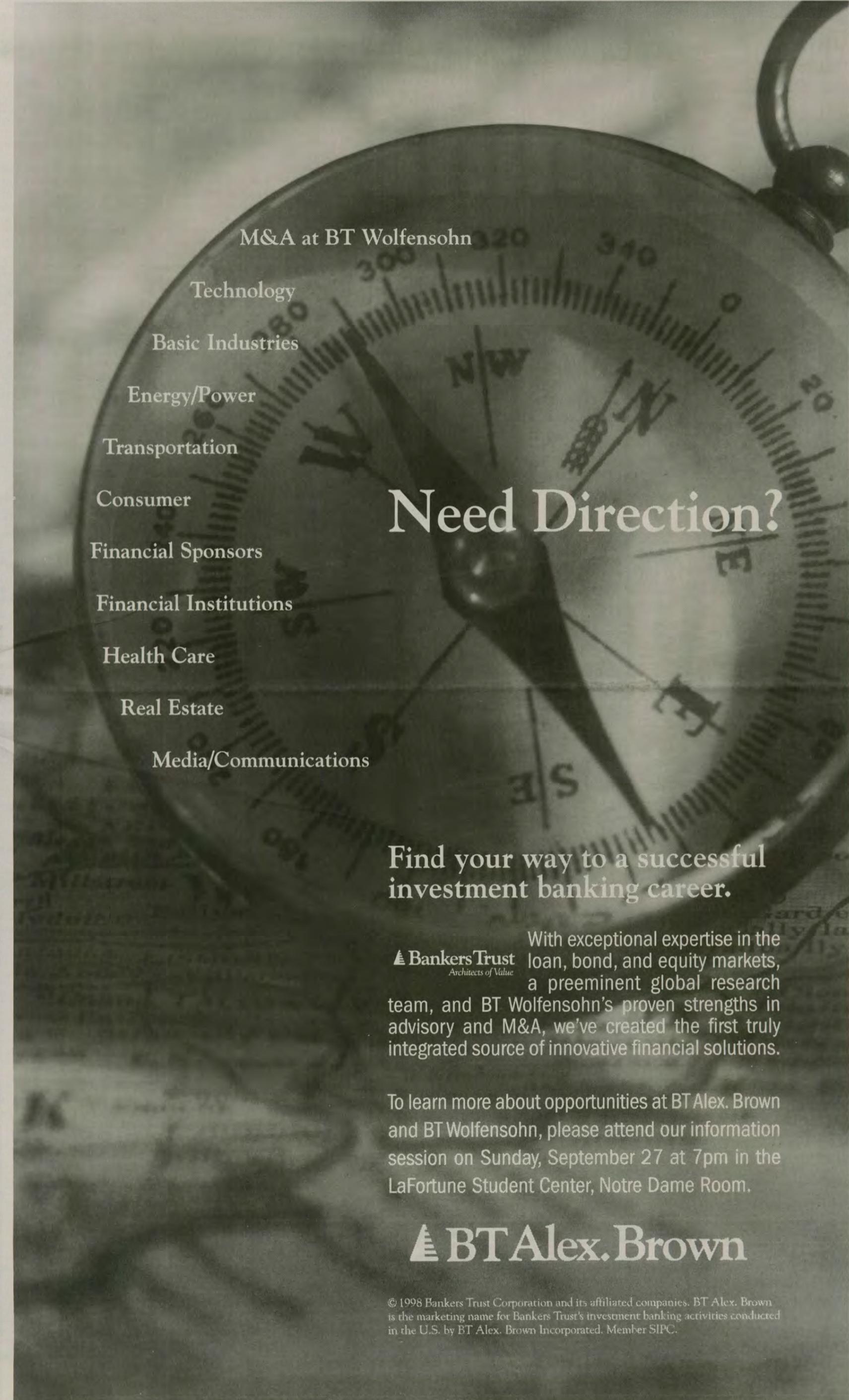
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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Hurricane Georges wrecks havoc on Florida sports teams

Associated Press

MIAMI
 Even before Hurricane Georges reached South Florida, the storm took a toll on the sports schedule, including Saturday's football game between third-ranked UCLA and the Miami Hurricanes.

The schools decided Thursday to postpone the game. Miami officials initially said the game would not be

rescheduled, but UCLA coach Bob Toledo said it might be played at the end of the season.

"That decision will be made in the next few days, I'm sure," Toledo said. "If we're in position to be a national championship contender, this game may have implications."

Thursday night's baseball game between the Florida Marlins and Philadelphia Phillies was postponed and

rescheduled as part of a doubleheader Saturday. Friday's program at Calder Race Course was canceled, and many high school events were postponed.

The Miami Dolphins have no game this week. Coach Jimmy Johnson canceled Friday's practice, and many players made plans to spend the week-end out of town.

Georges was forecast to hit the Florida Keys on Friday, with the effects of the storm expected to be felt in Miami and beyond.

The cancellation of the UCLA-Miami game was announced hours before the Bruins were to leave Los Angeles for Miami. A crowd of about 42,000 had been expected for the nationally televised game at the Orange Bowl.

Toledo said the decision not to travel was a relief to his players.

"If I was told to play the game, I'd play the game," the UCLA coach said. "But I'm kind of glad we're not. I'm responsible for those young men and I'd feel terrible if something happened. You've

got to remember this is a game."

CBS, which had been scheduled to broadcast the game, will fill the time with local programming.

"While it is extremely disappointing that we will be unable to play this game, the importance of responding to the conditions raised by Hurricane Georges were primary in our decision,"

Hurricanes athletic director Paul Dee said.

Miami president Edward Foote, UCLA chancellor Al Carnesale and both athletic directors were involved in the decision.

"After a general discussion ... regarding the safety of students, fans and everyone concerned, it was mutually decided that it would be a mistake to play the game," Foote said.



Photo courtesy of Miami Sports Information

Nate Brooks and the Miami Hurricanes were forced to postpone this weekend's contest against UCLA because of Hurricane Georges.

Smith, 'Cats knock off SDSU, 35-16

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

Just one Arizona quarterback would have been too much for San Diego State.

Keith Smith, again getting the start in Arizona's two-quarterback system, had touchdown scrambles of 20 and 30 yards and threw a 19-yard touchdown pass to Jeremy McDaniel as the No. 16 Wildcats beat the Aztecs 35-16 Thursday night.

Ortege Jenkins, who played the second and third quarters, led the Wildcats on two scoring drives and threw a 10-yard TD pass to McDaniel.

Smith was 10-of-16 for 121 yards, and Jenkins 6-of-9 for 75 yards. Smith also gained 41 yards on five rushes.

San Diego State sophomore Brian Russell made his first Division I-A start and had three passes intercepted, two inside Aztecs territory by inside linebacker Scooter Sprotte. San Diego State had six turnovers, leading to three Arizona touchdowns.

Running back Larry Ned carried 33 times for 144 yards and one score against a defense that had allowed only 181 rushing yards and no touchdowns to three previous opponents.

Smith's 19-yard TD pass to McDaniel with 7:11 left in the first quarter came one play after Dennis Northcutt's 51-yard punt return. Chris McAlister's block took out two Aztecs to help spring Northcutt.

Jenkins took over on Arizona's next possession and his scrambling ability made it look like the Wildcats were toying with the Aztecs.

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■ SAINT MARY'S SOCCER

Practice finally pays off for Belles in first win

ALEXA HILAL
Sports Writer

Hard work and determination have finally paid off for the Saint Mary's soccer team this year.

After a rocky start to the season, the Belles surpassed the competition as they shut out Franklin 4-0 Thursday afternoon, improving their record to 1-6.

"Good teamwork and effective communication were key elements in our victory," said head coach Robert Sharp. "We really dominated."

Saint Mary's offense came out strong with an incredible 31 shots on goal. Melissa Wychocki and Katie Barger lead the attack, while Laura Pullen controlled the defense and kept the back alive.

The Belles dominated the field from the beginning. They took a 1-0 lead with a shot from senior Katie Wagner at 12:23. With good movement up the sides, Saint Mary's continued their attack on Franklin. Their attempts proved successful just before the 40-minute mark as K.S. Rives sent the ball sailing into the net with the help of Katie Barger.

"Barger played a great game,"

said Cernanec. "She kept the midfield moving and was key in distributing the ball."

Meanwhile the Belles defense stayed strong, only allowing one shot in the first half on goalkeeper and co-captain Jo Wagner.

"At stopper Laura [Pullen] controlled the defense well," said Sharp. Our defenders played tough."

The spark had been ignited in the first half, and in the following 45 minutes of play, the fire burned strong. At 65:01, Wychocki gained control of the ball and placed her first goal of the game. Keeping their composure, Saint Mary's connected again in the 72nd minute of play to score their fourth and final goal with a successful second ball in the net for Wychocki.

"It's good to finally have a win under our belt," said Sharp. "I immediately relished the victory, but am already looking ahead to our game against Wisconsin Whitewater this weekend. We still have a lot of work to do."

"Coming off a win will help a lot," said Cernanec. "Losing six games in a row is rough on a team, but this win boosted our morale. We are very enthusiastic."

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utive Big East shutout wins last week, over Boston College 3-0 and Providence 8-0.

Hoping to continue their recent charge in their first road Big East game, St. John's will look for contributions from a number of players. Junior Pablo Budna netted two goals against Boston College, with Danny Parkin adding another. Dennis James led the way in the Providence blowout with a goal and two assists.

Of equal importance to the Irish this weekend will be a quick turn around on the defense to spark the attack, which has been less productive than at the beginning of the season.

The biggest concern has been the recent overtime games, where the Irish picked up a tie and a loss against Pittsburgh and Rutgers, both inferior teams. The opponent defense was able to shut down the Irish goal production, allowing them just 17 shots in the two games, including just four in the 102 minutes against Rutgers.

A steady barrage of attacks from the legwork of goal scorers Shane Walton (six goals, four assists), Ryan Cox (two goals, five assists), and Ben Bocklage (two goals, two assists) will be the defining statistic of the game.

Notre Dame will come out on top only if their defensive press catches the Red Storm off guard and behind up front.

In a game of constantly changing predators and prey, a win against the top of the chain will move the Irish up more than a few links.

"We need to take advantage of the homefield," said Murphy. "It'll be a big win for the program if we beat St. John's."

■ INTERHALL FOOTBALL

McGlinn, PW, PE find early-season success

By SARA ELBERTS
Sports Writer

Several women's interhall football teams once again took the field Wednesday night to battle for victory.

In the first game, McGlinn shut out Off Campus 13-0, scoring both touchdowns on turnovers. McGlinn's offense primarily relied on the option in their win. Off Campus' captain, Jodi Lucena thinks their defense looked good, but their offense needs a little work.

"With our impeccable coaching staff, we're prepared to come out and destroy on Sunday," Lucena warned.

In a more offensive game, Pasquerilla West beat Welsh 22-6. The highlight for PW was a fifty-yard touchdown run by Jenni Kleine.

After allowing PW to score first, Welsh stormed back using a long pass to close the gap while holding the score at 7-6 for much of the game. But PW's offense showed up again to score two more touchdowns late in the game.

Purple Weasel quarterback Eiz McKillop, connected with Kori Yelle for the team's final touchdown. Yelle also scored on a run for the first points of the game, and summed up her team's play by saying, "our offense executed."

The last game of the night was a close one in which Pasquerilla East blanked Farley 6-0. The lone Pyros touchdown was set up by a long Anne Seralle run in the first series. After that, both teams held tight, not allowing the other to score.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Yanks hit 111 wins on Spencer HR

Associated Press

NEW YORK

One of the newest Yankees helped them tie one of baseball's biggest records.

New York matched the American League mark of 111 wins Thursday night as Shane Spencer hit a go-ahead grand slam in the sixth inning for a 5-2 victory over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

New York (111-48) equaled the 1954 Cleveland Indians (111-43) and trails only the 1906 Chicago Cubs (116-36) in the win column. However, these Yankees had a 162-game schedule while the Indians set the AL record in a 154-game season.

Spencer, a 26-year-old rookie, is the hottest Yankee of late, with 11 hits — five of them homers — and 15 RBIs in his last 17 at-bats. He hit his first career grand slam last Friday at Baltimore.

New York, which has three games left, set a team record for wins, topping the 1927 Yankees (110-44), the famed Murderer's Row that gener-

ally is regarded as baseball's best team ever.

The Yankees moved 63 games over .500 for the first time since the end of the 1927 season and beat the expansion Devil Rays for the eighth time in nine games.

Mike Buddie (4-1) got the win with two shutout innings in relief of David Wells, the Yankees' probable starter in their postseason opener next week.

Wilson Alvarez (6-14) took a no-hitter into the fifth and a 2-1 lead into the sixth before walking Chuck Knoblauch on four pitches.

Singles by Derek Jeter and Bernie Williams produced the Yankees' first run, Chili Davis walked and Spencer followed with his eighth homer of the season.

Wells allowed both runs and five hits in five innings and finished the regular season 18-4.

Jeff Nelson got three outs for his third save.

Alvarez gave up all five runs and four hits in five-plus innings. He has won just twice in 15 starts since coming off the disabled list July 6.

TENNIS

Dasso, Sachire win first round matches

Special to The Observer

BALTIMORE, Md.

Notre Dame sophomore women's tennis player and sixth-seed in the tournament Michelle Dasso won her opening round match at the F. Rowe Price National Clay Court Championships in Baltimore, Md., the opening leg of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Collegiate Grand Slam.

Dasso, ranked 17th in the preseason rankings, rolled to a 6-1, 6-1 win over Clemson's Cecelia Hincapie. She will face Mississippi State's Amelie Detriviere in the second round.

Irish senior All-American Jennifer Hall dropped her first-round match to Mississippi's seventh-seed Ivona Mihailova 7-5, 6-4. Ranked 24th in the preseason rankings, Hall will take on Pepperdine's Ann Nguyen in the consolation draw on Friday.

In the men's bracket, Notre Dame junior All-American Ryan Sachire, seeded fourth in the draw, won his opening round match 7-6, 6-2 over Mississippi State's Vikrant Chada. In the second round, the eighth-ranked Sachire let a 5-1 lead slip away in the first-set tiebreaker and was eliminated 7-6 (7-5), 6-0 by South Carolina's 20th-ranked Guillaume Legat.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

McGwire dry, stands at 65 in Cards final homestand

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS
Mark McGwire's cushion is going, going, gone.

McGwire had two games to answer Sammy Sosa's two-homer salvo, but came up empty. So the home run derby remained tied at 65 Thursday night after McGwire went 1-for-3 with a walk in the St. Louis Cardinals' 6-3 victory over the Montreal Expos.

McGwire, who last homered on Sunday, is 2-for-10 — both singles — in the first three games of the Cardinals' season-ending, six-game homestand. And now both he and Sosa, who had the day off, have three games to go to settle the race.

Ray Lankford had four hits and four RBIs, including a three-run homer, as the Cardinals won for the seventh time in eight games.

Before the game, Expos manager Felipe Alou promised that his pitchers would challenge McGwire, saying: "We're not going to walk him like cowards, but we're not going to put it on a tee for him."

Rookie Javier Vazquez (5-15) looked a bit skittish in the first when he walked McGwire on four pitches to extend his NL record to 160. For that, Vazquez was booed when he came to the plate in the second inning.

McGwire got at least a few pitches to swing at his last two at-bats against Vazquez, taking a called third strike on a 2-2 breaking ball in the third and singling through short in the fifth.

After Brian Jordan greeted Shayne Bennett with his 25th homer in the seventh, McGwire hit a comebacker to the mound on a checked swing.

Vazquez made his first career start against the Cardinals, and the remainder of the Expos' starters have little or no history against McGwire. He's 0-for-3 with three walks and an RBI against Miguel Batista, who starts Friday.

Donovan Osborne (5-4) survived a shaky start, allowing three runs in six innings. Juan Acedo worked the ninth for his 13th save.

The Expos scored two runs in the first on an RBI double by Vladimir Guerrero and a sacrifice fly by Shane Andrews. Vazquez retired the first batter in the bottom half, then hit Jordan and walked McGwire before Lankford hit his 31st homer — matching his career high — for a 3-2 lead.

Fernando Seguin doubled and eventually scored on a sacrifice fly by Vazquez to tie it in the fourth. The Cardinals broke the tie in the fifth on an infield hit by Jordan, a single by McGwire and a single by Lankford.

Pinch-hitter J.D. Drew made it 6-3 with an RBI single in the eighth.

Giants 6, Pirates 2

SAN FRANCISCO

Barry Bonds and the San Francisco Giants set up a really wild weekend in the wild-card race.

The Giants pulled within one game of idle New York and Chicago for the NL's final play-off spot, beating the Pittsburgh Pirates 6-2 Thursday to complete a four-game sweep.

San Francisco, the Mets and the Cubs all finish with three games on the road. The Giants visit Colorado (76-83) while the Mets play at East champion Atlanta (103-56) and the Cubs play at Central champion Houston (100-59).

Bonds hit his 37th homer and Joe Carter, Rich Aurilia and pitcher Russ Ortiz also connected for solo home runs.

The Giants won for the seventh time in eight games. They got their first four-game sweep of the season and their first at home against Pittsburgh since July 1985.

Bonds homered in the first. Aurilia hit his ninth and Ortiz hit his first major league homer in the second, and Carter led off the sixth with his 17th homer of the season.

Carter had a sacrifice fly and J.T. Snow had an RBI single as the Giants added two runs in the seventh.

Ortiz (4-4) allowed one run on four hits before leaving the game after five innings because of lower back tightness.

Tony Womack had a sacrifice fly in the fifth and Doug Strange had a run-scoring groundout in the eighth for the Pirates, who have lost five straight and eight of nine. Pittsburgh has lost 22 of 27 games since a nine-game winning streak in late August.

Elmer Dessens (2-6) allowed four runs on seven hits in 5 2-3 innings. He is 0-4 as a starter this season, and 0-6 in eight major league starts in the last three seasons.

Pittsburgh lost its 90th game, the first time the Pirates have lost that many since going 64-98 in 1986.

Phillies vs. Marlins ppd

MIAMI

It took a hurricane to stop the losing for the Florida Marlins — at least temporarily.

Thursday night's game against the Philadelphia Phillies was postponed because of Hurricane Georges and rescheduled as part of a doubleheader Saturday.

Florida and Philadelphia are to conclude the season with a four-game series. If the Phillies sweep, the Marlins would finish with 111 losses, the most in the major leagues since the 1965 New York Mets.

Georges was forecast to hit the Florida Keys on Friday, with the effects of the storm expected to felt in Miami and beyond. If Friday night's game is also postponed, the teams will try to play back-to-back doubleheaders Saturday and Sunday.

"Our plan is to play our remaining four games of the season, but with the safety of our fans and employees in mind," Florida president Don

Smiley said. Philadelphia's Curt Schilling (15-14) is scheduled to pitch against Livan Hernandez (10-12) Friday.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

BoSox gain berth with win over wounded Orioles

Associated Press

BOSTON

Pedro Martinez struggled in a game that would give Boston its first playoff berth in three years. Nomar Garciaparra made sure the Red Sox won it.

Martinez allowed three homers as his September struggles continued, but Garciaparra homered twice and scored four runs as the Red Sox clinched the AL wild-card berth with a 9-6 win over the slumping Baltimore Orioles on Thursday night.

The Red Sox probably will begin post-season play in Cleveland next Tuesday with Martinez (19-7), winless in his previous four starts, on the mound. They would face Texas if the Rangers finish with a better record than the Indians, who began the day two games ahead.

Tom Gordon pitched a perfect ninth for his 42nd consecutive save, setting a major league record. Gordon, who had shared the record of 41 straight with Rod Beck and Trevor Hoffman, has 45 saves for the season.

While Martinez may be a source of

concern, the Red Sox have rebounded from their recent problems, going 4-1 in their last five games to improve to 10-14 this month.

Boston led 8-3 after scoring three runs in the fourth and four in the fifth. Martinez faltered in the seventh when he gave up a leadoff homer to B.J. Surhoff, a double to Chris Hoiles and an RBI single to Mike Bordick that made it 8-5.

He was relieved by Greg Swindell, who allowed a single to Robbie Alomar before getting out of the jam.

Dennis Eckersley tied Hoyt Wilhelm for most career appearances by a pitcher, 1,070, when he relieved Swindell with one out in the eighth.

The first batter he faced was Cal Ripken, whose major-league record of 2,632 consecutive games ended last Sunday. Ripken popped out to second baseman Mike Benjamin. The next batter, Surhoff, cut the lead to 9-6 with his 20th homer of the year.

Garciaparra, whose second-inning homer had cut Baltimore's lead to 2-1, led off the seventh with his 35th homer of the season.

The Red Sox took control with three runs in the fourth against Sidney Ponson (8-9). They scored on a passed ball by Hoiles and RBI doubles by Troy O'Leary and Scott Hatteberg.

They built the lead to 8-3, pounding out six hits in a 27-minute bottom of the fifth.

Darren Lewis led off with a single, took third on Mo Vaughn's single and scored on Garciaparra's single. Mike Stanley's ground-rule double made it 6-3, O'Leary hit a sacrifice fly and Darren Bragg singled in the final run of the inning.

Twins 2, Indians 0

MINNEAPOLIS

Brad Radke pitched 7 1-3 shutout innings for his first home victory since June 9 and David Ortiz had a two-run double as Minnesota handed Cleveland its fourth straight loss, 2-0 Thursday night.

Radke (12-14) gave up four hits, struck out seven and walked two for his first win at the Metrodome since pitching a four-hit shutout against the Chicago

Cubs. Since then, he had been 0-5 with two no-decisions at home.

Radke, who had given up 13 earned runs in 10 2-3 innings in his two previous starts, gave up only one hit over the first six innings — a single by Kenny Lofton in the third.

Rick Aguilera pitched the ninth for his 38th save.

The Twins broke up a scoreless game in the sixth against Jaret Wright (12-10).

Otis Nixon led off with his second single of the game, Denny Hocking grounded out and Matt Lawton walked. Ortiz, who is hitting .365 in his last 19 games, then doubled into the right-field corner for a 2-0 lead.

Wright, who is expected to start the Indians' first playoff game, gave up two runs and five hits in seven innings. He struck out six and walked one.

After giving up an infield single to Nixon to start the game, Wright retired 11 in a row before allowing singles to Ortiz and Todd Walker in the fourth. Terry Steinbach then hit a ball to deep left, but Brian Giles made an over-the-shoulder catch at the fence.

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"My freshman year I ran for the wrong reasons. All I was concerned with was running and everything else came second," Deeter said.

In her sophomore season, Deeter won the National Catholic Invitational and finished 16th at the Big East championships. Though not as successful as the previous year, it represented Deeter's commitment to changing her priorities.

"Last season was an adjustment period. I finally discovered how to balance social life, academics, and athletics where I wanted them to be," Deeter explained.

Deeter doesn't even consider her high accolades of 1996 career highlights. The best is yet to come.

"I want to make all-America the next two years," Deeter stated. "If not this year, it will happen before I leave Notre Dame."

JoAnna, who hails from Glen Ellyn, Ill., looks to

be back in prime form already this season. She has won both races she entered — the Wolf & Kettle Invitational and last weekend's National Catholic. With the time of 17:25 last Friday, Deeter became the first female to ever win three consecutive National Catholic individual championships.

Next weekend, an opportunity for another first is available.

Deeter could become the first female to ever win two Notre Dame Invitational titles.

The outstanding runs Deeter has already displayed in her career are a credit to her attitude.

"Every race you have to be prepared and go after it. No matter what the competition, run the best race you can," Deeter said. Never one to brag, it had to be pointed out to her that she won three National Catholic championships. Her sights are set on the future, not the past.

Deeter will be the anchor of the women's cross country team that is looking to make a statement this year.

"We will be very disappointed if we don't get to nationals this year," Deeter commented.

The women have won the first two meets of the year and are dedicated to making their presence felt at the NCAA championships. With JoAnna Deeter leading the way, don't be surprised to see the women achieve that lofty goal.

NCAA WOMEN'S X COUNTRY

Rank	School	Pts	1997 finish
1.	Stanford (12)	395	1
2.	Arkansas (4)	386	2
3.	Colorado	366	3
4.	Oregon	345	8
5.	Michigan	330	4
6.	N.C. State	320	6
7.	Oklahoma State	287	14
8.	Wisconsin	241	5
9.	Michigan State	230	7
10.	Washington State	229	--
11.	Notre Dame	197	12
12.	Weber State	193	10
13.	William & Mary	185	9
14.	Providence	158	16
15.	Iona College	128	13
16.	Minnesota	121	18
17.	Arizona	117	--
18.	Montana	107	--
19.	Iowa State	102	15
20.	Georgetown	88	--

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Wildcats. The senior now stands just four goals behind Cindy Daws, who holds the Irish record.

Indiana comes to town ranked 25th by Soccer News and with an impressive 5-1 record. In their last outing, the Hoosiers beat Ohio State 2-1 in overtime. Notre Dame beat the Buckeyes 9-0 earlier this season in an exhibition game.

Notre Dame will try to extend

their eight game winning streak over the Hoosiers. They won 8-0 last year in Bloomington and knocked IU out of the NCAA's in 1996, when they also defeated them 8-0.

"They're having a good season so far," said Gerardo. "They only have one loss and their confidence is up, so they are looking to have a good game."

To put goals on the board, the Irish will have to get past Ashley Davis, who is first in the Big Ten with a 0.66 goals against average. Junior forward Tracy Grose will try to test the Irish defense. She has at least one point in all six of IU's games this season and already has six goals on the year.

The Irish will look to go to 2-1 on the season against ACC opponents when they play Wake Forest on Sunday. The Deacon Deacons are led by senior midfielders Stefanie Mathews and Meghan Suddes. Suddes leads the team in scoring with four goals, while Mathews has netted three goals and dished out one assist. Junior Anne Shropshire has one goal and a team-high

five assists this season.

Earlier this week, the Deacons defeated Florida State 3-1, but then fell to No. 18 Clemson, 2-1. Wake Forest's record now stands at 4-2-1 overall, 1-1 in the ACC.

Notre Dame will face two opponents who expect to challenge the Irish.

Notre Dame will be on a mission to defend its home field and send the Hoosiers and Deacons packing.

"We looking to come out this weekend and play how we're capable of playing," said Gerardo. "We're trying to improve in every game and play better as the season progresses."



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Defender Kelly Lindsey anchors a stingy Notre Dame backfield looking to pick up two more wins against Indiana and Wake Forest.



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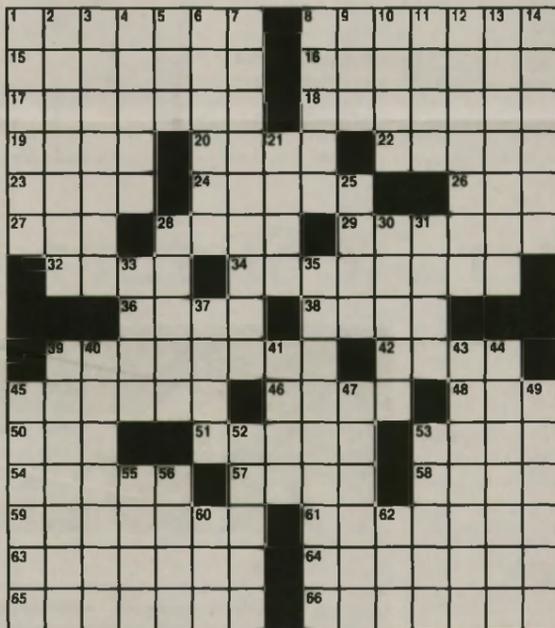
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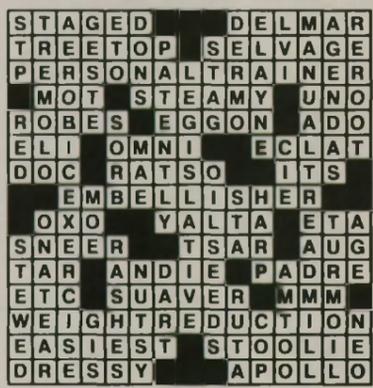
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Valerie Harper, John Lee Hooker, Ray Bradbury, Norman Schwarzkopf

Happy Birthday: This can be a great year if you take the time and make the effort to follow through with plans. Don't just dream about what you want to accomplish; take action and turn your dreams into reality. You'll have all the right tools to get where you want to go, so don't waste this exciting time by sitting on the sidelines. Your numbers: 10, 13, 19, 32, 41, 46

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Put your cash into personal investments such as real estate or art. Listen to children. They will have an interesting perspective that may help you clear up your confusion. ○○○

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You can beautify your surroundings, but don't go over budget. Your career will be in a high cycle. Go after your goals and don't worry about making changes from one place to another. ○○○○

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your contributions to large organizations will pay off in the networking that the group will provide. You can make deals, but don't think you have to donate a lot just to impress others. ○○

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may want to make career changes that will lead you in a direction that involves homes, services or items for the home. Look into the possibility of starting your own business. ○○○○

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your good looks and charismatic nature will attract a lot of attention. Your intellectual conversation will entice those you wish to interest in your future plans. ○○○

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may divulge information that will cause problems for you later. Take care of any minor health problems that flare up. Your vitality may be lowered if you take on too much. ○○○

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't offer to pay for others. Your good nature and desire to keep things harmonious will result in your being taken for granted. Empty promises are likely. ○○○

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Jealousy will cause major problems. You can expect your mate to retaliate in such a way that you'll be left all alone. Don't be too eager to seek revenge. ○○○○

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Group tours will interest you. Don't be afraid to join travel clubs that will give you a safe journey to distant lands and bring you into contact with new partners. ○○

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Read between the lines. Signing contracts or agreements will not be in your best interest. Emotional matters concerning elders in your family may be upsetting. ○○○○

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't expect your relationship to work if you don't listen to each other's complaints. Depression will set in if you don't start talking honestly about the existing problems. ○○○

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Career changes are in order. You should get your resume updated and send it out to companies that can provide you with the type of unique position you require. ○○○

■ OF INTEREST

Jazz Duo Gene Bertonecini and Tom Knific will perform Tuesday, Sept. 29 in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium at 8 p.m. The Duo, which consists of guitar and double bass, is noted for its creative interplay, swinging approach to standards, and an intimate knowledge of the Bossa Nova repertoire. The concert is free and open to the public, and is sponsored by the ND Department of Music.

ND/SMC Right to Life Club will have a general meeting on Monday, Sept. 28 at 9:30 p.m. in the Right to Life Office, 314 LaFortune. We will discuss Respect Life Week. All are welcome.

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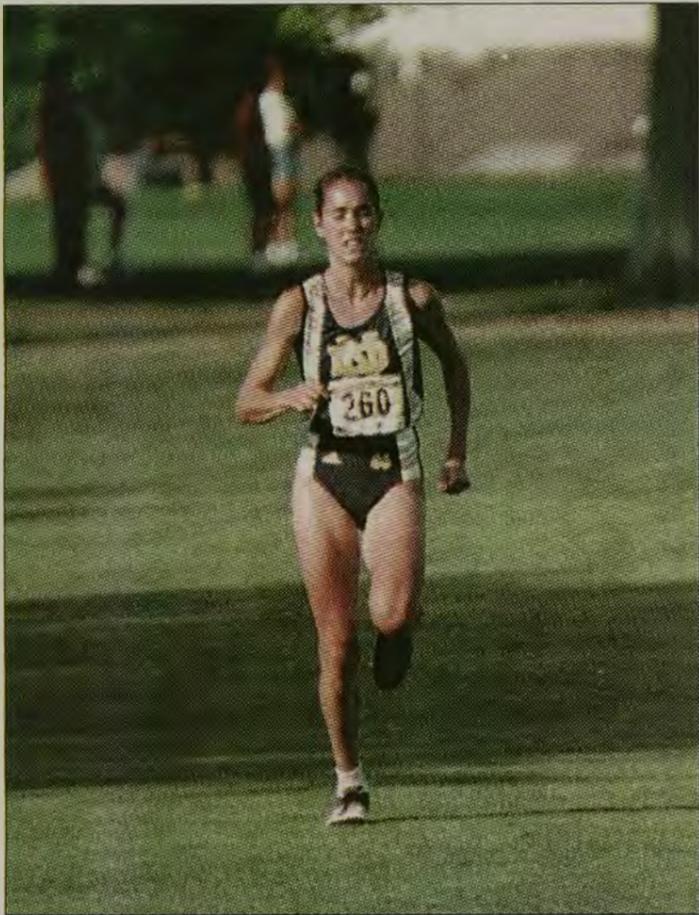
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■ Cross Country

Deeter balances life, running



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Junior JoAnna Deeter has found a comfortable balance between academics and athletics and is poised to run her way into the record books.

By ALAN P. WASIELEWSKI
Sports Writer

Distance running is one of the most distinct sports in the world. Particular attention is given to individual performance. Medals are awarded for each event at the Olympics to a single person, not the team.

Aside from relay races, Olympic and professional running competitions are focused on strictly personal performance. Collegiate running demands more symmetry between the team and an individual. Cross country, indoor, and outdoor participants run both for themselves and for the team.

Junior JoAnna Deeter, the leader of the Notre Dame women's cross country team, is focused on perfecting the team-individual balance in 1998.

Deeter has already established herself as one of the most dominant cross country runners in the nation. As a freshman in the 1996 campaign, she was named an all-American and finished third in the NCAA cross country championships.

Deeter was also the first Notre Dame runner to win the

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■ Dasso, Hall, and Sachse represent the Irish in the Clay Court championships.

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■ Women's interhall midweek matchups.

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■ Women's Soccer

Weekend tourney brings talent to field

By BRIAN KESSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

State rival Indiana travels north to take on the third-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team tonight.

Indiana and Notre Dame, however, are just two of the teams participating in this weekend's four-team Irish Key Bank Classic held at Alumni Field.

After battling the Hoosiers, Notre Dame will close out the tournament with an afternoon game against Wake Forest on Sunday.

The Irish are off to a 6-1 start so far this season and are a perfect 4-0 in Big East play. Last weekend, the Irish recorded a pair of shutouts, beating Big East opponents Rutgers and Villanova, 3-0 and 5-0 respectively.

"I think we're coming along pretty well," said senior Monica Gerardo.

"We've been working hard at

practice and I think the games last week gave us some confidence."

Jenn Grubb earned Big East defensive player of the week honors for the second time this season and for the fourth time of her career. She scored her first goal of the season when she netted a corner kick against the Wildcats. She added an assist later in the game.

Grubb and company played smothering defense, allowing a total of just four shots in last weekend's games.

"I think they're doing really well back there," said Gerardo. "Kara Brown is new to her position and I think she's adjusting well. With more time, they will really start to gel and get better as a unit."

Anne Makinen had two second-half goals against Villanova, while Jenny Heft scored her team-leading eighth goal. Lindsey Jones recorded the first goal of her career in the win over Rutgers.

Gerardo inched closer to the school's goal record when she scored the 57th of her career in the game against the

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Gerardo

■ Men's Soccer

Irish look to weather the Storm against St. John's

By ANTHONY BIANCO
Assistant Sports Editor

The theory of "survival of the fittest" poses just as great a threat to those in the middle of the pack as to those on the bottom of the grouping.

Before long, the hunters in the middle will become the hunted by not only the stronger above them, but also the weak and feeble that can capitalize on the attacked middle breed.

With just one loss in their first six games, a feat last matched by the 1996 installment that went to the second round of the NCAA tournament, Notre Dame is the predator.

Despite the 1-0 overtime loss last weekend at Rutgers, the Irish sit in fourth place in the Big East while holding on to a National Soccer Association of America ranking of No. 18.

But it's a jungle out there, and the Red Storm of St. John's are looking to prove that to the Irish. Riding a five-game win streak, St. John's comes to South Bend this Saturday to face a Notre Dame squad in need of the two points a win would bring to stay atop the conference. In four previous meetings, the Storm have beaten the Irish three times and tied them once.

The first thought on the team's mind playing seventh-ranked St.

John's isn't upset. The Irish will go into this game with the same focus they took into their other Big East matches.

"We're going into this game with the idea that every Big East game is worth the same. A win against any of them is two points," said senior co-captain Phil Murphy. "We try to approach all Big East games, including this one, with the same attitude."

As a defender, Murphy and the rest of the backfield have approached every game thus far with an aggressive attitude. The stingy Notre Dame defense, anchored by senior goalie Greg Velho, has allowed just six goals in six contests. Velho, in goal for all 582 minutes this season, posts a 0.93 goals against average.

"Greg is always solid," commented Murphy. "He keeps us in matches, and we can count on him to do that every game."

With the equally aggressive Red Storm attack to complement the Irish defense, this weekend's match will be anything but just another Big East game. With St. John's averaging 4.5 goals a game in Big East matches, Murphy and company will have a lot to defend against.

The red-hot Red Storm are coming to town not only on the win streak, but also off of two consec-

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The Observer/Bret Hogan

Starting midfielder Connor LaRose (4) must heighten the Irish attack against St. John's with quick defensive play to direct drives to the Irish front line.

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ROAD TO THE '88 CHAMPIONSHIP

NOTRE DAME VS. PURDUE

Rice's arm guides Irish in 52-7 Boilermaker burst

By M. SHANNON RYAN
Saint Mary's Editor

Nobody was quite sure what to think about Tony Rice at the start of the championship season.

Realizing that the junior quarterback would be up against Purdue's stealthy secondary, a collective breath was held as the nation waited for something to go wrong.

Even after standing at the helm in wins against Michigan and Michigan State, critics attacked Rice's passing efficiency.

He had connected on only five of 21 passes, tossing up three freebies to defensive opponents in the first two games.

Now he was going head to head with the nation's top-ranked pass defense who had

already picked off six interceptions in two previous games.

All worries quelled, however, as the Irish pounded the Boilermakers 52-7 with Rice's arm doing most of the malleting.

No. 9 hit the bullseye on more than 66 percent of his passes, completing four of six passes for 85 yards in limited playing time as the Irish utilized four quarterbacks that day. He put the ball in the air for two touchdowns and ran for one as well.

"I thought Tony threw more in the game today like he has in practice," then coach Lou Holtz said after a third consecutive win over a Big Ten school. "For the first time, I felt he didn't overstride."

They did strive, however, to prove the first two games were not flukes.

"We had the talent; it was just so green," said Tony Brooks, a sophomore fullback with the Irish in 1988. "Purdue always had this aura about them. I think [Holtz] always kept it in our minds. They had a reputation for spoiling some of Notre Dame's better years. Purdue was a top-ranked team in our minds."

At the start of Notre Dame's opening drive, an upset was not out of the question. Rice came out shaky with two incomplete passes.

He quickly recovered, rolling right on third and five to hit freshman flanker Pat Eilers for a first down. On the next play, Rice sprinted for a 38-yard touchdown.

After Michael Stonebreaker stuffed Purdue's running drive, Rice took command again.

In another air show, Rice executed a nine-play, 72-yard drive for six more points. Rice delivered an 8-yard toss to wide open freshman tight end Derek Brown for a 14-0 jump.

In the second quarter, Rice was on target again. He landed the ball in Raghib "Rocket" Ismail's hands for a 54-yard score. Ismail went on to register 80 yards against the Boilermakers.

After Mark Green's touchdown run and Ricky Watters' second punt return touchdown of the season, this one for 66 yards, Rice led his team into the locker room with a 42-0 lead.

After the half, the eighth-ranked Irish tested their reserves.

Senior backup Steve Belles threw for the first touchdown of his college career, hitting Brooks over the middle.

Despite a stress fracture in his foot, Brooks had no problem spinning his wheels. He finished with a career high 109 yards on 11 carries.

"I would say definitely, if not a coming out for us, it was a reckoning for myself and especially a lot of our opponents who

didn't realize I'd be able to play," said Brooks, who often had to come out of games early with pain.

Sophomore Billy Hackett filled in for Reggie Ho, who nailed all five point-after attempts, and booted a 44-yard field goal to give the Irish a 45-0 third quarter advantage.

In the final quarter, a young Rodney Culver raced 36 yards for his first touchdown.

The Boilermakers managed to put seven points on the board on a 10-yard pass against Notre Dame's second and third-string defense. However, 52-7 did not look too much better for Purdue, especially when Greg Davis nabbed an interception later in the fourth on Purdue's final drive.

Purdue head coach Fred Akers attributed his team's inefficiency to Rice's determination — to forget the critics and play.

"We hoped to make them throw when we wanted them to, but we couldn't," Akers said. "We had no illusions. We knew Rice could throw the ball."

Rice not only proved he had an arm, but showed again how well his feet worked.

On five attempts, he carried the ball for 67 of Notre Dame's total 321 yards rushing and 468 total yards.

Combining an aerial attack to his already amazing mobility on the ground, Rice helped add a second dimension to Notre Dame's game plan.

"I think the Purdue game is really where he took off," Brooks remembered about his former teammate. "He had taken a lot of media heat and been challenged by the media and by Purdue indirectly because they had the best secondary in the country."

"Going into the game, Tony Rice could easily have said, 'Not a lot is expected of me right now against these guys.' But at the same time, he and the rest of the team went out and played like it was a championship game."



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By throwing for 85 yards and two touchdowns in limited play against Purdue, Tony Rice proved critics wrong in 1988 by establishing Notre Dame's two-dimensional game plan.



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INSIGHTS FROM THE PURDUE EXPONENT
THE INDEPENDENT DAILY OF PURDUE

By BRIAN NEUBERT
Sports Editor, The Purdue Exponent

Having already braved the vaunted Los Angeles Coliseum this season, Purdue sophomore quarterback Drew Brees is ready for his next test in a hostile environment: Notre Dame Stadium.

Purdue will travel to South Bend this weekend for a matchup with the Fighting Irish.

"That's going to be a dream," said Brees of playing in Notre Dame Stadium. "You always dream about playing in a stadium like that with all the tradition."

Notre Dame has plenty of tradition, as it has won 11 national titles and produced 171 first-team All-Americans and seven Heisman Trophy winners. Notre Dame has one of the largest fan followings in the nation, and has each of its home games televised nationally on NBC.

"As a kid, I watched every one of their games on TV," said Brees. "Especially at their place."

Purdue upset Notre Dame at Ross-Ade Stadium in one of the most dramatic wins of the 1997 season. The win snapped an 11-game losing streak to the Irish.

Saturday's game, though, will be played at Notre Dame, where Purdue hasn't won in 24 years. To make matters worse, the Fighting Irish had a bye this weekend, giving them an extra week off to prepare for the Boilermakers, who are experiencing somewhat of an offensive expansion.

The Purdue passing game — with Brees having thrown for 721 yards and six touchdowns in three games — has been successful this season. Now, though, the tight end is involved. Redshirt freshman Tim Stratton caught four passes for 65 yards Saturday against Central Florida, the most production Purdue has gotten from its tight end since Oct. 18, 1997, when Jon Blackman

caught three passes for 109 yards against Wisconsin.

In addition to the tight end, Purdue's running game established itself, as junior J. Crabtree and redshirt freshman Dondre Johnson combined to rush for 193 yards and two touchdowns in the 35-7 win against the Golden Knights.

"The more they touched the ball," said Coach Joe Tiller, "the more comfortable they got."

Defensively, Purdue will have to prepare for a new-look Notre Dame offense.

After struggling last year with quarterback Ron Powlus and a drop-back-passing offense, the Fighting Irish now feature more option football, led by athletic quarterback Jarious Jackson and running back Autry Denson. Coach Bob Davie and his staff will use the extra week off to analyze films of Purdue's win over Rice Sept. 12. Rice runs a primarily option-based offense, and Davie will be very interested to see how Purdue defended it.

Being that Purdue just faced an option team two weeks ago, the Boilermakers



Junior cornerback Michael Hawthorne (11) played a key role in last year's pass coverage as the Irish completed 31 passes. Purdue's defense will have to prepare for a new look Irish offense that runs the ball more than it throws it.

The Observer/Kevin Dalum

may have an advantage when defending Notre Dame.

"It's a step forward for us," said junior middle linebacker Willie Fells. "If we hadn't played Rice we'd still be here learning to play the option. It's a definite plus."

Notre Dame is 1-1 so far, with a convincing home win over defending nation-

al champion Michigan to open the season, followed by a one-sided loss at Michigan State in its second game.

Fells expects to see the Fighting Irish team that blew out the defending national champs, rather than the one that was blown out by the Spartans.

"They're going to be ready," he said. "I expect them to give us their best."

THE EDGE



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Quarterbacks - Even



Irish fans are wondering which Jarious Jackson will show up this Saturday — the one that rushed for 62 yards on 16 carries and threw two touchdown passes against Michigan or the Jackson that had negative rushing yards and was picked off twice in a loss to Michigan State. Sophomore quarterback Drew Brees, on the other hand, has been Mr. Consistency for Purdue in his first three starts. He doesn't however, have the same rushing ability that Jackson possesses.

Running Backs - ND



Senior Autry Denson is averaging 112 yards per game (5.7 yards per carry) for the Irish this season. He rushed for a career-high 162 yards against the defending champs, but gained only 64 yards in the loss to the Spartans. Fullbacks Jamie Spencer and Joey Goodspeed haven't been at the top of their game since being plagued by injuries in '97. Darcey Levy, Denson's backup, had a three-yard touchdown run against MSU. Junior J. Crabtree leads Purdue with 227 rush yards, but was inefficient against USC.

Receivers - Purdue



When Notre Dame puts the ball in the air, Jackson usually looks for Malcolm Johnson (5 receptions, 89 yards). Raki Nelson has five catches and a team-leading 112 receiving yards. The Irish completed just four passes in the opener. ND has had little success passing to tight ends Jabari Holloway and Dan O'Leary, each with just one catch on the season. Senior Isaac Jones is the Boilermakers leading receiver, with 17 receptions for 190 yards (11.2 average) so far this season. Randall Lane averages a team best 16.8 yards per reception (10 catches for 168 yards).

Offensive Line - ND



The Irish line had a difficult time protecting Jackson in the Michigan State game. However, the group is experienced, returning three starters from last year's team. Tri-captain Mike Rosenthal anchors a line that has allowed just one sack and has opened holes for an Irish ground attack that is averaging 199 yards per game. The men in the trenches for Purdue are young and only one of them weighs over 300 pounds. The Boilermakers start three sophomores and two juniors.

Defensive Line - Purdue



The D-line is still a big question mark for the Irish. They rotate eight players, including freshman Tony Weaver, who starts at defensive end. Brad Williams, Antwon Jones, and Lance Legree have seen extended playing time for the Irish. Notre Dame desperately needs a pass rush if they hope to contain Brees. Defensive end Roosevelt Colvin tops the Boilermakers with four tackles for a loss, three sacks, and two blocked field goals. Two-time Butkus Award nominee Chike Okefor did not play in '97, but has returned to the line and already recorded 17 tackles.

Linebackers - ND



The Irish have two of the best in the country in captains Kory Minor and Bobbie Howard, but both have sustained injuries this season. Minor missed MSU with turf toe, but will be back in action for the Irish. Howard and Jimmy Friday are tied for second on the team with 16 tackles. Grant Irons played the best game of his career against Michigan. Purdue linebacker Willie Fells leads the team with 31 tackles.

Secondary - Purdue



The Irish are without the services of injured strong safety Benny Guilbeaux, who led the team with four interceptions last season. Last weekend, cornerback Mike Hawthorne intercepted a Daunte Culpepper pass and returned it 65 yards before laterally to free safety Billy Gustin who took it in for the touchdown. Hawthorne has two interceptions and 17 tackles on the season while Gustin has 15. Strong safety Adrian Beasley leads the secondary with 18 tackles.

Special Teams - ND



Hunter Smith is handling the punting duties for the fourth consecutive year and is averaging a shade under 45 yards per punt this season. Jim Sanson is also off to a great start, connecting on all four of his field goal attempts. Driver (23.5 average) and Levy (31.7) present a threat on kickoff returns. Purdue allowed a 98 yard touchdown return to USC and also had a field goal blocked in that same game. Danny Rogers is averaging an impressive 44.4 yards per punt, but kicker Travis Dorsch has made only one of his three field goal attempts.

Coaching - Purdue



Offensive coordinator Jim Colletto failed in last year's attempt to get a monkey off his back. The Irish looked anything but impressive in last season's 28-17 loss to Colletto's former team. His replacement at Purdue, Joe Tiller, led the team to a 9-3 record. Tiller turned the Purdue program around after inheriting a team coached by Colletto that finished 3-8 just one season earlier. Bob Davie finished 7-6 in his first season at the helm, but enjoyed his biggest win when Notre Dame knocked off Michigan. The Irish, however, suffered a let down and lost to MSU the following week.

Overall - ND



What all of these matchups "boil" down to is that Notre Dame has something to prove this weekend. They want to avenge last year's embarrassing loss at Purdue and, even more so, get another W after getting thrown around in East Lansing. Notre Dame had an extra week to prepare for the game and have most of their players back from injuries. Purdue's two wins have come over weak opponents — Rice and Central Florida. Look for the Irish to come out fired up and play smash-mouth football.

On the down-low, Howard raises the defense to a new level

Senior captain Bobby Howard: the natural on-field leader

By ALLISON KRILLA
Associate Sports Editor

Presence. It's a state of being that commands respect. Great leaders have it. George Washington did. Teddy Roosevelt did. And so does Bobbie Howard.

If ever a football player spoke softly and carried a big hit, it's Howard, a senior tri-captain and hard-hitting inside linebacker for the Irish.

"Bobbie's the type of player who plays so hard, and that brings out the best in everybody else that's on the field," said fellow senior linebacker Jimmy Friday. "He's a leader by example. He does all the right things and makes all the right checks."

Just don't mistake Howard's quiet demeanor for a lack of effort. In two games this season, the 5-foot-10, 232-pound senior has recorded 22 tackles, 14 against the Michigan Wolverines.

"Bobbie Howard's a good leader because he doesn't talk — he shows it on the field," said junior defensive back Deveron Harper. "He's a quiet type of guy, but when he needs to speak up, he'll say it."

So when exactly does Howard feel the need to speak up?

"When we first reported as freshmen, Bobbie didn't say anything to anyone," said Friday. "He was just a real quiet, laid-back person until he got locked out of his room. It was right after his shower, so all he had on was a towel, and he's been talking ever since."

"At the beginning he was quiet, until we got on the video games," said senior linebacker Joe Thomas, "then he started being outspoken."

But as a team captain and a standout student, Howard takes his job very seriously.

"As a captain, it's up to you to get people around you to play better," said Howard.

"Bobbie's the kind of guy who goes out and takes care of his business and stays focused," head coach Bob Davie said. "He doesn't put a whole lot of thought into outside things or outside scenarios. He's really a focused young man. He's that way academically, and he's that way football-wise."

Howard's work ethic and subsequent academic and athletic success earned the linebacker the 1997 Rockne Student-Athlete Award from the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley and the Poulan/Weed Eater Independence Bowl Scholarship Award.

His sense of responsibility is a part of Howard's character most easily traced to his family's positive influence.

"My family, and being around the people in my community influenced me growing up," said Howard.

This influence also accounts for Howard's positive attitude on and off the field. Teammates are drawn to him because of his upbeat personality.

"He's just fun to be around on and off the field," Friday said.

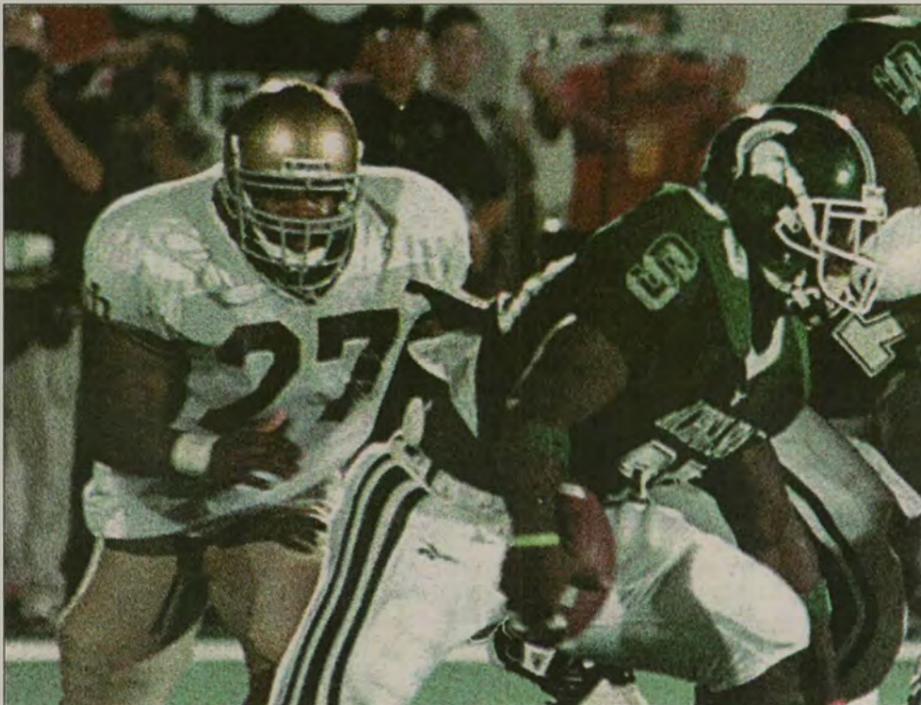
"Bobbie is really a positive person," Davie said. "It's hard to get Bobbie to say anything bad about anyone. He's a positive person because of the way he's been raised. If you were around his mom and dad you'd see that."

But how does being a solid citizen translate into leadership on the gridiron?

"(Howard's) play, his attitude make him a good leader; he's always positive," commented junior linebacker Joe Ferrer. "He leads definitely by example. He won't say a lot of things, but when he does say something you really listen. It's like, 'Bobbie said something, so let's do it guys.'"

"On the field (Howard's leadership) is how he plays, and how he gets people where they're supposed to be," explained inside linebackers coach Kirk Doll. "He has a good personality and a good sense of humor, and he's just a quiet person."

Howard's positive attitude, focus and leadership by example contribute to his presence on the field, yet



Bobby Howard's intelligent on-field play has not only made him a team captain and a Butkus Award candidate, but a leader to the defensive backfield.

there's something else that makes the linebacker even more valuable — his intelligence. It's Howard's knack for knowing where to position himself and others to make a big play that sets him above the rest.

"I'm an intelligent player," said Howard. "I think that's probably my best attribute on the field."

"He's a smart guy, he knows everything on the field," said junior linebacker Ronnie Nicks. "He's like a coach on the field, everybody looks up to him."

"The first thing he brings is stability. He's real football-smart," commented Doll. "Everybody else is more comfortable with him because he can make the checks. I guess it's kinda like having a father-figure out there."

"On the field he has tremendous wisdom. From a younger player looking up to a veteran, he really is the leader out there," said sophomore rush linebacker Grant Irons.

"He's the person that the whole defense looks to and learns from."

And Howard is a willing teacher, taking younger players under his wing without hesitation.

"(Howard) was my host on my (official) visit (as a high school senior)," recounted Harper. "He told me what to expect, and how to go about everything academically, how to prepare yourself, and on the field how to stay focused and carry out your assignments. I had a lot of fun, and since he was my host, he got me here, so it worked."

But don't allow appearances to be deceiving. Howard has faced his share of adversity.

At 5-foot-10, Howard must deal with an obvious height disadvantage that he, of course, discounts as no big deal.

"I don't think (my height) is a disadvantage because it allows me to play lower to the ground," said Howard.

"Bobbie makes up for maybe some size limitations with his effort and his intelligence, and he is a pretty good athlete," commented Doll.

Even more difficult was the left knee ligament injury Howard suffered during the opening game of the 1997 season that put him on the shelf for five games. Five games of which the Irish lost four. Howard returned for the final seven games to finish the season third on the team in tackles with 91, an average of 13 tackles per game. This year, the knee is still a sore spot for the senior.

"He's out there during the Michigan State game on a knee that a lot of guys wouldn't have played on," said Davie. "The only thing we did was take him off the punt team, where he was a starter. And it ended up hurting us in that game. But he's gone out and played and practiced everyday with that knee, and I think that says a lot about him."

These days, it seems the only one who doesn't have a lot to say about Bobbie Howard is the quiet leader himself.



Despite his small 5-foot-10 frame, Bobby Howard looms large on the field, racking up eight tackles in each of the first two games.

The Observer/Meg Kroener

NOTRE DAME SCHEDULE

Sept. 5	MICHIGAN	W 36-20
Sept. 12	at Michigan State	L 48-28
Sept. 26	PURDUE	
Oct. 3	STANFORD	
Oct. 10	at Arizona State	
Oct. 24	ARMY	
Oct. 31	BAYLOR	
Nov. 7	at Boston College	
Nov. 14	at Navy	
Nov. 21	LSU	
Nov. 28	at USC	

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

THE IRISH RECEIVERS/SECONDARY



The Observer/Patrick Quigley
Hitting receivers like Raki Nelson (9) should keep Purdue's offense guessing all day.



The Observer/John Daily
Deveron Harper and the Irish backfield will be faced with stopping Purdue's passing.

Last year at Purdue, the Irish went to the air for 31 completions, the second most on the all-time list. But the longest was only for 23 yards, as they only averaged a little over nine yards a reception. Jarious Jackson and the Irish certainly will not be as airborne, but look for the Irish to establish a passing game to keep Purdue's secondary spread out. This, coupled with the potentially explosive option that Jackson can command, and the Irish can keep Purdue guessing all day long.

Joe Tiller and the Boilermakers will be running a similar plan, though they will rely on quarterback Drew Brees to toss out the big plays, keeping the Irish secondary spread. In just three games, Brees has thrown for 721 yards and six touchdown tosses. Not only will the Irish backfield need to mind Brees, but more importantly the receivers. Tiller's attack often calls for a short reception of a couple of yards that the receiver turns into big gains with a strong carry.



2ND SEASON AT NOTRE DAME

Bob Davie

CAREER RECORD 8-7
AT NOTRE DAME 8-7
AGAINST PURDUE 0-1

ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Deke Cooper	FS	6-3	221	JR
2	Benny Guilbeau	SS	6-2	215	SR
3	Armaz Battle	QB	6-1	195	FR
4	Kory Minor	OLB	6-1	245	SR
5	A'Jan Sanders	FS	5-11	191	SR
6	Malcolm Johnson	SE	6-5	215	SR
7	Jarious Jackson	QB	6-0	220	SR
8	Eric Chappell	QB	6-4	225	JR
9	Raki Nelson	FL	5-11	178	JR
10	Deveron Harper	CB	5-11	187	JR
11	Jay Johnson	SE	6-0	187	JR
12	Tony Fisher	RB	6-1	202	FR
13	Jimmy Friday	ILB	6-2	236	SR
14	David Givens	WR	6-0	214	FR
15	Clifford Jefferson	DB	5-9	165	FR
16	Zak Kustok	QB	6-1	213	SO
17	John Shingler	TE	6-1	250	SR
18	Hunter Smith	P	6-2	218	SR
19	Joey Getherall	SE	5-7	172	SO
20	Jim Sanson	K	5-9	189	JR
21	Carlos Pierre-Antoine	LB	6-2	240	FR
22	Javin Hunter	WR	5-11	172	FR
23	Jay Vickers	TB	6-0	215	JR
24	Autry Denson	TB	5-10	202	SR
25	Ty Goode	CB	5-11	192	SR
26	Tony Driver	FS	6-2	214	SO
27	Lee Lafayette	SS	5-10	198	JR
28	Bobbie Howard	ILB	5-10	232	SR
29	Donald Dykes	DB	5-10	186	FR
30	Mike Grady	FS	5-11	200	JR
31	Justin Smith	CB	6-2	188	SO
32	Rocky Boiman	DB	6-3	222	FR
33	Eric Hirman	CB	5-11	179	SR
34	Torrance Howard	RB	6-1	181	RB
35	Justin Meko	SS	5-11	209	SR
36	Jamie Spencer	FB	6-1	245	SR
37	Phil Sicuso	CB	5-11	188	SR
38	Ronnie Nicks	ILB	6-1	234	JR
39	David Miller	K-P	5-11	177	FR
40	Jasint Vukelich	FB	6-0	224	SO
41	Tom Lopienski	FB	6-2	240	FR
42	Tim Lynch	CB	5-9	177	SR
43	Ron Israel	CB	6-0	198	SO
44	Kevin Rice	SS	6-0	212	SR
45	Brock Williams	CB	5-10	189	SO
46	Anthony Denman	OLB	6-1	231	SO
47	Chris Lack	SS	5-10	195	JR
48	Jason Murray	FB	6-1	254	SO
49	Brendan Farrell	ILB	5-10	220	JR
50	Joe Ferrer	OLB	6-2	231	JR
51	Antwoine Wellington	NG	6-0	261	JR
52	Hugh Holmes	ILB	6-1	212	SO
53	Grant Irons	OLB	6-5	256	SO
54	Joey Goodspeed	FB	6-0	241	JR
55	Kevin Dansby	OLB	6-1	228	SO
56	Benjamin Robinson	TE	6-2	241	SR
57	Mike McNair	FB	6-0	221	FR
58	Johnathan Hebert	SE	5-11	202	JR
59	Joe Thomas	ILB	6-2	227	SR
60	David Payne	OG	6-1	287	SR
61	Tyreo Harrison	LB	6-2	238	FR
62	Lamont Bryant	DE	6-3	258	SR
63	Luke Pettigout	OT	6-6	300	SR
64	Jim Jones	OG	6-3	295	JR
65	Brendan O'Connor	OG	6-2	292	JR
66	Casey Robin	OT	6-6	300	SO
67	Mike Tribe	ILB	5-10	220	JR
68	John Merandi	C	6-3	292	JR
69	JW Jordan	C	6-0	289	SO
70	John Wagner	OT	6-7	300	SR
71	Matt Brennan	OT	6-7	295	JR
72	Mike Gandy	OG	6-4	296	JR
73	Tim Ridder	OG	6-7	298	SR
74	Jerry Wisne	OG	6-7	298	SR
75	Ryan Scarola	OL	6-4	310	FR
76	Jeff Roehl	OL	6-4	287	FR
77	Rob Mowl	C	6-5	295	JR
78	John Teasdale	OT	6-5	295	SO
79	Brad Williams	DE	6-5	286	JR
80	Jordan Black	OL	6-5	310	FR
81	Mike Rosenthal	OT	6-7	300	SR
82	Lewis Dawson	FL	6-0	185	JR
83	Patrick Reynolds	WR	5-11	179	FR
84	Gerald Morgan	TE	6-3	263	FR
85	Antwon Jones	NG	6-3	280	SR
86	Mark Rule	WR	6-2	218	SR
87	Dan O'Leary	TE	6-5	256	JR
88	Jabari Holloway	TE	6-3	254	SO
89	Bobby Brown	FL	6-3	194	SR
90	John Day-Owens	TE	6-3	228	FR
91	Lance Legree	NG	6-1	292	JR
92	Noah VanHook-Drucker	DE	6-2	245	JR
93	Adam Tibble	K	5-11	183	FR
94	BJ Scott	DE	6-4	282	JR
95	Andy Wisne	NG	6-3	285	SO
96	Ryan Roberts	LB	6-1	235	FR
97	Sean Mahan	DL	6-3	262	FR
98	Kurt Vollers	DT	6-7	280	SO
99	Anthony Weaver	DL	6-3	249	FR
100	Eric Glass	DT	6-4	235	JR
101	Jason Ching	DE	6-3	280	JR

1998 PURDUE SCHEDULE

Aug. 30	at USC	L 27-17
Sept. 12	RICE	W 21-19
Sept. 19	CENTRAL FLORIDA	W 35-7
Sept. 26	at Notre Dame	
Oct. 3	MINNESOTA	
Oct. 10	at Wisconsin	
Oct. 17	at Penn State	
Oct. 24	ILLINOIS	
Oct. 31	IOWA	
Nov. 7	at Northwestern	
Nov. 14	at Michigan State	
Nov. 21	INDIANA	

2ND SEASON AT PURDUE

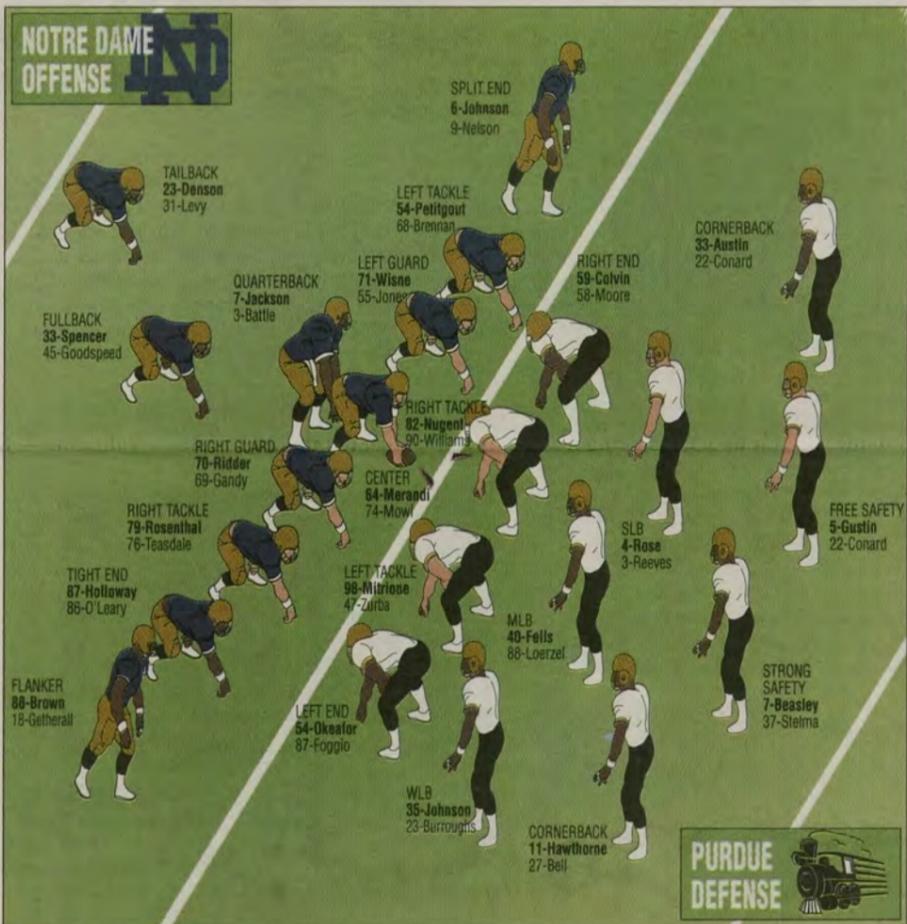


Joe Tiller

CAREER RECORD 50-34-1
AT PURDUE 11-4
AGAINST NOTRE DAME 1-0

ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Donald Winston	WR	5-7	152	JR
2	Chris Clopton	RB	5-7	158	SO
3	Scott Kurz	PK/P	6-1	183	FR
4	John Reeves	LB	6-4	228	SR
5	Mike Rose	LB	6-1	220	JR
6	Travis Dorsch	P/K	6-6	200	FR
7	Isaac Jones	WR	6-0	197	SR
8	Adrian Beasley	SS	6-0	193	JR
9	Gabe Cox	WR	5-10	191	SR
10	Robert Tolbert	WR	6-1	201	JR
11	David Edgerton	QB	6-2	200	SO
12	Antoine Neal	DB	5-9	196	SO
13	Michael Hawthorne	CB	6-3	193	JR
14	Mike Segard	QB	6-4	190	FR
15	Sean Malone	CB	5-9	170	SO
16	Jim Mitchell	QB	6-3	192	FR
17	Vinny Sutherland	WR	5-10	186	SO
18	Drew Brees	QB	6-1	204	SO
19	Eric Haddad	RB	6-1	228	SR
20	Ben Smith	SS	6-3	190	FR
21	Ralph Turner	QB	6-2	185	FR
22	Shane Ryan	K	5-9	175	JR
23	R'Kes Starling	CB	5-8	172	FR
24	Chris Daniels	WR	6-3	200	JR
25	George Sickels	CB	5-10	190	SO
26	Lamar Conrad	DB	5-10	196	JR
27	Alex Bunten	K	5-9	180	SO
28	Alex Tone	RB	5-11	205	FR
29	Willie Burroughs	LB	5-11	212	SR
30	Dondre Johnson	RB	6-0	207	FR
31	Cliff Jackson	WR	5-10	177	JR
32	Danny Rogers	P	5-10	203	JR
33	Henry Bell	CB	5-11	177	SR
34	James Dunnigan	CB	5-9	180	FR
35	Bryan Jacquay	DB	5-7	162	SO
36	Montrell Lowe	RB	5-9	185	FR
37	Billy Gustin	FS	6-2	203	SR
38	Tarah Graham	RB	5-8	184	SR
39	Noble Jones	LB	6-1	248	SR
40	Da'Shann Austin	CB	5-10	175	JR
41	J. Crabtree	RB	5-9	203	JR
42	Lee Johnson	LB	6-0	222	SR
43	Sedrick Brown	RB	6-2	220	FR
44	Todd Stelmia	DB	5-11	189	SR
45	Brady Doe	DB	6-1	177	SO
46	Cornell Middlebrook	RB/LB	6-2	215	FR
47	Willie Fells	LB	6-1	219	JR
48	Matt Ludwig	TE	6-0	247	SO
49	Brent Botts	DT	6-3	248	SO
50	Steve Ennis	RB	6-0	200	FR
51	Doug Withers	LB	6-2	240	SR
52	Jeremy Thomas	RB	6-0	200	FR
53	Tom Vaughan	DB	6-0	184	SO
54	Chris Zurba	DE	6-3	257	SR
55	Tim Upshur	LB	6-2	200	FR
56	Chukie Nwokorie	DE	6-3	277	SR
57	Brian Dinkins	DE	6-2	242	SO
58	Joe Odom	LB	6-1	210	FR
59	Max Miller	LB	6-5	240	FR
60	David Berch	LB	6-4	215	SO
61	Ian Allen	OT	6-4	265	SO
62	Chucky Okobi	OG	6-2	315	SO
63	Ray Lee	LB	6-1	227	JR
64	Warren Moore	DE	6-2	258	SO
65	Rosevelt Colvin	DE	6-3	239	SR
66	Andy Standifer	LS	6-1	205	SO
67	Steve Turpin	C	6-3	279	FR
68	Mike Decker	DE	6-3	220	FR
69	Jim Niedrach	C	6-3	273	JR
70	Seth Morris	OL	6-9	300	FR
71	Pete VanderWeele	OT	6-5	305	SR
72	Brian Koppen	OG	6-6	314	FR
73	Greg Dean	OL	6-5	320	JR
74	Kelly Kitchel	OL	6-6	290	FR
75	Colby Rennick	DT	6-2	260	FR
76	Sean Rufo	DT	6-3	256	FR
77	Tim Schenkel	OL	6-2	300	FR
78	Josh Kirkpatrick	C	6-1	274	FR
79	David Cohen	OL	6-4	290	JR
80	Jason Neidigh	OL	6-5	250	FR
81	Aaron Starnes	OG	6-3	286	JR
82	Joe Webster	OL	6-6	300	FR
83	Brandon Gorin	OT	6-6	278	SO
84	Matt Light	OT	6-4	277	SO
85	Gene Muczkowski	OL	6-3	290	FR
86	A.T. Simpson	WR	6-5	200	FR
87	Chris Randolph	TE	6-5	247	FR
88	David Nugent	DT	6-5	278	JR
89	Alan Ganaway	WR	6-0	180	FR
90	Randall Lane	WR	6-1	206	JR
91	Doyal Butler	TE	6-4	220	FR
92	Cortez Miles	WR	5-10	180	FR
93	Rocco Foggio	DE	6-4	280	SO
94	Jason Loerzel	LB	6-3	206	FR
95	Tim Stratton	TE	6-4	27	FR
96	Derrick Williams	DT	6-4	297	FR
97	Rob Turner	DT	6-4	280	FR
98	Pete Loughheed	TE	6-5	245	FR
99	Jody Goutley	DE	6-4	252	SO
100	Jon Holloway	DT	6-4	280	JR
101	Matt Mitrone	DT	6-3	281	FR
102	Kurt Davies	DE	6-3	243	SO



■ IRISH INSIGHT

Beating Purdue only way Irish can regain tempo

Irish must show that loss at State was not what this team has to offer

By ANTHONY BIANCO
Assistant Sports Editor

The "World's Largest Drum" that the Purdue Band will wheel into the stadium may not be the only thing that gets pounded.

Forget two weeks ago? The Irish were still buzzing after their upset of co-national champion Michigan in the season opener, and the phrase "national champion" was being used to describe outlooks on Notre Dame's season. Michigan State played the spoilers, stealing not only the game, but also what the Irish hoped would be a streak that could very well land them at least somewhere atop the AP poll.

But the beat goes on, and the Irish are now in the position of picking things up after the embarrassment that was Michigan State. If the Irish can't make the correction they so desperately need now, there is a good chance that they'll be off-beat for a great deal longer than just this one game.

One doesn't have to go further than last year to see that. Ironically, it was the Boilermakers that first threw the Irish off the mark in their 28-17 victory at Ross-Ade Stadium. Despite getting back into the swing of things at the end of the season, the Irish still finished the season off-tempo after a four-game slide that started with Purdue.

That shouldn't be the case this season. The Irish will host Purdue in Notre Dame Stadium, a playing field that has been more than unkind to the Boilermakers for years. Since 1976, the Irish have taken the steam out of the Boilermakers, beating them 10 consecutive times in South Bend. Joe Tiller and his team will have a lot to fight against if he hopes to be the first Purdue coach to beat Notre Dame twice in row since 1984-85.

On the other hand, Bob Davie and crew also have a lot to work on if they want to get back in step with the national scene. Despite the win against Michigan, there was plenty of room for improvement on both sides of the football. Put simply, this was not taken care of and a total lack of execution resulted in the embarrassment at State.

But it seems too easy to just pass that game off on a lack of execution. A team that played its heart out the week before against Michigan doesn't step out onto the field just a few days later looking like they did. The problem was the Irish play-book looked more like it was scripted by Stephen King than by Bob Davie.

The terror could continue this weekend via Tiller's own version of an option attack, especially if the Irish secondary that was, at best, overmatched in man-to-man coverage at State continues to get beaten. Quarterback Drew Brees runs basically the same game as Jarious Jackson has — except his big plays come on horizontal tosses that the backs turn into big yards. A healthy and disciplined secondary is the key to stopping an offense that will attempt to spread them out for gaps.

The Irish have experience on their side when they have the ball. Purdue started the season at USC with seven players making their first starts. Brees is lethal only when the defense gives his receivers a lane from the backfield outwards. Against USC, Brees aver-



The Observer/Kevin Dalum
After sparking the attack with 162 yards in the Michigan victory, Autry Denson must again lead the Irish offense in their strength — rushing — in order to claim victory.

aged only 4.8 yards per passing attempt.

As for the Jackson-inspired option, the Irish must toss plays from a truly mixed bag in order to advance. But the Irish will certainly not be going to the air as often as they did last year. Yet with strength in their running game, the Irish must begin to take advantage of a spread defense to get the huge receptions that produce wins.

Banging out a win and molding a new outlook is key for the Irish this weekend,

especially after the morally defeating contest at Michigan State. Both Davie and Tiller are second-year coaches in very similar predicaments. From last year's finish, Tiller was able to take a team that hadn't won more than four games a season in the previous couple of years to a 9-3 Big Ten competitor.

Now, Davie must do the same in a program with a rich tradition of winning. The Irish have the instruments to play; now they must get back into rhythm.

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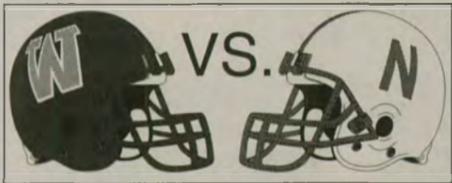
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THE IRISH INSIDER LOOKS AT THIS WEEK'S TOP COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAMES

No. 2 Nebraska hosts Washington

Huskies, Cornhuskers face off in battle to remain undefeated

By TIM CASEY
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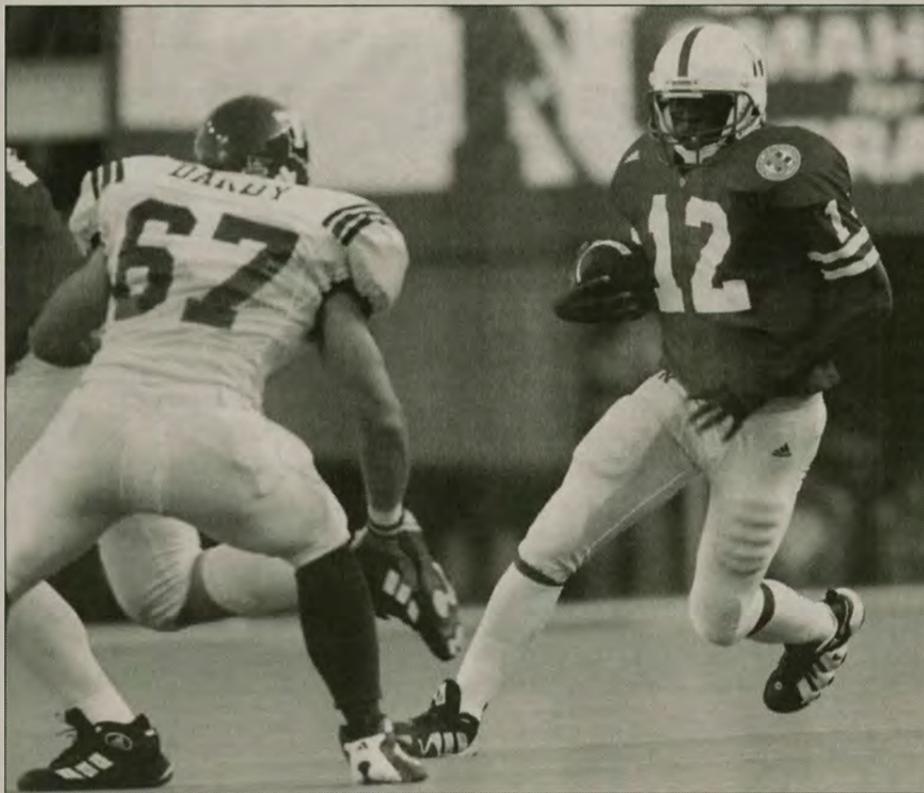
Nebraska welcomes the return of running back DeAngelo Evans and quarterback Bobby Newcombe as they take on ninth-ranked Washington in a battle of undefeated teams with national title aspirations. The Cornhuskers defeated the Huskies last year 27-14 and forced Washington quarterback Brock Huard out of the game with a sprained ankle.

Defending national co-champion Nebraska brings a 17-game overall and 44-game home winning streak into Saturday's contest. Ironically, Washington was the last team to defeat them at home in 1991. As usual, they rely on a run-oriented offense which utilizes their mammoth offensive line and speedy running backs to their full advantage.

Evans returns after missing all of last year with a recurring abdominal injury, while a knee injury sidelined him for the first three games of this year. First-year starter Newcombe has missed the last two games with a slight tear in his left knee. The defense has improved as of late, after surrendering more than 500 yards in a season-opening win over Louisiana Tech.

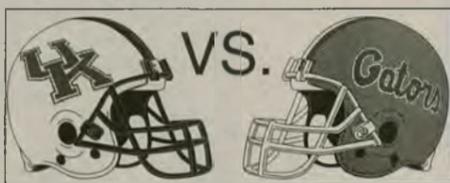
On the other end of the spectrum, Washington has a pass-oriented offense led by Huard. Huard struggled in his last outing against BYU, only completing 16 of 33 passes for 178 yards, but is still considered one of the nation's top signal callers. The Huskies running attack has been non-existent thus far, averaging just over 100 yards a game. Washington bounced back defensively against BYU with six sacks and holding running back Ronney Jenkins to 32 yards, after allowing 38 points to Arizona State in the season opener.

Unless Washington develops a running game against Nebraska, they could be in for a long afternoon. Huard is an exceptional passer, but evidenced by last week, will have trouble putting up good numbers without a balanced offense.



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After sitting out the past two games with a slight muscle tear in his left knee, first-year starter Bobby Newcombe will call the signals for the Cornhuskers against the Huskies Saturday.



These two SEC rivals possess two of the top offensive-minded head coaches in all of college football in Hal Mumme and Steve Spurrier. Florida's "Fun-n-Gun" passing attack has been well-known throughout the '90's, while Mumme has taken the country by storm the last two years with his wide open offense. Junior quarterback Tim Couch has been the leader of the Kentucky offense and has re-energized Kentucky fans with his impressive credentials.

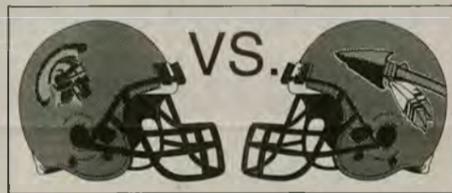
Florida looks to rebound after losing to Tennessee last week in overtime. Their offense turned the ball over four times to increase their turnover ratio to -10, the worst in all of Division I-A. Quarterback Jesse Palmer has 10 touchdown passes and four interceptions on the year and last week rotated with Doug Johnson on every play.

Defensively, Florida possesses one of the quickest units in the country and played well in defeat last week.

Kentucky's 3-0 start is their best since 1984 and they lead the nation in total offense and passing offense and are second in scoring. Couch is coming off a sub-par performance against Indiana, but has put up huge numbers this year with 1,171 yards passing and 13 touchdowns in his first three wins. The Wildcats have run the ball well this year, averaging 4.1 yards a carry and helping take the pressure off of Couch.

This is the first SEC game of the year for Kentucky, and it doesn't get much easier as they travel to LSU and Arkansas in the next three weeks. This should be a

shootout like last year, where Florida won 55-28. Florida still possesses one of the most talented teams in the country and will look to get back into the title hunt with a good showing against Kentucky.



This East Coast-West Coast matchup features two of the most tradition-laden teams in the country. USC is off to a 3-0 start under new head coach Paul Hackett while Florida State lost only their second ACC game in history two weeks ago to North Carolina State. Last year's game was the season opener for both teams, with the Seminoles winning 14-7 on a 4th-quarter touchdown.

USC looks to break Florida State's string of 35 consecutive home victories on Saturday. This is the first road game of the year for the Trojans after home victories over Purdue, San Diego State and Oregon State. Wide receiver and kick returner R. Jay Soward has had a tremendous year thus far and is one of the most explosive players in the country, evidenced by his career average of a touchdown every six times he touches the ball.

Mike Van Raaphorst has been solid this season at quarterback, with freshman Carson Palmer also seeing some action. Two pre-season All-Americans lead the charge on defense. Cornerback Daylon McCutcheon is a four-year starter and one of the best cover corners in the nation, while linebacker Chris Claiborne is the team leader in tackles and has had two interceptions on the season.

Florida State's explosive offense returned last week against Duke after struggling mightily against North Carolina State. Junior Peter Warrick is widely considered to be one of the top three receivers in the country and has 16 catches and four touchdown receptions already this season. Tailback Travis Minor has averaged 107 yards per game and is the best FSU running back since Warrick Dunn. The big question mark is at quarterback, where Chris Weinke threw for six interceptions against North Carolina State, but bounced back last week with 241 yards passing and three touchdown passes.

USC has their best start in years, but this week will be a good measuring stick to see how good they really are. Florida State looks to have rebounded from their crushing defeat to North Carolina State and a victory over the Trojans will put them on track to once again be considered in the national title picture.

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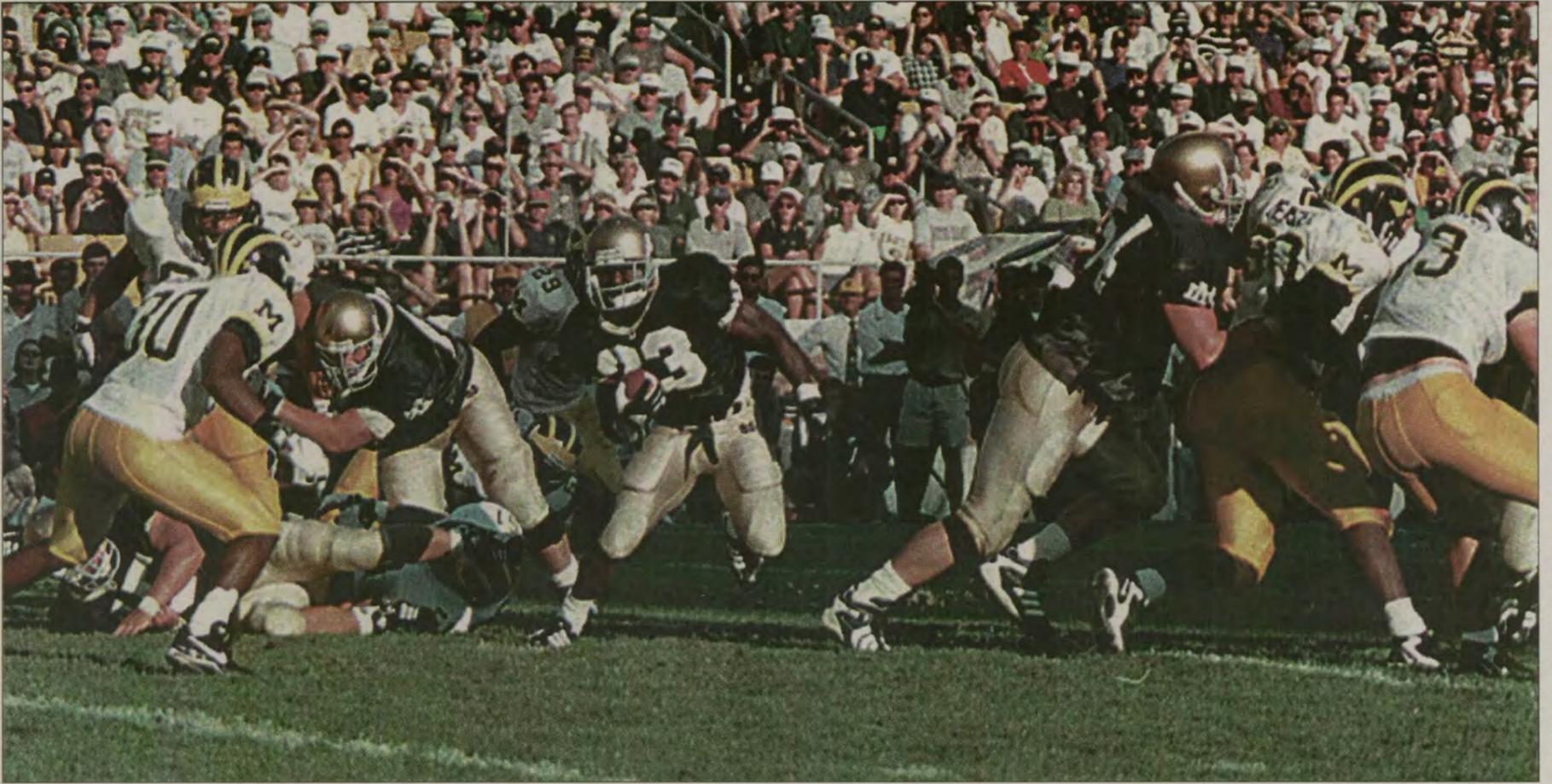
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TEAM	RECORD	POINTS
1. Ohio St. (64)	3-0	1,744
2. Nebraska (1)	3-0	1,601
3. UCLA (2)	2-0	1,562
4. Tennessee (2)	2-0	1,542
5. Kansas St. (2)	3-0	1,522
6. LSU	2-0	1,389
7. Penn St.	3-0	1,255
8. Florida	2-1	1,242
9. Washington	2-0	1,217
10. Florida St.	2-1	1,043
11. Virginia	3-0	1,011
12. Syracuse	2-1	981
13. Georgia	3-0	930
14. Wisconsin	3-0	783
15. Colorado	3-0	714
16. Arizona	3-0	684
17. Texas A&M	2-1	613
18. USC	3-0	604
19. West Virginia	1-1	538
20. Oregon	3-0	22
21. Virginia	3-0	NR
22. Alabama	2-0	24
23. Air Force	3-0	NR
23. Notre Dame	1-1	23
25. Missouri	2-1	21

Others Receiving Votes

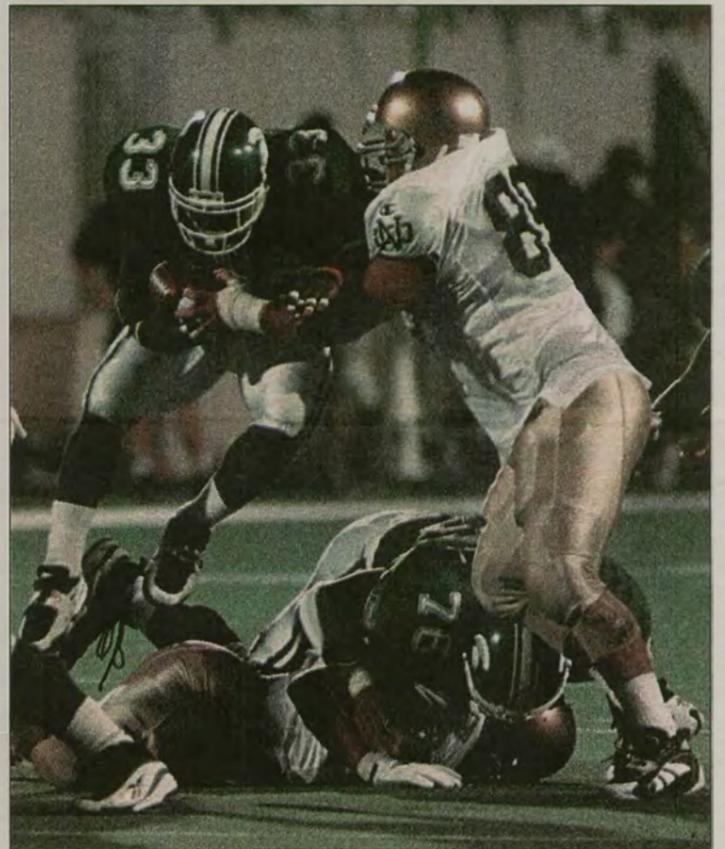
Kentucky 101, Michigan 38, North Carolina State 34, Boston College 31, Arizona State 25, Brigham Young 25, Tulane 20, Utah 20, Oklahoma State 9, Texas Tech 9, Purdue 7, Colorado State 6, Miami (OH) 6, Michigan State 4, Arkansas 3, Marshall 3, Minnesota 3, Washington State 3, Miami (FL) 2, Mississippi State 2, Auburn 1, Baylor 1.



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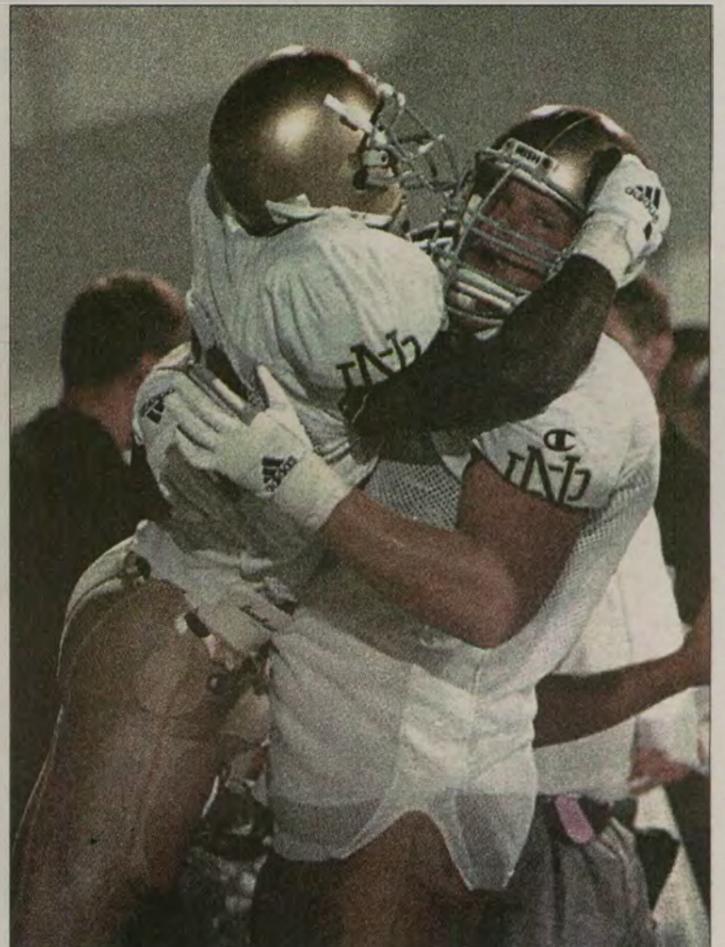
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