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Beginning of the end for 1986 graduates

436 to end years at SMC

By **MARGIE KERSTEN**
Saint Mary's Editor

The end is near for approximately 436 Saint Mary's seniors as their undergraduate careers come to a close tomorrow at noon in the Court of LeMans Hall.

The 1986 graduating class will participate in the College's 139th commencement exercise, as will Democratic Congresswoman Barbara Kennelly, this year's featured speaker.

Events today include the Nurses' Pinning Ceremony in the Church of Loretta at 1, the Baccalaureate Mass in Angela Athletic Facility at 4 and tonight at 10, the Graduation Cocktail Party at the Century Center.

Kennelly, a graduate of Trinity College in Washington, D.C., said she can give the graduating seniors an interesting perspective because of her background at a woman's college. Kennelly said Saint Mary's is a highly-respected institution. "I was quite delighted and honored to be asked to speak at Saint Mary's commencement," she said in a May 1 interview.

Kennelly added that she will try to address the graduates' concerns and thoughts during her commencement address.

Kennelly, who has served as a congresswoman from Connecticut since 1982, will receive a Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from the College.

Other honorary degree recipients include Samuel Adler, a composer, conductor and educator, who will receive an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree and Georgie Anne Geyer, a syndicated columnist, author, and foreign correspondent, who will receive an honorary Doctor of Letters degree.

Co-valedictorians will address the crowd of seniors, parents, friends, faculty and administrators tomorrow. Karen Draths, a chemistry major and Mary Leary, an accounting major, are the 1986 co-valedictorians.

In case of rain, the ceremony will be held in Angela Athletic Facility.



Last glimpse

Commencement weekend begins on the Notre Dame campus for seniors, graduate students, and their families and friends.

The weather might obscure the graduates' last view, but many of them will remember it like this nonetheless.

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2,518 to bid farewell to ND

By **FRANK LIPO**
Executive News Editor

Bishop James Malone of Youngstown, Ohio, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, will address approximately 2,518 Notre Dame graduates Sunday at 2 p.m. in the ACC.

Father Theodore Hesburgh, University president, will preside at the Baccalaureate Mass at 5 p.m. tomorrow.

Approximately 1,864 undergraduate degrees, 183 master's degrees, 109 Ph.Ds, 185 MBAs and 177 law degrees will be awarded at the ceremony.

Also at the ceremony, two seniors in the College of Arts and Letters will be honored with service awards. In addition, the 1986 Laetare Medal will be given and the 1986 valedictorian will speak to his classmates.

Malone is one of 11 persons to receive honorary degrees at the ceremony, the 141st in Notre Dame's history.

Teresa Donovan will receive the John W. Gardner Award for outstanding volunteer service beyond the Notre Dame community and Kevin Flynn will receive the Rev. Leonard A. Collins C.S.C. Award for outstanding service to Notre Dame students.

Dr. Thomas Carney and his wife, Mary Elizabeth, will receive the 1986 Laetare Medal. Carney is president of Metatech Corp. in Northbrook, Ill. and former chairman of Notre Dame's Board of Trustees.

Bishop Jan Chrysostom Korec of Bratislava, Czechoslovakia has been added to the original list of those receiving honorary degrees. He will receive the honorary doctor of laws degree in absentia.

Korec, a popular and frequently-imprisoned bishop in Czechoslovakia's persecuted Catholic Church, is a symbol of spiritual resistance in Bratislava.

Other honorary degree recipients include Gertrude Anscombe, professor of philosophy at Cambridge University; Neal Amundson, Cullen Professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of Houston;

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ND trustees alter investment policy, elect new chairman

By **JOE MURPHY**
Editor-in-Chief

The Notre Dame Board of Trustees modified its stand on investments in companies doing business in South Africa at its May 9 meeting.

The Board also elected a new chairman, Donald Keough, president and chief operating officer of Coca-Cola Company. Keough succeeds Thomas Carney.

The Board added two conditions to its South African investment policy.

The Board authorized divestment from those companies doing business in South Africa that "are not influencing the dismantling of the system of apartheid," or if "circumstances warrant this action because of further deterioration of conditions in South Africa."

In addition, the Board directed its Executive Committee and its

Investment Committee to review the South African policy at each meeting and report to the full Board. The trustees will meet again at their regular fall meeting Nov. 14.

The Board also mandated these committees "to continue to use every use of our influence with companies in which we have

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investments to support and promote dismantling the system of apartheid and to monitor carefully the performance of such companies." The University has investments of approximately \$31.5 million in approximately 30 companies doing business in South Africa.

The change in the Board's position comes after months of debate on the issue of divestment.

University President Father Theodore Hesburgh has stated

publicly his opposition to divestment at this time. The Notre Dame undergraduate student body supported divestment in a March referendum and the Facul-



Donald R. Keough

ty Senate voted for divestment last month.

since 1978. The Board declined to endorse total divestment by any particular date, however.

At that time, the Board also adopted provisions which require



Andrew McKenna

companies to promote the elimination of apartheid in the whole of South African society.

The University has divested from 11 companies which refused

to sign the Sullivan Principles, which are designed only to eliminate apartheid in the workplace.

The Board also elected Keough as its new chairman and created the position of vice chairman. Andrew McKenna was selected to hold this position.

Keough has served as a trustee since 1978. He was awarded an honorary doctorate of laws degree from the University last year and recently finished serving as chairman of the Sorin Society, an organization which seeks unrestricted giving to Notre Dame.

McKenna, a 1951 Notre Dame graduate, has served as a trustee since 1981. He is director of both the Chicago Bears of the National Football League and the Chicago Cubs major league baseball team.

Both Keough and McKenna

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In Brief

Saint Mary's honored professors and students at the Annual Honors Convocation held May 5. Peg Falls, assistant professor of philosophy, received the Maria Pieta Award in recognition of her skill, dedication and excellence in teaching lower division courses. Associate professor and chairman of the psychology department Penny Jameson was presented with the Spes Unica Award for excellence in teaching and service to the College. — *The Observer*

The last concert of Notre Dame Band Director Robert O'Brien will be held tonight at 6:30 on the Administration Building mall. O'Brien is retiring his post after leading the Irish bands for 34 years, during which time he supervised more than 220 football halftime band performances and helped to entertain more than 14,000,000 people. He was instrumental in nearly doubling the number of yearly performances and in tripling the size of the band. Now that he is retiring, O'Brien said he hopes to spend his additional time working on a complete accounting of the oldest marching band in the country. O'Brien said his successor has not been named yet but will be announced. — *The Observer*

A suspect in the April 27 robbery of a Notre Dame student's off-campus house was apprehended last week, using information supplied by a neighbor of the student. Steven D. Perkins, 21, 725 E. Wenger, was arrested and charged with felony burglary, said county officials. A neighbor of student Joe Donnelly read an Observer article about the crime and noticed that the car described in the story matched one that he had seen in the vicinity, said Donnelly. The neighbor took down the car's license plate number and later learned the driver's last name. He then gave the information to Donnelly who passed it along to police officials. Using this information, police arrested Perkins. — *The Observer*

A police raid of Mr. D's Canning Factory, 1516 N. Ironwood Dr., early Sunday morning resulted in the issuance of 19 separate citations for violations of state liquor laws. Eighteen Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students were ticketed for being minors in a tavern. One Notre Dame student also received a citation for the possession of a false ID. — *The Observer*

The Charity Ball, held May 2, met its goal of \$10,000, said Karen Povinelli, co-publicity director of the second annual Notre Dame/Saint Mary's event. The Ball, whose honorary chairman was Notre Dame Head Football Coach Lou Holtz, will send all proceeds to Catholic Relief Service for World Hunger. — *The Observer*

Three Notre Dame seniors have been awarded Rotary scholarships for one year of post-graduate study in a foreign country. Susie Baker, of Pittsburgh, will study Spanish and Spanish history in Spain, while Jill Bruning, also of Pittsburgh, will study literature in West Germany. Janice Englehardt, of Northridge, Cal., will study philosophy, history, and economics in Switzerland. — *The Observer*

Of Interest

The Glee Club will present its annual Commencement concert tomorrow night at 9 in Stepan Center. The event is free and those attending should arrive early since there is no reserved seating. — *The Observer*

A senior service mass will be held in front of Holy Cross Hall at Notre Dame Sunday Morning at 10:30. All seniors who have performed service for the Notre Dame community may attend. — *The Observer*

Closed circuit television of Notre Dame's Commencement exercises will be shown in the Center for Continuing Education auditorium beginning 2 p.m. Sunday. University President Father Theodore Hesburgh's charge to the graduates also will be broadcast at 10:30 a.m. Monday on WNDU-TV, Channel 16. — *The Observer*

Weather

Don't expect the weather to change just because you're graduating. Today it will be cloudy with scattered showers late in the day with the high reaching 78. Tomorrow there is a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms with warm and humid temperatures.



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All roads must converge

As an intern with Notre Dame Magazine this semester some of my most valuable learning experiences were the Wednesday morning staff meetings. I usually sat quietly in my place and absorbed all of the talk of prospective writers and deadlines and such, because I was the apprentice. One week, however, there was in attendance a young lady whom I outranked by more than 20 years.

A shortage of babysitters had brought Laura to her father's office that morning. Although she should be applauded for her silence and good manners, Laura refused to stay put in her place. With no paternal assistance she sat up and stretched her arms. Then Laura painlessly toppled forward, and on her hands and knees, she crawled toward the door.

Not a child psychologist, I don't know the capacity of a baby's mind. But if babies possess coherent thoughts, I'm certain that Wednesday morning Laura must have thought, "Wow! Look at me. All by myself I am sitting up. Now look, I can crawl. I can move myself from one point to another."

To realize personal talents, gifts and capabilities, to discover a new part of oneself, is a terrific and important thing. It is being alive.

As graduation looms, now is an appropriate time for us to sit up and say, "Wow! Look at us. See all the possibilities of life and that which we have to offer it."

Numerous curricula have led us down different academic paths, but all of these roads should converge in one academic goal. As I understand the purpose of an institution of higher education, it is much more than the communication of knowledge, it is the encouragement of curiosity. A university or college should give its students such a strong taste for education that a lifetime will not satiate the hunger for learning. Henry David Thoreau wrote that he went to the woods at Walden to uncover "the essential facts of life and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not when I came to die, discover that I had not lived."

The most powerful theme that runs through our existence is by far love. It is the love of God, our parents, families and friends that has brought us to this event of commencement. At times we have needed to be carried through failure and rejection, but in the end, those who love us always set us back on our feet and walk beside us. This living example of individual love now has been coupled with those of our Christian university and college. We have been taught to recognize mankind as our family and share our love with all. It is this love that sustains life and offers hope.

In his column in the Los Angeles Times last November Jack Smith wrote of two recent grandfathers. He pondered how two old men could be "so euphoric" about two new children entering a world of

Sarah Hamilton

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stockpiling nuclear weapons and starving nations, of shrinking human rights and sinking economies. Of these two gentlemen, Smith concluded, "Maybe they know that there is just as much oxygen in the world today as there was when they were born, and as long as we can breathe there is hope."

Initiative and action must be the culmination of curiosity and love. Through love we experience and the desire for learning with which we have been inspired, we have the capability to elevate our own lives, those around us and life itself. All it takes is a conscious endeavor. If we do anything less, we have wasted our time here and are neglecting the love inside of us.

The character Sarkin in the novel "Going After Cacciato" summarizes this when she orates, "It is one thing to speculate what might be. It is quite another to act on behalf of our dreams, to treat them as objectives that are achievable and worth achieving. It is one thing to run from happiness, it is another to take action to realize those qualities of dignity and well-being that are the true standards of the human spirit." Wow!

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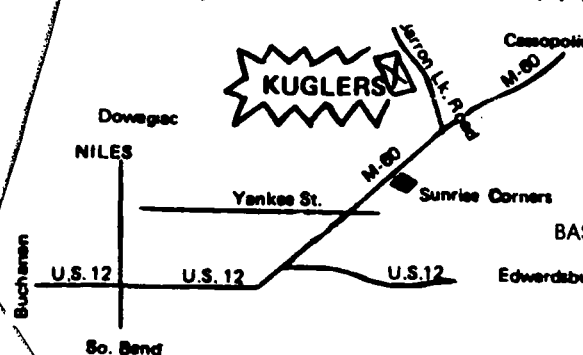
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Graduate student, wife commit double suicide

By **MARK PANKOWSKI**
News Editor

A Notre Dame foreign graduate student and his wife were found Sunday in their University Village apartment, the victims of a double suicide.

Solomon Aptekar, 29, and Irene Aptekar, 27, both from Bombay, India, died after ingesting liquid cyanide, Deputy County Coroner James McMeel ruled. The time of death was placed sometime on or near Wednesday, May 7.

A note found in his apartment indicated the couple had been distraught because Solomon had failed his oral examination for his thesis, said Richard Conklin, University director of public relations and information. Solomon was a doctoral student in metallurgy.

Notre Dame Security discovered the bodies at 1:15 p.m. after being called by a friend of the couple who earlier that day had opened up a letter from Solomon, Conklin said.

The letter, dated May 7, instructed the friend to go to the couple's apartment, said Conklin. If the friend received no response, he was to call Security.

Solomon had been at the University since beginning his doctoral studies in 1980, said University Village Chaplain Father David Burrell. Irene was not a student at the University. The couple has been married since December, 1984.

Burial services for the deceased couple were held yesterday at Temple Beth-El in South Bend. Burial followed in Rosehill Cemetery.

Solomon's mother and brother were to come from Bombay to attend the services, Burrell said.

SMC speaker to draw protesters

By **THERESA GUARINO**
Senior Staff Reporter

Pickers and protesters have planned to be among the many visitors to Saint Mary's campus during this commencement weekend.

A demonstration on graduation day tomorrow has been scheduled by local anti-abortion groups to protest the presence of commencement speaker Barbara Kennelly, a Democratic congresswoman from Connecticut.

Opponents claim that Kennelly's voting records in the House of Representatives indicate a pro-choice stance on abortion.

Organizations including St. Joseph County Right to Life, Democrats for Life and several area Protestant churches will take part in the demonstration, which College President William Hickey called an "unfortunate situation."

Saying that he finds the protest difficult to understand when Ken-

nelly's record is objectively assessed, Hickey added that "every group has a right to their opinion but they also have the responsibility of being objective under each question and situation."

Burnie Bauer, national president of Democrats for Life, an anti-abortion caucus in the Democratic Party, said Kennelly voted pro-choice in four of the five roll call votes dealing with abortion in 1985 in the House. She was absent for one vote, according to Bauer.

Doug Johnson, legislative chairman for the National Right to Life in Washington said Kennelly is "100 percent in support of legal abortions and federal funding of abortion on demand."

Kennelly was quoted in a 1982 edition of Washington Magazine as saying "it is outrageous for any politician to tell a woman what to do about that (abortion). . . It shouldn't be discussed in Congress." In an interview with The

Observer May 1, Kennelly said she would rather not address the abortion issue over the phone because of its complexity.

Bauer has sent letters to Hickey and members of the Board of Regents, expressing his disapproval over Kennelly's selection. The letter asked that Saint Mary's either withdraw its invitation or announce publicly and during Kennelly's introduction that the College is honoring Kennelly despite her pro-choice stance.

Protestors will not enter College grounds because it is private property, but they plan to picket the entrance to the College, said Virginia Black, a member of the board of directors of St. Joseph County Right to Life.

Hickey said that Kennelly was researched and approved by the Board of Regents who are "pleased with their choice."

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and Lewis Branscomb, vice president and chief scientist of IBM Corporation.

Also receiving honorary degrees are Eleanor Burbidge, director of the Center for Astrophysics and Space Science at the University of California, San Diego; Henry

Knott Sr., chairman of the board of the Arundel Corporation in Baltimore; and Dr. James Muller, 1965 Notre Dame graduate, cardiologist at Harvard Medical School and co-founder of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, the organization which was awarded the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize.

Also among the honorary degree recipients are John Phelan Jr.,

president of the New York Stock Exchange since 1980; Sir George Porter, Fullerian Professor of Chemistry and president of the Royal Society of Great Britain and Patricia Wald, circuit judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

Malone was described by Hesburgh as the leader of the American Catholic hierarchy in an interview last month.

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have two-year renewable terms.

In other action the Board approved a \$20 increase in the student activities fee, raising it from \$35 per academic year to \$55 for the coming year.

At the Board's Student Affairs Committee meeting last

Thursday, a report on minority concerns was delivered. The report cited the problems of minority students and suggested improvements in minority financial aid, admissions, recruitment and placement.

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1986 valedictorians: hard work was the key

By ELLYN MASTAKO
Senior Staff Reporter

A lot of hard work. That's what Notre Dame valedictorian Daniel Thompson and Saint Mary's co-valedictorians Mary Kathryn Leary and Karen Draths consider the key to their academic success.

Thompson, who achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average, said his high marks were the result of a lot of hard work but "nothing excessive, no overload."

"You can get good grades without pulling all-nighters," said Thompson, a theology and philosophy major from Reynoldsburg, Ohio.

Leary, whose 3.968 GPA equaled that of Draths, also attributed her grades to a lot of hard work.

"It didn't come easy, but I got a lot of support from my teachers and my classmates," said Leary, a native of Creve Coeur, Missouri and a business major with an accounting concentration.

Draths, a chemistry major from Morton Grove, Illinois, also said she considers her grades to be the product of a lot of hard work. She added, however, "I'm certainly not in the library any more than my share."

Thompson, who will attend divinity school at the University of Chicago, said that "one's grade point average is not necessarily a measure of intelligence. It's really just how good you are in school."

Thompson, who plans to pursue masters and doctoral studies and eventually to teach theology on the

college level, said the topic of his commencement-day speech is to be a surprise. "The element of surprise gives it more of a dramatic impact."

Leary, who has been involved with the Toastmasters and accounting clubs, said upon graduating, she will join the Kimberly-Clark Corporation in Connecticut as a financial assistant.

Leary said she recently tallied the highest score in the College's history on her business comprehensives. All Saint Mary's students are required to pass departmental comprehensives in order to graduate.

Draths, who plans to attend graduate school at Stanford University, intends to pursue a doctorate and eventually enter either industrial research or the teaching profession.

She has also been active in the chemistry club at Saint Mary's and served in student government during her freshman and sophomore years.

Draths and Leary are coordinating their speeches. They said they will address the whole idea of commencement and its meaning for the entire college as well as the senior class.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's both choose their valedictorians based on cumulative grade point averages.

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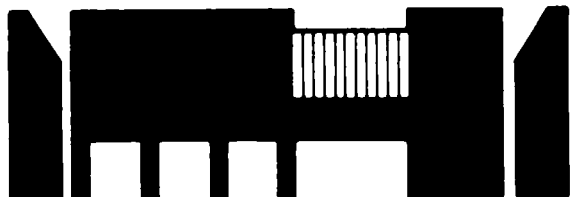
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Priest criticizes Hesburgh, Keough

By MARK PANKOWSKI
News Editor

Visiting South African priest Father Basil van Rensburg criticized University President Father Theodore Hesburgh and the newly-elected Board of Trustees chairman for the board's vote not to divest from corporations doing business in South Africa at its May 9 meeting.

Referring to the board's condition that it would divest if there is "further deterioration in conditions in South Africa," van Rensburg said that Hesburgh "is unable to tell us what constitutes a deteriorating factor."

"He is unable to say whether the death of one black man would be sufficient or if it must be 10 black men," said van Rensburg, speaking

in an interview earlier this week.

Van Rensburg, who ended his 29-day fast May 7, contended that newly-elected chairman Donald Keough is also unable to say what constitutes a deteriorating factor. "It's time now for Mr. Keough to come out and explain this to the blacks of South Africa."

Van Rensburg said that Hesburgh does not advocate divestment because "he is in the back pockets of corporate power. They say to him, 'No more endowments if you move in the divestment path.' That frightened him."

The visiting South African priest said that Keough does not support divestment because he is president and chief operating officer of Coca-Cola Co., a business which van Rensburg said reaps huge pro-

fits from the sale of its products in South Africa.

Van Rensburg said he was not allowed to address the board, but only the board's investment committee. No dialogue was permitted, however.

The 55-year old priest said he ended his protest before the board met because the fast was "Christian-initiated" and was "never meant to be a pressure instrument."

Van Rensburg, who stands almost 5 feet 9 inches and weighed 210 pounds during his fast, said he lost 36 pounds during his protest but feels "beautiful," adding that the fast actually improved his health.

Despite the board's vote against divestment, van Rensburg said his fast was still worth it.

Liquor store files suit against ND student

By MARK PANKOWSKI
News Editor

A South Bend liquor store has filed suit in Circuit Court seeking damages against an 18-year-old Notre Dame student who allegedly bought alcohol using false identification, according to attorney Kenneth Fedder.

Bullseye Discount Liquor, 713 Lincoln Way West, is suing Patrick McKeever of Alumni Hall for \$3,500 after the store was cited for violating the state law against selling alcoholic beverages to minors,

said Fedder, one of the attorneys representing Bullseye in the suit.

McKeever allegedly used a fake identification card to buy alcoholic beverages from Bullseye on Feb. 8, said Fedder.

Excise officers apprehended McKeever outside the establishment, Fedder said. As a result, the liquor store was fined between \$300 and \$400 and now "has a blemish on (its) record forever," said Fedder.

The state liquor law violation also forced Bullseye to absorb the cost of attorney's fees and long-

distance telephone calls, he said.

No hearing date has been set for the lawsuit, which seeks \$1,000 in compensatory damages and \$2,500 in punitive damages, he said.

The punitive damages are being sought for reasons of deterrence, said Fedder. "It's about time people know that there are consequences for these type of actions. My clients cannot afford them."

Fedder said he knew of no previous cases in Indiana in which a liquor store sued a minor for using false identification to purchase alcoholic beverages.

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A conversation with the reluctant atheist

Father Robert Griffin

Letters to a Lonely God



Joseph is an aspiring theology major who likes to ask impossible questions. "What would you do," he wanted to know, "if you had positive proof that there is no God?" I was willing to play the game of Faith Crisis by his rules, treating his wild hypotheses as though they were defensible. It is hard to prove anything, *pro* or *con*, about the existence of God.

"Nothing would change," I answered, "except that I would have to try harder." Joseph has no idea how often a priest flies blind. He was hoping to hear I would kill myself out of disappointment, if God disappeared from my radar screen.

He said, "Wouldn't trying harder be a waste of time? Wouldn't everything change if you knew nobody cared if you're bad or good?" He thinks religion needs God to make the rules. He would have to invent God, to reward good and punish evil.

"Love wouldn't change. Responsibility wouldn't change. Without God, hope wouldn't come easily. That's why all of us would need to try harder."

"Listen!" he said seriously, "I'm talking about *no God*: God as a mistake the churches made, and the exposure of His non-existence is so clear that the Pope resigns. I'm asking: if the Father, Son and Holy

Spirit turned out to be ciphers adding up to a score of zero, powerless to create the world, WHAT WOULD YOU DO?"

He wants me to admit that I'd race to bordellos, or become a thief. I said, "Does it occur to you that the good pagan may care more about the way the neighborhood is run than a careless Christian does? Pagans hate cruelty, murder, injustice and vice. They have consciences that would keep them awake at night if they let deviates harm the children."

He said, "You're saying that changing from a Christian to an atheist wouldn't make a great difference in your life?"

"Maybe as a *reluctant* atheist, I'd pray less," I admitted. "If prayer seemed the way to keep hope on its toes, I'd pray twice as much."

"You'd be talking to yourself!" he protested. I gave him the quiet smile of a traveler who has always known his journey could be a mistake.

"What would there be to hope for in a godless world?" He sounded poignant, as though on the verge of asking to be saved.

"Paul wrote, 'Love is patient, love is kind, and not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong

suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.' I hope that human love in action is an idea whose time has come, even though the candles of heaven have all gone out, because Nobody's home." I hate the cuteness which tries to domesticate the cosmic darkness. What else do you do with a space in which the absence is as visible as a presence?

I said, "Greater love no man has than this, that he should lay down his life for his friend." This isn't an ideal we should give up. Such sacrifices remain beautiful for their unselfishness. Acts of love like this would never become expendable."

I was beginning to tire of being on the defensive in this dumb conversation. I said, "Joseph, you're arguing as though believing were a form of gambling in which you're afraid of backing the wrong horse."

"I'm a very good Catholic," he reminded me. "I go to Mass every Sunday. I'm only curious to know how you'd feel if you found out that religion is a hoax, and you'd been wasting your time."

"It's a gamble," I said. "I'm gambling on a sure thing. If I found out it was all a mistake, I wouldn't change anything."

"Reliance on a God you can't see is risky, don't you think? Why does He stay invisible, like Santa Claus and the Tooth Fairy?"

"Germs drifting on the wind are also invisible," I said, "and so are pain, fear, love and the other emotions. The visible world is controlled by things that the eye can't see.

Invisibility is not a serious complaint about God."

"Not as long as there are miracles. Have any good miracles been happening? Has any good wine been served at a wedding?"

He was enjoying himself. Young Catholics love the game of cornering the priest. "Miracles are the frosting on the cake," I said. "The Lord warned us that faith is shallow if it needs to see miracles."

"So what turns you onto God, Father?" He was starting to chortle like the village atheist. The village atheist is never far away from the village idiot.

"Truth!" I said the word with authority so he could see I was impatient with him. "The New Testament is full of truth that leaves even the skeptics enriched. Without knowing theology, the Roman soldiers were shaken by the dignity of Christ on the cross. You can imagine them taking off their caps to the dead outlaw, because the politicians couldn't get Him to say 'Uncle.' At his death, he was more powerful than Caesar, because He resisted hatred. I don't know who He was if He wasn't God; but He was godlike beyond comparison. Who, in life or literature, compares with Him? It's hard to write of Him without diminishing the perfection of the Gospel sketches. Who are the artists, where are the speechwriters, capable of producing a script featuring goodness, love, pity, mercy and forgiveness, so impressive and holy that they seem like revelations of the emotions that God keeps in His heart?"

"Let's all stand and recite the Creed." This was Joseph's way of telling me I was delivering a sermon.

I said, "Nobody invented Jesus. He's too unpredictable. You don't need metaphysics to prove He's there. You only need to hear His words. Who would say, 'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do'? You trace such tenderness to its source. You find the Teacher who had love for everybody, and helped them make sense of the human condition."

"Who was He?" asked Joseph, thoughtful over the riddle of the ages.

"Call Him E.T.'s older brother, and I would still love Him," I said. "He's God's Son, and I don't want to lose Him. Even if He's a confused Messiah Who couldn't cut the mustard, He knows more of the score than anyone, and I don't want to lose Him. He spoke as sweetly and encouragingly as I would want God to speak, and He didn't hide from suffering. He has my eternal gratitude, and I wouldn't give Him up for the world."

We reached the end of our talk. I didn't want Joseph leaving campus feeling that his religion was an albatross hanging around his neck. I couldn't argue him into faith and grace; but it isn't necessary. Truth and grace are available to the mind and heart that stay open to the simple promises: "Come unto me . . . My yoke is easy, my burden is light." Only the Son, seated at the right hand of the Father, has the right and power to make such promises. God bless the graduates. Darby O'Gill and I never said we didn't love you.

All in the family at Notre Dame — literally

ROBIN SQUYRES
features writer

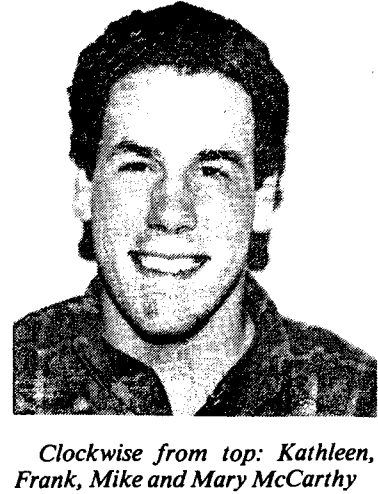
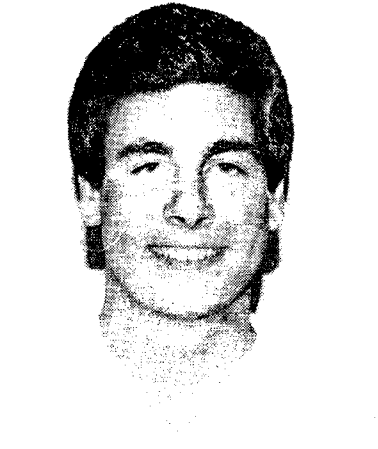
Let's talk about families. Let's talk about *large* families. Let's talk about large families at Notre Dame. Enter the McCarthy family: Kathleen, Frank, Mike and Mary. This extraordinary Ohio family sets a new standard for Notre Dame tradition. In addition to the present occupancy of four students, Dad, three uncles and a grandfather have lived it up under the dome. But wait -- there's more! Cousin Alan Riney, a senior living in Keenan Hall, must be included in the family portrait. And a younger sister is on the way.

So there you have it -- a pretty unique situation by anybody's standards. What's it really like having practically your entire family imported to school with you? Competition, tattling, blood and guts? Nah. These guys are best of buddies.

Kathleen, a senior in Breen-Phillips Hall, took the plunge for the current McCarthy generation. Frank and Mike, a twin unit (Frank the elder by three minutes), are sophomores in Grace and Keenan Halls respectively. Mary is a freshman, also in Breen-Phillips.

How did Kathleen feel when all these siblings started showing up? "I think Notre Dame is a really good school -- it had a lot of things that I wanted and I knew they liked the same things," she said. "When they asked about it I told them I love it here, and I knew they would like it too."

Why did the younger ones also



Clockwise from top: Kathleen, Frank, Mike and Mary McCarthy

choose ND? "It was the best school I could get into," laughed Frank.

That is doubtful. Every one of these brothers and sisters is an All-American Admissions Office's dream. Each one of them is involved in university clubs and organizations such as sports and student

government, in addition to the usual academic rigors. But their interests are diverse, which helps keep things under control.

Kathleen commented, "We're all independent, we achieve in our own way."

How did the parental units react to the way things worked out?

"They love it," Mary and Kathleen said at the same time.

Mike coughed. "Financially...Dad switched to cheap beer."

Socially, these guys have it made. "Wherever you go you know people," said Mary. "All their friends are my friends."

Kathleen laughed. "I had to blaze my own trail -- find my own friends." She made quite a few friends, and by the time the others got there they felt right at home.

"Kathleen took us to very good parties," said Frank.

The whole family is quite socially active and are always bumping into each other at off-campus parties. "I was at Campus View once and the thing about all the brothers and sisters came up again," Kathleen told. "The people were saying, no way, where are they? And all of a sudden everybody showed up. I said, well -- that's Michael over there, Frank here..."

Kathleen related more stories. "Once I was in a raid at Bridget's (I was legal), and I thought God -- Michael and Frank have gotta be here -- I know it. I was looking all over for them to get them out."

Mary told about another funny family incident. "Kathleen (a B.P. RA) gets this call to go down and cool off this loud party -- it was mine." They all laughed.

The dating game can get to be pretty hilarious with the whole family in on it too. Mary, as the youngest, is faithfully protected by her big brothers. She told about it indignantly. "They have people looking out for me at every party."

Mike smirked. "Fifteen guys working around the clock to keep

an eye on little sis."

Mary looked at him. "Frank isn't that bad but Michael is just awful."

Ask one of them to explain the Family Game to you. It has to do with approval, advice and various other social tactics that these four use hilariously.

The McCarthy's are definitely the traditional tight-knit Irish Catholic family, and they say ND has made them even more so. "We were always good friends, but the social scene is even closer-knit now," said Frank.

Kathleen grinned and commented on her siblings. "They're friends that you can totally depend on -- you can tell them anything, the worst things you couldn't tell anyone but family."

The McCarthys stick together and have their own family jokes. Mike told, "Girls come up to me and Frank -- You're not twine -- and I say right, we're not even brothers. That really throws a wrench in."

Speaking of sticking together -- the last BP formal was ruled by the McCarthy family and friends. All four were there plus Mary set up almost the entire first floor with her brother's buddies. "We had a blast," grinned Mary.

Basically, it works out really well, guaranteed social moral, and of course financial support. What more could you want? These guys work together so well you know they can't lose. You have to be just a little jealous. After all, they're having four times as much fun as anyone else.

Separate Ways

What a bell of freedom rings within our soul. . . exams are over, graduation is near, summer is here. It is a time to celebrate. An end to these golden days at St. Mary's and Notre Dame finds us going our separate ways. The last few days together now seem so much harder than the first. It is a time to remember all that we shared, but also a time to say goodbye. So much lies ahead. . . with laughter and sadness we go our ways. . .

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Top Ten Stories of 1985-86

Out with the old...

1 Suddenly, what everyone had expected for so long came to pass. At his weekly press conference on November 26, the beleaguered and embattled Gerry Faust announced his resignation. The news caught the campus and the rest of the country by surprise. But instead of relief, the emotion of the day was sadness. Faust's "Dream come true" had come to a disappointing end.

... In with the new

2 Just as suddenly as Faust's resignation, Lou Holtz was named as his successor the next day. In fact, the process of naming Holtz as the 25th Irish football coach began within hours of Faust's announcement. By midnight on the 26th, Holtz and Notre Dame Athletic Director Gene Corrigan had worked out the details and by early the following morning, Holtz accepted the job of trying to restore the Notre Dame football program to national prominence.

Faust announces resignation



Announcement stuns media; successor to name soon

By JEFF BLUM
Gerry Faust's resignation as Notre Dame's 24th head football coach was announced on Thursday, May 16, 1986. The announcement came as a surprise to many, as Faust had been expected to continue his tenure through the 1987 season. Faust's resignation was effective immediately. He had coached the Irish to a 10-2-1 record in 1985, including a victory over the number one ranked Miami Hurricanes. Faust's resignation was the result of a combination of factors, including a disappointing season in 1985 and a lack of support from the media and fans. Faust's successor is expected to be named within the next few days.

Mubarak defends commando raid on airliner; claims Libya's support of hijackers 'very clear'

By JEFF BLUM
President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt defended a commando raid on a commercial airliner on Thursday, May 14, 1986. Mubarak claimed that the raid was necessary to prevent the hijacking of the plane. He also accused Libya of supporting the hijackers. Mubarak said that the hijackers were trained in Libya and that they were planning to fly the plane to a safe haven. Mubarak's statement came in response to criticism from the United States and other countries. The United States has accused Egypt of harboring hijackers and of supporting terrorism. Mubarak's defense of the raid is seen as a challenge to the United States' position.

Correction

The Observer regrets that the name of the author of the article on the commando raid on the airliner was misspelled in the original version of the article. The correct name is Jeff Blum.

Last issue

This is the last issue of The Observer for the 1985-86 season. We thank you for your support and interest in the publication. We will continue to provide you with the latest news and sports coverage in future issues.

U.S., Israel agreement attained in spy incident

By JEFF BLUM
A long and difficult negotiation between the United States and Israel has resulted in an agreement on Thursday, May 15, 1986. The agreement concerns the release of a spy who had been captured by the Israeli intelligence service. The spy had been working for the United States and had provided sensitive information to the Israelis. The agreement allows the spy to return to the United States. The agreement is seen as a significant step in the relationship between the two countries.



Holtz accepts post as football coach, set to start new era

By JEFF BLUM
Lou Holtz has accepted the job of Notre Dame's 25th head football coach. Holtz was named as the successor to Gerry Faust on Thursday, May 16, 1986. Holtz is a former player and coach at Notre Dame. He has a record of 10-2-1 as a player and 10-2-1 as a coach. Holtz's appointment is seen as a return to tradition for the Irish. Holtz is expected to start his first season in 1987. Holtz's appointment is a surprise to many, as he was not the favorite to be named as the successor to Faust.

Coaching selection determined in 24 hours

By JEFF BLUM
The selection of Lou Holtz as Notre Dame's 25th head football coach was a process that took less than 24 hours. Holtz was named as the successor to Gerry Faust on Thursday, May 16, 1986. The selection was made by Notre Dame Athletic Director Gene Corrigan. Holtz's appointment is seen as a return to tradition for the Irish. Holtz is expected to start his first season in 1987. Holtz's appointment is a surprise to many, as he was not the favorite to be named as the successor to Faust.

Midwest left paralyzed after blizzard snowfall, bitter cold

By JEFF BLUM
A major blizzard struck the Midwest on Thursday, May 15, 1986, leaving a thick blanket of snow and bitter cold. The blizzard caused significant disruption to travel and daily life. Many schools and businesses were closed. The blizzard is the result of a low pressure system moving through the region. The snowfall was heaviest in the Great Lakes region. The blizzard is expected to last through the weekend.

Sports

UALR dashes Irish dreams of making Final Four, 90-83
Four named All-Americans at DeCicco snares 3rd title

Relay team places 3rd in record breaking run

Notre Dame seniors worked to restore program

Sports

Irish men's fencing team captures NCAA crown
Four named All-Americans at DeCicco snares 3rd title

NWIT begins; Notre Dame set to face USIU

ND baseball team goes to Calif.

Sports

Notre Dame relay at NCAA meet, pursues elusive all-American status

Notre Dame football telecasts cut, follows trend of decreased revenue

Irish diver goes home to be in NCAA meet

ND's "other" Tournament team faces big test

Sports

Next stop for Irish: Metrodome in Minneapolis
ND seeded 3rd in Midwest, to face Ark.-Little Rock 1st

Students must call for tickets

Irish down Dayton, 69-55, as seniors say farewell to ACC

Next stop for Irish women: NWIT in Amarillo
ND takes bid, NCAA snubs

Irish beat Dayton, 66-62, to clinch North Star crown

3 UALR bounces ND

By playing an almost perfect game, the Trojans of Arkansas-Little Rock knocked Notre Dame out of the NCAA tournament in the first round with a 90-83 upset victory. Little Rock shot 79 percent in the second half and 62 percent for the game to send the Irish home early and dash the hopes of an NCAA title for four Irish seniors.

4 Fencers win NCAA titles

The men's fencing team captured Notre Dame's first national championship since 1978, when the Irish fencers also brought home the crown. The Irish gained revenge by beating Wayne State, the team that edged them by a point last year. The following day, the women's team finished second, with sophomore Molly Sullivan winning the individual title.

5 Relay team sets mark

Notre Dame's two-mile relay team of John McNelis, Robert Nobles, Jeff Van Wie and Jim Tyler set a Notre Dame record with a time of 7:21.11, earning each of them all-America status at the NCAA Indoor Track Championships. The time was one of the sixth best in NCAA history but was good only for third place in the race as the Irish finished behind Arkansas and Georgetown.

6 Irish earn NWIT bid

Not to be left out of post-season play, Notre Dame's women's basketball team accepted a bid to the National Women's Invitational Tournament. The announcement came after the Irish had defeated Dayton, 66-62, on the final day of the season to capture their second-straight North Star Conference crown. Notre Dame would finish third, losing to eventual champion Idaho.

Sports

Notre Dame topples No. 8 Syracuse, 85-81
Irish silence crowd, sink 41-of-48 from line

ND dominates inside, Price puts end to slump

Irish women whip Xavier, will face UIC tonight

Sports

Irish manhandled by fired-up Hurricanes, 58-7
Testaverde keys devastating aerial attack with 356 yards

Notre Dame players, fans angered by Miami's relentless style of play

Whoever said that nice guys finish last?

Sports

Lee's BBQs Leone's for Bookstore title, 21-15

Oreos defeat quints, 22-20, for women's title

Gold downs Blue, 24-17, in annual spring game

Sports

Irish storm past Miami, 126-73

Keys leads Notre Dame women to pair of wins on road

Miami fans were the only ones talking football

7 Irish upset Syracuse

Notre Dame, playing one of its toughest schedules in years, went into the lion's den of the Carrier Dome and emerged with an 85-81 upset of the eighth-ranked Syracuse Orangemen. The victory before 32,397 fans was sandwiched between tough losses to then top-ranked North Carolina and number-one Duke.

8 Hurricanes storm Irish

The Miami Hurricanes made sure that one of Gerry Faust's last memories of Notre Dame wouldn't be too pleasant. By using a relentless offensive attack, the Hurricanes handed the Irish a 58-7 defeat. Two weeks earlier, Penn State had whipped Notre Dame 36-6, dashing the raised hopes brought on by a four-straight Irish victories.

9 Lee's BBQ wins Bookstore

The Lee's BBQ Roundhouse knocked off upset-minded Leone's Stallions, 21-15, for the Bookstore XV championship. Lee's was led by Tournament MVP Jim Dolan. Leone's Stallions had reached the finals by virtue of an upset win over Fun Bunch Finale, last year's champion and this year's top seed, in the semifinals the previous day.

10 Irish gain revenge, sort of

The last loss of the football season was on everyone's mind when the Irish basketball team visited the Hurricanes of Miami. Notre Dame gained a small measure of revenge with its 126-73 thrashing of the Hurricanes, the second-worst loss in their history.

Family promise passes from parent to child

At the foundation of who you are and what you have become is an unspoken promise on the part of your parents. Individually, it began at the moment of your birth and will continue until the day your parents die.

Joseph Murphy
David Stephenitch

a promise kept

The promise is a commitment to help you reach your potential as a person, a Catholic and a citizen. To give to you not only what they were given from their parents, but more.

In a world in which so many promises are broken, this one has been kept. In a world where people, especially its youth, are so vulnerable and fragile, you have not only survived, but prevailed. And, most importantly, in a world where "God" has become a dirty word, you have shown faith in your religion. Of course, you deserve much of the

credit, but your success would not have occurred without the support of your family and the Notre Dame community.

Wherever you go from here, it is fundamental you understand the promise continues, not only within each family, but from generation to generation. You must make the same promise to your children that was made to you.

You must commit yourself to the promise, a promise which fewer are making today than yesterday. Be to your children what your parents have been to you. Guide them with the same amount of love and concern with which they guided you. Give them the attention and devotion they gave you.

As the ink dries on your degree, think of Robert Louis Stevenson's words: "Lord, behold our family here assembled. We thank Thee for this place in which we dwell; for the love that united us; for the peace accorded us this day; for the hope with which we expect the morrow."

After reflecting upon these words,

Richard Evans was moved to write: "The family is the foundation of society. When the family is broken the strongest bond is broken, and there is nothing left to take its place with such permanence, or safety, or assurance. The strength and hope and peace and purpose of life are set essentially within the walls we call our home, with children there to live, to learn, then soon to leave to make their way in the world. But "they are not made of... plastic and plywood," said one observer on the subject. "You can't stack them up in a corner to await your own good time to put together the parts..." There's a time beyond which some things cannot so well be done. Our opportunities with children are so perishable, so precious. And so we come to parents with a plea to listen. Listen - so we'll know their needs. Listen. Keep the lines open. And never cease the patient waiting until all are accounted for. It may be a long wait, but a wait that is worth it. And to you our children - Remember that a father, a mother who cares enough to

worry and to wait - and who cares enough to counsel and to be concerned - is among the greatest blessings God has given. Keep close. Communicate - fathers, mothers, families: keep close, with respect and kindness and consideration - for truth and decency, law and order, peace and happiness are somehow set and summarized in family love and loyalty, and the things that could break up a home are all too hazardous to tamper with. Oh, "thou wouldst give," said Carlyle, "give quickly. In the grave thy loved ones can receive no kindness." - Fathers - mothers - children - open your hearts this day and always - for the family is forever."

Tomorrow marks the culmination of a promise and as such represents not only a triumph for you, for your family and for Notre Dame, but for the family as an institution.

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'Complaining' brings constructive campus change

In an article in this newspaper a couple of weeks ago, the author noted that Notre Dame students shouldn't complain so much because pretty soon graduation will come and there will be nothing left to complain about.

Dan McCullough

guest column

This struck me as kind of misguided. While sometimes it may seem as though students are overly critical about life at Notre Dame, there has been a marked increase in students voicing their opinion. As a result, there has been a notable change in the attitudes of students toward the administration, and in the attitude of the administration toward the students. And this is a good thing.

There is certainly enough to complain about here -- more than just dining hall food, insufficient class room buildings or any of the cliched and overworked standards -- but not real problems, and real solutions.

Pick up the campus newspaper any day of the week and you will see that problems exist in this community as they do in any community. And when problems are present, complaints are in order.

A good example of this was when students began to organize this year against the University's South African investments policy. A group of students formed the Anti-

Apartheid Network, which sponsored lectures, debates, protests and weekly meetings on the steps of the Administration Building. As a result, the South African issue had a high profile around here.

Student government eventually became involved with the issue, and sponsored a campus-wide referendum -- the results of which were presented to the Board of Trustees last Friday.

Also this year, black students began to voice their concern over the lack of minorities here. Consequently, senior Carleton West formed the first Notre Dame chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The minority issue also prompted a wave of letters and columns in *The Observer* and was the main topic at more than a few lunchtime conversations.

This past year also brought the near-recall of Student Body President Bill Healy. Some students, upset at the way Healy was running his administration, attempted to set up an election to vote Healy out of office.

They failed, but the fact that students would try to vote a student government leader out of office, or that students would stand up to the Board of Trustees on the South African issue, or that students would organize to work towards a solution of the minority problem on campus all prove that student's perception of themselves as members of this community has undergone a change.

Students are beginning to see themselves as citizens of a community, rather than simply tuition-paying subjects under the rule of the administration.

Abbie Hoffman noted this when he was on campus this year. Timothy Leary was also on campus. So was Allen Ginsburg. And Ken Kesey.

The return of these people who influenced campus life of the 1960s means more than they all happen to be on the lecture circuit this year. Rather, the fact that these speakers are popular on campuses across the country, even at Notre Dame, illustrates that students have not totally layed down and played dead. In fact, it seems that students are waking up again -- just like the students in the 1960s.

Maybe it was the alcohol policy protest two years ago that marked the first signs of students waking up from their lethargy. When students stormed up the steps of the Administration Building and took control of the atrium for almost an hour, both students and administrators realized that the rules of the game had changed.

Even though students may have ended up looking like spoiled babies because of that protest, the overflowing anger and the emotion-charged response marked the birth of the new student voice at Notre Dame.

This attitude was apparent even on the small scale.

In a little-remembered conflict on campus this year, Food Services Director Bill Hickey

erected a neon sign upon the front facade of the South Dining Hall that advertised his "Night Oak" project. Students concerned with the aesthetic beauty of the South Dining Hall responded with angry letters to the editor. Some writers even threatened to organize a protest movement against the sign. The letters ran on Friday. The sign was taken down by Monday morning.

Little events such as these are so important to reinforcing the students' conception of themselves as citizens of the community as the large protests and referendums.

Students are waking up to find themselves with a new power over their environment. For the last 10 or 15 years or so this power has only been latent in them. But finally, it is being awakened and exercised.

The apathetic students of the past are still around. But more often than not he or she is becoming involved with one issue or another -- whether it be a neon sign, an unfair alcohol policy or the South African investments issue. Whatever the issue, student support is there, and it is stronger than ever.

So students are justified in complaining. With this new-found student voice, in the coming years they should be able to be more organized, more directed, and ultimately more effective. Administrators should prepare for students to complain louder than ever.

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Seniors move from past to future

In a column I wrote for the Freshman Orientation Observer issue at the beginning of this year, I remarked it was almost enviable that the freshmen could look at everything from a new perspective while seniors would be seeing the year in terms of "lasts."

Mary Ellen Harrington

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Senior year is over now and we are the new kids on the block. Wherever the block may be. Behind us is our last football game and final exams, our last dining hall chicken party and trip to the Grotto. Also probably a lot of laughs and tears. A whole range of possibilities and new experiences await us whether we are going to graduate school, working as an engineer, or joining the Big Eight.

Between packing our rooms away and trips to the Dunes, my future roommate and I have been to Chicago a few times recently. It doesn't seem to matter now that the traffic is so heavy and parking is almost impossible to find. We think we have found an apartment.

Big city, new jobs, future, here we come. Just like as freshmen four years ago, a whole range of experiences and education is

ahead, looming frighteningly and excitingly real.

Notre Dame has left its legacy on us, however. While we leave with some skills and knowledge to apply to new jobs or further education, there is more to be thankful of. Our education hasn't all come from books and classrooms. That type of education certainly isn't the only reason to come to a university like ours. Universities are only as good as the people who make them up, not the books they use. What we call the Notre Dame family are all these special people.

Beyond professors and administrators are the people who are really responsible for our education: our parents and friends. They provided the love, encouragement and coffee needed to keep us going when times were tough, and the fun when they weren't.

Parents are in a special class by themselves when it comes to sacrificing and loving, especially when they aren't appreciated as much as they should be. Our degrees and graduation are partly their achievement and celebration too. They love us and are proud of us; I for one feel the same way in return.

Good friends share in our joy also. They are the ones who stuck by us and committed to us over the last four years. And they are the ones we will want to stay in touch with in the years to come.

My memories from this place are varied. I have had my share of both good and bad experiences, to be sure, but I think I'll forget the latter and concentrate on the times that will always make Notre Dame a happy memory for me. Pictures come back as clear as those in my photo album: dancing in the reflecting pool after the Michigan game and going to parties in herds freshman year; my first trip to the Dunes, wrapped in blankets because we were so cold; Junior Parents Weekend; long nights working at *The Observer*; reading Shakespeare under the stars; a summer here I'll never forget; eating strawberries "at Wimbledon"; and all the memories from this year that are so fresh in my mind. It's the people in these scenes that make them so special for it is the people that are special.

Next year as I start over with a new job, new experiences and new friends I don't want to leave the old ones behind. Notre Dame and her family have left indelible marks on my heart. I don't intend to ever let them be forgotten. As a matter of fact, I'm already planning new ones; football season is just around the corner. I can't wait to try on some plaid pants.

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Hurley offers thanks for Irish Clover award

Dear Friends:

I'm sorry it took so long, but thank you very much for the "Irish Clover" award. It still puzzles me, as I'm sure there were many other eligible people.

It's exciting to be the recipient of the same award as Gerry Faust. He might not have a successful coach for Notre Dame football, but as a person he can't be beat. This award does mean a lot to me. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Kevin Hurley
Notre Dame freshman

Bookstore XV tourney adds to rich tradition

Dear Editor:

Despite the best attempts of South Bend weather to stop it, Bookstore Basketball XV is history. For my part I watched it end with mixed emotions. When I took the job of tournament commissioner, I was told alternately that it was "the best job on campus" and "ten weeks of constant hell." Now that the dust has settled, I am ready to admit that it lived up to both billings.

Bookstore is a huge operation and I had a number of people working with me who helped to insure that the near chaos never quite got out of control. These people put in a lot of time and effort without much recognition, but without them Bookstore XV could never have been the success it was. First and foremost, my assistant commissioners, Carol Cavaliere, Gus Herbert, Dan Meixner, Denise Weis, and Chris Borgstrom, who put in long hours on and off the courts and made my job much simpler. Matt Laven

took the thankless job of referee coordinator and did an outstanding job making sure we had referees for the final 64 games. Mike Cardinale, Dennis Corrigan, Sarah Hamilton and the rest of The Observer staff did a great job providing tournament coverage and Rudy Brandl, Kevin Herbert and Frank Mastro did the same at WVFI.

Bookstore XV also had a group of over fifty dedicated scorekeepers who helped us, despite having to endure the worst of South Bend's spring weather. Certain members of the Notre Dame staff were also unwavering in their support, especially John Monhaut and the ND maintenance staff, Rex Rakow and the security force and everyone down at the Copy Center, who turned out the largest schedule and scoresheet delivery in the tournament's history.

Lastly, I would like to offer my personal thanks to Jeff Blumb, commissioner of Bookstore XIII and XIV and this year's commissioner emeritus. Jeff kept me on the right path with solid advice, but always made it clear that it was my job and the decisions were mine in the end. His guidance this year makes me confident of my ability to run the tournament solo next year.

I believed when I started, and still believe now, that Bookstore Basketball is one of those traditions which makes Notre Dame special. As Fritz Hoefer and Vince Meconi envisioned 15 years ago, Bookstore is basketball played the Notre Dame way, intense, competitive and fun. The tournament has been accepted from its beginning of becoming too competitive (I found a comment to this effect in a 1975 edition of The Observer - the fourth year of the tournament). Notre Dame students enjoy competition and enjoy being the best, and yes on occasion the intensity goes too far, but in my experience these incidents have been isolated and almost always resolved when the heat of competition dies.

Bookstore's history is somewhat shorter than some of the other traditions which

abound at Notre Dame, but it is no less rich. With almost 5,000 games played over 15 years, the stories are abundant. There may have been a fair share of controversy and a few incidents best forgotten, but for the most part the stories are about people enjoying the game of basketball, which is what Bookstore Basketball is all about.

Steve Wenc
Tournament Commissioner
Bookstore Basketball XV

ND fight against MS sets example for others

Dear Editor:

One short year ago, the University of Notre Dame raised over \$20,000 in the first year of the Students Against Multiple Sclerosis collegiate fundraising drive, the most of any participating schools.

What virtually no one could have foreseen was the tremendous impact that our efforts would have on this and future years' campaigns.

With Notre Dame as an example, over 120 schools embarked on the Rock-A-Like fundraiser in 1985-1986. These schools raised over \$300,000.

My involvement in this year's fundraising activities helped me to appreciate even more the support and spirit which the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's community gave to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in 1985.

As the school year draws to a close, and a new Rock-A-Like winner will be chosen in early June, I would like to thank the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students as well as the faculty of Notre Dame for all of their support in helping to fight MS and in aiding the over 500,000 Americans already afflicted.

Kevin Herbert
Notre Dame student

Harder times help prepare for real world

This has been a week of reminiscing. As seniors run around in last-minute socializing, class get-togethers and goodbyes in between packing and cleaning up for mom and dad, all the way through there's been those funny but nostalgic stories of the last four years.

Mary Healy

guest column

"Remember that time freshman year when we all went swimming at midnight in St. Joe's Lake?" "And remember the Pitt game when Allen Pinkett ran the kickoff all the way back for a touchdown?" "And remember that guy who used to swallow goldfish at Holy Cross parties?" "And how could we forget Father Fitz saying masses at B-P?"

Sometimes these memories have been mixed with a tinge of regret. Have we truly made the most of these four years — "the best years of your life"? What if I hadn't been so quick to blow off studying and skip classes, but had really taken advantage of the academic atmosphere and gone to all the lectures and events I'll never have the opportunity for again? On the other hand, what if I had spent more time with the friends who are so important now but who will all go their separate ways Monday? What if I hadn't had all those struggles that made some days great and some unbearable?

But then, without those peaks and hollows how would Notre Dame have shaped us? Without the frustration of spending hours (usually early morning ones) writing a paper, you'll never learn how to write. And without its ups and downs, its much-berated social life, and even its administration that often seems *in loco parentis*, Notre Dame wouldn't have educated us on the art of living the way it has.

This week the class of '86 is finally going to hit that legendary "real world" we've heard so much about. And when we do, we'll be very different people from the ones who arrived on campus lonely and homesick four years ago. Because Notre Dame wasn't perfect, it showed us how to be ourselves in that real world. It trained our minds for those useful careers, but it reminded us that there's a lot that's more important than a \$30,000 a year job. It showed us how to look for God when it's easy to and when it isn't so easy.

Notre Dame is never seen through such rose-colored glasses as it is in the last few weeks. Everything seems better - the campus prettier, the Grotto more special, the parties more fun, the Dome shinier, the friends closer. Even classes are more exciting.

But if it had been so rosy all along we would be none the better for it. From sitting through interminable classes and working on tough projects and papers, we learned the value of a solid education. After enduring long, cold and ugly South Bend winters we saw how beautiful the campus was in spring. And through times of difficulty and distance we learned how much our friendships really mean to us.

Looking back, it all seems so great. But looking ahead, it's great too, because we've gained something that we'll always take with us, something that will eventually be more important.

As one Notre Dame senior said, "You'll never leave Notre, but Notre Dame will never leave you."

Mary Healy is graduating with a B.A. in pre-professional studies and government.

Challenges lie beyond the Dome

Conflicting emotions. They run rampant at a time like this. Feelings of anticipation and dread co-exist in the hearts of graduating seniors. As we forge ahead to a new and exciting future, sentiment tempts us to drag our feet.

Jeanne Grammens

ask not

We fill our last weeks and days in full enjoyment of each other's company. Nothing, not even books and classes, get in the way of our "final hours." The seniors, the class of 1986, "did it up right," as they utilized every hour to pack as much of the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's experience in. Final exams never saw such cramming. Senior month kept everyone busy with the luau, Booze Cruise, cocktail party, Cooler Night, Mr. D's, dunes trips, brunch, cook-outs, mass at the Grotto and good old Senior Bar (even though it was taken over by juniors sometime in March). But even amid the hubbub, many found some moments to reflect upon the last four years.

The flashbacks are unbelievable. Wasn't it just yesterday, we were silly freshmen running over to the Saint Mary's panty raid or worse, throwing panties out of Regina window to those howling domers. How about the first screw-your-roommate dance. You know, the one where your date spilled his drink down the front of your new dress. It was the same guy who kept calling you Mary when your name is Anne. And let's not forget those wild parties in the dorm basements. The biggest problem then was figuring out how to get the girls to stay at

your dorm rather than going to the seven concurring parties. The girls thought it was great as long as they could hit ten parties in three hours. Then there was that football game where you stood up at the top of the bleachers in the snow, squinting to see the football field while you were more interested in the cute red head at your left. One of the most interesting memories was An Tostal. You thought you came to college to grow up, but students were running around at Recess skipping rope. And how can we forget the joys of "mud in your eye," and your hair and clothes...

Yes the memories run rampant, but as we experience this "string of lasts," it is hard not to feel incomplete. There were so many things that never got done, and so many people we meant to spend more time with. As we near the end of our college experience, we realize these things cannot get done tomorrow. We are forced to be satisfied with the memories we formed as we look ahead to building future memories. A new beginning.

It is a scary thought, but we met the challenge of the new beginning four years ago. With this new challenge there are many questions. Some of these questions will take years to answer, and perhaps some will never be answered fully.

As we forge ahead to new challenges, we must do two things. First, no matter how frustrating the circumstances ahead are, we must never give up the dreams that were formed under the Golden Dome. Each and every one of us here is special. We all hold special gifts and insights which we have shared with each other and expanded upon in our years here. We may have idealistic hopes of implementing these insights into the

world beyond college. However, "out there" lies a cold word called "reality." We must not give up these dreams as we struggle in reality. When you give up your dream, you die. You become stagnant in a sea of yuppies.

I also believe it is important for us to carry on the reputations of the University and College; we must do them proud. We have all had the privilege to participate in something that is foreign to most people in this world. We have had the opportunity to improve ourselves through study and interaction with others who hold Christian ideals. The challenges we have faced and the questions we tried to answer have formed mature, sensitive, concerned human beings. Evidence of this growth should be integrated into "the world out there." The how-to's cannot be defined right now, but we should leave the Golden Dome with consciousness fully alive.

Many have told us our college years are the "best years of our lives." We should not accept this statement as a predictor of the future, but rather as a challenge. Notre Dame and Saint Mary's were merely the basic training camps for the army of life. The revelations we have had here, the problems we have solved, the mountains we have climbed have formed compassionate adults who are on the verge of a new challenge. A challenge to fill "life" with the best of times as we seek our dreams as graduates of the University of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College. May God bless us on our way.

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Kovaleski named capt. of '86 Irish

By **MARTY STRASEN**
Assistant Sports Editor

Mike Kovaleski, a senior inside linebacker, has been elected captain of the 1986 Notre Dame football team. The vote, conducted at the close of spring drills, was made by his teammates. Unlike past years, the Irish will have only one captain.



Mike Kovaleski

"That's the way Coach Holtz decided to do it, and everyone on the team respects that," said Kovaleski. "It's his decision and if he wants only one captain, then that's how many there's going to be. I'm just glad to be the one."

"It's just a great honor for me to be selected, especially since there's only one captain this year. That makes it an awesome responsibility."

"I'm really looking forward to next year," continued Kovaleski. "Being captain is going to put some extra weight on my shoulders, but it's not anything that I can't handle. If it was, I wouldn't have accepted the position."

The 6-2, 218-pound native of New Castle, In., has started in 29 games during his career, including the 1983 Liberty Bowl and the 1984 Aloha Bowl. Kovaleski finished second on the team in tackles last year with 95 after leading the team with 108 his sophomore season and third with 62 in his freshman campaign. As with the rest of the returning seniors, Holtz is looking forward to good things from Kovaleski.

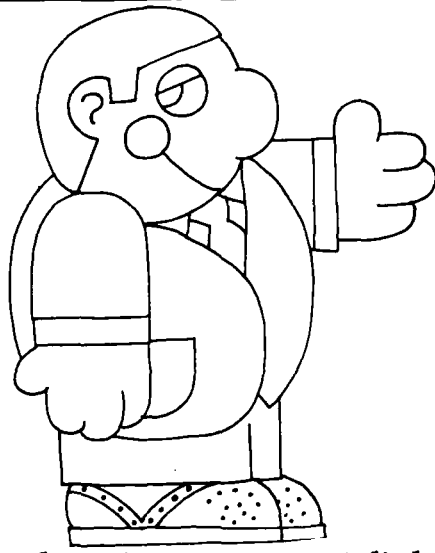
"I've said that for us to have any success this fall, our seniors are going to have to play the best fall of their careers," said Holtz. "As captain, Mike will play an instrumental role in making that happen. He has earned the respect of his teammates because of his contributions the last three years, and I know he has earned the respect of everyone connected with the program because of his dedication and enthusiasm and the fact that he has played hurt on numerous occasions."

White to Miami

Former Notre Dame Assistant Sports Information Director Eddie White has been named Publicity Director for the Miami Dolphins. White served four years as Notre Dame's assistant SID.

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Asst. A.D. Petro goes to Virginia

By DENNIS CORRIGAN
Sports Editor

After eight years as an Irish coach and one year as one of Notre Dame's assistant athletic directors, Sharon Petro will be trading in her office for a classroom and the Golden Dome for the Rotunda of the University of Virginia. Petro will study for her doctorate in sports psychology at the Charlottesville, Va., school.

"I'm terribly excited," said Petro of her move. "It's a chance to do something different. It's something I've been interested in doing for a long time."



Sharon Petro

Petro joined the Notre Dame coaching staff in 1977 as head coach of the women's basketball team. She finished with a three-year career record of 49-20, including an Indiana AIAW state title.

Petro was also coach of the women's tennis team for seven years. Her career record stands at 89-40, including two NCAA Division II third-place finishes in 1983 and 1984 and second-place finish last year for which she was named the Division II coach of the year. In addition, Petro's tennis squads won two North Star Conference championships and three Indiana state titles.

This year, Petro joined Athletic Director Gene Corrigan's staff, where she served as a liaison with the North Star Conference and worked with Notre Dame's women's sports.

"I hate to see her leave, she's a heck of a gal," said Corrigan. "But this is something she's wanted to do. I'd like to hire another woman to replace her. I've had a few of the athletes visit me, and they said they appreciated having her there. If I can find someone who's had the same playing, coaching, and administrative experience, then I'll hire her."

Petro is a graduate of Wayne State and holds a masters in health and physical education from Eastern Michigan and a masters in science in administration from Notre Dame. With the degree she is now seeking, Petro is anticipating work in a new area.

"I want to get back to working with athletes as well as the administration," says Petro. "I'd like to work as an academic advisor like Mike DeCico does here. I'd like to work with coaches and players, help with emotional problems — more than just teach forehands and free throws."

"It will be a little scary, though, going back to school after 20 years."

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Nobles, still have a shot at qualifying for the NCAAs when they run at the IC4A's and at the Central Collegiate Championships.

"I need a good race (1:48.11) to qualify," said McNelis. "I feel I'm capable of making it."

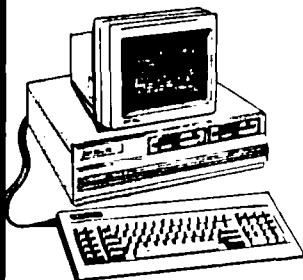


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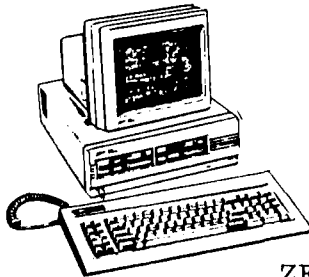
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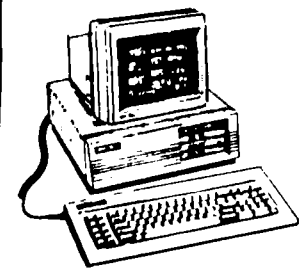
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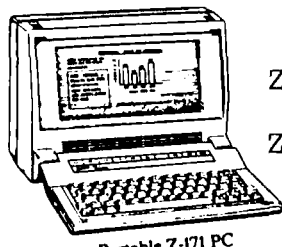
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Led by seniors, women's tennis won 3rd-straight NSC title

By **TRISH SULLIVAN**
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's tennis team began the year with little optimism. First-year coach Michele Gelfman was inheriting a team that finished second in the Division II NCAA tournament but would be losing the two top players on the roster. That hole, leaving only six names on the 1985-86 roster, would have to be replaced by walk-ons. The spring schedule would also be beefed up a bit with the team making the transition to Division I status. Despite those looming obstacles, the Irish proved tough and came away with a combined .813 (:26-6) winning percentage and captured the North Star Conference crown for the third year in a row.

"I'm extremely pleased with the outcome of this year," commented Gelfman. "We had a tough time in the beginning filling up the roster and juggling the doubles teams. But once everything got squared away, the girls could get down to business and concentrate on their games."

Three seniors led the way for the team with leadership and aggressive play. Number one singles player Susie Panther (Prairie Village, Kan.) finished her career at Notre Dame with a sparkling .736 singles winning percentage and a .802 doubles percentage. Panther, the first woman tennis player to sign a national letter of intent with the University, compiled a 12-1 singles fall mark and a 11-10 spring slate. She joined with sophomore

Michelle Dasso (Sunnyside, Wash.) to log a 24-9 combined record. Her play also earned her the North Star title in the number one flight of singles and doubles for the third time.

"It was good to end my career here on such a positive note," adds Panther. "But it was sad to realize that this was probably the last competitive match I'll play. I've enjoyed the time I've spent here and the people have been fantastic."

The number two singles player, Mary Colligan (Fort Wayne, Ind.)

earned her fourth monogram with an overall career winning percentage of .719. She went undefeated in fall action and captured her third North Star title at second singles and second doubles. This spring season produced an 18-6 ledger in singles and a 15-4 mark in doubles (Augusta, Mich.).

O'Brien, competing for only the second year with the Irish, transferred from Michigan in her sophomore year. In her first season, she had an overall record of

32-9. This fall, she went 11-2 in singles and 11-0 in doubles. In the spring, she and Colligan were rocks of strength for Gelfman and the squad as they went 15-4 in doubles action.

"I have mixed emotions about the end of the season," comments Gelfman, the North Star Conference Coach of the Year. "I'm glad in one sense to be over with the rigors of practice and traveling, but it will be tough to be without these seniors. I have grown very fond of all the girls, and I hope they know how much they will be missed."

Frosh key men's year

By **RICK RIETBROCK**
Sports Writer

Going into a season with four freshmen is quite a risky proposition. But Notre Dame tennis coach Tom Fallon made it a safe bet this year and it resulted in a 25-9 record.

The Irish finished the season with victories over Butler, 8-1, and Eastern Michigan, 7-2. Once again, Fallon's freshmen led the victory parade as Brian Kalbas, filling in for the injured Dan Walsh at the number-one singles spot and Tim Carr won twice to go with one win apiece for Dave Reiter and Tony Cahill.

Fallon says the freshmen were the key to this season's success.

"Our freshmen really came through for us this year," he says. "That was our question mark going into the season, but they all played very well."

Joe Nelligan, the team's captain, capped off his fine career with a singles win and a victory in doubles

while teaming with Tom Grier.

This year's win total is the most of any Irish team since 1971 when the Irish won 26. Even more important than the victory total, according to Fallon, is the quality teams the Irish have defeated this season.

"We beat three Big Ten teams, Iowa, Northwestern, and Michigan State, which shows we can hold our own in competition with the Big Ten."

"We also beat all the Mid-American Conference teams, so we've really made some progress."

The Irish will not have anyone competing in the NCAA Championships, but they will travel to Rochester, N.Y., to compete in the Eastern Collegiate May 24.

While the season was quite a success, Fallon says he expects even more progress next year.

"We should only get better," he says, "We have nearly everybody coming back."

That should make a lot of opponents quite uncomfortable.

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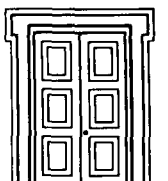
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Jeff Blumb

Sports Editor 1985-86



The success we desired may not have come to pass, but one thing which can never be taken away are the many memories which will remain etched in our minds. Although those memories may not be of trips to the Sugar Bowl or to the Final Four, they are good memories nonetheless.

FRESHMAN YEAR:

Remember... that first football season. The Irish opened by beating Michigan, 23-17, in a nationally-televised game under the lights of MUSCO, and everything looked so right, so perfect. Then there was the stunning upset of No. 1 Pitt, keyed by a freshman named Pinkett, and the greeting the team found upon returning to campus. And how could we forget Michael Harper's phantom touchdown, which sent USC to a 17-13 win over Notre Dame in the final game of the season.

Remember... the week when Kentucky, UCLA and Indiana visited the ACC. The Irish were unable to satisfy student chants of "We want Kentucky Fried," but narrowly missed beating UCLA, losing when Ralph Jackson went the length of the floor for a layup with three seconds left.

SOPHOMORE YEAR:

Remember... the joy of beating Purdue (52-6), USC (27-6) and Boston College (19-18 in the Liberty Bowl), while losing heartbreakers to Miami (20-0), Pitt (21-16), Penn State (34-30) and Air Force (23-22).

Remember... Tom Sluby's critical three-point play with 18 seconds left, which sent the Irish to a 52-47 upset of No. 5 Maryland. The senior would continue to lead the youthful Irish all the way to the NIT finals against Michigan, where the Cinderella story came to an end.

JUNIOR YEAR:

Remember... the 3-4 start which included the loss to Purdue at the Hoosier Dome, after which the Irish rebounded to win their final four regular season games and a trip to Hawaii to play SMU in the Aloha Bowl.

Remember... all the great basketball games, including the narrow loss to North Carolina in the NCAA tournament. There was the early-season upset of Indiana, the win over UCLA at Pauley, the victories over Washington, Marquette and Dayton in the final week, and, of course, the NCAA tournament.

SENIOR YEAR:

Remember... the rollercoaster ride of the football season. After the Irish lost three of their first four games, all eyes were on Gerry Faust as he coached in the final year of a five-year contract. But Notre Dame answered with four straight victories. Three straight losses to conclude the season, including a 58-7 drubbing by Miami, would end any chance of a post-season bowl or renewal of Faust's contract.

Remember... the disappointing end to the brilliant careers of four Irish seniors, when tiny Arkansas-Little Rock upset the Irish, 90-83, in the first round of the NCAA tournament. The season had its brighter moments, though, including an upset of eighth ranked Syracuse at the Carrier Dome and narrow losses at North Carolina and Duke, both of which were ranked No. 1 at the time Notre Dame played them.

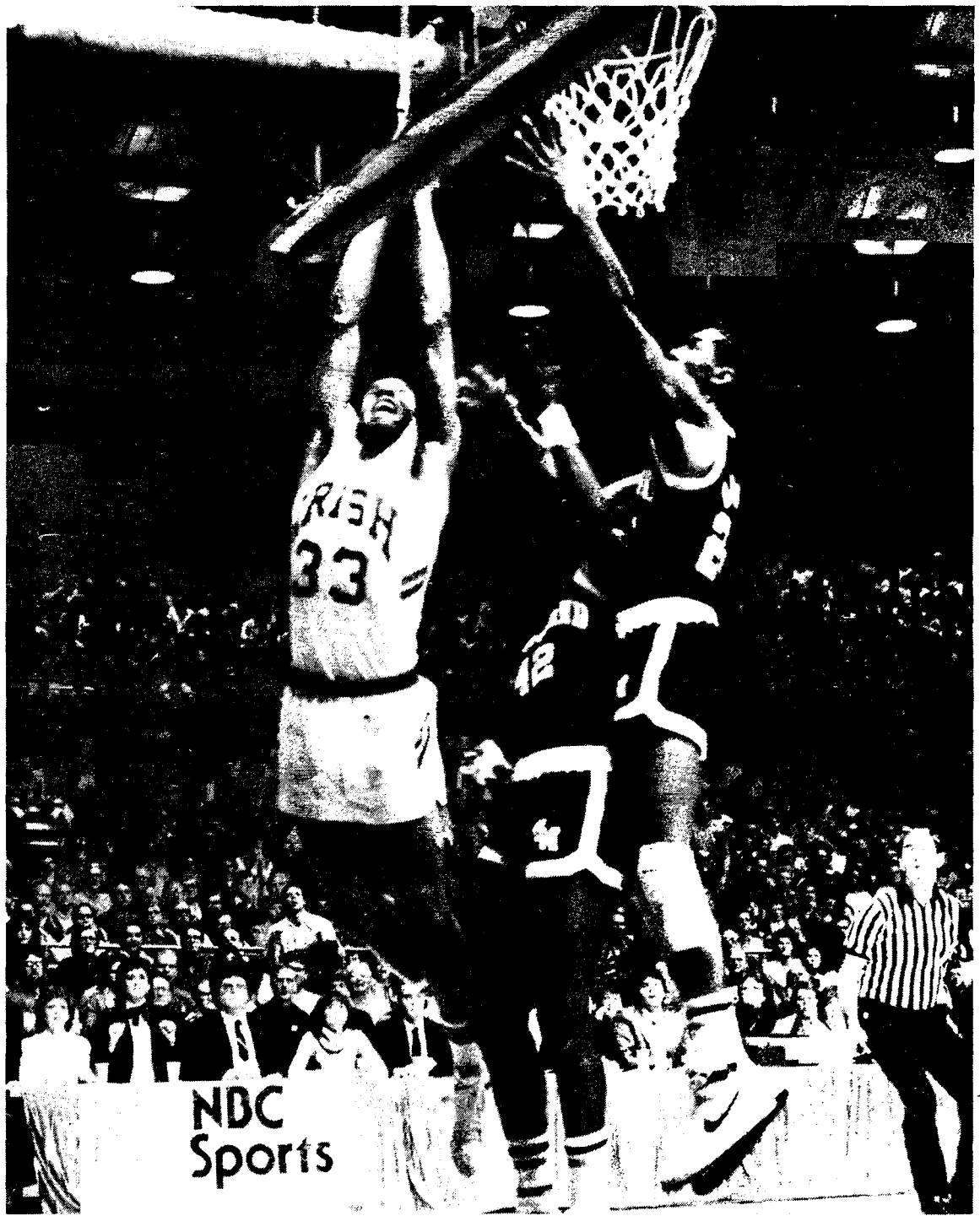
IN GENERAL:

Remember... Gerry Faust's grace under fire.

Remember... Allen Pinkett's class as all the attention was on Faust while he was breaking numerous records, including the all-time rushing record.

Remember... the thrilling moves of David Rivers. How could they be forgotten?

Remember... all your other fond memories which there weren't space for here.



Tom Sluby goes up for the winning basket in Notre Dame's 1984 52-47 upset victory over Maryland, just one of many Notre Dame moments during the past four years.

Track looks to IC4A's, Nationals

By PETE GEGEN
Sports Writer

Though the semester is over, the members of the Irish track squad are still looking ahead to the climax of their season.

Four big races still await the team. Next weekend six runners will travel to Villanova for the IC4A Championships. The Irish qualified Tony Ragunas and Phil Gilmore in the 100-meter dash, Robert Nobles nad John McNelis in the 800-meter run, Gary Le Kander in the triple jump and Van Percy in the 400-meter run. Jeff Van Wie also qualified in the 88, but a foot injury will keep him out of the race.

The team will then travel to Evanston, Ill., on May 30 for the Central Collegiate Conference Championships.

At least one runner's season will continue into the month of June. Jim Tyler has qualified for both the NCAA Championships and the TAC National Championships in the 1500-meter run. If Tyler places in the top six at the NCAAs, he would end up a two-time All-American. He achieved this honor in the indoor season as a member of the two-mile relay team.

Tyler knows that he can run better than his 3:42.16 qualifying time at the National Invitational.

"I hit the 1200 meter mark at 3:00, but I wanted to hit it at 2:57,"

he said. "I had to kick a lot harder at the end."

"I'm still working towards reaching my peak. I haven't hit it yet."

Tyler will face stiff competition at the NCAAs. One runner he will focus on is Terry Brahm of Indiana, who edged him by half a second in a race earlier this season.

The TAC Championships will feature the best runners in the nation, both collegiate and club. In this race Tyler hopes to make the finals, which would give him a shot at joining a club team after he graduates.

Two other runners, McNelis and

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