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THE INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER SERVING NOTRE DAME AND SAINT MARY'S Group led by Abu Nidal frees three hostages

PARIS (AP) - The Libyanbacked Palestinian group headed by Abu Nidal freed a French woman, a Belgian man and their young daughter Tuesday after holding them for nearly two and a half years.

The three arrived at a military airport outside Paris late Tuesday after a five-hour flight from Beirut, where they had been dropped off at the French Embassy by masked gunmen who arrived in cars with drawn curtains

Jacqueline Valente, 32, Fernand Houtekins, 43, and their 2-year-old daughter Sophie-Liberte, born in captivity, were met by jubilant relatives and French officials, but made no public statements. They were taken to a military hospital to spend their first night in freedom after 882 days in captivity.

Abu Nidal's group announced on Nov. 8, 1987, it had seized the hostages from the French vacht Silco in the

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Mediterranean off the Gaza Strip. It accused them of collaborating with Israel's Mossad intelligence agency. Friends said the group was on a holiday cruise.

The French government thanked Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadafi for his role in the release and said relations with Libya would improve. Gadafi last week called for the release of hostages as a humanitarian gesture.

The hostages, released by the Fatah-Revolutionary Council on Tuesday morning to French Embassy officials, used an executive jet in Beirut provided by the French government to fly to Villacoublay near Paris. Valente was the first to disembark, followed by Houtekins, holding their daughter in his arms.

The Fatah-Revolutionary Council has been blamed for scores of terrorist acts, including the December 1985 attacks on Rome and Vienna airports

that killed more than 20 people. Because the hostages were believed to have been held in Libya, the case is considered unrelated to the 18 Westerners, including eight Americans, held in Lebanon by pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem factions.

However, Fatah spokesman Walid Khaled denied assertions that the hostages had been held in Libya. Speaking at a news conference in Beirut, he said the hostages had been kept in Lebanon.

The State Department welcomed the release and called for freeing of other captives.

The release came a month after France returned to Libya three French-made Mirage jet fighters that had been in France for repairs since 1986. The return of the planes was blocked by an embargo imposed when Libya and France backed opposing sides during

the civil war in Chad.

In December, Libya, pressing for delivery of the aircraft, closed its ports to French ships.

Gadafi said Tuesday that Abu Nidal's group was "distancing" itself from its terrorist reputation by releasing the hostages, Libya's official news agency JANA reported.

Last week, Gadafi urged the release of hostages in the Middle East as a gesture for Ramadan, the Islamic holy month. He singled out Valente.

Gadafi has supported Abu Nidal, who, along with some of his followers, has been convicted of terrorist attacks abroad. The Libyan leader is believed to have allowed him to live near the Libyan capital, Tripoli.

Houtekins said after his release that four members of his family still held by the terrorist group are well.

'They have morale. They are

holding firm," he said, adding, 'We expected our freedom, we knew it was coming one day. The day of our freedom has arrived. For those who stay behind, we keep hoping."

"I embrace all my family. I am well, and the little one also," Valente told French reporters.

Only two French news organizations were given access to the hostages.

The hostages refused to discuss conditions of their captivity or where they were held. They did not mention a second child born in captivity in 1989.

French Ambassador Rene Ala said Valente told him the boy died recently of problems with his digestive system.

A police spokesman said French officials "apparently had advance notice of the release. Ala was waiting at a cement outpost manned by

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Family finally freed

AP File Photo

Panel debates racist views at ND By PETER AMEND

News Writer

Flanner Pit was packed full predominantly by ethic minority students as Yan Searcy, organizer of the discussion, said the point of the meeting was to discuss racism openly and that it was not to turn into a shouting match.

The discussion was a continuation of the one which had followed the movie "Do the Right Thing" in February.

Searcy introduced a panel of students which represented many of the ethnic groups present at ND. This panel consisted of Rod West, Gina Perez, Estevan Herrera, Sean O'Brien, Jill Poyadue, and Maeve O'Donovan. Two panelists did not show up.

The panelists opened the discussion by giving their personal definitions of racism and then questions from the audience were addressed. In his definition of racism. O'Brien said the

idea that "blacks can't be racist" is racist propaganda. Many African American students retorted his statement. One student said blacks cannot be racist in America because they have no power to enact racism.

This discussion brought up the issue on the difference between prejudice and racism. There was a general consensus among the audience that everyone has prejudices, but these prejudices become racism only if the group of people hold power.

Next, someone in the audience asked the panel to address the subtler forms of racism. West said institutional racism is a form that definitely affects the educational opportunities of minorities. The SAT test was used as an example because it is geared toward a white, middle class America.

Many students in the audience said that ND offers unreat perspectives on the minorities' reality. "We are the gifted 10 percent who get into college," said West. "We must remember the 90 percent who are not seen.

Searcy said that while it is easier for a white man to remain indifferent to the inherent discrimination in America, minorities are constantly reminded of their identity and it is impossible to forget their history in the context of racism.

Finally a comment in relation to Spike Lee's movie "Do the Right Thing" was brought up. In regard to a statement O'Brien made in a recent Observer editorial questioning the realism of Lee's movie, a student said, "seeing Charles Bronson play Moses is unrealistic to me.

The issue of tokenism was taken up in response to

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Gorbachev backs off hard line after blasting Lithuania

Jacqueline Valente from France was freed early Tuesday with her

Belgian husband Fernand Houtekins and their daughter Sophie-Liberte

in Beirut by fatah-CR. They were detained since Nov. 8. 1987.

MOSCOW (AP) - One day after issuing a harsh new warning to Lithuanian separatists, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev backed off the tough line Tuesday by declaring he does not yet see a need to impose presidential rule.

Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis, responding to the severe tone of Monday's declaration by the Kremlin, sent a telegram to Gorbachev saying he feared that "ultrarightist imperial forces are compelling you to take a wrong step: to continue the wrongs of the 1940s in the Baltics.

'In the name of peace, justice and corcord on earth, do not do this ' he wrote.

He v as referring to the Soviet occur ation and forced annexation of the three Baltic republics — Lithuania, Estonia, and Latvia - in 1940. Since March 11, when

Lithuania declared its independence restored, the Kremlin has repeatedly alternated between threatening and conciliatory tones. On several occasions, threatening military movements were followed by kinder words. Speaking Tuesday at a Young Communist League congress in Moscow, Gorbachev said presi-

dential rule would be used only as an extreme measure during a civil conflict, the Tass news agency said. He said Soviet leaders are still trying to persuade Lithuanians to rescind their declaration of independence.

Presidential rule could include martial law and dissolving Lithuania's parliament. It was elected in March and is Lithuania's first freely elected parliament in 50 years.

However, in a meeting Tues-

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Young Frankensteins?

Juniors Shane Gillespie and Chris Pastega try to create a windtunnel, not a monster, as they do a lab for AE 442L in Fitzpatrick Hall of Engineering on Tuesday.

INSIDE COLUMN

Baseball not pastime of all Americans

Baseball is back. Or so all the headlines read. The players are ready, Management is ready. The fans are Yet, in the ready. midst of all this readiness, I have only one thing to say: Bah humbug.



Managing Editor

John O'Brien

Yes, that's right. Baseball is back and I

really could care less. You see, I hate baseball and everything about it. Now before you brand me as an un-American, flagburning, commie-lovin', herbal tea-drinking liberal, hear my side of the story.

I grew up on the South Side of Chicago which gives me the horrible birth defect of being a Sox fan. I've lived my entire life listening to Harry Caray slobber over his mike and his beer and get the names of all the players on THAT OTHER TEAM wrong.

Why, you ask, didn't I just turn the game off? Because everyone seems to think that they are "cute" and "cuddly" and sooo North Side, and thus, they are broadcast 25-hours a day. Besides, did you expect me to watch the Sox get pummeled? Hah. I'd rather watch the Cubs get pummeled anytime. One time I told Ryne Sandberg he stunk and he got so mad that he hit me with his purse. But I'd better lay off them.

My real problem with baseball stems from the fact that I have no talent at it. I played on three Little League teams that went 0-18, 1-17, and 2-16. At least we were consistent, huh?

I played every single position on the field, including pitcher. In my pitching debut, I hit three guys with pitches, one guy twicein the same inning. THE FIRST INNING. By the time I left, I had pitched 2/3 innings, given up eight runs, and walked many. According to Greg Guffey, our Sports Editor, these stats are "Not Good."

So my trauma with "America's pastime" began early. But it continued as I grew up. One thing that alarms me is the frequency with which major leaguers spit and grab their crotch, on national T.V. Don't get me wrong, fellas, I like to spit and grab as much as any red-blooded, flag-lovin', Godfearing American male should.

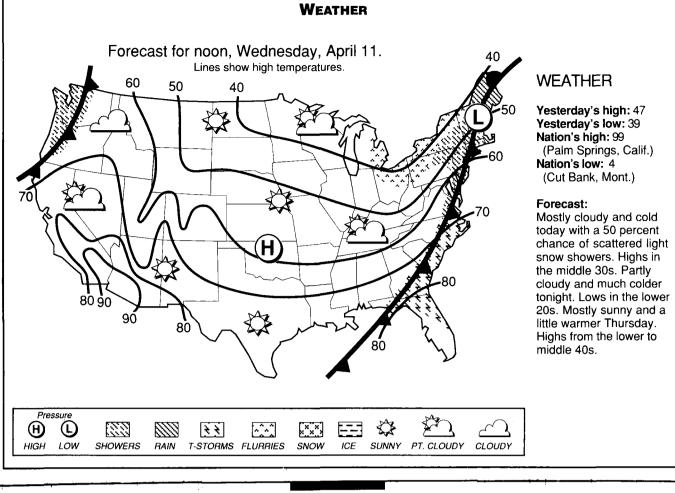
I just think that these guys will be in trouble if they ever have to get a real job. Imagine, say Wade Boggs, as a lawyer.

Boggs: Ladies and gentleman of the jury [scratch, grab, adjust].

Judge: Mr. Boggs, are you okay?

Boggs: I'm okay, [spitting a brown fluid on the court recorder] just a little fallout from the whole 'sex-scandal' thing [scratch].

So Coach Murphy, please hold your troops back. I think it's fine that you guys love your sport so much. I have just had enough traumatic experiences with baseball to cause me eternal pain and suffering. As a peace offering, let me send over some Skoal and some Cruex and we'll call it even. Okav? The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.



OF INTEREST

A slide show on El Salvador will be presented today at 7 p.m. in the CSC. The Romero March in San Salvador and the current investigation into the deaths of the six Jesuits will be addressed.

The Charity Ball meeting has been rescheduled for tonight at 7 p.m. outside Sorin Room in LaFortune. Tomorrow night's meeting has been cancelled.

The class of 1991 can pick up applications today for Senior Class Board at the student government secretary's office on the second floor of LaFortune.

There are additional openings for senior men in the Holy Cross Associate Volunteers Program as a result of a new house just opening. Please contact Mary Ann Roemer in the CSC at 239-7949 if you are interested.

The last day to spend the Student Activities Fee for all clubs is Thursday, April 12. If you need to spend money after this date, you must stop by the treasurer's office on the second floor of LaFortune where special arrangements can be made.

The hospitality lunch at the CSC tomorrow has been cancelled. The next lunch will be Thursday, April 19.

St. Clara's Church in the inner city of Chicago would like a volunteer(s) to help with a parish census due to the merger of two parishes. Room and board will be provided at the rectory. For further information call Sue Cunningham at 239-7867 or stop by the CSC.

CAMPUS

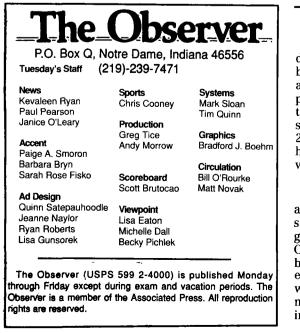
Cyrus Rowlett Smith, an aviation pioneer, died at age 90 on April 4. Smith was the first chief executive of American Airlines and was a longtime friend of Father Theodore Hesburgh, president emeritus of Notre Dame. He was a former member of the College of Business Administration, a recipient of an honorary doctor of laws degree from Notre Dame in 1968 and the donor of the C.R. Smith endowed chair in the College of Business Administration.

Beginning this Thursday, the East Gate on Juniper Road will be in operation on a 24-hour basis. Vehicles with proper authorization will be allowed to use the gate as an alternate entrance to the campus in addition to the Main Gate. The use of the gate on a 24hour basis will be more convenient for public safety, since both the Security and Fire Departments will have better access to the campus. It will reduce response time and improve service for a larger area of the campus.

WORLD

Rival gangs of prisoners fought each other with prison on Tuesday and six inmates were killed in the three-hour fracas, the warden said. Warden Miguel Gar-cia said the battle was touched off "by old feuds for leadership in the prison.

The state-owned shipyard where workers knives and sharpened iron rods in a western Venezuela founded the Solidarity labor movement in Poland will be transferred to private ownership by selling shares to employees and the public, its manager announced Tuesday. The fate of the shipyard in the northern port of Gdansk had been uncertain since October 1988, when Poland's



then-Communist government announced plans to close it.

ALMANAC

On April 11:

• In 1689: William III and Mary II were crowned as joint sovereigns in Britain, two months after their reign had begun as part of the "Glorious Revolution" that deposed James II.

● In 1814: Napolean Bonaparte abdicated as emperor of France and was banished to the island of Elba.

● In 1951: President Truman relieved Gen. Douglas MacArthur of his command in the Far East.

• In 1970: Apollo 13 blasted off on its ill-fated mission to the moon.

• In 1981: President Reagan returned to the White House, 12 days after he was wounded in an assassination attempt.

Officials at a Fort Wayne high school are defending their strip search of about a dozen boys in a body building class during a search for a missing watch. John Weicker, assistant to the principal. said he was within his rights to conduct the strip searches of some Northrop High School students while looking for a \$200 watch March 29. "All the kids who were searched volunteered." he said. "One kid, in private, said no, and he wasn't searched.'

INDIANA

Some state employees will wear greenand-white arm bands to work Wednesday to show Gov. Evan Bayh they want collective bargaining rights. The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees mailed the armbands to nearly 30,000 non-management employees last Friday. The union hopes 50 percent of the workers will participate. The arm bands bear the message "Band Together for Collective Bargaining - April 11, 1990."



Psychology professor mentions being, non-being in 'Last Words'

By LIZ HOLTZ News Writer

As part of the Student Government series titled "Famous Last Words," professor Daniel Lapsley answered the question, "If you knew you were going to die tomorrow, what would you say tonight?" at Theodore's Tuesday.

Lapsley, an assistant professor in the Psychology Department, said, "I do not believe it is morbid to think about death, and I offer these remarks with an endless dose of humility."

He mentioned the death of Ryan White and how the young man taught us how to confront hatred and still maintain good will towards others.

Lapsley confronted topics such as the difference between being and non-being, anxiety, necessity of commitment, finding one's identity and what type of education a Catholic university should provide.

"A man is the particular being who must be aware of and responsible for himself if he is to become a self. Therefore, our being doesn't unfold automatically and we can choose not to be," said Lapsley. Lapsley also said, "A person cannot have being or self-hood without confronting non-being. Death will arrive at some unknown time in the future."

He said that human beings anticipate death and each funeral they attend is a dress rehearsal for their own. "Death is not the only form of non-being in our existence. There are so many little dyings, it is hard to know which one is death.,"said Lapsley.

He said that life becomes tragic if we waste our lives because we don't have a second chance to make things right.

He said, "Anxiety occurs at the point where some emerging possibility faces you and there is a risk. It gives the opportunity to forsake new possibilities ... therefore we stand at the threshold. We are unable to be ourselves, but also unable to become what we must be."

According to Lapsley there are two kinds of committment: conditional and unconditional.

"Conditional committments are ordinary things of life that guide us in our decisions of marriage, ambition, careers and education. These are defeasable because each can be overridden," said Lapsley. "Unconditional commitments are so fundamental that they cannot be overridden by any conditions. If we overrule these, we put lasting psychological damage upon ourselves."

Lapsley said, "Do the things you think deeply about and those things which preoccupy you."

Lapsley said that many of us are considered conditionally committed Christians. It is just one more thing that we are within our self. He said the Catholic church is partly to blame for this.

"The church recognizes only two sacramental callings. What about our ordinary lives?" questioned Lapsley.

Lapsley said, "A Catholic education should provide content where we trade ordinary items for unconditional commitments, because otherwise it isn't any different from other universities."

Lapsley said, "If I stay true to my unconditional committments, I can say I was true to myself."



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Daniel Lapsley, assistant professor of psychology, tells an audience in Theodore's Tuesday night what he would have to say if he knew he would die the next day. The "Famous Last Words" lecture series is sponsored by the Student Government.

Holy Cross drops the 'Junior' from its name

Special to The Observer

The President and Board of Trustees of Holy Cross Junior College announced that as of July 1, 1990, the College will be known as Holy Cross College as a result of official action by the Board of Trustees.

The College will remain a two-year institution and continue its current academic program.

"The change in our name is consistent with national trends in two-year colleges," said Brother David Naples, president of the college. "It reflects the fact that our curriculum is of high quality and offers confidence and strength to students who are considering Holy Cross as a starting point for their post-secondary studies."

The name change is a result of extensive consideration by the Board of Trustees. The recommendation for the name change originated in a committee established through the long range planning process. The Trustees adopted the resolution for the name change on October 20, 1989.

CLASS OF 1992

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Freedom riders

AP Photo

Jubilant Nepalese ride through the streets of Katmandu Monday, waving opposition Congress party flags and shouting "freedom" after Nepal's King Birendra announced an end to the 29-year-old ban on political parties and the abolition of a partyless system in the Himalayan Kingdom

_ecturer claims that El Salvador's warring factions are able to work out differences

By JOHN FISCHER News Writer

Peace between warring factions in El Salvador is a possibility, Rita Kopczynski said in a lecture Tuesday.

The lecture. titled "Reflections on the Current Situations in El Salvador," dealt with Kopczynski's recent trip to Santa Cruz, El Salvador, and her discussions with various people living there as to the political tone in that country at the present time.

Kopczynski, assistant director for the Institute of International Peace Studies at Notre Dame, remarked on the fighting of recent months involving the military and the FMLN, the

leftist resistance movement. She said that during the fighting, the military had occupied an orphanage and threatened to blow up a full church.

Despite the fighting, Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani is said to be willing to negotiate, as is the FMLN, which "has declared a moratorium on such actions as car bombing and assassination of mayors" by the far left, according to Kopczyn-

She said, however, that if the talks do not achieve anything, to Cristiani's efforts.

Kopczynski said that the military was still engaging in torture of citizens, describing graphically an episode involving a woman who was forced to put her head in a plastic sack filled with lye.

She also said that the military was also buying land in the hopes of establishing a bank. Its holdings currently exceed that of the Fourteen Families, the former aristocratic regime in El Salvador.

Santa Cruz, the Salvadoran village visited by Kopczynski, has been selected by the Institute to receive aid and to maintain relations with Notre Dame.

the FMLN may launch another offensive. Meanwhile, there is fear of a right-wing backlash HPC voices its support for Student Govt.

By FRANK RIVERA News Writer

The Hall Presidents' Council Tuesday night agreed unanimously to support the recommendations of the Student Government report suggesting numerous changes in the all-hall semi-formal policy.

The proposal recommended that "the University should reevaluate its commitment to the recommendations of the Task Force on Whole Health and the Use and Abuse of Alcohol."

Some of the policy changes have been adopted, but the

the year-long report, submitted the proposal to the HPC, presented background information and answered questions concerning the report.

report on alcohol and hall semi-formals

The Student Government resolution was submitted to the Office of Student Affairs on Monday and will be submitted to the Campus Life Council April 18.

Freshman Orientation committee member Greg Swihura asked each hall president to submit the names of the respective hall Freshman Orientation commissioners by Thursday.

ordinators.

The coordinators will meet with the commissioners April 17 to attempt to complete the planning before the end of the spring semester, said Swihura. Julie Wright, Year of the-

Woman Committee member. suggested that each hall appoint a "Year of" commissioner in order to promote hall involvement in such events.

In other business, the HPC elected three representatives to Student Senate. Charlie James, Jim McCarthy and Ted Stump^f

Applications for the offices of

Walesa announces his intention to run for presidency of Poland

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Solidarity leader Lech Walesa was quoted Tuesday as saying he will run for president in the next election.

The report by the government news agency PAP could not immediately be confirmed with Walesa or his spokesman. Aides and colleagues of the Solidarity leader have long been saying he is considering a presidential bid.

Jaroslaw Kaczynski, a close associate of Walesa's and editor of the Solidarity Weekly newspaper, said the leader's comments to PAP should only be "understood as a general declaration, not connected with present events." "I confirm," PAP quoted

Walesa as saying when asked if he would run for president. "We have many wise and valuable people in government, holding various posts. However, one must speed up the pace of reforms and destroy the old arrangements.

President Wojciech Jaruzelski, the general and former **Communist Party leader elected** by Parliament in July, officially is to serve a six-year term until 1995

However, there is widespread belief that the next presidential election will be moved up as part of an overhaul of the Polish Constitution.

The most likely time for elections appears to be spring 1991, when Poland would be marking the 200th anniversary of its first written constitution.

Nothing in his remarks on PAP indicated when Walesa thought the election might be, and Kaczynski suggested the leader was not talking about an immediate presidential campaign.

'Nobody is talking about the date for elections or about starting any procedures," he said. "He just states the certain fact" that he will run when Jaruzelski leaves offices.

"This should be understood as a general declaration, not connected with current events,' Kaczynski added.

Kaczynski said Walesa is committed to winning re-election as Solidarity's chairman next week, when the union holds its first national congress in nine years.

"I will run in the election and you know that when I run I want to win," Walesa told the Solidarity Executive Commission on Tuesday in Gdansk. "And I count on your support."

Walesa is expected to be challenged by union members who feel Solidarity has strayed from its ideals of 1980, putting politics ahead of trade-union goals like defending workers' interests. A long-time Walesa critic, Marian Jurczyk of Szczecin, has formed a rival faction called Solidarity '80.

Jaruzelski was elected president at a time when Poland was the only East bloc country to have a legal opposition and to be making such bold moves toward democracy.

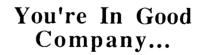
Jaruzelski was to serve as a guarantee to the Soviet Union and Poland's Warsaw Pact allies that Poland would do nothing to upset the East bloc alliance.

However, that purpose has changed with the fall of communists from power in all six Warsaw Pact countries except the Soviet Union. More radical reformers in Poland feel it is time to oust Jaruzelski in order to speed up changes in the country.

Jaruzelski also has his advocates in the Solidarity-led government and Parliament. They feel that as president, he has behaved with restraint and shown good cooperation with Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

Elections now would be a divisive distraction from coping with the country's pressing economic problems, they say.

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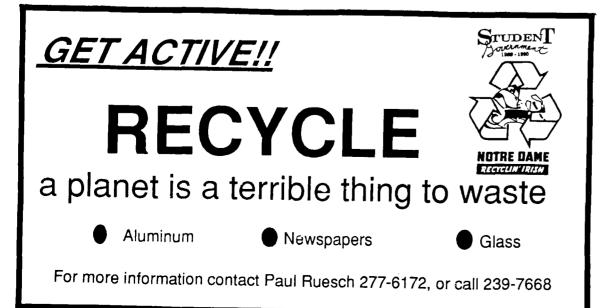
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You're in good company if you're gay, lesbian, or bisexual. Throughout history -- a history that has traditionally been abusive and oppressive towards gay people -- there are still a

more important changes recommended by the committee have been ignored, according to the report.

Mike Carrigan, chairman of

According to Swihura, the committee is behind and needs the names of the commissioners to be submitted to the north and south quad orientation coHPC Executive Coordinator and and Secretary will be available April 17 in the HPC office in LaFortune and will be due by April 23.



number of famous people in every field who happened to be gay.

Growing up gay is tough enough for a kid, but with no positive gay role models, the search for a good self identity can be depressingly difficult.

History has done its best to prevent gay people from advancing, but when a gay person does achieve prominence, his or her homosexuality is often ignored completely.

The people to the left are or were gay. Over one thousand students, faculty, and staff on these campuses are gay. If you're one of them, write or call us for more information.

Gays and Lesbians at Notre Dame/St. Mary's College Post Office Box 194 Notre Dame, IN 46556 or call James (283-4256) or Mike (283-2045)

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Professor claims high school grades are generally ignored by American employers

By CLAIRE ROBINSON News Writer

Corporations in the United States tend to overlook the academic performances of their job applicants when hiring high school graduates, said James Rosenbaum, a professor of sociology at Northwestern University.

According to Rosenbaum, grades are very good predictors for a high school graduate's performance during his or her first year on the job, as well as good predictors for the student's salary later on in his career.

In a lecture he gave Tuesday at the Center for Continuing Education, he said that, in the United States, employers consider grades an important factor when hiring college graduates, but unimportant when hiring students who received only a secondary school education.

Rosenbaum has studied the link between high school per-

formance and early jobs of high school graduates in both the United States and Japan. He compared the two countries because of their similar school systems, enrollment rates, and industrialization levels.

In Japan, secondary schools provide much more support for post-graduation employment than in the U.S. Japanese schools have special relationships with large corporations, which recruit at particular schools. In turn, the school prescreens all applicants by selecting nominees to apply for the positions, he said.

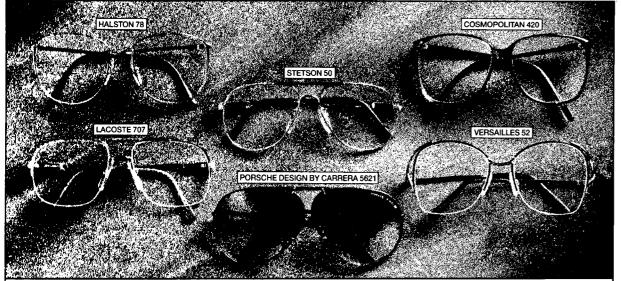
Much of the competition for jobs takes place before the student actually enters the job market. Employers place emphasis primarily upon academic excellence in Japan, said Rosenbaum.

In contrast, secondary schools in the United States have little to do with postgraduate employment. Companies which hire students rarely re-

quest to see the applicant's high school transcript. If they do, they focus more upon the student's extracurricular activities and attendance of classes than upon his grades. As a result. students tend to concentrate upon what is expected of them in order to receive a diploma, not to earn good grades, he explained.

"We have created a situation where the incentives are all wrong," said Rosenbaum. "It is somewhat remarkable to me that this insignificant effect of grades upon employment has not been noticed before.'

Rosenbaum resolved that schools and corporations need a system similar to that of Japan, which would "create linkages in which employers reward grades with better jobs." Since high school grades are in fact good predictors for first year job performance, employers should have better access to and give more consideration to high school grades.

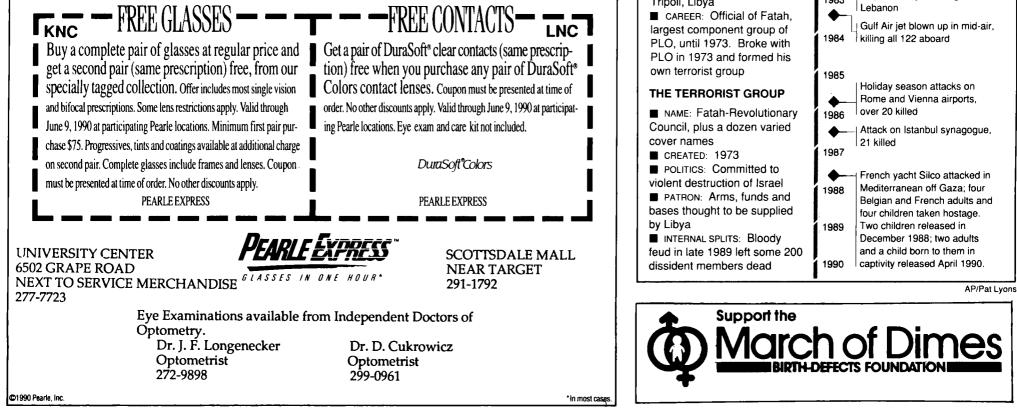


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Peruvian presidential candidate

AP Photo

'(The release's) real value will be appreciated in the future

of relations between France and Libya," Dumas said with-out elaborating.

In Brussels, Foreign Minister

Mark Eyskens said he hoped

the release "can be considered as a testimony of good faith

concerning the release of the

The Abu Nidal group still holds Houtekins' brother Em-

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1981

Alberto Fujimori, 51, son of Japanese immigrants, and presidential candidate of the independent Cambio 90, breaks a brick with a karate chop. Fujimori, who was virtually unknown one month ago. took second place in presidential elections to force a run-off with famed novelist, Mario Llosa.

Hostages

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French Marine guards near the main gate" of the West Beirut compound.

In Beirut, the Fatah-Revolutionary spokesman said, "Direct talks between our movement and the French side have resulted in an agreement on their release." Khaled did not elaborate.

There was no evidence of any deal, but French President Francois Mitterrand personally thanked Gadafi for "the determining role he played in the happy ending of this affair."

Foreign Minister Roland Dumas praised what he called Gadafi's "noble" gesture.

Who is Abu Nidal?

THE MAN

- REAL NAME: Sabri al-Banna BORN: About 1937 in Jaffa, British Palestine (now located
 - in Israel) BASE: Thought to live near
 - Tripoli, Libya

1982 Shot and wounded Israeli ambassador in London; Israel responded by invading 1983

attacks, including:

Faculty debate over confidentiality, deans on Athletic Board

By KATE MANUEL News Writer

Concerns about whether deans, associate deans, and assistant deans should represent faculty interests on the Faculty Board in Control of Athletics and about the degree to which FBCA proceedings should be open to faculty observation surfaced at Tuesday's meeting of the Faculty Senate.

Steven Fallon, an assistant professor in the Program of Liberal Studies and a member of the Student Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate, proposed an amendment to Article IV of the Academic Articles that would specify that the Faculty Board in Control of Athletics consist of "eight members from the faculty, excluding deans, associate deans, and assistant deans".

In urging acceptance of this resolution, Fallon said, "There are only five non-dean faculty members on a board that was supposed to have eight."

Mario Borelli, associate professor of Mathematics, suggested that the amendment specify the manner in which members of the board are elected rather than explicitly exclude deans. He said, "to eliminate deans just because they are deans is to exclude people like assistant chairs for being assistant chairs; it is wrong to isolate people for this reason."

Fallon responded to Borelli's suggestion by saying, "The deans strike some as a swing group; faculty, under the dean level, is under-represented on a board meant to accommodate them and give them a voice."

He said that deans have access to the Administration in daily meetings while other faculty members have no access to the Administration other than membership on the FBCA.

This resolution, one of three resolutions introduced at this meeting, was tabled until the next meeting of the Faculty Senate.

A second resolution, which said that the Faculty Senate ask the president's office to review the articles for the composition of the FBCA and comply with them, had been passed at the Faculty Senate meeting in March.

The third resolution asked that "the blanket seal of confidentiality be lifted, that meetings of the FBCA be made open to the faculty except in cases involving "the amateur standing of individual students, academic delinquency, serious disciplinary offense or violation of University athletic regulations, the approval of captains and student managers of all University teams, and the winners of monograms."

Borelli supported this resolution by saying, "I don't look too much to the title Faculty Board in Control of Athletics. I'm beginning to get the feeling that the FBCA is a bit of a misnomer and an oxymoron. But there is an interrelation between academics and athletics when a poorly prepared high school student comes in or when a student is unable to participate in a sport for academic deficiencies. I don't know of any other way as a faculty member to see how athletic decisions are made."

F. Ellen Weaver, an associate professional specialist and assistant chair of Theology, spoke on the issue of who can be considered special faculty and what the criteria are for promoting special faculty members.

Weaver, and her colleagues on the Committee on Special Faculty, defined special faculty as "those professional, assistant professional, and staff specialists who make a direct and significant contribution to the academic life of the University through teaching and research."



Remembering the dead

AP Photo

A British soldier stands beside a massive water-filled crater which cuts the road in two, after a landmine exploded under an Ulster Defence regiment vehicle near Downpatrick Monday, killing the four soldiers on board. The wreckage of the Land Rover can be seen in the field at center left. The Irish Republican Army claimed responsibility for the explosion.

Bush praises Gadafi for his role in release of hostages in Palestine

TORONTO (AP) — President Bush on Tuesday complimented Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadafi for an apparently positive role in the release of three European hostages but said major differences with Libya remain.

Bush said he didn't know if the release had implications for U.S. hostages being held, but called anew for their release as "a manifestation of good will."

The president, during a question-and-answer session with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, was asked about the action by a Libyan-backed Palestinian group in freeing a French woman, a Belgian man and their young daughter Tuesday after holding them for nearly 2 1/2 years.

The three arrived in Paris on Tuesday after a five-hour flight from Beirut, where they had been dropped off at the French Embassy by masked gunmen.

Gadafi last week called for the release of hostages as a humanitarian gesture.

"Look, who am I to argue on this case? If somebody can help free one hostage, any person held against his or her will, give that person credit," Bush said.

"A person deserves credit for facilitating the release of people held against their will anywhere in the world, I would certainly say fine, give the person credit," Bush said, while saying he didn't "know enough about the facts of this release."

"If this individual, Col. Gadafi, had a part in it, I would say that's very positive. But we've got some major differences with Libya that continue to exist," Bush said.

The president said said he did not know whether the release "has any implications at all" as it related to the eight U.S. hostages in Lebanon, including Terry Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent of The Associated Press, who has been held more than five years.

"A few weeks ago, there was a flurry of understandable excitement about the release of these people," Bush said. "And I had difficulty understanding where was all this coming from? What's driving this news flurry?"

"And I still don't know the answer to that."

But, he added, "I would just repeat that good will begets good will. And a manifestation of good will would be the release of these American hostages."

Racism

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O'Brien's claim that there are numerous black leaders in American government and industry. John Paul Checkett, president of the Anti-Apartheid Network, said minorities are forced to lose their culture and adopt the white mainstream ideology in order to gain powerful positions in America. Gina Perez pointed out that the discussion was heavily leaning on the pronoun "he" and that we should keep in mind that sexism is equally as disrespectful as bigotry

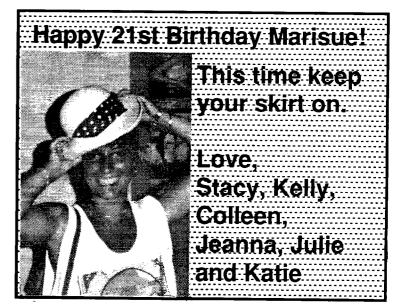
Searcy asked the panel why they were proud of their race. Many panelists said that they were most proud of their strong cultures which endured the inordinate attempts of America to water down their heritage. Herrera said "blood is blood" and "brotherhood" acts as a solace for him in our ignorant society. Searcy noted that the panelists focused on their families' traditions instead of the color of their skin.

The discussion then focused

West and many others said that the birthright of white skin should not be a criteria for an authoritative position. He said the insinuation that the minority candidates are selected due only to their race is blatant discrimination.

The discussion ended with ideas on how to approach the problem of racism on campus. The three main points the panel suggested are:

Education to overcome the fear and unfamiliarity of other races;
Emphasize Christ's love of humanity;
Create effective means of communication to discuss racism openly.



on racism at Notre Dame in particular as Searcy opened a debate on the statement "When ND gives positions to minorities, they take away from more qualified white people."



Matt likes to *"Bust it"* in his BVD'S Have a Super-

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Mongolia's Communist party calls for reforms to maintain its power

ULAN BATOR, Mongolia (AP) The Communist Party opened a hastily called congress Tuesday with a call for reform to maintain its 70-year-old grip on power in the face of a growing pro-democracy movement.

"It means a radical transformation of party structure, of its internal relations, its principles of activity and methods of work," General Secre-tary Gombojavyn Ochirbat told the 926 delegates.

"Sluggish reaction to the new situation will amount to suicide," he said in an hour-long televised speech.

The congress is expected to last three days, during which delegates are charged with meeting the challenge from new opposition groups who have organized massive protests.

The organizations were inspired by the collapse of Communist parties in Eastern Europe and reform in the Soviet Union. Mongolia, which lies between China and the Soviet Union, has long been a satellite of Moscow.

The Mongolian Parliament on March 23 abolished the Communist Party's monopoly on power and approved of elections with more than one candidate. Elections are tentatively scheduled for July.

The move followed the Soviet Communist Party's move to give up its monopoly on power.

Ochirbat told the congress the time has come to end dictatorial party control over trade unions, religion, art, science and mass organizations.

But he said the police force and army should remain in party hands.

Opposition groups have demanded the army serve the government, not the ruling party.

Ochirbat also said the party does not want to adopt capitalism, even though it favors introducing market-style economic reform.

"The renovated (party) will ... uphold Marxist-Leninist ideas and apply Marxist-Leninist methodology," he said. He also reaffirmed the impor-

tance of Mongolia's ties to the Soviet Union, which some opposition groups say has ruled their country like a colony since Mongolia won independence from China in 1921.

The party, formally called the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party, responded last month to opposition demonstrations by ousting General Secretary Jambyn Batmon and four fellow members of the party's ruling Politburo.

The current congress will elect a new Central Committee, which may again change the Politburo and general secretary. However, several congress delegates expressed support

Tuesday for keeping the 61year-old Ochirbat. He has been well-received by the public because he was out of favor under Mongolia's former dictator, Yumjaagiyn Tsedenbal.

Some delegates also suggested that most of the current 146 Central Committee members be replaced by younger, better-educated people.

Ochirbat said in an interview published Tuesday that he thinks his party can win legislative elections in July.

"We think people have confidence in a party that has led the country to progress over the past 70 years," he said in an interview with the Japanese television network NHK. It was published in the Communist party newspaper, Unen. The party, which receives about \$6.6 million from the government each year, has pledged to become self-financing. But its assets still far exceed those of the opposition parties, most of which lack even offices and telephones.

The government effectively banned opposition protests during the congress. It decreed over the weekend that applications for any demonstrations must be submitted a week in advance, and that demonstrations that might disrupt public life will not be permitted.



Remembering Georgia

AP Photo

A group of women lights candles Monday at Moscow's Georgian church to mark the first anniversary of a clash between soldiers and peaceful protesters in the Georgian capital Tbilisi.

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Lithuania

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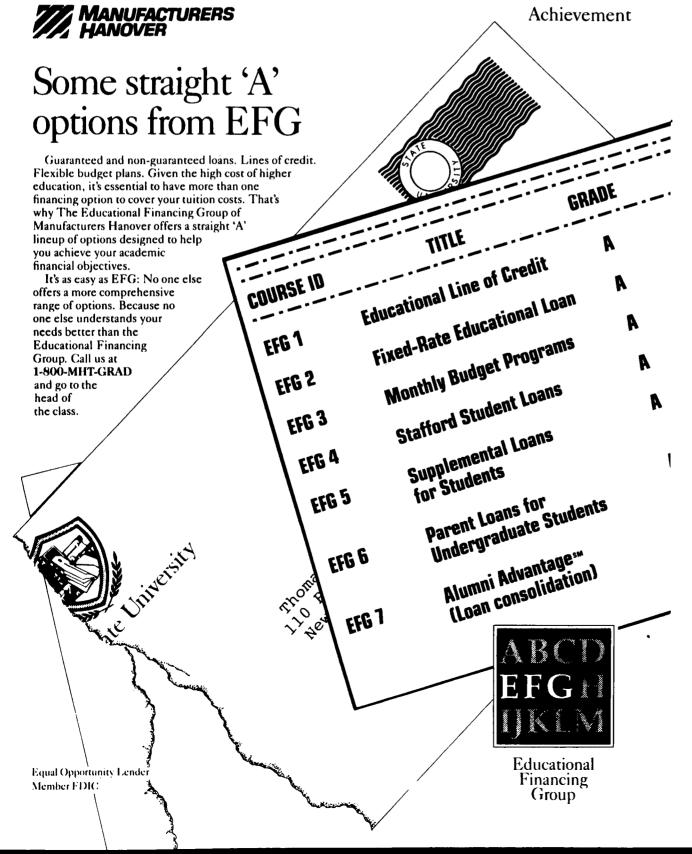
day with British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, Gorbachev said, "The adventurist actions of the current leadership can cost the Lithuanian people themselves, the Soviet Union and world peace dearly.

'We display the maximum political goodwill, although it is increasingly harder to do,' Tass quoted the Soviet leader as saying.

In the latest Soviet show of strength, several tanks rolled through Gediminas Square in the center of Vilnius, the Lithuanian capital, overnight Monday, according to Eduardas Potasinskas of Lithuanian television.

SECURITY BEAT FRIDAY, APRIL 6

Three cars were involved in an accident on Douglas Road near US 33 during the morning. A Pangborn Hall resident reported the theft of his car stereo from his parked car in the C-1 lot. A Holy Cross Hall res



a tire cover taken from his car while parked in the D-6 Lot sometime between 3/31/90 and 4/6/90.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

A Walsh Hall resident reported the theft of her bicyle.

A South Bend resident reported the loss of a wallet during Ice Capades Show of April 7th.

A Schaumburg, Ill., resident was arrested by campus security for drunk drivina

A Sarasota, Fla., resident was cited by campus security for speeding on Juniper Rd. during the evening.

An Evanston, III., resident was cited by campus security for disregarding an automatic signal at Juniper and Dorr during the evening.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

A South Bend resident was arrested near Pasquerilla East in the early hours of the morning for public intoxication.

MONDAY, APRIL 9

A Notre Dame student reported the theft of her coat from North Dining Hall, Campus security apprehended two juveniles from South Bend near Dillon Hall in connection with several bike thefts.

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Art Director.....

EDITORIAL Women should be able to assume combat roles

There are more than 200,000 women in America's active-duty armed forces, ten percent of the two million total, but a 1948 law prevents them from being assigned permanently to Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps combat units, according to a March 21 Chicago Tribune article.

The law does not extend to the Army, but in accordance with long standing Army regulations, women are excluded from assignment to infantry, tank and artillery battalions.

Many will argue that women are not physically and emotionally prepared to participate in combat units, but women who choose careers in the military are fully aware of the responsibilities as well as the benefits of such careers.

"Denying me this opportunity contradicts all ideals of equality," said Deborah Lasocki, a Notre Dame student and a Corps Commander of the Air Force ROTC. She would like to be an F-16 test engineer, but a law forbids her from this job solely because of her gender.

Women are different today and they cannot continue to be banned by law from opportunities they are qualified to undertake. Greater educational opportunities have allowed women to develop stronger intellects, and it has become socially acceptable for them to excel in athletics in order to maintain physical fitness.

Qualified women are ready to participate in combat and laws should be changed to ensure that women in America's active duty armed forces are able to join their male counterparts in combat units.

These women should not only be granted equal opportunities when establishing military careers, but should also be required to share the negative side of equality. If, like men, they are allowed to hold jobs which actively involve them in combat situations, they must also be eligible for the draft in times of war. The armed forces must test individuals and make judgements based on physical ability, rather than gender. Then Congress can be confident that the most qualified individuals, rather than the nation's best men, are protecting our national security. This nation prides itself on equal opportunities for all. America is wasting a valuable resource by forbidding its women to serve the country on the battlefield as well as behind the scenes.



Dear Editor:

I would like to make the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's College family aware of the efforts of this year's Charity Ball Committee. They are organizing this annual event to raise funds to help alleviate hunger in both the local community and the world community. Half of the money raised will go to the Food Bank of Michiana, with the other half going to Catholic Relief Services.

The Michiana Food Bank distributes food to various social

service agencies in the local area. For example, it regularly helps to stock both the Hope Mission, located in downtown South Bend, and the South Bend Homeless Shelter, where many of you volunteer. It is groups such as these that help to make South Bend a better place to live.

Catholic Relief Services is an international organization that helps provide food, clean water and medical aid in such countries as Ethiopia and Indonesia.

I cannot begin to say how much these supplies are needed.

I urge you to make this year's ball a success by attending, and encourage you to become more involved in serving the hungry, the poor and the needy in your everyday life.

> Father Theodore Hesburgh President Emeritus March 23, 1990

Meals at Notre Dame dining halls offer both nutritional value and variety

Dear Editor:

About a month ago, as the cooks at the North Dining Hall sat down to lunch, we all feasted our eyes upon a Scholastic feature written about our involvements in the meals. Believe it or not, we are concerned about the students, the prices they pay and the outcome of the dining hall meals.

If I may be so bold as to speak on behalf of all the other cooks, we realize there are imperfections in our operation, but let's take a look behind the scenes of what is involved in just one dining hall meal. First, we are required to produce a high-volume meal of nutritional value. We have a very limited time to prepare each meal, following the rules and regulations which are given to us. We realize there are many foods that students would rather eat than what we are putting out, but would they be as healthy and nutritious?

Let's see-- will we need 2,000 or 4,000 grilled cheese sandwiches for lunch? If we were to give double quantities to every student who requested, we would fall way off course as we cannot calculate how many will ask for seconds. Therefore, we limit quantities, try to serve every student at least once and ask that they return should they want more. As long as a student makes it in during regular meal hours, a cook will stand before a hot grill and ensure them enough of whatever is on the menu, regardless of the quantity going out. If we need to cook an extra 1,000 burgers-- we do it.

About the prices. While it may be true that the cost runs a little more than a meal at the Huddle, consider this: where else in town can one go and get such a variety of hot meals, cold sandwiches, snacks, jellos, puddings, desserts, salad bar, drinks, fruit and ice cream novelties for the same price? I challenge anyone to go any-

GARRY TRUDEAU

where in town and find a better deal.

Regardless of one's taste. there is always something of nutritional value and variety on the menu. We admit some of the items are not like "back home," but please remember what kind of volume we are putting out and think about this-- would "Mom's" taste as good if she were cooking it for 4,000 people?

It takes a lot of dedicated people to prepare just one meal at a dining hall, not just "blue coats," but dieticians, manager, chefs, dishwashers, service and maintenance crew, servers, etc.

Notre Dame is really concerned about the students feedback and they are constantly working to improve the complaints heard from them, so please have patience with us as we try "to do it all for you" and not "to you."

Next, we play a "hunch" when we determine just how many servings we will actually need.

Marsha L. Sisk Cook I, North Dining Hall March 30, 1990

DOONESBURY



He who desires to see the living God face to face should not seek Him in the empty firmament of his mind, but in

QUOTE OF THE DAY

Fydor Dostoyevsky (1821 - 1881) Wednesday, April 11, 1990

Viewpoint

Combat status won't **P** guarantee equality

By David Scantling

I took an oath of allegiance to our country--as do all military members--on July 6, 1984 at the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. This oath allowed me the opportunity to enter into full participation in the defense of the country--to have full rights as a citizen. The women who took the same oath that day are not legally granted this full participation.

The application of this law leads to the discrimination of women within the military. Career paths to the top ranks of the enlisted or officer corps are first dominated by those with combat experience, then those who have held combat jobs, and finally those who have only had staff jobs. Although women do progress to the top ranks, as long as women are denied combat status on legal grounds, there will be discrimination against their full position as citizens in the society.

The Air Force, in its tests on women pilots, has found that women are much better psychologically than men at handling the stress of combat. Also, women currently participate as Missile Launch Officers in the Air Force, and their performance--even in the highly stressful MX Peacekeeper system--has been outstanding.

The Rand Corporation--a military analysis firm--the FBI and the CIA all report that the combat performance of women in terrorist groups, insurgency and revolutionary groups, and other military actions is startling. Once committed, women tend to be more tenacious and ferocious fighters than their male counterparts.

One certainly has to wonder -- With the discriminatory tradition of excluding women from combat roles within the US military and the proven ability of women to perform at levels equal to or greater than that of men, why shouldn't we allow women to participate in combat?

Well, consider this. Angela, a classmate of mine from the Air turn the key when the proper

warrior status had a positive effect on women's equal participation in our society? Or, perhaps, has it only served to devalue women and further entrench the military-industrial complex?

Setting the combat role as a mark of equality in society is a dangerous myth that I would like to shatter. Whether you're male or female, black or white, combat actually takes away from your equality in the society because, when it comes right down to it, combat status means you are expendable. Thus, your rights -- the very rights your are fighting to protect -- can easily become. expendable.

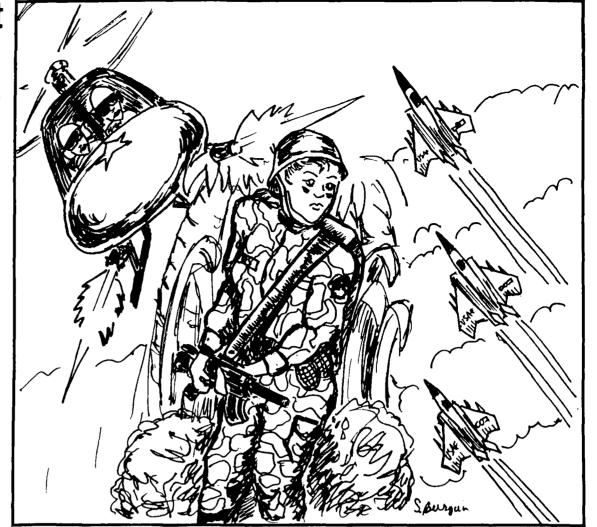
As the movie Platoon so poignantly brings to light, the shape of modern warfare, with its focus on low intensity conflict, is far from a just struggle between good and evil or the defense of ideals and beliefs that military members have sworn--as Angela and I did-- to defend until death.

To generalize, it is the poor and marginalized of the society that go and fight for the national policy objectives that support the rich. I am certain that the combat record of women would read the same as the combat record for blacks-outstanding. And, on the surface, one might say that justice would been done by including women in combat.

History shows, however, the real problems only get buried deeper. Racism and injustice toward the black community is still prevalent in our society. Combat status provides for nominal legal equality but certainly does not guarantee equity--as the Vietnam veterans, for example, have found out.

The issue of women in combat will most likely come to vote in our lifetime. The bottom line is that the combat soldier is an expendable resource. Do you want to extend expendability to the role of women? Wouldn't this further the discrimination of women in our patriarchal society?

I hope I can do something so that my friend Angela does not have to sit in an MX missile silo--as she does for five 24hour shifts each month--and Force Academy, was codes come through, fully intending and legally authorized to launch a missile that will destroy military target and incinerate millions of people. I will not vote to allow a few women to gain combat status in our current allvolunteer military because, in so doing, a legal precedent will be set which requires <u>all</u>eligible women to enter the service during times of war. Due to the heavy casualty rates expected on the modern battle field, many women would find themselves legally required to enter combat roles--most likely in the infantry, where life expectancy is measured in minutes.



Qualified women deserve the chance to defend the country

By Deborah Lasocki

I saw myself, dressed in those drab green "cammies" out in the middle of nowhere, face smeared with the mud of the area, deep in the enemy's lines. I was alone and surrounded by hostile forces, and all that I was carrying was an M-16 and a couple of hand grenades. I waited in the damp leaves of jungle floor for a glimpse of that friendly helicopter that would take me from the clutches of death. As my feet quickly covered the few hundred yards to freedom, I could see the doubtful faces of the helicopter crew. They were say-ing to themselves, "She isn't going to make it."

Since birth, I have been in an Air Force family. Even after twenty years, my father is still on active duty, and the military has become a way of life that I understand and enjoy. The year I decided to attend Notre Dame also marked the time I decided to dedicate my future to the Air Force. I truly believe in serving my country, so I joined the ROTC program here and have worked my way up the chain to commander. I have learned what it means to have dedication, to have self-confidence and to be a leader. Through the ROTC program here, I am preparing myself for a career as an engineer in the Air Force. I have known for several years that this is what I want to do, but not until the beginning of my junior year did I fully realize the opportunities that I have by going into the service. I have been told that engineers in the Air Force can do almost anything they want. I enjoy working in labs and being a commander. I really want to be an F-16 test engineer--which encompasses both aspects. But I am not allowed to be one. So what is the problem? Grades? Not enough involvement in **ROTC?** Lack of education in engineering? It is not any of those reasons: it simply is the fact that I am female. A law in Congress still exists that forbids women to partici-

pate in any type of combat situation. But what many might not understand is that this doesn't only include the land soldier--as I had earlier believed--but also the fighter pilots and the naval members of warships. More specifically, in the Air Force, this excludes women from piloting or navigating any combat aircraft (F-16 Falcon, F-15 Eagle, B-2 Stealth Bomber, just to name a few). To go a step further, up to a few years ago, being a missilier was not even an option open to women. That is, women were not even allowed to be in silos because they contained nuclear-tipped missiles, i.e. combat weapons. In other words, women and combatanything are strictly taboo.

Another fact people tend to overlook is that it is a congressional law, not a military one. So it is the choice of the people of this nation to have women excluded from certain career fields. The military, as far as I can ascertain, has given female members the greatest range of career options possible, within the extent of the law. Undoubtedly, if there were not the restriction on females, women tion, I want the best people fighting for my beliefs.

However, I would agree with anyone who says that if women were allowed to fill combat positions their requirements should be comparable to males' requirements. It follows that cliche: a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. The women that are out in the field ought to at least equal the men in physical strength and stamina. That way, the females can work on the same level as their male counterparts and not hurt the the mission by being inferior in any way.

I have been taught that I am an equal among men and women. I feel that if I am living in this country, and I am serving in its national defense organization, then I have the option, just as any man has, to show my loyalty and duty to the beliefs this nation proclaims. Denying me this opportunity contradicts all ideals of equalitv.

Freshmen year, when I signed the contract with the Air Force, I also signed a statement that I was not a conscious objector. I

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commissioned in 1988 and currently serves as a missile launch officer at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Wyoming. She is perhaps one of the most powerful warriors that has ever lived.

At her fingertips are the launch controls for a Boeing Peacekeeper ΜX Intercontinental Ballistic Multiple Missile. This Independently Targetable Vehicle (MIRV) missile contains 10 warheads--each one with the destructive force of 1,000 Hiroshima Bombs detonated at the same time in the same place.

She has legally authorized operational control of more military might than Atilla the Hun, Alexander the Great, Napolean, George Washington, Robert E. Lee and Patton combined. I ask you, has anything changed? Has the inclusion of women in this

It's bad enough I might have to send my sons into combat. I don't want to have to send my daughters, too.

David Scantling is a junior philosophy and peace studies major.

would be in every aspect of the armed services.

In regard to the trends of today's society, the increasing role of women has to be considered in a military context. Some women are in far better shape than their male counterparts. And, certainly, some men are not as intelligent as the females in the same field. Stereotypes of women being weak, unintelligent and inferior to the men have no place in any society in this day and age.

As far as military combat roles are concerned, I see absolutely no reason why women are not even considered to be eligible to fill the slots needed. It should be the choice of the individual to apply or not to apply for such career paths and not that of an outdated law. If some women are better qualified than the men, then it is the women who should be sent to defend the nation. When it comes to the defense of my nabelieve in the principles of the Founding Fathers--so much that I am willing to risk my life to protect those ideals. If this nation ever voted to change that law and the world situation dictates my presence in a combat situation (per se). I would go without a second thought. This is what I call duty.

As the crew watched me approach the thundering blades of the rescue helicopter, a sense of accomplishment overcame me because my mission out here was a success; I showed that women could do the same as men, given the opportunity. When I got into the helicopter, I turned to the doubting crew, and with conviction said, "Of course I can make it. I'm here. aren't 1?

Deborah L. Lasocki is a junior electrical engineering major and Corps Commander of the Air Force ROTC.

Accent

Don't Answer if 'Opportunity Knocks'

MATT JANCHAR Accent Writer

John Belushi did it. Eddie Murphy did it. Dana Carvey . . . well . . . tried.

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NBC's Saturday Night Live first took to the air fifteen years ago. By the end of its third season, the show had established itself as a vital focus for the nation's amateur comedy movement. However, Saturday Night Live served another purpose as well, catapulting several of its stars from the obscurity of amateur comedy to the world of million-dollar laughs on the big screen. Chevy Chase, Dan Akroyd, Billy Crystal-the list of comedians that made the transition from New York to Hollywood continued to grow until the late 1980's. That is, until Dana Carvey starred in "Opportunity Knocks.'

"It's terrible, I know," said Carvey in a recent interview with Time magazine. "The script was supposed to be rewritten." It is true that I

admire Dana Carvey for almost single handedly rescuing Saturday Night Live from a serious mid-eighties slump-and I'll give him the fact that the script stunk-but a true comedian must accept at least some of the blame for a flop of this magnitude.

"Opportunity Knocks" is the story of con-man Eddie Farrell (Dana Carvey) and his partner in crime Lou Pasquino(Todd Graff). The plot is a stale concoction of rags to riches and boy meets girl, the same recipe that starred Michael J. Fox as a main ingredient in Secret of my Success. To make a sad story short, Eddie Farrell cons his way into the corporate life of Annie Malkin(Julia Campbell), in an attempt to escape loan shark Milt Malkin(Robert Loggia). Under the assumed identity of a Harvard friend and with a "borrowed" Porsche, Farrell works his way into Milt Malkin's pocketbook through his daughter's, Annie Milkin, heart.

However, just as Farrell is about to complete the sting and make the getaway, he realizes that he has actually fallen in love with Annie. As Farrell is tortured by this choice between true love and cold cash, the movie builds to an intense climax. Will he return the currency and confess his true love for Annie? Or will Eddie remain the true con-man and run with the money?

It just wouldn't be right for me to spoil the movie's only sentimental moment and give away the ending. Actually, I'm not exactly sure how the film did end, because another member of the audience who was still awake yelled "Fire!' and we all ran to the movie in the next theater over.

All things considered, Dana Carvey does a respectable job in his first role as a comedian on the silver screen. The comic structure of "Opportunity Knocks" is not without its faults, though. After relying upon Carvey's deft impersonations (including George Bush, of course) for guaranteed laughs, "Opportunity Knocks" shows the symptom of a comedy in trouble by reverting to racial humor-in this case Semetic and Japanese satire. This racial comedy seemed to clash with the music of antiapartheid artist Johnny Clegg who was responsible for the



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Assuming another identity, Eddie Farrel (Dana Carvey) entertains a night club audience in "Opportunity Knocks."

movie's opening and closing tracks (which I considered highlights of the film)."

"Opportunity Knocks was director Donald Petrie's first comedy, and hopefully his last. Dana Carvey deserves better, not to mention the admissionpaying public. Rumor has it that Carvey plays a white youth raised by Japanese ninjas in his next starring role. I think I'll stop by the Grotto this weekend an light a candle.

Skinny Puppy's 'Rabies' and Severed Heads' 'Rotund For Success'

JOHN LANE

accent writer Looking for some new and interesting music? Some alternative to the alternative scene? Then look no further than NetRabies, such as "Fascist Jockitch" and "Rodent", are dominated by drum beats. Rabies also sounds a bit like new Ministry due to the fact that Ministry lead singer Alien Jourgensen helped produce and engineer the album. Despite these changes, the essential Skinny Puppy sound remains the same. Synthesizers provide the main music and serve to distort Ogre's singing. In addition, there is also a great deal of sampling and odd background music that give Puppy their distinct style. Rabies contains some good songs - "Worlock" is a slow track that has great keyboards setting up Ogre's eerie vocals, 'Tin Omen" is a grungy song with a fast beat, and "Hexonxonx" has a catchy drumbeat. There are also a number of strange songs on rabies - "Rivers" is entirely sampling, and "Amputate" and "Choralone" have vocals so distorted that the lyrics are incomprehensible. In addition, the cassette and compact disc contain a bonus track, "Spahn Dirge", 16 minutes of live Skinny Puppy.

While Skinny Puppy provides a grungy, fairly hard-core sound, Severed Heads offers a less harsh and more refined style. Tom Ellard, who fronts Severed Heads, wrote and promusic. Rotund For Success also has its share of worthless songs, such as "Midget Sings" and "Chasing Skirt." Regardless, the overall album is very strong.

style. The vocals, almost jazzlike, perfectly complement the music.

Songwriter Paul Buchanan has written some brilliant tracks on Hats. "The Downtown

Con-man Eddie Farrell (Dana Carvey) unexpectedly falls in love with Annie Malkin (Julia Campbell) in

Universal Studios recent movie release, "Opportunity Knocks", playing at local theatres.

twerk Productions, an up-andcoming record company based in Vancouver, B.C. Two of Nettwerk's bands have recently released albums- Skinny Puppy's Rabies and Severed Heads' Rotund For Success.

Skinny Puppy is comprised of three members. D. Rudolf Goettel joins original members Nivek Ogre and Cevin Key. Goettel operates the gadgetry, the equipment that produces the strange background sounds so prevalent in all Skinny Puppy songs. Ogre provides the lyrics and vocals, often distorted through use of synthesizers. Key plays the keyboards and handles the sampling, also heard in many Puppy songs. Rabies represents a slight change in sound for Skinny Puppy. There is less beat to the songs, compared to those on older albums like Bites and Remission. There is also a dramatic increase in the use of drums. Many of the songs on

duced most of the songs on Rotund For Success. He has also worked on previous Skinny Puppy albums, doing background music and working gadgetry.

Severed Heads is a synthesizer-dominated band, sort of like an upbeat Edward Ka-Spel. The drums and background beats are programmed. Ellard provides the main music with his synthesizers, belting out strange, yet catchy beats. He also does the vocals, as his soft voice follows the tone of the music. The result is odd, but good music.

There are many good songs on Rotund For Success. "Greater Reward", featuring great keyboards, was released as a single last year. "Triangle Tangle Tango" and "All Saint's Day" are catchy tracks that set up Ellard's vocals. Other highlights include "Big Car" and "L.F.M.", which contain great

With bands like Skinny Puppy and Severed Heads, Nettwerk record company is clearly on the rise. Their sound is definitely not mainstream and not for everyone. Nevertheless, these bands have done a good job of capturing fans with creative use of synthesizers and gadgetry. If you're looking for interesting, alternative music, you should check out Skinny Puppy and Severed Heads.

Hats is the excellent, new album from The Blue Nile. With the release of Hats, The Blue Nile provides the most relaxing, melodic music this writer has heard in years.

Hats contains 7 songs, spanning about 40 minutes. The music is very relaxing, ideal for reading or trying to wind down. Most of the songs sound alike. They are long and slow, with simple guitars and drums, while keyboards/piano and violins provide the band's musical

Lights", released as a single, is a good love song with dreamy music. "From A Late Night Train" is a sad song, while "Let's Go Out Tonight" remains upbeat. Some other highlights include "Over The Hillside" and "Saturday Night", which has good guitars that set up violins.

If there are any complaints about Hats, it is that all the songs sound the same. However, with Hats, The Blue Nile has achieved one of those rare accomplishments: they have been able to blend all the songs together to form what seems like one continuous song. Certain critically acclaimed bands. such as 10,000 Maniacs with In My Tribe, have also been able to do this.

If you like mellow, relaxing music, you ought to check out Hats by The Blue Nile. This band has put together a number of melodic songs, all sounding alike, to form one of the best albums of 1990.

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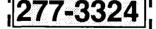
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x-New York	43	33	.566	5 1/2	Lost 2		
Washington	29	47	.382	19 1/2	Los 2		
Miami	17	59	.224	31 1/2	Lost 5		
New Jersey	17	59	.224	31 1/2	Lost 1		
Central Division							
x-Detroit	55	21	.724	—	Won 1		
x-Chicago	51	23	.689	3	Won 7		
Milwaukee	41	35	.539	14	Won 4		
Indiana	39	37	.513	16	Won 3		
Cleveland	36	39	.480	18 1/2	Won 1		
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Dallas	42	33	.560	10	Lost 2		
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Thursday's Games

Milwaukee at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

New Jersey at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

Miami at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

Cleveland at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Minnesota at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m. Cleveland at Washington, 7:30 p.m. Indiana at New York, 8 p.m.

Los Angeles Lakers at Utah, 8 p.m.

Phoenix at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Denver at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Charlotte at Houston, 8:30 p.m. Los Angeles Clippers at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

Monday's Games

Sacramento 106. Seattle 105 Phoenix 119, Utah 115, OT Los Angeles Lakers 113, Dallas 106

Tuesday's Games

Late Games Not Included Boston 112, New Jersey 96 Atlanta 123, Philadelphia 111 Houston 115, Charlotte 112 Milwaukee 130, Orlando 127 Detroit 108, New York 98 Portland 106, Minnesota 94 Indiana 107. Washington 105 Utah 114. Seattle 102 Denver 121. Sacramento 113 Dallas at Los Angeles Clippers, (n) San Antonio at Golden State. (n)

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Wednesday, April 11

Softball at DePaul (2) Thursday, April 12

Softball at Detroit (2) Baseball vs. PURDUE, Coveleski Stadium, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 13

Men's tennis at MCC Championship Nomen's tennis vs, NORTHWESTERN Lacrosse at Cornell

Saturday, April 14

Men's tennis at MCC Championships Baseball at Xavier (2) Outdoor track at Stanford Invitational Outdoor track at Burdue Invitational Women's golf at Lady Buckeye Spring Invitational

Sunday, April 15

Baseball at Xavier (2) Women's golf at Lady Buckeye Spring Invitational

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League NEW YORK YANKEES-Agreed to terms with Don Mattingly, first baseman, on a five-year

contract extension through 1995. OAKLAND ATHLETICS-Placed Jim Corsi and Reggie Harris, pitchers, on the 21-day disabled list. Purchased the contracts of Mike Bordick infielder and Joe Klink pitcher, from Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League

TEXAS RANGERS-Designated Fred Manrique, infielder, for assignment. Purchased the contracts of Craig McMurtry, pitcher, and Jeff Huson, infielder, from Oklahoma City of the American Association.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS-Purchased the contract of Ozzie Virgil Jr., catcher, from Syracuse of the International League. Optioned Luis Sojo, infielder, to Syracuse.

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Will Clark, Giants	\$3,750,000	1990-93
Dave Stewart, A's	\$3,500,000 [~]	1991-92
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Eric Davis, Reds	\$3,100,000	1990-92
Joe Carter, Padres	\$3,066,667	1990-92
Rickey Henderson, A's	\$3,000,000	1990-93
Kirby Puckett, Twins	\$3,000,000	1990-92
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Canadian Football League

BRITISH COLUMBIA LIONS-Named Doug Griffing director of media relations. OLYMPICS

USOC-Announced the retirement of Bob Paul, archivist and special assistant to the executive director, effective July 1. United States Baseball Federation

USBF-Named Bernie Walter head coach and Jim Fuller and Ray Korn assistant coaches of the USA Junior National team. BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

CHARLOTTE HORNETS-Named Tony Renaud executive vice president. DALLAS MAVERICKS-Signed Mark Wade, guard, to a 10-day contract.

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RESULTS

Lacrosse

Notre Dame 22, Lake Forest 8

Saint Mary's Softball

Saint Mary's 3, Southwestern Michigan College 2

Southwestern Michigan College 5, Saint Mary's 4

BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL

Results For Tuesday's Games

Stepan 1

Adworks over Lothar of the Hillpeople & His Hillpeople by 9 Navarre Estates I over logy Pop at the Buzzer

by 11 Love Handles over We're Here to Fight by 3 Air Midget & The Ground Crew over The Parrotheads by 18

Stepan 2

Team #626 over The Bernhos by 16 Thank God There's Only 10% over Betty & The Frozen Cavemen by 15 War Pigs over Digger & 4 Other Guys Who Have Outstayed Their Welcome by forfeit Air Potts & The Flyboys over The Fightin' Amish by 13

Stepan 3

V's Revenge over Team #493 by 16 Westhead's Warriors over 4 Horsemen 8 Another Guy Who Likes Wrestling by 11 Fighting Kernels over Faculty Jokes by 7 4 Men & A Redheaded Stepchild over Abcdefghijkimnopqrstuvwxyz by 13

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Gods of Hellfire over ND's Other 90% by 16 Michelle Hamrick Is A Fabulous Babe & A Certified Meteorologist over 4 Dudes & A Yorst

by 11 Censor This over First Timers by 2 Kickin' Chicken over In The Mix by 3



Shirley's Mole over The Slammin' Simpson's by

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Bookstore 9

Conscientious Revolter over Piece of the Action by 11 Ministers of Pain over 4 Guys Who Can Take It to the Hole & 1 Who Likes To Go Backdoor by

Team #361 over If You Get Beat By 5 Guys From the Glee Club

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Lyons 11 All The King's Men over Fastbreak by 3 5 Guys Who Play Hard over Sport Death by 2 Economics over Chuck & The Single Hitters by 2

Lyons 12 The 4 Horsemen & A Jackass over I'm Gonna Getya Sucker by 12 Small But Huge over Nobody by 3

Old Milwaukee & The Sunday Morning Odors over Gonna by 2

Wednesday's Games

Stepan 1 4:00 - Senior Bar vs. Team BAMF

4:45 - Sweat Box vs. Maternal Instincts 5:30 - The ER: We're Lovers Not Basketball Players vs. Five Regular Guys

Stepan 2 4:00 - Flounder, The Whaler & 3 Other Names

For Phil Sheridan vs. 5 Girls Without A Name Who Just Want To Play

4:45 - At Least We Have Jobs vs. Bush's 5 Points of Light 5:30 - The Mordacious Meatuses vs. Tequila Mockingbird

Stepan 3

4:00 - Moe, Larry, Digger & 2 Other Stooges vs. The Lode Warric 4:45 - 5 Good 6th Mens vs. Lambadeers: The Forbidden Team 5:30 - Art & Ted's Excellent Team vs. Broken Down Lovers Lament

Stepan 4

4:00 - (Jim) Palmer's Boys vs. Mom Always Said Don't Play Ball in the House 4:45 - 5 Lewis Girls With Attitude Problems vs. Apocalypsic & The 4 Horsemen 5:30 - Wilford Brimley's Tatoos vs. 1st Round

Stepan 5

4:00 - 5 Guys Who Lick Fat Shirley's Armpit vs. 10 Legs, 9 Hands 4:45 - Super & The Webs vs. Roff Twins Fan 5:30 - Pole vs. 4 EE's & A Geek Business Major

Stepan 6 4:00 -The Malcontents vs. Pittsburgh Is Weak :45 - Bacchus & The Lobotomies vs. Pre-Trial Diversion 5:30 - Sky by 4 & The Butcher vs. Controversy

5:30 - Multiple Scoregasms vs. Joe Ross & 4 Other Recruits That Can't Play

Bookstore 9

Stepan 7

4:00 - 4 Guys Who Could Beat Dave Alexander & 1 Who Did vs. Snackman & The Snacks 4:45 - We're Never Satisfied vs. The Beer Farts 5:30 - Mrs. Russo, Mrs. Price & 3 Other Bookstore Beasts vs. Box In, Box Out, Box In Box Out

Bookstore 10

4:00 - 10-B's Flying Buttresses Wearing Socks vs. King Cocktail & The Swizzel Sticks 4:45 - IBM vs. 11 Games For 5 Bucks 5:30 - 5 Moves In Nadia's Floor Exercise vs. Drew A Blank

Lyons 11 4:00 - Dining Hall Meatloaf vs. Their Satanic Majesties Reques 4:45 - My Mother Can't Wrestle, But You Should See Her Box vs. Fighting Iris II 5:30 - The Commissioner Likes To Beat Girls vs. Jamere Jackson, Phil Sheridan & 3 Other Guys

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4:00 - Air Ashby & His Sea-men vs. Buckhead Lawn & Racqet Club 4:45 - High Entropy vs. Remember Denver ???

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Irish spirit hats will be given out to the first 500 fans at Thursday's Notre Dame baseball game versus Purdue. Weather permitting, game time is 7 p.m. at Coveleski Stadium.

Non-varsity Irish Spring run is scheduled for Sat., April 21st. Sign-up at NVA. Cost is \$4, but you get a dollar back if you wear green.

Co-Rec soccer sign-ups are due today at the NVA office. Teams consist of six players, with three women on the field at all times. Cost is \$5.

NVA events after break include: bike tour on Sun., April 22nd: Bike clinic on Wed., April 18th; the Irish Spring Run on April 21st; team tennis tourney April 21st and a kayak race April 17th.

The 2nd Annual Pangborn Golf Championship was held last weekend at the Burke Memorial G.C. Pangborn I won the men's competition with a score of 307, nine strokes ahead of second-place Stanford. Patrick Kusek of Pangborn was the medalist with a 73. In the women's division, Lewis won top honors and Kristin Braun was the medalist.

Rev. Edward A. Malloy C.S.C. has been elected a director of the newly established NCAA Foundation. The Notre Dame president will work with the foundation to extend financial aid to students and institutions for student grants and loan funds. It will also promote leadership, discourage drug use and advance sports safety, as well as conduct research on the quality of academic life experienced by athletes and nonathletes.



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Thomas and Aguirre lead Pistons NEW YORK (AP) – Isiah one-half game of Cleveland in Portland won its 54th game,

Thomas scored 21 points and Mark Aguirre 20 Tuesday night and the Detroit Pistons outscored New York 30-17 in the first 10 minutes of the third quarter en route to a 108-98 victory over the Knicks.

The Pistons led only 51-49 at halftime but they made 12 of their first 17 shots in the first 10 minutes of the third period and opened an 81-66 lead.

Celtics 112, Nets 96

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. -Kevin McHale had 24 points and 13 rebounds to led a balanced Boston attack and the Celtics continued their run at first place in the NBA's Atlantic Division by posting their fourth straight victory, a 112-96 decision over the New Jersey Nets on Tuesday night.

Hawks 123, 76ers 111 PHILADELPHIA — Dominique Wilkins scored 29 points and Moses Malone added 23 as Atlanta snapped a three-game losing streak and pulled within

the battle for the eighth and last Eastern Conference playoff berth.

Rockets 115 Hornets 112

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Akeem Olajuwon scored 27 points and pulled down 19 rebounds and Houston, battling for a playoff berth, curtailed a late comeback by Charlotte. The Rockets entered the game trailing Seattle by 1 1/2 games and Denver by one-half game for the final Western Conference playoff spot.

The Rockets led 109-100 with 55 seconds remaining but 3pointers by Richard Anderson, Dell Curry, Anderson and Kelly Tripucka put Charlotte within two with five seconds left.

Trail Blazers 106, Timberwolves 94 MINNEAPOLIS-Clyde Drexler scored 26 points and Jerome Kersey added 22 as second most in the franchise's history. Portland went 58-24 in 1977-78. Portland also won for the eighth time in its last 11 road games and has 21 road victories, the most since the 1977-78 club went 22-19.

The Trail Blazers broke the game open in the second and third quarters, taking a 26point lead with 3:20 left in the third period. Pooh Richardson led Minnesota with 21 points.

Bucks 130, Magic 127 ORLANDO, Fla.— Ricky Pierce sank four free throws in the final 25 seconds and Milwaukee outscored Orlando 9-2 during the last two minutes in handing the Magic their 10th straight loss. Pierce scored 31 points and Brad Lohaus and Jay Humphries added 23 and 21, respectively, as the Bucks won their fourth straight game.

Orlando lost for the 26th time in its last 28 games despite 29 points by Terry Catledge and 27 by Reggie Theus.

Cubs, White Sox record victories

CHICAGO (AP) - Marvell Wynne's pinch single with two out in the eighth inning gave the Chicago Cubs a season-opening 2-1 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on a cold, windy Tuesday.

Ryne Sandberg opened the eighth with a single and went to second on a wild pitch. Lloyd McClendon struck out and Mark Grace was given an intentional walk. Luis Salazar then singled to center, but Sandberg was thrown out at the plate by center fielder Sil Campusano as Grace took third.

Wynne followed with a single to right, scoring the winning run.

White Sox 5, Brewers 3 MILWAUKEE - Lance John-

son's bases-loaded single in a three-run sixth helped the Chicago White Sox to a 5-3 win Tuesday over Milwaukee, continuing their mastery of the Brewers.

White Sox beat The Milwaukee in Monday's season opener and were 10-2 against the Brewers last season.

Red Sox 4, Tigers 2

BOSTON - Detroit manager Sparky Anderson's strategy worked, but the end result was all too familiar.

Anderson ordered Wade Boggs walked intentionally three times - tying a majorleague record — but Tony Pena singled home two runs in a four-run third inning Tuesday, leading the Boston Red Sox to a 4-2 victory over the Tigers.

It was Boston's 10th victory in a row over the Tigers.

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Blue Jays 2, Rangers 1 TORONTO — President Bush and Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney threw out the ceremonial first balls, then Dave Stieb and three Toronto relievers took over. They pitched a five-hitter as the Blue Jays beat the Texas Rangers 2-1 Tuesday night.

A crowd of 49,673, the 41st straight sellout at the SkyDome, saw the Blue Jays win for the 11th time in 14 home openers. The same two teams started the season Monday night in Texas in a game rescheduled because of the lockout.

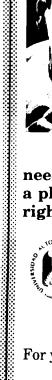


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Forest. Additionally, the win over Lake Forest was the fifth highest one-game total goal output for the Irish, who managed 71 shots on goal.

Senior attackman Brian McHugh, who stands at sixth on the Notre Dame lacrosse alltime scoring list, had one goal and one assist, raising his career point total to 100. McHugh needs 23 points to take over fifth place from Tom Grote (1983-1986), who is currently fifth with 122 career points, on 60 goals and 62 assists.

Senior midfielder Mike Quigley and junior midfielder Mark Macheca also tallied three goals apiece to aid the Irish onslaught.



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Other bright spots for Notre Dame were two firsts by Irish players. Senior defenseman Jeff Salamon of Long Valley, NJ, and freshman midfielder Tom O'Brian of Stony Brook, NY, each recorded their first points in Irish uniforms. Salamon had an assist in the third quarter, while O'Brian beat the Lake Forest goalkeeper for a score in the second quarter.

Defensively, Notre Dame again held its ground, as goalkeepers Tom Duane, who started his third game in a row, and Chris Parent combined to save 11 Forester shots. Also, the Irish were successful in clearing 22 of 26 on the day, while scooping up 67 ground balls.

Next up for Notre Dame is a weekend road matchup with Cornell, which is currently the 16th-ranked team in the nation.

Mary's at 9-5 after splitting two Reniamin was the leading hit- another run, securing the vic-By JOANNE BRASSI

Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's softball team split a double header Monday at Southwestern Michigan College, leaving their record at 9-5.

St. Mary's won the first game 3-2. Action began in the sixth inning when Southwestern Michigan walked both sophomore Janet Libbing and freshman Stephanie Kissicorni. The two advanced on a passed ball. Sophomore Carol Grobner knocked in the two runners with a line drive into left field. Grobner then scored on a sacrifice made by sophomore Shannon Blair.

Southwestern Michigan came back in the bottom of the inning, scoring two runs, leaving the score at 3-2. But the Belles held on to take the victory.

"Defensively, we're beginning to look a lot better and that's extremely important," said Belles coach Don "Popcorn" Cromer.

ter for the Belles, going 1-3 in the game. The winning pitcher for the Belles was Blair, who pitched the entire game and struck out six.

In the second game, the Belles were not as successful, losing 5-4.

Action began in the first inning when Southwestern Michigan immediately took the lead by scoring two runs on Saint Mary's errors.

'We gave up a little in the first inning because of a couple of errors that gave our opponent their first two runs," Cromer said.

In the fourth inning, Southwestern Michigan scored two more runs, extending their lead 4-0. But the Belles battled back to tie the game. Libbing hit a triple, scoring Judge and Kissicorni. Grobner then drove Libbing home with another triple. Benjamin came up to bat with a squeeze play and brought Grobner home to tie the score at 4-4. But Southwestern Michigan came back and scored

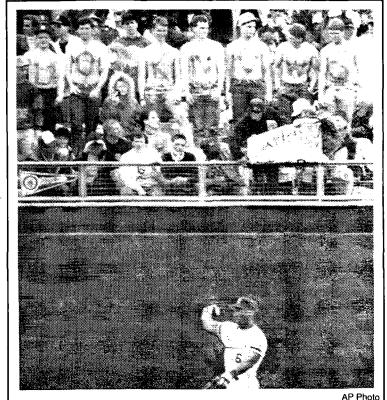
"We just started hitting well and that's encouraging for us," said Belles captain Martha Judge.

"The most important thing is hitting the ball and scoring which the girls are showing they can do. We just need to strengthen our defense a little more," said Cromer.

Libbing led the Belles in the second game in hitting, going 2-3 with two triples and two RBI's. Grobner was also a key asset in the game with three triples while Benjamin went 1-

The Belles will play again this afternoon at Nazereth College at 4p.m.

"We're right in the middle of our season and we're looking forward to these two wins on Wednesday and then finishing the rest of the season up real strong, in hopes of getting into the conference tournament," Cromer said.



Fans show support for the Royals' Bo Jackson as the Major League baseball season opened this week.

Blues, North Stars stay in playoffs

TORONTO (AP) — Gary Leeman, a 51-goal scorer during the regular season, scored his first goal of the playoffs Tuesday night as the Toronto Maple Leafs beat the St. Louis Blues 4-2 to remain alive in their Norris Division semifinal.

The best-of-7 series moves back to St. Louis for Game 5 on Thursday. The Blues lead 3-1 and will be looking to qualify for the division final for a third consecutive season. A sixth game, if necessary, would be Saturday in Toronto. Scott Pearson, Dave Hannan and Ed Olczyk also scored for Toronto. Rod Brind'Amour had both goals for the Blues. The second, a power-play tip-in of a pass from Adam Oates with 6:41 remaining, cut the deficit to 3-2.

North Stars 4 Blackhawks 0

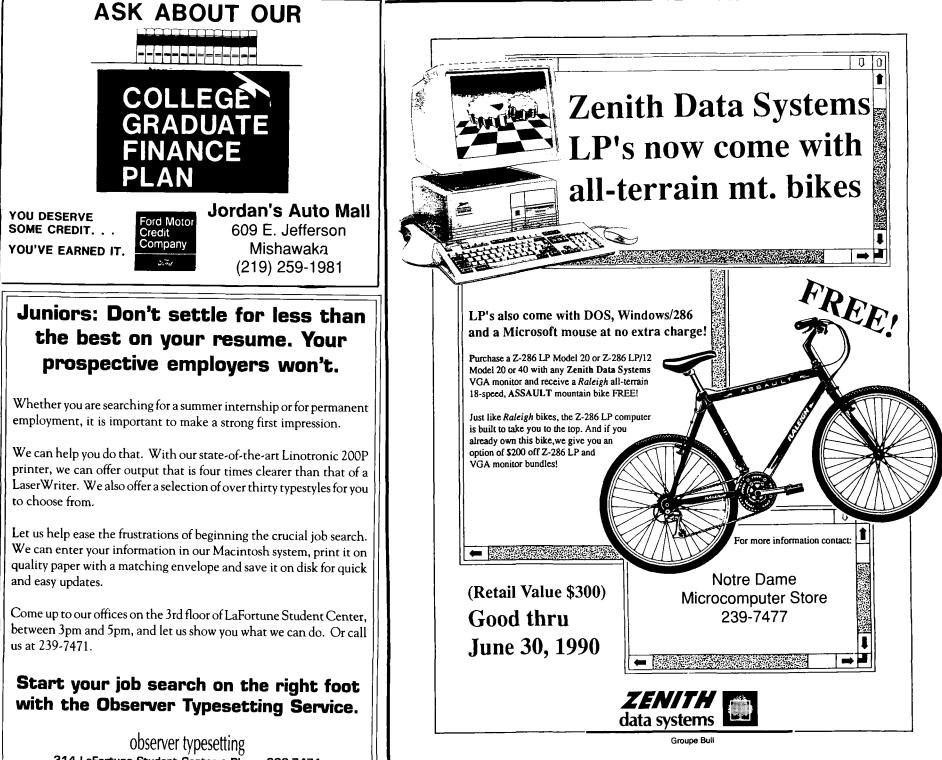
BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Jon Casey made 29 saves for his first playoff shutout and Don Barber scored twice in the first period as the Minnesota North

Stars beat the Chicago Blackhawks 4-0 Tuesday night to even their Norris Division semifinal series.

Game 5 in the best-of-7 series is Thursday night in Chicago, with Game 6 at the Met Center on Saturday night.

Barber, who hadn't scored in eight games, benefitted from a line shakeup by Coach Pierre Page. Skating on the No. 1 unit with Dave Gagner and Brian Bellows, Barber got his first two playoff goals this year and had an assist on Gagner's third-period goal.





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LECTURE CIRCUIT

7 p.m. "Europe in the 1990's: Its role in the Global Business Sector," Hayes-Healy. Sponsored by ND Council on International Business Development. The discussion will be divided into the Japanese (room 120), American (room 220), and European perspectives (room 223).

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7:30 p.m Forum: "Eliminating Ethnocentrism, Bellis, associate professor of Anthropology; Griffiths, assistant professor of Theology; Teresa associate professor of Law; Roland Smith, execut sistant to the President; and Diana Matthias, Curri Structured Tour coordinator of the Snite. Room Nieuwland Hall. Sponsored by Multicultural Exe Council.

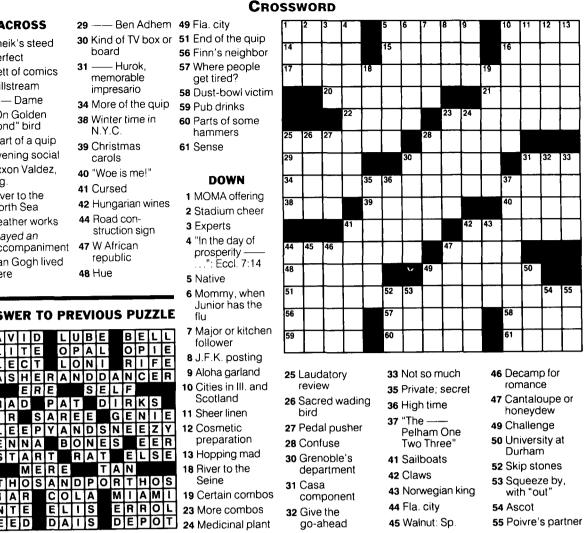
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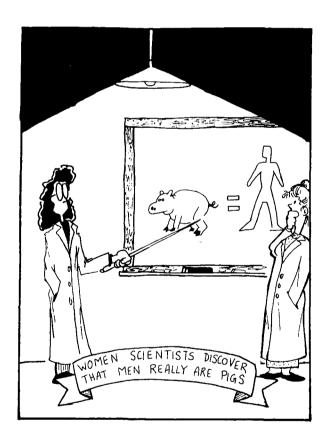
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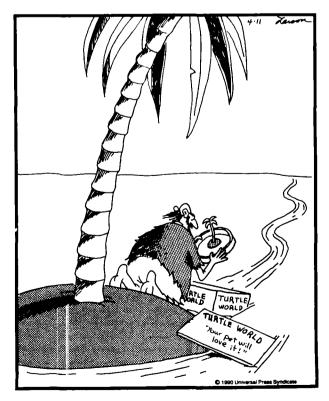
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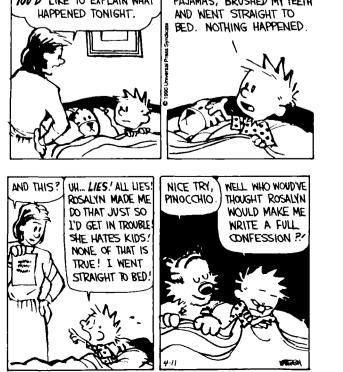
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Sports

Lacrosse offensive explosion downs Lake Forest 22-8

Freshman shines with eight points

By DAVE DIETEMAN Sports Writer

The Notre Dame lacrosse team chopped down the Foresters of Lake Forest 22-8 in the wind and rain at Cartier field yesterday afternoon, raising its record to 7-4, while the Foresters fell to 1-4.

Freshman midfielder Brian Mayglothling was the high scorer for the Irish, with four goals and four assists on the day for eight points, while sophomore attackman Mike Sullivan, who leads the Irish in scoring this season, added two goals and four assists for a total of six points. Sullivan's six points gave him sole possession of the record for points by a sophomore, with 39 points. The previous record was 36 points, set by then-sophomore Bob Trocchi ('83).

'Today, we were the better team," noted Notre Dame head

coach Kevin Corrigan, "and the results reflect that, because we did the things we needed to do to win, and we came out and played like it.

"We are playing good, hard lacrosse right now, and this was a nice win to get. It's nice to play a game like this, because it gave us a chance to play many people who have been working hard all season. Really, it's great to get a chance to play so many people.

Yesterday's win was the ninth in the overall series with Lake Forest for Notre Dame, as opposed to no wins for the Foresters. Also, the 14-goal margin of victory was the largest that the Irish have ever enjoyed over a Lake Forest team. The previous high was 13, which Notre Dame clubbed out in a 14-1 rout of the Foresters last season at Lake

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The lacrosse team scored a record number of goals Tuesday as they trounced Lake Forest 22-8. The Irish upped their record to 7-4 with the win.

Rice paces Adworks to win in rain

By KEN TYSIAC

Associate Sports Editor

Wet courts and rainy weather continued to plague participants in Bookstore Basketball XIX in first round games yesterday as close contests were the order of the day.

Perennial challenger Adworks was just one team which had the misfortune of playing either its first or second game on the slippery courts outside Stepan Center. Adworks braved the elements to defeat a talented Lothar of the Hill People and His People squad by a score of 21-12.

'It was kind of tough to play in those conditions," said Kevin Keyes of Adworks, who scored four points. "They were a really good team, too. It was a really competitive game. You just never know what to expect in a first round game, there are so many teams. It was kind of surprising to run into a team that good this early."

A couple of surprises have found their way into the Adworks lineup. Joining Keyes, Jim Dolan and Derrick Johnson are former Irish defensive end Cedric Figaro, who is back at

Notre Dame finishing work on his Psychology degree and Tony Rice, who had considered skipping his final year of Bookstore to prepare for the National Football League draft.

Johnson and Rice each scored six points to lead Adworks.

Ten games were decided by less than four points yesterday, and three went to overtime. In the highest scoring contest of the day, Sport Death took 5 Guys Who Play Hard to the limit before bowing out by a 25-23 score when Gerry Bodine finished the game off with a 20footer from the right baseline.

"It was really physical inside and there were a lot of fouls called." said Bodine, who scored six points for the winners. "When it got to overtime, the game became even more physical, but the sportsmanship was still good.'

Jason Brino led 5 Guys with nine points, while Jeff Schumerth paced the losers with 12 points and 11 rebounds.

Another intense overtime match pitted Old Milwaukee and the Sunday Morning Odors against Gonna. The game was tight from the start as Old Milwaukee led 11-9 at halftime. The tide turned in Gonna's favor in the second half, and with the score 20-17, Old Milwaukee was up against the ropes.

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John McConville and Jim Kockler eventually worked Old Milwaukee back into it, however, and Rick Meyer finally ended it with a 15-foot jumper from the right wing for a 24-22 victory. Old Milwaukee was yet another team which was unhappy about the weather.

Nobody could shoot from the outside. The game really turned into an inside battle.³ said Tony McHale. "Hopefully it will be a little easier and a little warmer next time.'

McConville led Old Milwaukee with nine points, while Kockler added seven. John Haley and Tim McNeil each scored five for the losers.

In other Bookstore action. Michelle Hamrick is a Fabulous Babe and a Certified Meteorologist didn't seem to mind the weather in a 21-10 triumph over 4 Dudes and a Yorst; and Pete Rose Would Not Even Bet On Us tried to change Charlie Hustle's mind in a 21-7 win over Luise's Leapers.

The Observer/Patrick Kusek

Bookstore basketball continued Tuesday despite the inclement weather that hampered much of the play.



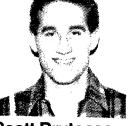


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A Notre Dame pitcher threw a no-hitter and nobody knew about it.

Not even the pitcher.

This is strange. Usually in baseball circles fans will kill small animals to see no-hitters. There is a certain aura of hysteria, fascination, even fanaticism. Nowadays, when Nolan Ryan has a no-hitter going through five innings, Scott Brutocao baseball fans widen their



eyes with spellbound fascina Irish Items tion as the Texas wonder attempts to make history yet again. But in this game involving Notre Dame and Butler, nobody was paying attention.

"I was concentrating on getting the next batter," said a matter-of-fact freshman softball pitcher Staci Alford. "When you start looking ahead you start getting into trouble."

Fair enough. Great competitors have that kind of concentration. Oh, and, one more thing: Notre Dame lost the game 3-1.

It was Thursday, April 5 when Alford turned in the pitching masterpiece. It was the second game of a doubleheader against the Bulldogs, Notre Dame having won the first contest 4-0. In the first inning, the Irish committed four errors in close proximity

to each other, enabling Butler to cash in three runs. Turns out the Bulldogs didn't even need a hit.

Maybe you could call the game a swap meet of errors, since the Irish scored their run on an error, too. The problem was that stingy Butler offered only one miscue to the Irish cause. This was pretty rude, especially since Notre Dame was willing to forego the batting pleasantries by managing only one hit.

Imagine that. The Notre Dame softball team, second in the MCC conference in defense, committed five errors in one game, four in a single inning, and lost the contest for a pitcher who was too good to give up a hit.

"I'm sure she was disappointed at the team that we lost," said head coach Brian Boulac. "Normally you would think in a situation when a pitcher throws a no-hitter the team would win, but things like that happen. I've seen other no-hitters in softball turn into losses.'

Alford takes the same nonchalant attitude with resigned deference to the quirks of softball.

"It's happened before to a lot of people," said the Baton Rouge, LA resident. "It just happened. It was no big deal, because eventually we came back and played well."

Notre Dame did play well, winning its five other games and emerging the victor of the St. Francis Invitational. Alford, in particular, has been setting hitters down with almost no variation.

In her last five games, she has not allowed an earned run. She has gone 4-1 in the last week, with the only loss being the no-hitter. Three of those wins have come from complete-game shutouts, and the other was a 3 1/3-inning stint of relief that sealed the St. Francis Invitational triumph. With performances like that, a no-hit loss is the softball equivalent of a drop in the bucket.

"We just weren't that lucky," contended Alford. They just took advantage of our errors, and since they came consecutively they were able to score off us.'

Oppressed by this rhetoric of neutrality is a feat that had never been accomplished in Irish softball's two-year history. Coach Boulac's placid attitude may stem from the fact that his ace is a freshman, associate ace Missy Linn is a sophomore, and of his 18player roster, 11 of the women are freshmen. He might sense that the well of no-hitters will be flowing over the next four years.

'Staci Alford is going to get better and better," said a confident Boulac. "By the time she's a senior we'll be playing at a higher competition level, and we'll be a better softball team. We're going to come back and win a lot of ballgames."

And maybe next time somebody will notice.