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## Film, panel explore role of women

By KELLY BROOKS  
News Writer

Faculty members and African students met in a panel discussion to explore "The Role of Women in African Societies" after the screening of the film, "Faces of Women" in the Snite Museum on Thursday, February 1.

Dr. Peter Walshe, Professor Nalova Lyonga, Okinyo Wanyandeh, and Vincent Nmehielle participated in a roundtable discussion led by Professor Patricia Davis. The panel focused on their impressions of and reactions to the film.

"This film, in my view, shows exactly what happens when you have the cultural, dual sex division of labor," explained Professor Lyonga, an English professor at St. Mary's.

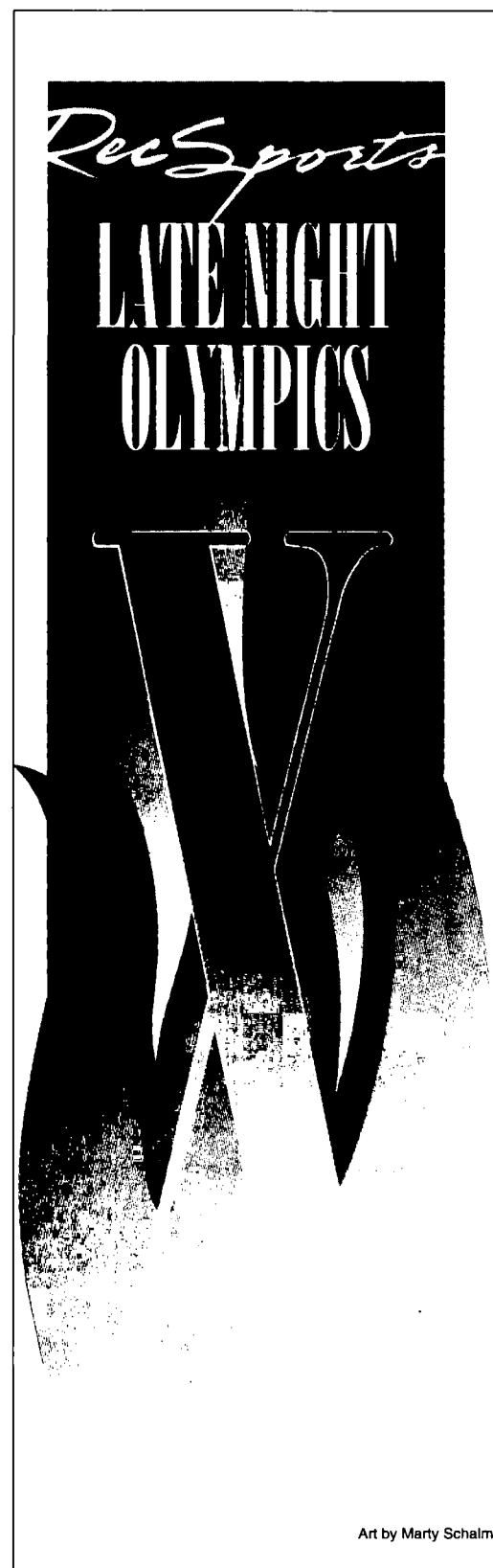
"I'm coming from a literary standpoint...the most important question is whose voice? What is the tone?" Lyonga emphasized the importance of the women's song throughout the film as the voice. "Through the film we see the whole society, but through song we hear all the voices."

"Faces of Women" is a two part film which tells the story of a traditional woman in rural Africa and of a female-entrepreneur in the post-colonial male dominated power structure.

The women must deal with breaking the structure of their respective systems.

By cheating on her husband, the woman in the village teaches her husband a lesson; it's a rebellion against his position of power and the abuse of his power.

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Art by Marty Schalm



Photos courtesy of Rec Sports

The Late Night Olympics have grown over the past ten years to include 18 events. It allows students to compete in dorm events in order to raise money for Special Olympics.

## Passing the torch

*Olympics celebrate tenth year of late night events which benefit local cause*

By DAVE TYLER  
News Editor

The winger steps behind the defense and finds himself all alone. He receives the pass, and cuts towards the waiting goalie, dreaming of driving a shot over the shoulder of the net-minder. Suddenly his weight shifts and the winger finds himself flailing backwards, slipping, and landing squarely on his posterior.

If this were the Detroit Red Wings' Sergei Fedorov blowing a potentially game-tying break-away in the seventh game of the Stanley Cup, he might never live it down. Because this is broom-ball at the Late Night Olympics, the winger and his teammates can laugh about it later.

It's easy to laugh about having a good time and raising money for a good cause at the same time.

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## Month of events celebrate African-American history

*Black History Month activities include concerts, movies, lectures and exhibits*

By LIZ FORAN  
Associate News Editor

February marks the beginning of the celebration of Black History Month at Notre Dame and throughout the nation. This month-long recognition of African-American history and culture will be represented through activities and services coordinated by various campus organizations.

The activities for the month are sponsored by campus groups such as the African-American Student Association (AASA), the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the Black Cultural Arts Festival (BCAF), Campus Ministry, and the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs. Additional events have been coordinated through the University.

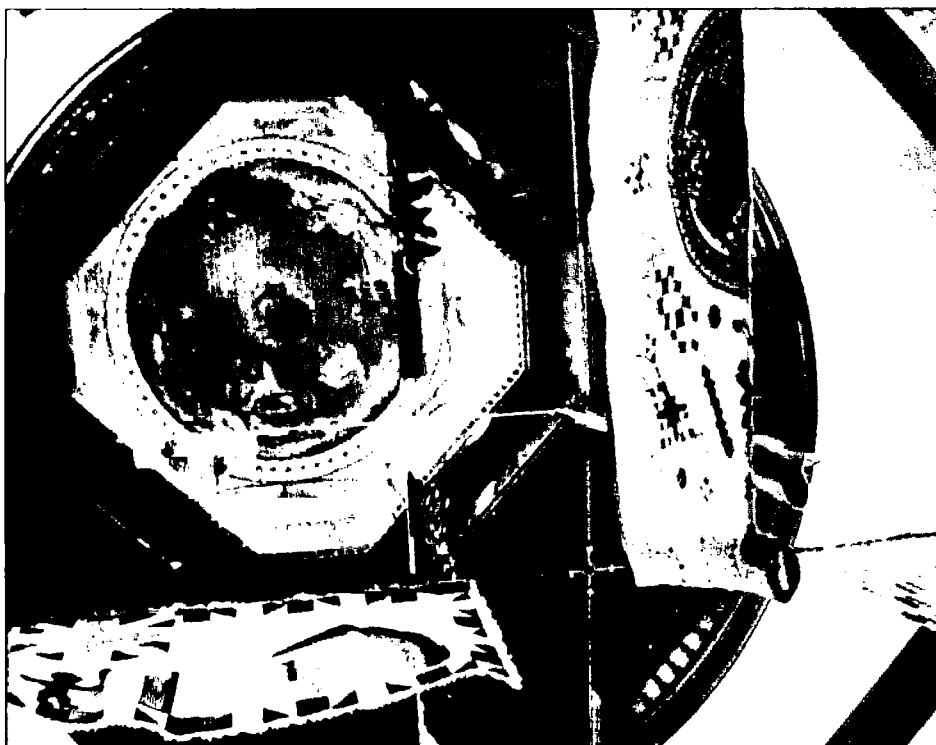
The week begins with a movie sponsored by BCAF, featuring "Higher Learning," on Friday at 6:30 p.m. in 101 DeBartolo. This is followed on Saturday with a kick-off rally (contact the AASA

for more information), and Hallelujah Night, sponsored by Campus Ministry. In addition to visiting choirs, this year's Hallelujah Night will also include dancing, poetry reading and other artistic displays, according to Iris Outlaw, director of Multicultural Student Affairs.

A lecture series organized by Roland Smith and David Hay of the Urban Institute for Community and Educational Initiatives begins this month and features speakers from across the nation speaking on racial segregation. "Separate and Still Unequal: The Persistence of Racial Segregation in American Life" is a six part visiting scholars series marking Black History Month and the centennial of Plessy v. Ferguson. The first lecture will be February 19 at 8 p.m. in the Hesburgh Library auditorium.

A collection of African textiles is currently on display in the rotunda of the Administration Building depicting cul-

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The Observer/Mike Ruma

African tapestries hang beneath the dome in the Main Building as part of an art exhibit to kick off celebrations for Black History Month.

INSIDE COLUMN

# Bring on the Geritol

It's your worst fear, aside from falling down flat on your back on that infamous patch of ice outside of O'Shag in full view of that potential SYR date you scammed for two-and-a-half hours at Bridget's Thursday night (my roommate did it just the other day and I know she's still nursing her ego).



Meaghan Smith  
Viewpoint Editor

It happens slowly at first, but then you realize that it's inevitably happening and there's not a single darn thing you can do to stop it. Like it or not, you're turning into your parents.

Do you find yourself checking to see whether or not your roommates are wearing gloves when they go outside? A jacket? Making sure you eat some sort of vegetable at least at some point in the week? Using that same cliché that your father has used for as long as you can remember — the one that really bugs you? Are you listening to the hit songs of the 70s, 80s and 90s and liking them? And remembering when they were new releases?

It's a nightmare. It starts in your 20s and can only get worse as age actually sets in. And if you think you have it bad, I have it much worse. I've already progressed far beyond the realization that I have become a twenty-something version of my mom. Sometime during high school, I turned into June Cleaver (as mom's affectionately dubbed by friends at home).

Now, less than a decade later, I'm turning into my grandmother (whose name, coincidentally, really is June). Bless her vitamin-enriched soul, I find myself setting clocks ahead and living in the same time warp that she does. I'm starting to like spinach. And I wasn't kidding about the vitamins. In fact, I swear by them.

So what's the big deal about premature aging? I think it might be a sign that one day, all too soon, you'll be out there in the real world — heaven and all the saints forbid. I spent some time in real world land over break and I didn't enjoy it one bit.

The worst part is hearing your favorite college hits tucked between Barbra Streisand's "Memories" and Elton John's "Nikita" on the MUSAK. I keep telling myself that I don't want an office job. I just want to stay at home and listen to songs with words.

I think there's still hope. Not only do I still enjoy lyrics in my songs, I like turning the volume ALL THE WAY UP. Acting like an adult too soon stunts the growth of your inner child, someone you need even when you can officially be labeled "geriatric" and qualify for senior discounts at the movies. As you work towards that scary future, if you don't let yourself have fun and play hard, you'll miss everything.

After hearing a moving orchestral rendition of U2's "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For," I'm left still looking for the words.

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

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

## Authorities dig out bodies following explosion in Sri Lanka

**COLOMBO**  
Using everything from small shovels to huge earthmovers, soldiers and construction workers found 13 more bodies Thursday in the scarred landscape of downtown Colombo, and the government vowed to "eliminate" the Tamil rebels it blamed for the attack.

At least 73 people were killed and 1,400 injured Wednesday when a suicide squad rammed a truck packed with explosives into Sri Lanka's central bank.

The attack, one of the worst in Sri Lanka's 12-year war with the rebels, ignited towering fires in the capital's business and tourist district.

Rescue teams dug into piles of rubble with the determination of worker ants. Some used heavy machinery and some simple shovels, but all said they did not expect to find more survivors.

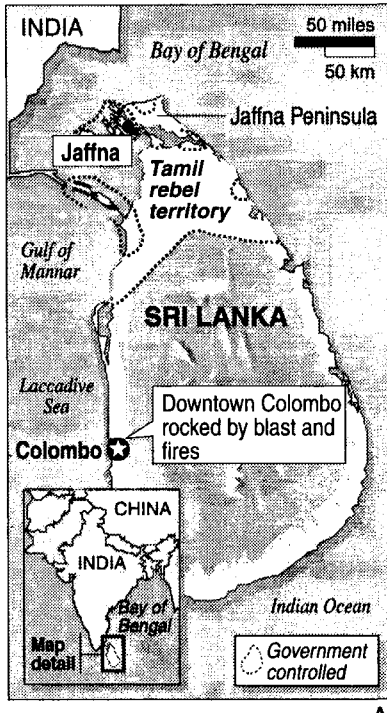
The attack came in desperation, said President Chandrika Kumaratunga, who claimed the Tamil Tiger rebels had suffered military setbacks and realized that other Tamils backed her plan to decentralize and give them limited autonomy.

"This unfortunate incident has once again reminded us that the threat to Sri Lankan society by terrorism must be firmly dealt with," she said in a statement. Terrorists "must be eliminated."

The separatists are fighting for a homeland in northern and eastern Sri Lanka, hundreds of miles away from Colombo, a port city in the south.

The Tamils say they are discriminated against by the majority Sinhalese, who control the government and the military. More than 40,000 people have died in the war.

In December, government troops captured Jaffna City,



the rebels' stronghold in the north. Wednesday's bomb, which police believe weighed 110 to 220 pounds, left a crater eight feet deep and shattered windows of buildings hundreds of yards away. The driver of the truck was killed, but two others were arrested shortly afterwards.

Investigators, interrogating those suspects Thursday, were trying to piece together the operation.

Police said the truck left Monday from Vavunia, a northern front-line town and took more than a day to reach Colombo, normally a five-hour trip.

It parked overnight Tuesday in a Tamil neighborhood of Colombo, and left Wednesday morning for the business district with explosives concealed under bags of rice hulls.

Police have identified the suspects only as Ragu and Dharma Ruben from the northern rebel-held town of Kilinochchi, and the dead driver as Raj.

Detectives raided a house in northern Colombo they believe the bombers had used and arrested several other people Thursday, but refused to identify them.

Of the 1,400 civilians wounded — most of whom worked in the state bank — 1,000 remained hospitalized and nearly 100 were listed in critical condition, inspector Lal Gunawardene told The Associated Press.

Dozens of despairing relatives scanned lists of dead and injured at the city's main hospital in Colombo, where heavily bandaged patients sat on gurneys in crowded corridors.

## Clinton to Washington: End feuding

**WASHINGTON**  
The struggle between Democrats and Republicans is "very important and not just political," but it ought to be carried out with more humility, President Clinton said Thursday. "We need to show the right attitude before those with whom we disagree, even when we feel wronged," Clinton told the 43rd annual National Prayer Breakfast, including politicians, judges, diplomats and soldiers. With House Speaker Newt Gingrich listening on, Clinton said his disagreements with congressional Republicans "have been part of the debate America must have as we move into a new era." Indeed, Clinton said, private talks over balancing the federal budget were surprisingly amicable. "We have to reach across these divisions," he said.



## Judge throws out rape evidence

**NEW YORK**  
A judge threw out evidence against an alleged rapist, maintaining that the suspect's privacy was invaded because his home was searched at night. In the ruling published today, acting Supreme Court Justice David Friedman was critical that the search of Melvin Gardner's home was conducted after 9 p.m. "It is well established that a nighttime intrusion into a private residence constitutes a severe invasion of privacy," Friedman said, in disqualifying a stick and blanket found in the suspect's apartment the evening after the alleged rape. Friedman's ruling asserted that searches must be executed between 6 a.m. and 9 p.m. The warrant said the search could be conducted "any time of the day," and the judge said, that didn't mean any time within the 24-hour day.

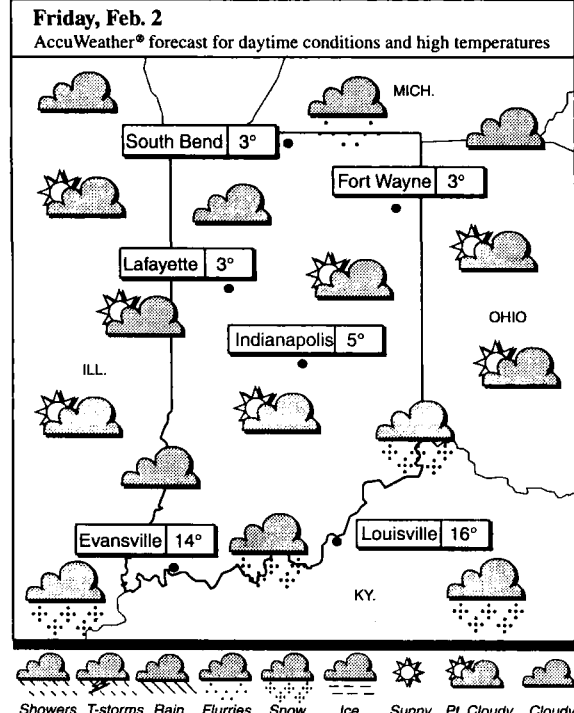
## Hundreds attend nuns' funeral

**WATERVILLE, Maine**  
Two nuns slain in their convent were remembered today for their "joyfulness of spirit," and mourners were urged to pray for the man who killed them. More than 1,000 people including Gov. Angus King and Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston packed Notre Dame Church, just three blocks from the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament convent where the attack took place Saturday night. Mother Superior Edna Mary Cardozo, 68, and Sister Marie Julien Fortin, 67, were killed and two other nuns were injured when a man broke into the convent. At least one of the nuns was bludgeoned with a statue of the Virgin Mary. The twin coffins were draped in ivory cloth, a tall candle burning between them. "There was a joyfulness that doubtless came from long hours of prayer. They were warm, loving people who did not deserve to die in this way," said the Rev. Anthony Schueller.

## Buddhist monks arrested for fraud

**TOKYO**  
Police on Thursday arrested six Buddhist monks accused of coniving ill or troubled people they were possessed by evil spirits and then charging high fees to exorcise the demons. The monks are members of the Meikakuji temple group, which has taken in an estimated \$113 million in exorcism fees in the past eight years, officials said. Gishun Nishikawa, head of the temple group, was arrested with three monks in Tokyo, and two other suspects were arrested at temples in other prefectures. Nishikawa, 55, is suspected of running a nationwide fraud ring in which temple employees would advertise a cure for sick and depressed visitors, especially targeting housewives, then tell them they were possessed and offer their expensive remedy.

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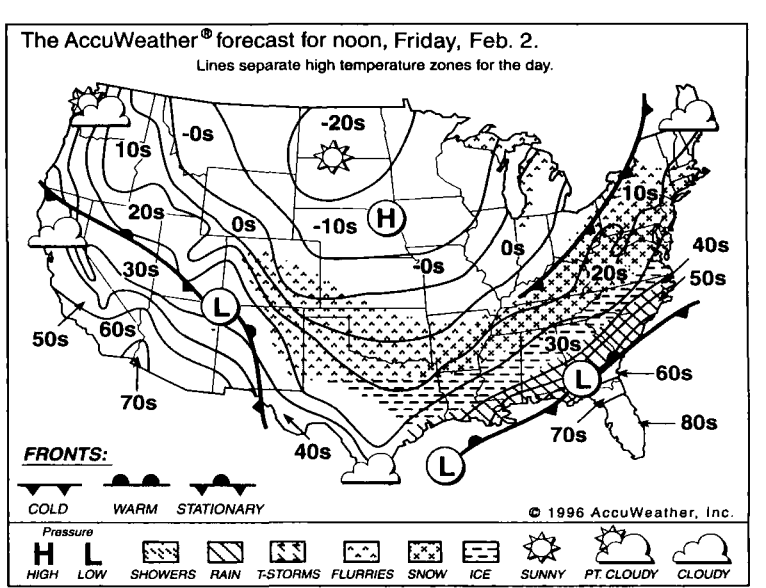


Table with 5 columns of city names and their forecasted temperatures for Friday, Feb. 2.

### RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

## Council maintains level of campus involvement

By PATTI CARSON  
Saint Mary's Editor

Things are running smoothly. Or so the current executive board members of the Residence Hall Association (RHA) would say.

Since the resignation of the former RHA executive board members last November 14, a new executive board has been elected and has taken office. Effective since December 4, the new board claims that the transition has been smooth thus far.

"We were fortunate enough to have walked into an active RHA," said current RHA president Paulette Raczkowski. "We accomplished a lot as the RHA in the fall and hope to continue to see progress in the spring."

Under the new board, a few things have been changed or advanced and some have been added, according to Raczkowski. The athletic committee has continued to work in order to combat poor attendance on the part of the Saint Mary's community at athletic events.

Also, RHA will sponsor an all campus dance on Friday, Feb 16. In addition to this event, RHA will sponsor Little Sibs Weekend, which seems to be supported this year, according to Raczkowski.

As far as support from the administration is concerned, the current president feels that the lines of communication are open.

"My executive board feels

that our advisors have given the RHA a lot of support," Raczkowski said. "We haven't as of yet faced any major hurdles. We're very optimistic as the administration seems to be." And the administration seems to agree.

"RHA as an organization continues to be a very viable, strong, and enthusiastic body," said Dr. Linda Timm, vice-president for academic affairs. "The new officers are moving forward with a full agenda and I look forward to a good continued working relationship with them."

But the former RHA executive board members feel that there has been a change in atmosphere, especially on the part of the administration.

"We've attended several RHA meetings since the new executive board has been instated. We've noticed a change in attitude toward the executive board on the part of the advisors, as they realized they can no longer castigate student leaders without repercussions," said former executive board member Barbara VanDersarl.

Other members of RHA seem to feel, however, that RHA continues to be a very positive and supported organization. Chairwoman Karen Murphy has the "utmost confidence in the women running the organization."

In addition to an effective completion of old business and progress with new issues,

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The Observer/Brandon Candura

### Bag It!

Jennifer Boatwright and Melissa Lenhart of Lewis Hall sell reusable Grab-n-Go bags at South Dining Hall yesterday during dinner.

## SMC dedicates senior residence

By LESLIE FIELD  
News Writer

Senior traditions continue to thrive as Annunciata Hall plans its dedication and open house to take place Sunday, February 4. In its first year of senior living, Annunciata has proven very successful. Juniors have already voiced concerns about not drawing a lottery number low enough to obtain housing on the fourth floor of Holy Cross Hall.

Annunciata President, Betsy Killian, is very pleased with both this year and what looks to be a successful future for the senior privileged fourth floor. As for the official celebration this Sunday, Killian says, "It is

exciting for me to see that some of the hard work has paid off and people want to be up here. It's nice for people to want to be active."

Invitations were extended to each Saint Mary's student in her mail box as well as to each faculty. The Seniors and Annunciata expect a good turnout.

Sunday's festivities will kick off with a welcoming from Saint Mary's President, Dr. William Hickey. Following will be a ceremony and dedication. At that time, those attending will be the first to see a plaque and picture of Mother Annunciata.

Mother M. Annunciata McSheffery was Directress of the Academy of Saint Mary's in

1872 and was later the Superior General of the Sisters of the Holy Cross in 1892. When she died in 1900, the Students of Saint Mary's dedicated the issue of that year's *Chimes* in her memory. A copy of that issue will be available for people to see during the open house.

The plaque which now hangs in Annunciata lounge reads a quote from Maurice Francis Egan. "She was a loyal friend, a wise counselor, and the very heart of truth dwelt in her." Of the many noble Sisters who have made Saint Mary's what it is today, the Senior Hall Council chose Annunciata for qualities like these; qualities which Saint Mary's was built on.

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## Olympics

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That's what the Late Night Olympics is all about.

The annual Office of Recreational Sports-sponsored sports extravaganza returns for its tenth installment tonight, from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m., and as usual, the proceeds from the event will be donated to the Saint Joseph's County Special Olympics.

This year's edition includes 18 events, a moonwalk, ice skating and a very special basketball game. A team of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's faculty and staff will take on a team of Special Olympians at 9 p.m. Lou Holtz will serve as honorary coach of the staff team, and Indiana basketball coaching legend Marvin Wood will coach the Olympians.

1996 promises to continue a pattern of growth for these games, according to RecSports' director Kara O'Leary.

"We just keep getting bigger. We're using every available space in the Joyce Center."

All this for an event that started without a name. Sally Derengoski, one of the directors of RecSports, originally conceived the idea ten years ago as a way to hold an all-night, all-campus party in the same style as her alma mater, Indiana University. Two years later, the event adopted the name Late Night Olympics and began its association with Special Olympics.

Now the event includes nearly 1500 students from both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame, dorm versus dorm competition and a lot of fundraising. In less than eight years of fundraising, Late Night Olympics has donated over \$25,000 to St. Joseph's County Special Olympics. Most

of the funds go to supporting the program's basketball team, according to O'Leary.

"After South Bend held the (Special Olympics) World Games in '87, a lot of regular contributors had used a lot of their money on that, and the St. Joe chapter was in dire need of funds, so it turned to ND for support," she says. The pair have been partners ever since. Late Night Olympics contributions are among the largest the county chapter receives annually.

The fundraising connection helps draw students to the event, said O'Leary. But it's not the only reason they come. It's the way they raise the money, she says.

"The best part of this is seeing students come together to raise money and have fun at the same time," she says.

For O'Leary the event is just one big recess.

"The later they stay the more fun they seem to have. To see everybody reverting back to their childhood at 2 a.m., having a good time for a great cause, is terrific."

Putting together all that fun takes a lot of work. There are over 40 hall representatives to organize teams and sign-ups for the Olympics, and 75 to 100 volunteers on Friday night. For the first time, a 12-student steering committee helped develop ideas for this year's production. Graphic Service's Marty Schalm helped create this year's logo. Medals are donated by the Notre Dame Alumni Association.

But O'Leary says the effort is worth it. "It's really just a great atmosphere. Once somebody comes to one event, they get hooked," she says.

O'Leary encourages every to show up even if they haven't signed up for an event. "We won't turned anyone away," she says.

## Women

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In her fight for a loan, the second woman realizes how others rob her of her power. Wanyanden pointed out the theme of awareness throughout the film.

Nmehielle, a graduate law student and native of Nigeria, criticized the film for its portrayal of the relationship between men and women. "Yes, women are dominated, but the film refuses to recognize the good things that happen [in African society] between men and women."

"In the new post-colonial state, the system is dominated by males which creates problems with the power structure," Dr. Walshe, government professor, commented, "The subtle interaction [between men and women] of traditional society is lost and women's voices are not easily heard."

"The problem is that these themes appear in every culture; the struggles may vary," added Davis.

"But empowerment comes from women working together...confronting the world together."

"This is a complex film that deals with the power of women - sexually, economically, and as the personality in the family. This power is contrasted with the obstacles that women faced," explained Dr. Walshe.

"Faces of Women," which won the PRIX de la Critique International at the 1985 Cannes Film Festival, and the panel discussion were sponsored by the African Students' Association, Gender Studies, and the Graduate Student Union.

## History

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ture and history from the 19th and 20th centuries, according to Doug Bradley, assistant director of the Snite Museum.

The exhibit consists of items from the Snite Museum collection and from two private lenders, and will be on display until Sunday. Other events this month include:

- Movie week, beginning with "Roots" on Monday night, at 8 p.m. every night from February 5-9 in room 106 O'Shaughnessy Hall.
- NAACP Formal at 7 p.m. Saturday in the LaFortune Ballroom.
- Malcolm X Memorial Service on February 21 (time to be announced).
- "Sex, Race & Democracy" lecture by Kathleen Neal Cleaver on February 25 at 7 p.m. in Washington Hall.

## RHA

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Murphy feels that there are more factors that make the organization continue to prosper.

"The relations between RHA and the Board of Governance (BOG) are better now. The collaborative efforts of these two organizations are inspiring," Murphy said.

Even the members of the former RHA executive board agree that the transition has been somewhat smooth.

"My opinion is that RHA is running well, but by learning from our mistakes and continuing towards our previous goals, it could be running better," said former RHA president Tara Hooper.

The current RHA members will hold office until the next RHA elections in the spring, according to Raczkowski.

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1:30 p.m. Stanford Keenan Chapel  
Padre Patrick Neary, C.S.C.

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**CAMPUS BRIEFS**

Word has been received of the death of Brian Schuster, associate adjunct professor of law at the University of Notre Dame Law School. Schuster died Sunday of natural causes. He was 43.

Appointed to the Notre Dame faculty in 1987, Schuster taught a course in food, drug, and cosmetic law.

Schuster was an attorney and international counsel for Zimmer Inc. of Warsaw, Ind., after previously serving in a similar capacity with Miles Inc. of Elkhart. He was a member of the St. Joseph County and Indiana Bar Associations.

A native of South Bend, Schuster earned his bachelor's and law degrees from Indiana University in Bloomington and served as a law clerk for U.S. District Court Judge Robert Grant.

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A night filled with singing, dancing, and poetry will mark the third annual Hallelujah Night sponsored by Campus Ministry, on Saturday at 7 p.m. at Stepan Center.

The evening will showcase the many talents and cultures that make up the Notre Dame student body. According to Gail Walton, director of music at the Sacred Heart Basilica, she hopes the festival will "show the variety of artistic endeavors at Notre Dame."

The evening will be comprised of three different artistic outlets, dancing, singing, and poetry reading. Three dance clubs on campus will be represented, the "Ballet Folklorico," a Hispanic Dance Club; the Hawaiian Club; and the Filipino American Student Organization.

Five different choirs will sing,

the Hispanic "Coro Prima Vera;" the predominantly African-American gospel choir, "Voices of Faith;" the Notre Dame Women's Choir, the Notre Dame Folk Choir and the Notre Dame Liturgical Choir.

In addition, four Notre Dame students will read their own poetry and the Notre Dame Mariachi Band will perform.

Admission is free. Donations from the festival will be given to food pantries in South Bend and Mishawaka. Campus Ministry requests that students donate non-perishable food items.

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"Today's Life Choices," the University of Notre Dame's weekly television series on contemporary social issues, has been honored in the international TV programming competition of the 1995 New York Festivals.

The series received a finalist award in the social issues and current events category for an episode entitled "The World Summit for Social Development: Social Issues of Global Importance." The program highlighted efforts of participants at the 1995 World Summit for Social Development in Copenhagen to find ways to build international solidarity in eradicating worldwide poverty and unemployment.

Now in its seventh season, "Today's Life Choices" airs on 65 PBS stations nationwide as well as the Faith & Values network. The series has been honored twice previously by the New York Festivals and also has been recognized for outstanding programming by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Higher Education and the National Catholic Association

for Broadcasters and Communicators.

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The championship match of Notre Dame's 1996 College Bowl tournament is scheduled for noon Saturday at the Center for Continuing Education.

The final five matches leading up to the finale also will be contested that morning beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The winner will represent Notre Dame in the College Bowl regional tournament Feb. 23-25 at Bradley University in Peoria, Ill.

Created in 1953, the College Bowl is the world's longest running general knowledge quiz competition. Four-student teams from campuses nationwide compete in a question-and-answer game that tests knowledge in a wide spectrum of subjects.

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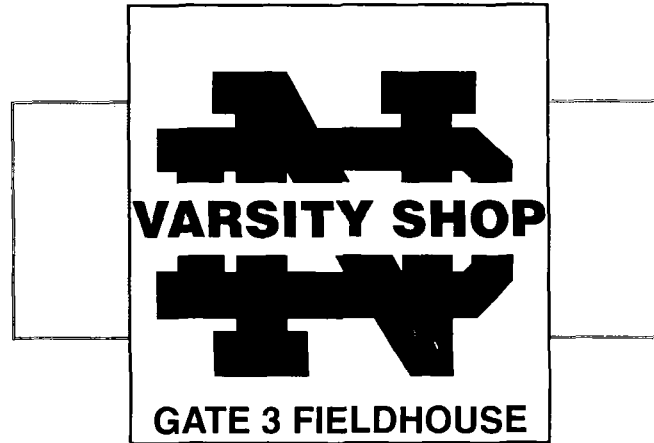
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# Train derailment sparks fire, injuring 20

By LARRY GERBER  
Associated Press

CAJON SUMMIT, Calif. — A freight train carrying hazardous chemicals derailed and caught fire early today, killing at least one crew member, injuring at least 20 other people and closing a major highway. The train's engineer was among the injured and one other crewman was missing after the Burlington Northern-

Santa Fe Corp. train left the track shortly after 4 a.m. It touched off a spectacular fire that continued to burn intensely at midday. "It's really ripping, really burning," said Bill Peters, California Department of Forestry spokesman. "We're not fighting it as of yet because of all the chemicals." The dead crew member's body was pulled from the twist-

ed, burning wreckage shortly before noon. His identity was not immediately released. Most of the injured were police officers and transportation officials who complained of chest pains, shortness of breath and skin rashes. They were taken to several hospitals. The engineer was hospitalized in fair condition with lacerations and an injured back. A tunnel-shaped cloud formed over the heavily traveled mountain pass as the rail cars burned, spitting flames 30 feet into the air. The site, in the Cajon Pass, is a sparsely populated area about 15 miles north of San Bernardino. One witness said a fireball



hundreds of feet high could be seen when the train crashed. "I was out there standing and felt a rumble. I felt the heat of the fire," said the witness, Chuck Mydlowski.

### SECURITY BEAT

MON., JAN. 29

11:34 a.m. Security responded to a two car accident on Juniper Road. There were minor injuries reported.  
12:15 p.m. An off-campus student was transported by Security to the University Health Center for treatment of injuries sustained during a fall.  
4:20 p.m. A Howard resident reported receiving a harassing telephone call.  
6:10 p.m. A Pasquerilla East resident reported receiving a harassing telephone call.

TUES., JAN. 30

7:10 a.m. Security responded to a car/pedestrian accident in the B16 parking lot. There were minor injuries reported.  
2:01 p.m. A University employee reported receiving a harassing telephone call.

WED., JAN. 31

12:50 a.m. Security transported a Sorin Hall resident to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of injuries sustained during a fall.  
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**Generation at the Crossroads:  
Apathy and Action on the  
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by

## Paul Rogat Loeb

Tuesday, February 6, 1996

7:30 PM

Hesburgh Library Auditorium

For seven years, Paul Loeb visited over 100 campuses in 30 states to explore the beliefs, values and choices of today's students. He is the author of *Generation at the Crossroads* (1994).

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—Keith Geiger, President, National Education Association

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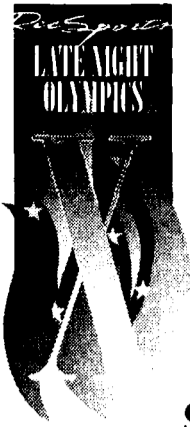
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■ ITALY

# Appointment of premier leads reforms

By FRANCES D'EMILIO  
Associated Press

**ROME**  
After weeks of wrangling, a longtime bureaucrat seen as politically neutral was chosen Thursday to try to form a new government with the primary goal of fashioning a more stable political system for Italy.  
President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro

announced he had chosen Antonio Maccanico to be the next premier. The announcement came after both the left and the right seemed to be near an agreement on what kind of changes the next government should work for.

If he is approved by Parliament, Maccanico will lead Italy's 55th postwar government, succeeding Lamberto Dini, himself

a non-aligned figure named earlier by Scalfaro to promote cost-cutting reforms.

Since Dini resigned on Jan. 11, party leaders had been arguing about what reforms Italy needs. Talk about overhauling Italy's political system, which features a weak presidency and fosters party splintering, has been heard for years.

Maccanico, 71, had served as

the top bureaucrat in the offices of the president and premier and also as chairman of Mediobanca, an investment bank that is one of Italy's strongest powerbrokers.

Maccanico told reporters he hoped parliament would give him "solid, serious, broad" support to pass constitutional reforms and help improve the economy.

■ RUSSIA

# Coal miners strike could bring chaos

By ALEX AMERKUSHEV  
Associated Press

NOVOKUZNETSK

More than a million Russian and Ukrainian coal miners went on strike Thursday in a wave of anger that could lead to budgetary chaos and affect Russia's presidential election campaign.

From Ukraine's coal-rich Donbass region to eastern Siberia, miners were demanding hundreds of millions of dollars in unpaid wages and protesting government neglect of state-owned mines.

"We'll make them respect us and teach them a lesson," Ivan Mokhnachuk, deputy head of Russia's Union of Coal Industry Workers, said in Moscow. The walkout comes in the dead of winter in countries heavily reliant on coal.

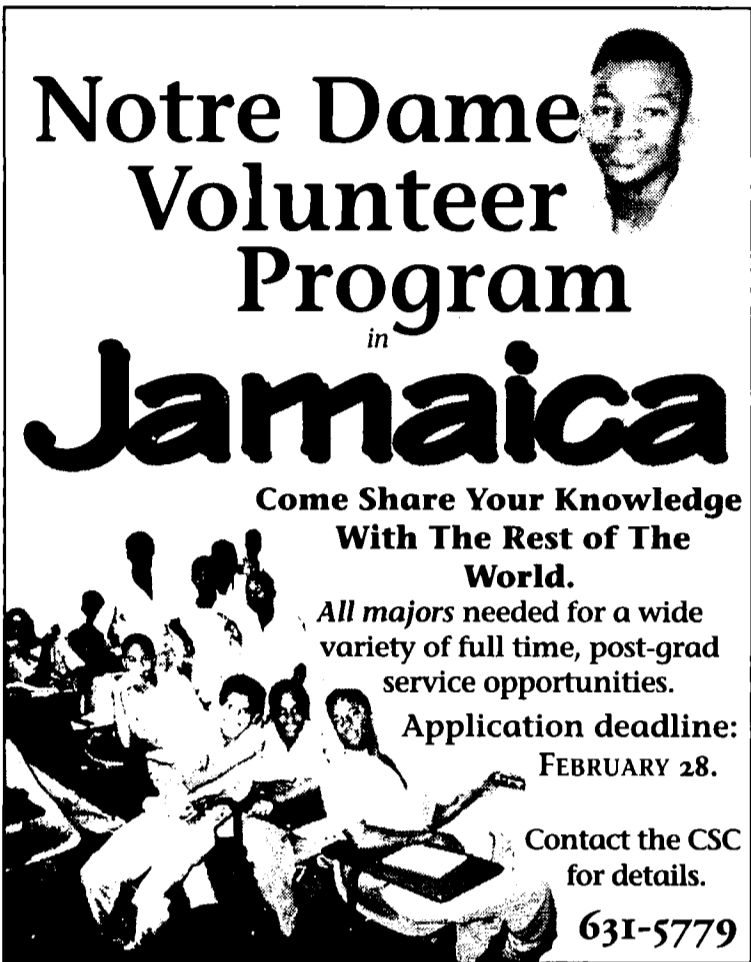
In eastern Siberia, coal is the only energy source, and some regions have only about a week's reserves.

In many areas, however, Russia has other energy sources. Gas and oil are both used far more than coal in Russia, and with the use of gas on the rise, it would be the apparent fallback if the strike stretches on.

The strike's immediate impact is expected to be political.

Coal mining is still a state-owned industry in both of the former Soviet republics. Workers in other cash-starved state sectors also are angry, and say they have lost faith in government promises to address the problems of unpaid wages and payments to industry.

"The miners could start a chain reaction that would bring about an emergency situation," said Alexander Zhukov, a moderate lawmaker and deputy chairman of the budget committee in Russia's lower house of parliament.



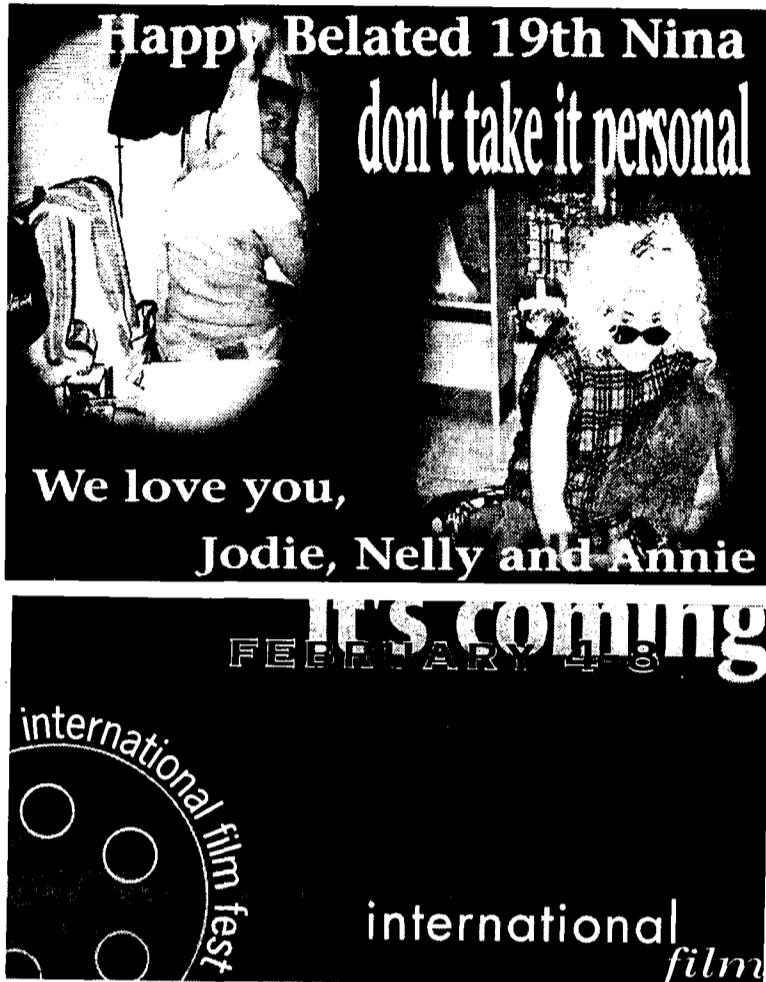
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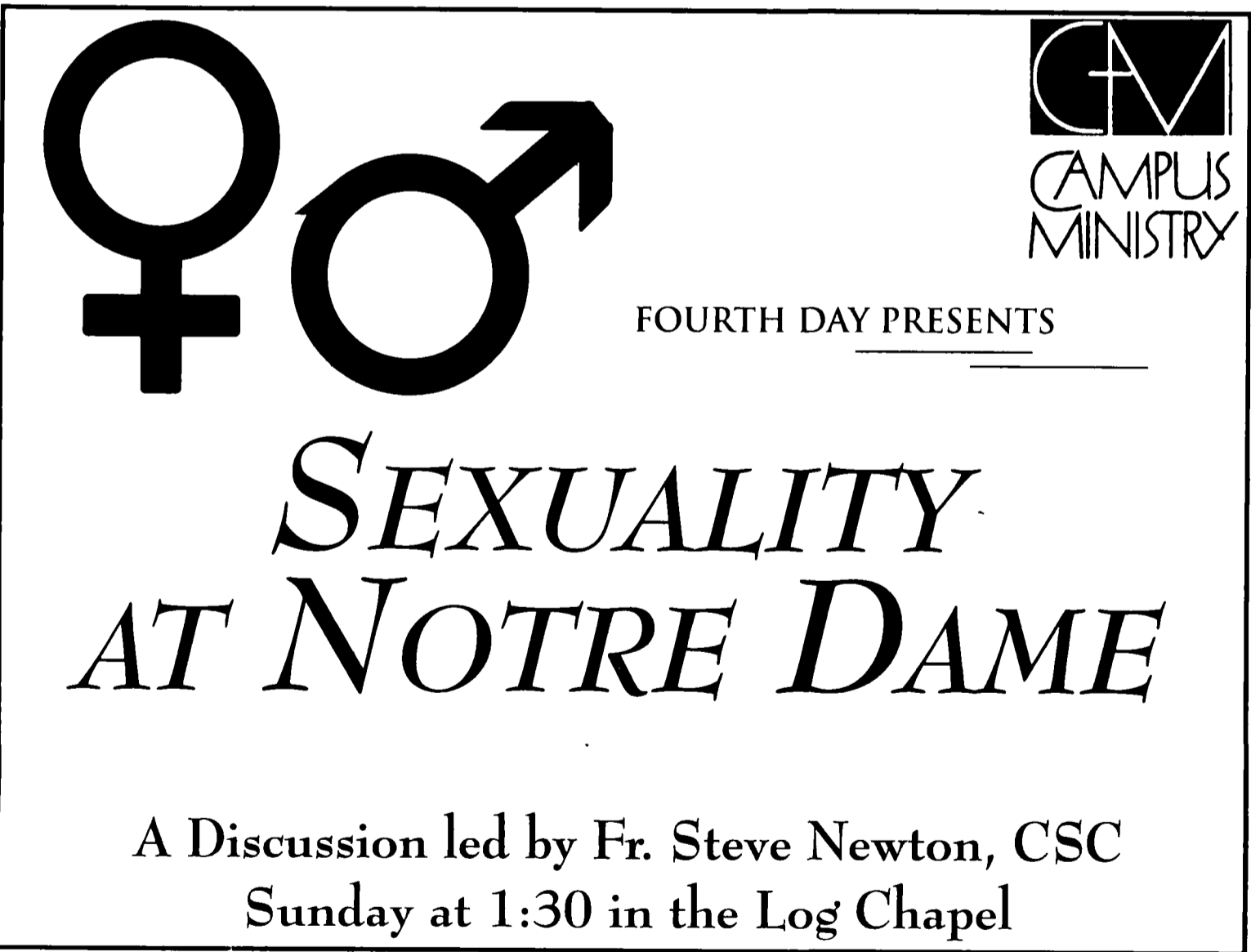


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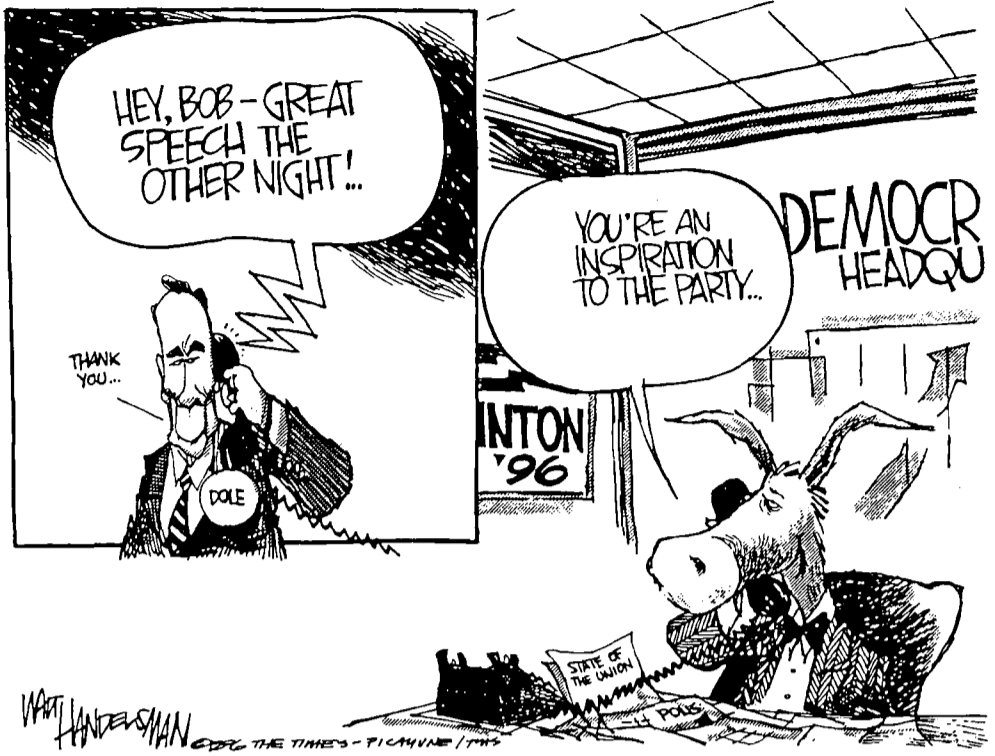
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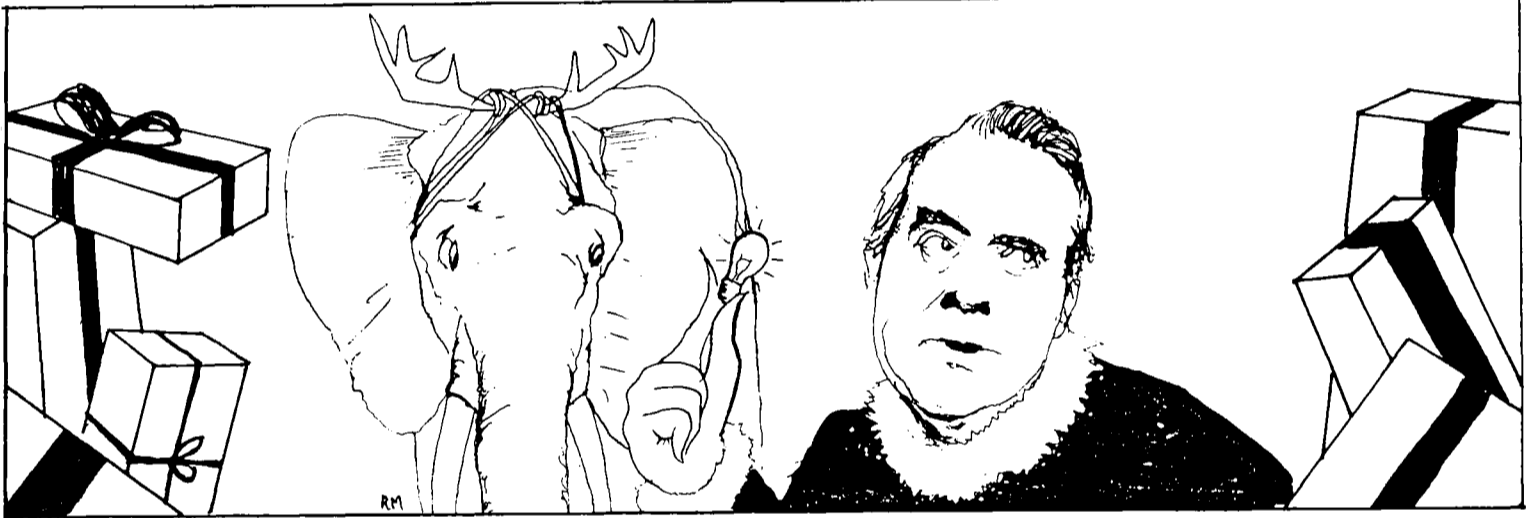
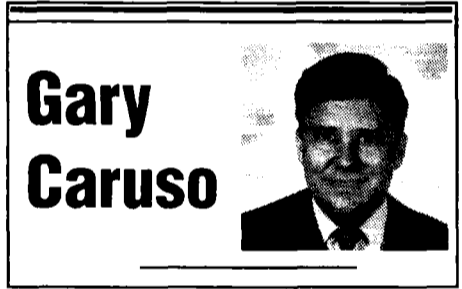
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### ■ CAPITOL COMMENTS

# State of the Union: A sad state of affairs

## Dole's delivery a petition for class president



President Clinton delivered a good State of the Union speech with style...that is, until Senator Dole presented the Republican response. After Dole's appearance, Clinton's picture perfect performance showed why Dole has serious trouble matching up with Clinton. Clinton demonstrated insight and compassion by setting an agenda in the center of the political spectrum. He had a smoother, more presidential delivery, and touched on issues of interest to a majority of Americans.

Dole physically looked like the Grinch who stole Christmas. His delivery was unemotional, and his content was shallow and mean spirited. Contrasted with Clinton's conciliatory "let's work together" theme, Dole's use of harsh Gingrich-like phrases such as "fantasy budget," "Big Brother" and "elitist views" only revived the old Dole image of a political hack. And what was all that "tuck your kid in bed tonight" rhetoric supposed to accomplish? High school class elections promising more pizza at lunch and dances after sporting events have contained more insight and content than Dole's address.

Dole's performance was a total disaster. Not only did he look worse than

Clinton, his delivery was bad and he directed his comments toward those who will vote in the Republican primaries rather than to independent Americans. Dole's comment that he would "refuse to bend or yield" as a matter of conviction was clearly an attempt to say to Republicans across the country, "I'm really a conservative, not a compromiser." Yet polls have shown a majority of Americans thought Dole was the most reasonable of the three leaders in the budget negotiations.

It is amusing to hear Dole say that our system has been "hijacked by liberals," accusing liberal judges Clinton appointed as a reason for crime. Ronald Reagan and George Bush appointed more than two-thirds of the currently sitting federal judges. Dole also needs a wake up call on the deficit. It tripled under Reagan and Bush, partly with the support of a Republican-controlled Senate and a conservative Democrat coalition with Republicans in the House. How soon we forget that Reagan got every budgetary request during his infamous "trickle down" first term in office before he was forced to slightly compromise during his second term.

Bill Clinton moved to the middle by

using Republican themes mixed with Democratic ideals. He emphasized that the government had 200,000 less workers since he took office. He noted that the last major environmental accomplishments occurred when Richard Nixon worked with a Democratic Congress. Clinton praised Dole and all veterans for their service to our country. Showing that Congress was insensitive towards federal workers, Clinton honored a Social Security employee, Richard Dean, for his "extraordinary personal heroism" during the Oklahoma City bombing. Then Clinton reviewed Dean's past two months of furloughs without pay due to the government shutdown.

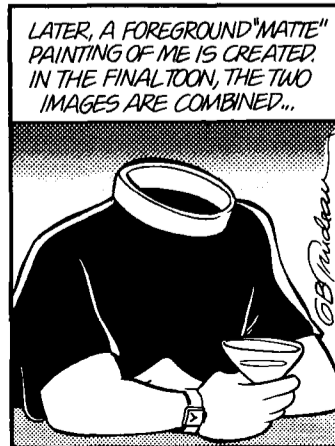
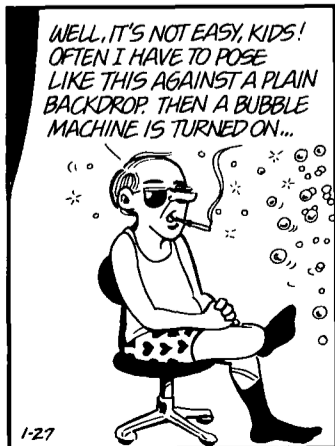
Clinton took the popular issues of both parties and made them his own. He sounded reasonable by calling for "the era of working together." Clinton was as good as Reagan in communicating his agenda and achieving support for himself. Immediately following the speech, two television networks conducted surveys. Both had Clinton's personal approval ratings above 50 percent, approval of his budget priorities with blame for the gridlock on the Republicans above 60 percent, and dis-

satisfaction with current conditions compared to four years ago at only 19 percent. In one evening, the President rose above the budget battle and rallied his party.

Some may argue that Clinton was all talk and no substance. Talk usually dominates over substance in a state of the union message. The differences in political philosophies between the two parties are great—one believes in workers and government while the other believes in business as the driving force in our society. The fact remains, Bill Clinton acted presidential, sounded presidential and greatly contrasted with Bob Dole. If that one evening is any indication of the upcoming campaign, a majority of Americans will shed party philosophies in search of a leader. In light of his recent public address, Clinton can count on four more years.

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### ■ DOONESBURY



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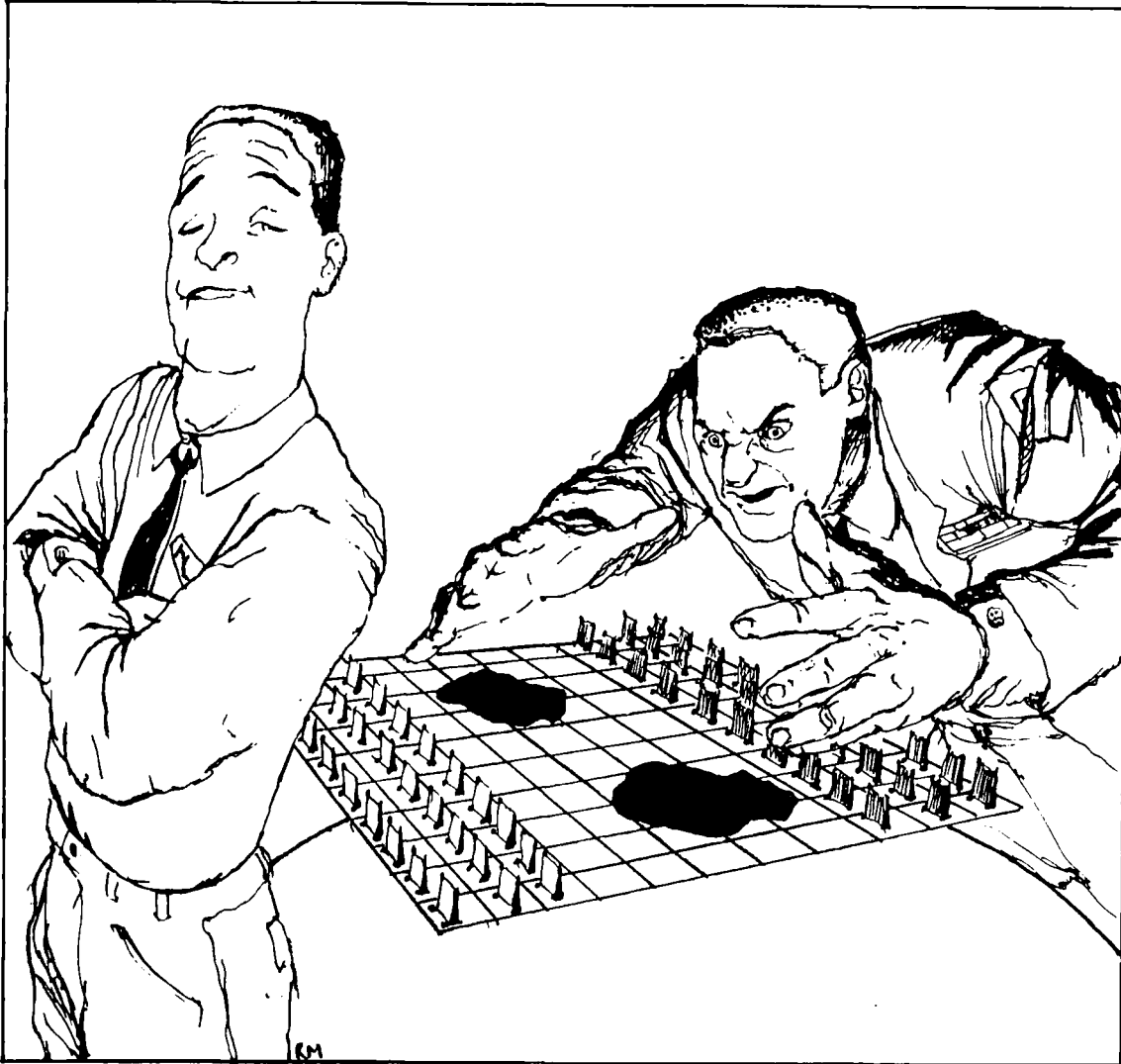
### ■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A great man represents a nerve of society, or, to vary the figure, a strategic point in the campaign of history, and part of his greatness consists in his being there."

—Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.

■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Armed services serve few *Students stand for life*



Dear Editor:

As a person associated with Peacenet I would like to comment on Brandon Williams' column of Nov. 10, "Christianity and military do coexist."

Frank Carver, '44, the man who walked 250 miles to Notre Dame to talk to Father Malloy about a university chair in non-violence, is a sincere Catholic who refuses to modify Christ's message of "love one another".

Half a century ago Senator Joe McCarthy and others accused loyal American citizens of being traitors. He used lies and innuendo to destroy his political "enemies", but in the end he was discredited and censored by the Senate. A couple of weeks ago the head of the F.B.I. said that during the cold war the threat of Communism was greatly exaggerated. That message is 40 years late, but many Americans had realized it for years before.

I have a low regard for colonialism - why wouldn't I? My people came from Ireland about a hundred and fifty years ago. The Irish fought British

colonialism for 800 years, and are still at it. Americans fought against British colonialism over two hundred years ago. After World War II we saw France attempt to re-establish her colonies in Indo-China. Why did we come to the aid of France with money and military assistance? We helped a colonial power and its wealthy Vietnamese allies to fight against the majority of Vietnamese, who demanded land reform and would not tolerate colonialism. These Vietnamese have ancestors who resisted Chinese domination for a thousand years. A couple of months ago Robert McNamara appeared on TV to discuss his book "In Retrospect". Now he tells us our policy in Vietnam was terribly, terribly wrong. And he was one of the main framers of that policy. He said that even though he knew it was wrong at the time he wouldn't say so "out of loyalty to the President." During that ten year blunder 58,000 Americans and probably two million Southeast Asians were

killed. The silent majority chose to be non-controversial and so as citizens became almost non-functional.

Does the presence of ROTC compromise Notre Dame's ability to criticize our government's policies? If there is a valid need for ROTC, then perhaps there is also a valid need for non-violence. I'd like to hear what Frank Carver has to say, and also Father Malloy's thoughts and decisions in this matter.

"Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired, signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed. This world in arms is not spending money alone; it is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children," said Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Best wishes to all the professors and students at my favorite university.

CHARLES WATERS  
Class of '49

Dear Editor:

Our sincere and everlasting thanks to all the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students who so kindly gave up their seats at the Mass for Life at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., Jan. 21, 1996,

The ladies to whom you gave your seats were all members of the National Council of Catholic Women who were attending its National Board Meeting at the Washington Retreat House, just up the road from the shrine.

As the Province Director for the Indianapolis Province, which includes the whole state of Indiana, I was exceedingly proud of all of you.

It was a tremendous occasion and we thank you all for making the extra effort away from your studies to attend the Mass for Life and the March for Life.

May God continue to bless you.

ARLENE QUIGLEY  
Province Director  
National Council of Catholic Women

## Come out, Virginia...

Dear Editor:

My back aches from the violent beating my spinal cord underwent as, out of shame, I sank low into my seat at the Billy Joel lecture Jan.30. I wanted to jump up and scream in defense of my college and gender as a fellow student, in 15 seconds, managed to destroy every value that the Saint Mary's women have striven for over the past 151 years.

I truly appreciate the opportunities shared by the University of Notre Dame. Without the help of an institution of such caliber, I would not have been able to participate in lectures such as Billy Joel's and Oliver Stone's. I believe that a gesture like opening an event to another group is an act of respect. For this sharing and respect, I am thankful.

What caused me shame and embarrassment Tuesday night was an outright misuse of respect. Labeling a number one ranked college as "the girls' school across the street" is a blatant act of disrespect to the students, faculty, staff and alumnae of our college.

My complaint lies not with the University of Notre Dame, although my heart did wince when some members of the audience "booed" at the mention of Saint Mary's College, but rather, I speak out to the student herself and any other student who did not find fault with the manner in which she tactlessly addressed Joel.

As students of Saint Mary's College, and as women who have worked incredibly hard to gain respect and recognition from others, don't we deserve that same respect from ourselves? It is time that we realize our full potential and identify ourselves as strong women who understand the power of higher education.

To those who also lowered their eyes and felt powerless Tuesday night, you are not alone. To those students of Notre Dame whose negative attitudes towards Saint Mary's were reinforced - do not be fooled by one thoughtless individual. To those Notre Dame students who felt themselves swayed towards the position that Saint Mary's does live up to the negative stereotypes - do not be so weak to let one incident change your mind. And finally, to the faculty and staff who have worked so diligently to cultivate strength, confidence and independence in the women of Saint Mary's, do not lose heart, rather, use this incident as a teaching tool and learning experience for discussion and growth.

ANGELA CATALDO  
Junior  
Le Mans Hall

■ GOD 'N LIFE

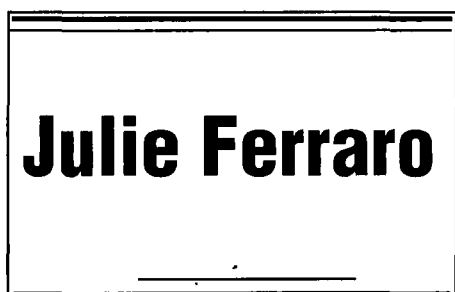
## No risk, no pain, no fear . . . no problem

No fear. Though the statistics may not be readily available, it might be interesting to find out how many - if any - people over age 35 wear clothes bearing this logo. This willingness to take extreme risks seems a trait of the younger set that somehow fades with time.

Still, a bit of fear is good. Fear keeps us from acting foolishly. No one would walk through a pit of rattlesnakes bare-footed, or deliberately cross the Toll Road in heavy traffic. Even in the Old Testament the prophets wrote about "fear of the Lord". The Israelites knew there were certain things they should not do, because they would put their eternal reward in jeopardy.

Today, we've pretty much broken away from the mentality that "God'll get you" if you sin. The fact does remain that certain "sins" - murder, adultery,

racism and hatred- do more than put little black marks on a person's soul. They harm all humanity, a humanity that is steadily losing hope in the "now" and the future.



So, do we all become "goody-two-shoes" in order to reverse the ravages of sin on the world? Even that prospect seems bleak, because no one is perfect. No one wants to be singled out, or made

fun of, for trying to be "good". Few really want to be a "good example" for others. Many just want to blend in, live quietly and not disturb anyone.

Think about what the world would be like if Martin Luther King, Jr. just "blended in". Or Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Or John Paul II. Sure, some people disagree with what they've done, but how many people have they also inspired to take a look at their individual lives and make a change for the better?

Consider how many teachers we have known. And not only in the classroom. A teacher's goal is to "touch just one life", to spark one mind on to greater things. All of us should adopt the same goal, and not just during our time at Notre Dame. We should not be afraid to set an example for others by living a life worthy of scrutiny and imitation.

Whether we abide by the Golden Rule

or other equally laudable tenets, we have the opportunity to make the world a better place starting in "our own little corner".

Have no fear that others may point fingers or criticize, be it because a person decides not to drink or to volunteer for one of the Center for Social Concerns' projects, or do other things to help bring humanity back from the brink of despair. Such disapproval isn't worth the pain and maybe, just maybe, these critics will see what is happening and learn from it. Never stop trying, no matter how fruitless the effort might appear, or how strong the opposition sounds.

In this, there can be no fear.

Julie Ferraro is a secretary in the Freimann Life Science Center.

■ ACCENT ASKS...

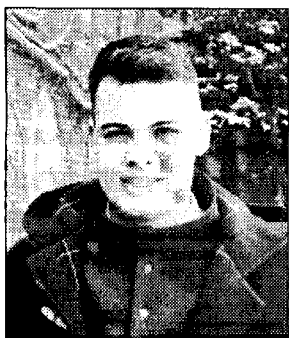
# What is your favorite cartoon?



"Gummy Bears."

Theresa Sullivan  
Sophomore, Siegfried

"The Road Runner. He always pummels Coyote into the ground."



Jack Walser  
Senior, Fisher



"Scooby-Doo"

Sunday Patterson  
Sophomore, Lyons

"Animaniacs. I like their songs."



Evelyn Ortiz  
Senior, Walsh



"Thundar the Barbarian was awesome."

David Guzman  
Senior, Fisher

"The Smurfs."



Sean Neugebauer  
Freshman, Sorin

The Observer/ Brandon Candura

# Cartoon-Fever S

## The Evolution of Animation

BY KRISTEN DOYLE  
Accent Writer

In what other genre but animation can you find audiences consistently returning to the classics while remain heartily devoted to transient trends?

The history of animation can not be categorized as a fluid progression of an entertainment medium, but rather a collection of breakthroughs and conflicts of a broad-based art form. The very first animated film was only two minutes long and was drawn on rice paper with India ink. Primitive by modern standards (it was silent and black and white), "Fantasmagorie" by Frenchman Emile Cohl was nevertheless a European success.

The magic of animation did not catch the interest of American audiences until newspaper comic and editorial cartoonist Winsor McCay came on the scene shortly after, in New York. It was jump-started with his invention of "flippers" included in the Sunday edition of the New York American. Static illustrations mysteriously came to life with the simple flip of a pad of paper. The flippers were so popular that McCay put together a Vaudeville show which included his first animated film, "Little Nemo in Slumberland" (1905), in which he modeled the characters of Little Nemo and the beautiful princess after his son and daughter.

The show was a smash hit, but "Gertie the Dinosaur" (1914) is regarded as his greatest achievement. McCay even timed her breathing to match his own. He incorporated his animated film into his live act by engaging in conversation with the child-like dinosaur, a precursor to the live action-animation combination in "Who Framed Roger Rabbit?"

McCay developed animation as an art form while many of his contemporaries took it in the direction of commodity. John Randolph Bray, dubbed "the Henry Ford of animation," is credited with opening the first animation factory in which a team of animators feverishly worked to produce second rate film shorts in large volumes. Bray's low-budget, high-return brand of cartooning soon grew stale and was characterized by a pre-production lack of organization.

The proliferation of this method led to McCay's retirement in the 1920s. At a testimonial dinner in 1927, McCay stated curtly, "Animation should be an art, that is how

I conceived it. . . but as I see it, what you fellows have done with it is making it into a trade. . . bad luck." As the novelty of animation wore off, audiences realized that they just were not very funny.

It is hard to imagine that the production of characters like Dinky Doodle, Bobby Bumps and Felix the Cat could be anything but a barrel of laughs but early studio animation was a cutthroat business, particularly in the area of technology. Producers like Bray and Raoul Barre competed savagely for the patents on production techniques like the "slash" system. In this system, drastically reducing production time, a given scene's background would need to be drawn only once while the moving characters were drawn on a clear cel-  
luloid overlay.

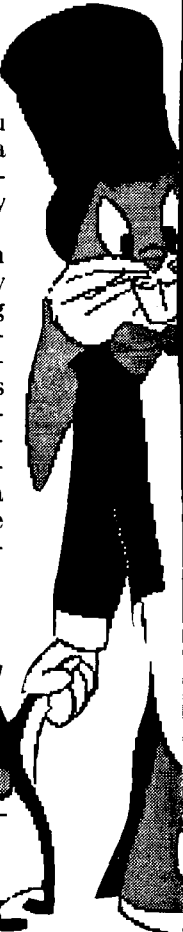
In 1917, the Bray studio released the first film to employ the aesthetically significant "rubber hose" technique. Character's limbs were depicted like lengths of flexible tubing instead of bending stiffly.

With the Disney Era (1928-1941) came the Golden Age of animation marked by an abandonment of the factory system and a sacrifice of money for excellence. Disney's critical acclaim and commercial success soon gave rise to an industry highlighted by wide revamping and diversification of techniques and formats. The use of storyboards and more creative scripts and gags improved the quality of the storylines. Silly Symphonies (music-oriented fantasies) like "The Skeleton Dance" (1929) emerged as an unprecedented variation.

Mickey Mouse, perhaps the most recognizable cartoon character, has a development history all his own. Conceived by Walt himself in 1927, Mickey was originally named Mortimer and depicted as a mischievous and slightly maniac mouse based on Chaplain's Little Tramp.

In 1931, there were one million members of the Mickey Mouse Club, among them Franklin Roosevelt and Benito Mussolini. After 1935, Mickey's character softened into a harmless Mr. Nice Guy, color picture was added and a team of uniquely charming allies for our hero (including Pluto, Goofy, and Donald Duck) were written into new scripts.

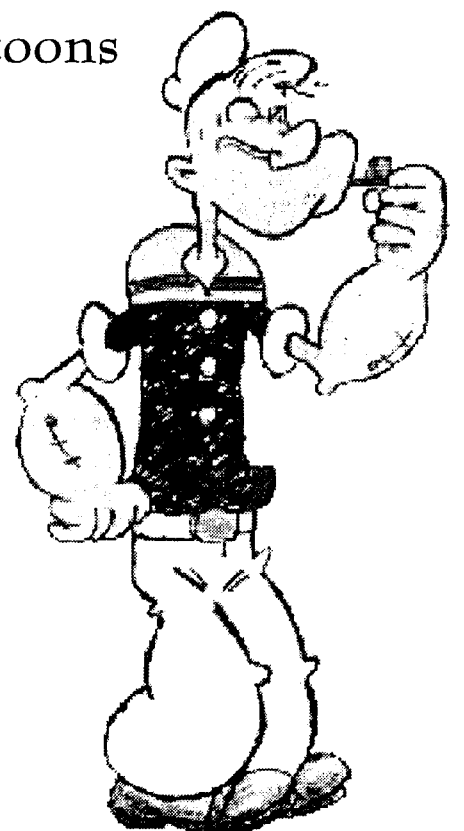
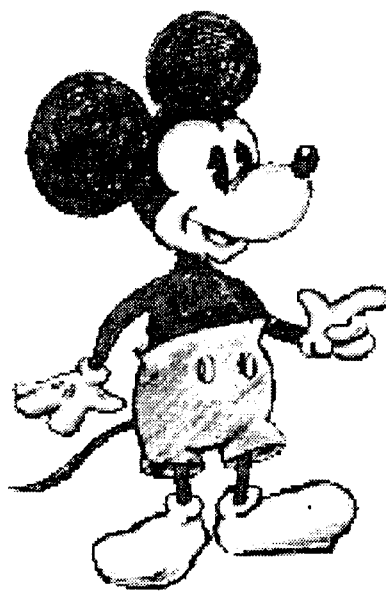
The incorporation of the television as a member of the American family in the 1950s provided a new, but not altogether beneficial, outlet for cartoon art. In feature film form, the cartoon had been viewed as suitable entertainment for all audiences. Early on, quality programs like the very



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## The Progression of Cartoons



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## My Life in a Cartoon World

### HE SAYS...

Webster defines cartoons as being drawings caricaturing a person or event. Cartoons, for me, were the staple of my adolescence.

I watched them all. From "Johnny Quest" to the "Loony Toon Adventures" to "The Jetsons," I thrived on cartoons. "Tom and Jerry," "Speed Racer," and even "Fat Albert" could not escape the wrath of a young child armed only with a rattle of control in one hand and a peanut butter and jelly sandwich (with the crust cut off) in the other.

Without these and a flock of other cartoons, I probably would not be the person that I am today. Not only did they represent an escape from the rigors and monotony of pre-school, they were really quite entertaining. They teach sensitivity and creativity. They can take the viewer to far-off places that can only be found in the imagination. Many cartoons depict the epic struggle between good and evil, a battle in which good almost always inevitably wins.

As I grew up, I watched the evolution of cartoons. The fairly simple drawings, of bugs Bunny and Daffy Duck, transformed into the more complicated, if not more violent animation of the Transformers, He-Man, and G.I. Joe. Ironically, these shows, which were plagued with senseless violence, often tried to be politically correct by offering

some moral. "G.I. Joe" rationalized its violence with the familiar phrase, "And knowing is half the battle."

And then we have the Disney cartoons. On the surface, these movies appear harmless and family oriented, but deep down they hold a much crueler message: the mortality of life. There must be a better way to convey this scarring message; I mean, I still haven't gotten over the fact that Bambi's mother died.

Cartoons continued to grow more complex as I journeyed into my teens. First there were the Simpsons and Ren and Stimpy. From them spawned the idiocracy of Beavis and Butthead. This obnoxious duo has managed to take over the minds of a countless number of adolescents, who rave around the malls of America, heckling, "Fire, fire..." and "I need tepee for my bunghole." During this time, Japanimation was introduced to me. A visual collage of sex, drugs, violence and, yes, cartoons.

Eventually when I went to college, my interest in cartoons slowly faded away due to time constraints and the lack of cable TV. Recently though, my interest in cartoons has been rekindled by one of my roommates who wakes up at the crack of dawn on Saturday morning, no matter how late he stayed up the night before, to watch cartoons.

One Saturday morning, I wandered into the living room to find my roommate, sitting

so close to the TV that his nose



touched the screen, laughing hysterically at a giant, blue, dim-witted superhero creature. It was really quite an odd spectacle; nevertheless the show was funny and clever. "The Tick," my roommate informed me, is one of his favorite shows on TV.

Following "The Tick" is another one of his favorites, "X-Men." "X-Men" fascinated me even more. The art, the scenery, the characters, and even the plot are well developed and are aesthetically pleasing. It is full of action, yet offers a commentary on our society, how human is human.

Now, I wake up, no matter how much my head hurts to watch these two shows. But these two shows just aren't enough anymore. I have become addicted again. I watch cartoons at all hours, anytime, whatever is on. I find myself being sucked back into the realm of prepubescence, back into the world of the imagination.

by Joey Crawford  
Assistant Accent Editor

### SHE SAYS...

Jem. Now she was "truly outrageous." She was the epitome of eighties cool with her own band, a talking machine that dressed her in tight vinyl pink-and-lavender clothes, and a secret identity.

She had a boyfriend, too—one of those vacuum-for-a-personality Prince Charming types. I have long believed that Jem's boyfriend, Barbie's Ken, Ted from Scooby Doo, and David Hasselhoff are really the same person. Admit it—you've never seen them all in the same place at once, and they all have that same vapid "Hi, I'm the boyfriend" expression permanently fixed on their faces.

Jem's band rocked. They played pink instruments carefully so as not to mess up their hair, but alas, Jem's band, The Holograms, has gone the way of fellow Hair bands Skid Row and Motley Crüe, and today she is probably on the road in a van, stopping to play bar gigs in the midwest to finance her hair spray and makeup habit.

Other than Jem, I usually avoided cartoons specifically geared toward girls, like "Poochie," a program which detailed the social life of a pastel, makeup-wearing poodle. I preferred to watch "He-Man," about a sword-wielding guy who never wore anything but fur underwear, and "The Thunder Cats," a cartoon about mutant cat people on steroids with cool names like Lionel, Tigra, and Bob.

A lot of the cartoons I watched, like "My Little Pony," may be considered excessively violent by the experts, but I think the most frightening cartoon images are found in kids' cereal commercials. They are nothing more than glimpses into the world of psychotic talking animals and mentally unstable elves—witness the anal-retentive trio,

Snap, Crackle, and Pop, the schizophrenic, hyperactive Cocoa Puffs bird who cannot calmly consume one bowl of cereal, and the sad case of Tony the Tiger. Tony feels he must constantly prove himself to the world—he's always showing 'em he's a tiger, showing 'em what he can do. Sure, the taste of Tony's Frosted Flakes brings out the tiger in him, but at what cost?

I was usually pretty loaded with the sugared cereal these psychopaths hawked when I was watching Saturday morning cartoons. I would get up at about 4 a.m., and kick off the day with the Smurfs, a small, blue, inner-forest street gang of punks. Next, I often enjoyed the Care Bears, a troop of multicolored animals who were able to save the world by aiming their tattooed stomachs at the sky and emitting a glowing signal, not unlike the technique I have seen demonstrated by many law enforcement officers on "Cops."

I always watched the "Shirt Tales," a group of cuddly animals whose t-shirts displayed every thought that crossed their minds. I think this show was canceled after Pee Wee Herman made a guest appearance and his t-shirt contained some, um, especially interesting messages.

I was a devoted fan of the Shirt Tales, and I was so excited when they were to visit a local K-Mart that I was bouncing off the walls without ingesting any Frosted Flakes. Sadly, when I arrived at the K-Mart the day of the Shirt Tales' appearance, they had already gone, leaving me with only a tell-tale tuft of fur here and there around the store. Needless to say, I was sufficiently psychologically disturbed by this incident to become a star in kids' cereal commercials. Anybody want to buy some Psycho Puffs®?

by Jenny Shank  
Accent Writer



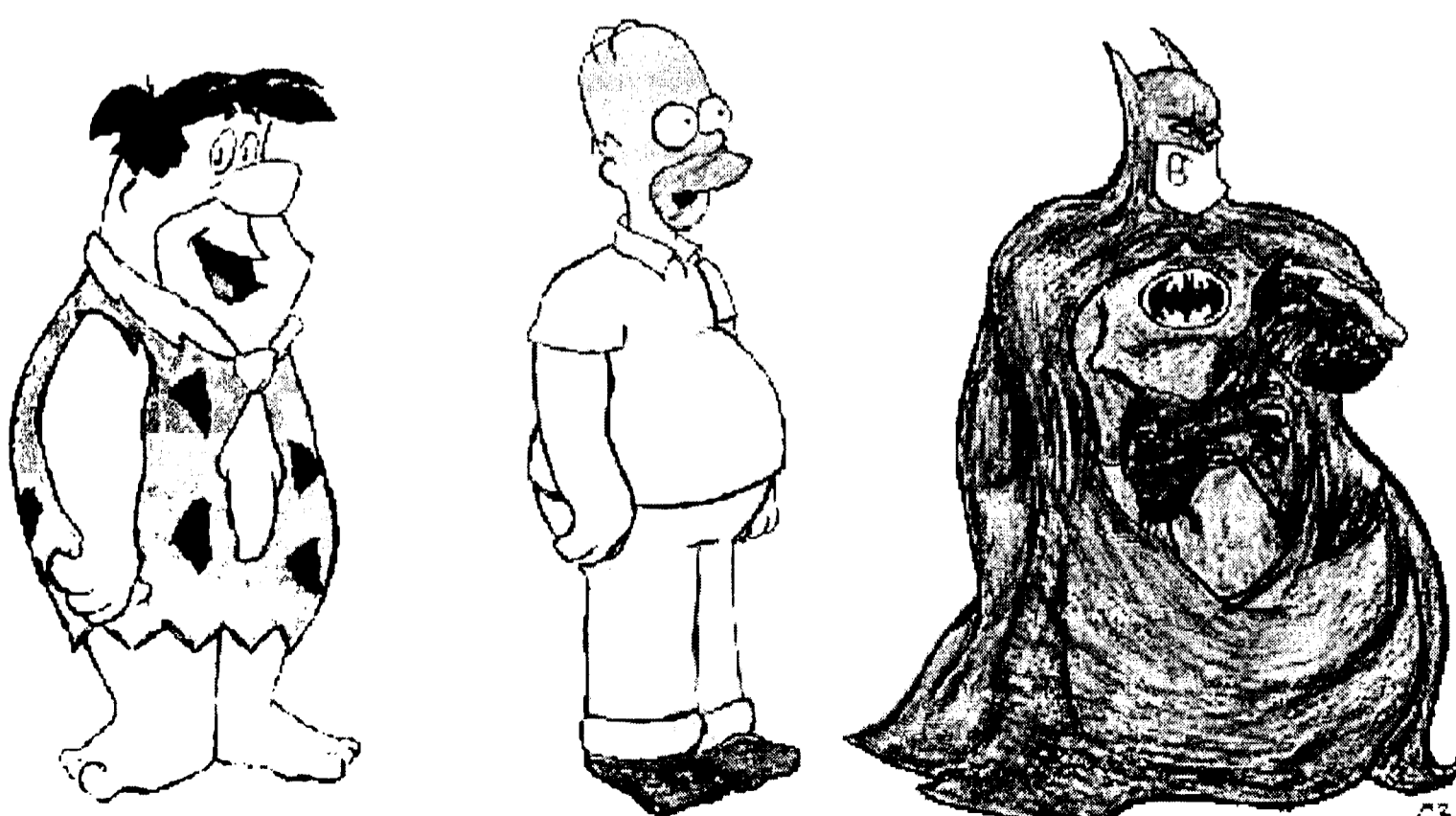
first cartoon made for television, "Crusader Rabbit," were presented during prime time and generated the same reputation.

However, the introduction of Saturday morning cartoons in the sixties shifted the target audience almost exclusively to children.

Television studios found that cartoons continued to attract young viewers even if their artistic quality waned and employed the same generic storylines over and over.

Cartoons that were targeted for censorship by psychologists and parents. Historian Charles Solomon effect of the censorship movement began bowdlerizing the classic cartoon "The Bugs Bunny" falls and explosions were considered as pernicious and were the fact that the... gags had audiences for decades was was the aesthetic excellence taken into consideration. The usually and clumsily censored." brought a slight improvement like "The Smurfs" but is also re- its share of duds like "Hulk and Wrestling." The first fea- computer animated film, n," was a box office flop but y for animation's most recent ark, the blockbuster "Toy

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## SATURDAY 'TOONS

C-CBS; A-ABC; F-FOX  
Time Cartoon Network

7:30	Timon & Pumbaa	C
7:30	Free Willy	A
7:30	C-Bear & Jamal	F
8:00	Aladdin	C
8:00	Dumb & Dumber	A
8:00	Power Rangers	F
8:30	Ninja Turtles	C
8:30	Bump in the Night	A
8:30	Masked Rider	F
9:00	The Mask	C
9:00	Fudge	A
9:00	Spider-Man	F
9:30	Ace Ventura	C
9:30	Reboot	A
9:30	X-Men	F
10:00	Felix the Cat	C
10:00	Bugs Bunny-hour	A
10:00	The Tick	F
10:30	Live with Louis	F
11:00	Action Man	F
11:00	What-A-Mess	A
11:30	Weekend Special	A



# Tennis

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Lord started a bit slow in her singles match, which caused it to go to three sets. She managed to defeat her Wildcat opponent, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. "Lord started out well, but then she let her opponent back into it, forcing a third set," stated Louderback. "Then she got back into the game, and put the match away."

The freshman showed their power once again in this match, as both came up with huge victories. The two are vital members of the team. Both manage to come up with big victories over impressive opponents. "They are both so strong," stated Vitale, "Hall and Velasco are doing great jobs at no. 3 and no. 4 singles. They are both huge contributors to the team."

Hall dominated her opponent at no. 3 singles, 6-0, 6-2. Velasco defended her winning streak, yet again this week. She shutdown Northwestern's

own freshman phenom, Laura Guignon, 6-2, 6-4.

Junior Erin Gowen posted an impressive shutout of her opponent. Gowen did not allow Northwestern's Porter a chance to score. "Gowen lost a few matches a couple weeks ago, due to a bout with the flu, but now she is back in good health which showed today. She played very well," commented Louderback.

The team can not dwell on their sweet revenge this weekend, because they are off to seek some more in Kansas. Actually the Irish are looking for a little revenge over William & Mary this year, after suffering a close loss last year, 4-5. On Saturday, the 15th ranked Irish will face the 13th ranked Tribe at Kansas. Then on Sunday, the team will meet the 26th ranked Kansas Jayhawks.

"The matches this weekend will be tough," stated Louderback. "In the past three years, the matches have been extremely close. In the end, I think that it will be tight, and the best team will win."

## PROFESSIONAL TENNIS

# Muster new no. 1

Associated Press

MONTE CARLO, Monaco  
Andre Agassi will lose his No. 1 spot to Austrian Thomas Muster in the next ATP Tour rankings because of a scheduling quirk.

Agassi, who took over as No. 1 from Pete Sampras at the Australian Open last week, will drop to third when the list is published Feb. 12.

The reason for the change is that a tournament in San Jose, Calif., is being played a week later this year because first-round Davis Cup matches are scheduled for the weekend of Feb. 9-11.

As a result, Agassi will lose the 204 computer points he picked up for winning in San Jose last year.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

**Women's Lacrosse:** Practice will be held Monday and Wednesday at 10:15 pm at Loftus beginning January 29. Mandatory informational meeting February 5 at 9:15 in the Notre Dame Room, LaFortune. Questions, Call Allison 239-7924.

**Late Night Olympics X:** Late Night Olympics is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 2 from 7:00 p.m. - ??? at the Joyce Center. The proceeds from this all-night sports extravaganza go to benefit the St. Joseph County Special Olympics. For information contact your Hall Representative or call RecSports at 1x6100.

ESPN will be filming the Saint Mary's basketball game vs. Lake Forest (7 p.m.) on Tuesday, Feb. 6. There will be a pep rally before the game beginning at 6 p.m. Please come and show your SMC spirit.

**Jazz Dance:** A Jazz Dance class will be offered on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:45 in Rockne Rm. 219. All levels are welcome, but space is limited. You must register in advance in the

RecSports office and the fee is \$30.00. There will be an information session on Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 6:30 p.m. in Rockne Rm. 219. Sign-ups begin Wed. Jan. 31 at 8:00 a.m. in the RecSports office. For more info. call 1x6100. Open to all ND students, faculty and staff.

**Cross Country Ski Clinics:** RecSports will be sponsoring two clinics on Saturday, Feb. 3. The clinics will be at 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The fee for the clinic is \$5.00 with an additional \$2.00 rental fee for the skis. Register in advance at RecSports. For more info, call 1x6100. Open to all ND students, faculty and staff.

**Mountain Biking Club:** Meeting Feb. 8, 7:00 p.m. in LaFortune. All levels welcome. Contact Patrick van den Broeke with questions 236-7266.

**Intercollegiate Bowling:** Any students of Notre Dame or Saint Mary's who are interested in intercollegiate bowling competition, please contact Jason at 4x1065.

**Archery Mini-Course:** RecSports will be sponsoring an Archery mini-course on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 6 & 7 from 7-9 p.m.

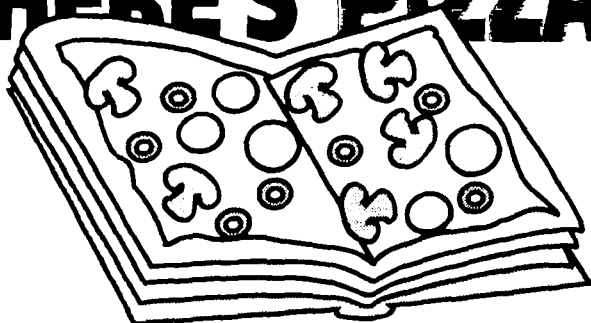
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■ NFL

# Seahawks L.A., Rose Bowl bound

By JIM COUR  
Associated Press

### SEATTLE

The Seattle Seahawks are moving, and this time it's Los Angeles that is getting a team.

The Seahawks intend to play next season in Los Angeles, which last year lost both its pro football franchises.

Citing the high cost of renovating the aging Kingdome, team sources said Thursday the Seahawks would play in the 102,083-seat Rose Bowl after 20 years in Seattle.

Seahawks owner Ken Behring met with King County officials at an undisclosed location to notify them of the move. County offi-

cial said an announcement was planned for later in the day.

The Seahawks would be the fifth NFL franchise to recently change cities.

The Raiders and Rams left Los Angeles last year. The Cleveland Browns have announced they will play next season in Baltimore and the Houston Oilers will move to Tennessee.

Since the Rams and Raiders moved from Los Angeles, the nation's second-largest TV market was left without an NFL team.

There was no immediate response from Pasadena's Rose Bowl Operating Committee. A message requesting comment

from its president, Alfred Moses, was left with his office.

KIRO-TV in Seattle said Seahawks coaches were told Wednesday to be ready to move to the Rose Bowl.

It seemed unlikely the 74-year-old Rose Bowl would be the team's permanent home, however.

Several groups in Los Angeles have expressed interest in building a new stadium for an existing or an expansion NFL franchise. Among them were R.D. Hubbard, chairman of the Hollywood Park racetrack; Dodgers owner Peter O'Malley; and Disney chairman Michael Eisner.

# Women

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have continued to improve as the season has progressed, with the notable exception of the UConn game. A telling illustration of this is the fact that Notre Dame now leads the nation in field goal percentage, shooting 50.7%, while limiting their opponents to only 38%.

Leading this charge, as always, are junior forwards, and All-American candidates, Beth Morgan and Gaither.

Each is averaging 20.9 points per game, while Gaither is grabbing nearly 10 rebounds per contest.

Senior co-captain Carey Poor has also been making her presence felt, as she has contributed nearly 10 points and more than 6 rebounds a game.

A distinctive characteristic of the team's play of late, however, is their first half turnover problem.

In their last game against

Miami, the Irish committed 24 turnovers, something that must be remedied as the Irish head toward the post-season.

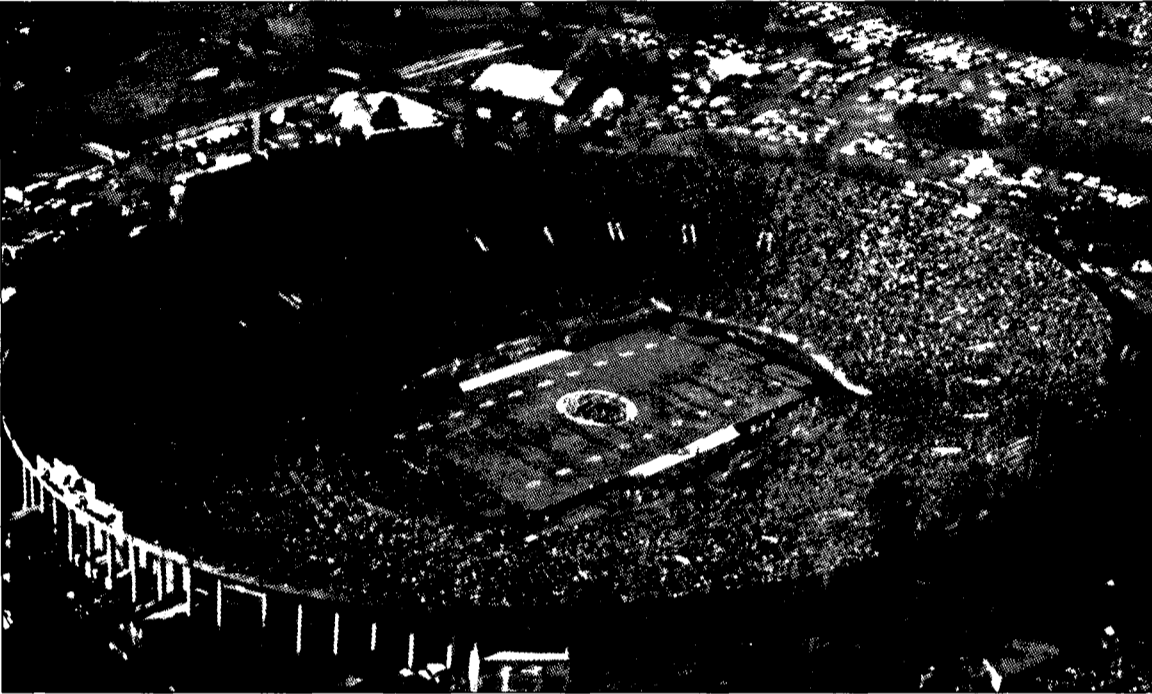
Although Coach McGraw has been able to adjust at half-time, the team cannot afford to keep this up, especially on the road, where the Irish will play five of their last eight games.

While the Irish has a very respectable 6-3 road record, the Scarlet Knights have also been playing well of late. They plan on defending their home court well, where they too are 6-3.

Rutgers is led by guard Liz Hanson, who is averaging 13.6 points.

If the Irish are to win, they must contain Hanson, as they did the last time the two teams played. In that game, she fouled out with only five points.

"Liz Hanson is their best player," commented coach McGraw. "She is playing very well. We did a good job on her last time, and it will Jeannine Augustin's job to do that again this time."



The Rose Bowl will be the new home of the Seahawks.

Photo courtesy of USC Sports Information

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**Feb. 2, 1996**

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■ TRACK & FIELD

# Irish, Loftus hosts competitive Meyo Invitational

By BRIAN REINTHALER  
Sports Writer

Beginning today, the Irish men's and women's track and field teams will host the two-day Meyo Invitational at Loftus Sports Center. This will mark the first of two home meets on the schedule this season.

The meet will include both professional and collegiate athletes, including at least three former Olympians and a handful of future hopefuls. Two especially exciting events will be the men's 3000 meter run, featuring Notre Dame's Matt Althoff, as well as two former Olympic runners and the Meyo Invitational Mile. This race includes a mix of professionals and nationally ranked collegiate milers. Last year, the event was won by Michigan sophomore Kevin Sullivan with

what was then the fastest time in the country. He will be back this year to defend his title.

Both the Irish men and women have sprinted to strong starts early in the season. In fact, Notre Dame school records have already begun to fall. Freshman Kelle Saxen set a new Irish mark in the high jump two weeks ago with a jump of 5'8" and senior Greg Moretti broke the record in the 35-pound weight throw by three full feet.

The team also turned in some very impressive performances last Saturday at the four-team DePaul Invitational. The women were responsible for six first-place finishes and the men recorded seven.

The ladies owned the short to middle-distance events, capturing the top three times in the 400 and 800 meter runs.

Senior co-captain Erica Peterson took first in the 400 with a time of 57.34 seconds. Remarkably, Nadia Schmiedt and Alison Howard tied for second (58.51). Topping the rest of the field in the 800 were Berit Junker (2:13.12), Carolyn Long (2:21.21), and Gretchen Weiher (2:25.04). The mile was won by senior Amy Siegel, who ran a personal best of 5:05.15.

Peterson, who also registered a team-best time in the 55 meter high hurdles at DePaul, will be competing in the 800 and the mile relay this weekend. Schmiedt, Howard, and Junker will round out the relay.

Peterson commented on the friendly rivalry between Junker and herself in the 800 meter run.

"We both had personal bests of 2:11.00 two weeks ago (at the Butler Open) and our goal (today) will be to lower that time."

In running events, sophomore Errol Williams burnt his competitors with a 22.45 second performance in the 200 and fellow sophomore Jason Rexing outlasted the field of milers

with a time of 4:13.53.

The field events were also strong for the men. Senior co-captain Michael Fleisch won the shot put with a distance of 59'9.25" and Moretti triumphed in the 35-pound weight throw with a toss of 56'6". The pole vault was the site of another strong showing for the Irish, as the men swept the event. Senior David Gerrity took first with a jump over 15 feet, followed by freshman Mike Brown (15 feet) and Mike Stany (12 feet).

Unfortunately for the team, Gerrity will not be competing this weekend due to a back injury. However, when asked about how his absence would affect Notre Dame's chances, he said that he expected Brown to compete well.

Brown, California's high school state champion in the pole vault last year, will certainly have to give it 110% if he hopes to challenge Bowling Green's Travis Downey and Purdue's Randy Miller. The two have jumped personal bests of 17'4" and 17'1" respectively.

When questioned about possi-

ble Irish scoring opportunities, Fleisch and Althoff listed quite a few events that appear promising. Fleisch is expected to take second in the shot put. In the high jump, Saxen (Irish women's record holder) looks to score, as does Todd Johnston, who has already cleared 6'10" this season. Others include Moretti in the 35-pound weight throw, Brown in the pole vault, and Errol Williams in 55 meter hurdles.

Commenting on the season thus far, Althoff explained, "We've proven that we belong in the Big East."

"Right now we're on track to do well at the Big East Championships," added Fleisch. "This week's meet will be our first big test though."

Peterson was on the same wavelength as the men about team goals for the season.

"It's our first season in the Big East," Peterson noted, "and when we got together at the beginning of the year, we decided to aim for the top five in the conference. I am very proud of how Notre Dame looked on the track last weekend. I think that both the men and women can do great things this season."

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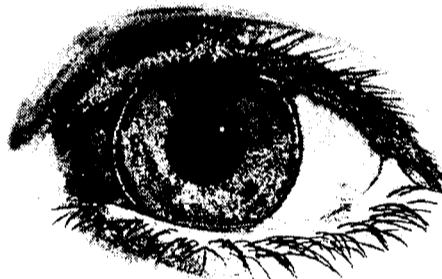
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# PC, Memphis win close ones

By JIMMY GOLEN  
Associated Press

Syracuse 72 Miami 51

Memphis 83 DePaul 82

NEWTON, Mass. — Derrick Brown scored 23 points and Michael Brown added 20 Thursday night as Providence continued its domination of Boston College with a 76-75 victory over the 21st-ranked Eagles.

The Friars (11-7, 4-6 Big East) beat a ranked team for the first time this season in four tries. They've had much better luck against Boston College (12-5, 5-4) lately, though, winning the last four and seven of the last eight.

It looked like Providence would win this one easily. The Friars took the lead with six minutes left in the first half and held it until Scoonie Penn's 3-pointer made it 68-68 with three minutes to go. It was the first field goal of the game for Penn, who had been Big East rookie of the week twice in January.

Duane Woodward hit two free throws — the Eagles made 27 in a row during the game — to give BC a 70-68 lead. But Austin Croschere hit a 3-pointer, the Friars' 14th of the game, to give Providence a 71-70 lead with 1:10 left.

After a BC time out, Woodward threw away the ball. God Shammgod hit a long 2-pointer for Providence, then Penn turned the ball over and Michael Brown sank two free throws to make it 75-70.

It was 76-72 when Boston College's Danya Abrams, who scored 24, fetched a loose ball at midcourt and fired in a 3-pointer. But there was only a tenth of a second left.

Providence led 33-32 at the half, then made its first six 3-point tries at the start of the second half to open a nine-point lead.

John Wallace scored 19 points and Otis Hill had 17 as No. 18 Syracuse held Miami to 30 percent shooting en route to a 72-51 victory Thursday night.

It was the second straight blowout loss for Miami (10-8, 4-6 Big East), which lost by 28 to Villanova on Saturday.

Syracuse (15-6, 6-5) avenged a 75-66 loss to Miami earlier this year. Wallace and Hill helped the Orangemen build a 13-point lead in the first half, and both sat the bench for the final 11 minutes of the Big East contest.

Miami, which remained winless on the road in the Big East in five tries, was led by Steven Edwards' 13 points.

The Hurricanes were 20-of-66 from the field for the game and were held to their lowest point total of the season.

Syracuse bottled up the Miami offense for a nine-minute stretch midway through the first half, outscoring the Hurricanes 22-5 during that span to turn a 10-all tie into a 32-15 cushion.

Mingo Johnson scored six points in overtime as No. 11 Memphis withstood DePaul's second-half surge for an 83-82 victory Thursday night, sending the Blue Demons to their school-record ninth straight loss.

Johnson, who had three free throws and a 3-pointer in the overtime, led the Tigers with 21 points. Lorenzen Wright had 17 points and 12 rebounds for the Tigers, now 16-3 overall and 7-1 in Conference USA.

DePaul (7-12, 0-8) got 23 points and 10 rebounds from Bryant Bowden, who missed a last-second shot that could have won for the Blue Demons. Jermaine Watts, whose 3-pointer with 4.9 seconds to go in regulation forced overtime, added 17.

DePaul's previous eight-game losing streak came during the 1970-71 season, the last time the Blue Demons had a losing record; they finished 8-17 under coach Ray Meyer. Current head coach Joey Meyer was the captain.

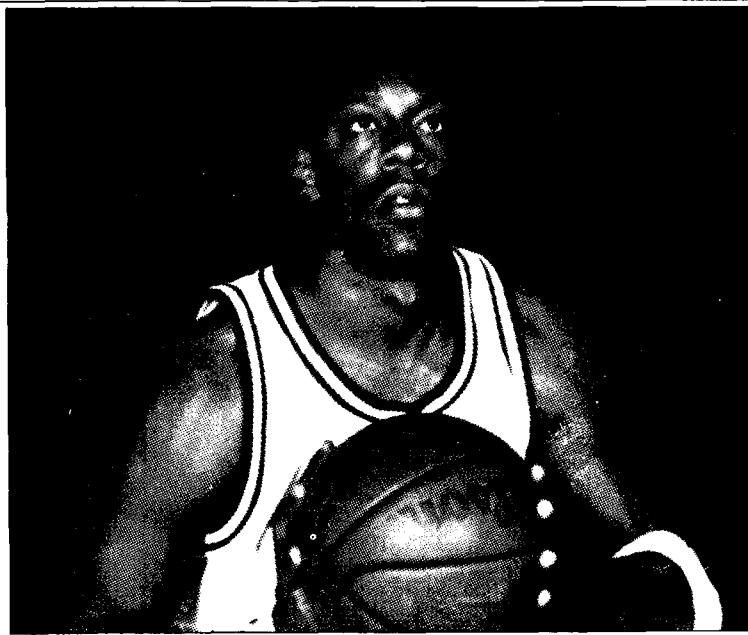


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Friar Derrick Brown poured in 23, as PC tipped no. 21 BC by one.

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# Hoops

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who are poor percentage shooters and they have big men who look to do nothing but rebound," Irish freshman Antoni Wyche noted. "We have to look to out-rebound them."

All of which bodes well for Notre Dame, which is considered one of the more physical squads in the conference, and has shown that it can rebound with anyone.

In fact, in their much recollect prior match-up, the Irish were the ones cleaning off the glass with a frenzy, out-rebounding the Hoyas by a greater margin than anyone else has (43-34).

A repeat performance Saturday at noon in USAir Arena would go a long way to-

ward Notre Dame's chances for its biggest upset win of the season.

The Irish can hope to parley Wednesday's upset win at St. John's into the momentum they will need to go after bigger game.

"(That win) is the boost that we have been waiting for," said Irish coach John MacLeod. "It is a major shot in the arm, and shows that we can get up on the road."

Grabbing an early lead is crucial against the Hoyas, who despite their blue-collar ethic still have the ability to embarrass a team with only a few runs.

To counteract this, the Irish will likely rely on the outside shooting of senior Ryan Hoover, who has exhibited a penchant for knocking down the clutch shot, most recently an NBA-distance 3-pointer that temporarily

stifled a St. John's rally.

Hoover also enjoyed success in the previous game against the Hoyas, scoring a season-high (since matched twice) of 26 points.

Together with Pat Garrity, he provides one of the more formidable inside-outside combinations in the conference.

However, the two will need help from their supporting cast. In a loss to West Virginia, the Irish were unable to respond when the Mountaineers' triangle-and-two defense shut down Hoover and Garrity.

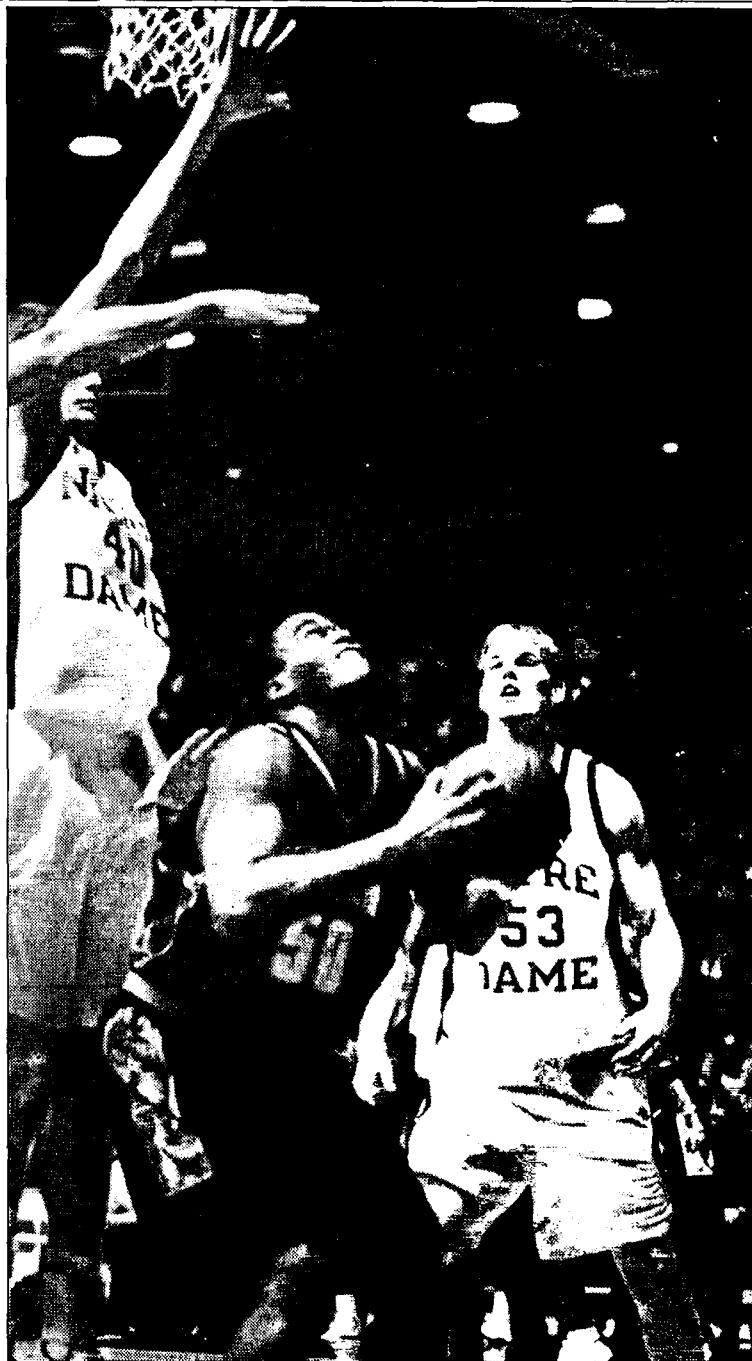
In contrast, the pair had solid second halves against the Red Storm when forward Derek Manner and reserve Admore White opened up the offense.

Scoring, though, is not the only concern for the Irish. Stopping the explosive Hoyas also tops the list.

In the previous game, Notre Dame employed a zone to keep Iverson from penetrating. The tactic was successful as far as it went, but the Hoyas were eventually able to pull away on the strength of their strong perimeter shooting that evening. The Irish are hoping that was an anomaly.

The Irish returned to a zone against the Red Storm, and were able to build a dominating 19-point lead. Expect to see more of it on Saturday.

"Georgetown has a lot of individuals with great talent but they're not great at shooting from the outside which the zone will force them to do," Wyche said.



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Georgetown's Othella Harrington was effectively neutralized by Matt Gotsch (40) and Pat Garrity in the season's first meeting.

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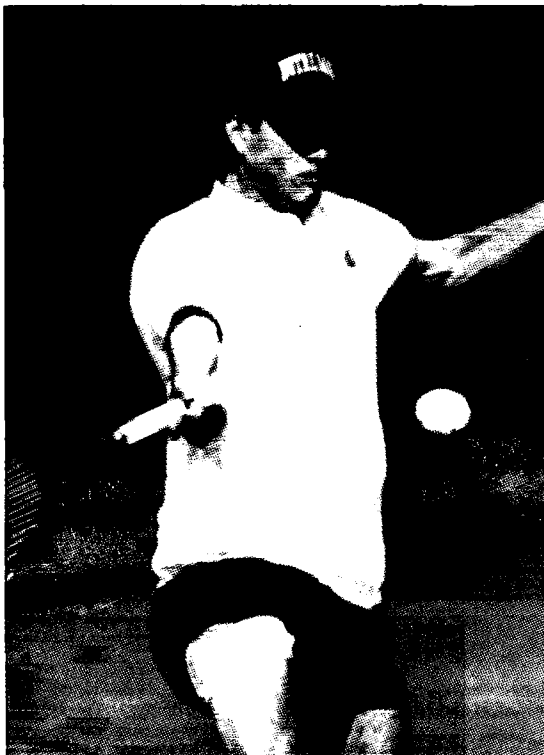


Photo courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information Senior John Jay O'Brien and company will be up against Boise State this weekend. The Irish put their undefeated record on the line.

# Boise State on tap for no. 16 Irish

By JOE CAVATO  
Sports Writer

One of Notre Dame's hottest athletic teams will be in action this afternoon. The sixteenth ranked Notre Dame's men's tennis team will face yet another formidable opponent as they play host to the no. 27 ranked Boise State squad.

Boise State will throw one of the toughest one-two combinations the Irish will face this season. State's top two singles positions features two nationally ranked juniors.

Alvin Polonoyi, a transfer from the University of Georgia, plays at the no 1 slot and is ranked twenty-third in the country. Last year Ernesto Diaz, currently ranked twenty sixth, played at one singles, but with the arrival of Polonoyi, Diaz has moved to no. 2.

At the beginning of the year the highest ranked Irish players were captain Mike Sprouse at 52 and Ryan Simme at the no 37 spot. So, this looks to be a very tough and competitive match.

"I think all the matches will be close," head coach Bobby Bayliss predicted. "We won a close match with them last year 4-3, in which three of the matches went to tie breakers. So, we know that they can play."

Similar to the Irish, State has already played national powers. They knocked off the Minnesota Golden Gophers, ranked twenty third, whom the Irish defeated earlier this season by a count of 5-2.

"Looking at the potential match-ups I see a lot of close

matches," Bayliss observed. "We don't have a huge edge in any one area and we know that they are beatable at every position. We won the doubles team last year and I don't see either team winning without that point."

The no. 1 doubles match will clash two top twenty teams. For State, Polonoyi and Diaz make up the thirteenth ranked doubles squad in the nation. Seniors Mike Sprouse and Jason Pun form the nineteenth best doubles team in the nation for the Irish's no. 1 and undefeated doubles pairing.

"We know it's going to be a tough match, probably our toughest so far this year," Pun explained. "We barely beat them last year and they are probably better this year. We are going to go out and fight as hard as we can and hopefully we can come out with a win."

Junior Ryan Simme, who did not play a singles match against Miami, is expected to return to singles action this afternoon. Simme's foot injury hindered his mobility last Sunday in the doubles match, but has looked better in practice this week.

"I expect Ryan to play at the 2 or 3 position," Bayliss voiced. "Ryan's foot injury has been less critical for us because of the play of Jakup (Pietrowski) at the number two position and Mike (Sprouse)."

"I know Ryan thinks he is ready to play at 1 or 2 which is good," continued Bayliss, "but we are really not pressured to move him up because of the Mike and Jakup. Having difficulty choosing between Jakup or Ryan is kind of a nice problem to have. I hope it continues."

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■ FENCING

# Undefeated fencers to be tested

By WILLY BAUER  
Sports Writer

Unbeaten for 1,182 days. Notre Dame's fencing team travels to Boston this weekend to face among others the defending national champion Penn State. On the line is the women's unprecedented 75-match winning streak and the men's 12-0 record so far this season.

"I'm looking forward to fencing Penn State. Anytime you face the number one team in the nation you're going to be ready," said coach Yves Auriol, who has been looking forward to this match after dominating the competition in the previous two meets. "On paper they may

look stronger, but on any given day anything can happen. I think they're nervous about facing us."

The best match of the meet could involve the women's foil squads. Penn State boasts the defending National Champion and a overall strong squad. In her way of repeating last year's performance is the Irish's freshmen sensation, Sara Walsh. Walsh places her perfect record against the heralded Penn State team.

Classmate Myriah Brown has proved to be a more than adequate number two fencer posting a 31-2 record.

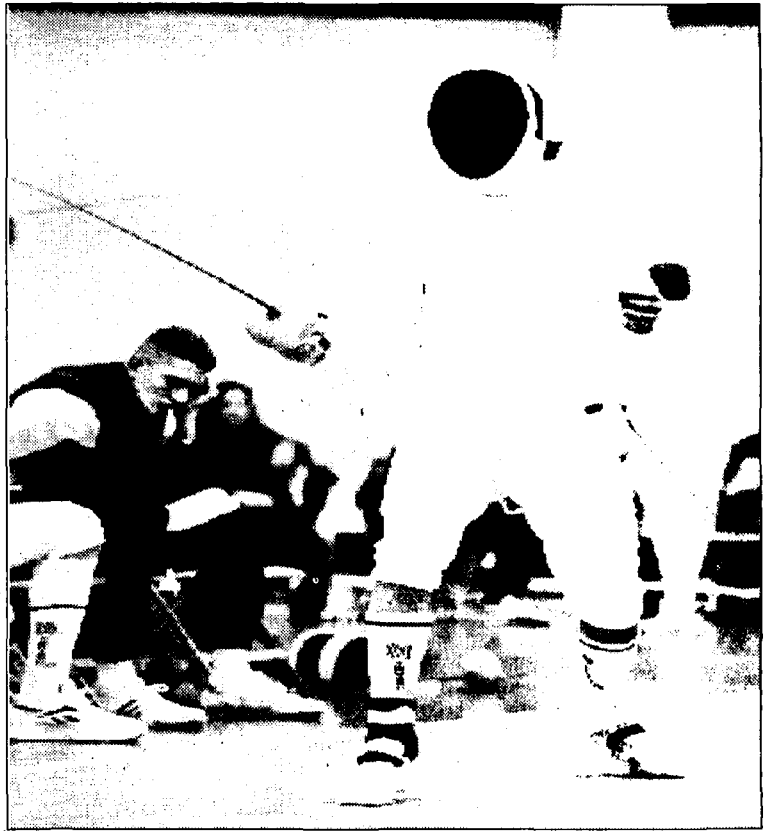
Captain Mindi Kalogera, who boasts a 26-8 record, rounds out Notre Dame's talented

squad that faces its toughest competition so far in the young season.

The other match-up of unequaled is between Notre Dame's sabre squad and the All-American duo from Penn State. The strength for the men's team has been the sabre squad this season, as it owns a 12-0 record.

Senior Bill Lester is 24-1 this season and he is not the only one with a 20-plus win season. Junior Jeff Wartgow (23-7) and freshman Luke LaValle (22-3) give the Irish a formidable 1-2-3 punch against Penn State.

"I think it will be a good match between the sabre squads," said Auriol. "Bill Lester and Luke LaValle have to fence well."



The Observer/Brent Tadsen  
Notre Dame's fencers will tackle defending national champion Penn State this weekend in Massachusetts.

Senior foilist Jeremy Siek and senior Claudette de Bruin face tough challenges from Penn State. Auriol described the men's foil and women's epee teams of Penn State as "strong teams."

"Jeremy must be consistent," Auriol said of Siek who has lost only one match this season. Sophomore John Tejada has won 19 matches so far, but struggled some in the home meet, January 27.

de Bruin places her 28-0 record on the line this weekend and Auriol is counting on her for four more victories.

Sophomore Anne Hoos has fenced well, in winning 26 of her 32 matches.

"We will need better performances from the men's epee squad," said Auriol when addressing the team's question marks for the upcoming meet. "Practice has been slow this week because people have been sick. We need to have good practices on Wednesday and

Thursday. Everybody knows it will be a tough weekend. So far the season has gone according to plan. We'll know more after this weekend."

Penn State will not be Notre Dame's only tough competition in Boston. Other teams traveling to the meet include Penn. Brown, Rutgers and MIT. Auriol is also trying to set up a match with Columbia.

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■ NBA

## Webber shelved for remainder of season

By DAVID GINSBURG  
Associated Press

LANDOVER, Md. Washington Bullets forward Chris Webber put an end to his most frustrating NBA season by undergoing surgery on his left shoulder Thursday.

Webber, who signed a six-year, \$57 million contract

before the season, had been playing in pain since he dislocated his shoulder in a game against Golden State in December 1994.

The third-year star appeared in only 15 games this season, averaging a team-high 23 points and eight rebounds. The Bullets were 9-6 with him in the lineup.

Dr. Russ Warren performed the operation at the Hospital For Special Surgery in New York. Team doctor Steve Haas was also present in the operating room.

The rehabilitation process is expected to take around six months. Webber opted to have the operation so he would be healthy at the start of next season.

Webber said Saturday night, "If we make the playoffs and the surgery is put off until May, I may not be ready for next season, which would be hard to take."

There was also a good chance Webber could have dislocated the shoulder again.

"He wouldn't have been able to continue without having it fixed," said Dr. John B. O'Donnell, an orthopedic surgeon in the Sports Medicine Center of the Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore.

O'Donnell, who played basketball at North Carolina under coach Dean Smith, added, "The operation would be more career-threatening for a base-ball pitcher — a guy who once threw the ball 99 mph could only throw around 91 mph after surgery. But in this case, it shouldn't effect his passing or dribbling if he successfully rehabilitates it."

Webber missed 19 games last season after dislocating the shoulder while diving after a loose ball.

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## ■ HOCKEY

# Irish hit the road for two key CCHA contests

By MIKE DAY  
Sports Writer

A dubious distinction.  
An undesirable label.

With two thirds of the season already in the books, the Notre Dame hockey team has displayed an uncanny knack of playing to the level of their competition. And for the most part, this habit has not brought them a great deal of success.

"We seem to play up to the level of the top teams and down to the level of some of the other teams in the league," said Irish head coach Dave Poulin. "It is a problem that we must and will correct in order to be where we know we can be."

With CCHA playoff implications on the line, the Irish hope to shake the label once and for all this weekend when they visit Ferris State tonight before traveling to Michigan State on Saturday.

In the midst of a six game losing streak, the 7-16-3 Flames hope to climb out of the CCHA basement, and at the same time, avenge a 5-4 overtime loss to the Irish. UIC goaltender Adam Lord, who was visibly shaken by the Irish faithful two weeks ago at the Joyce Center, will start at goaltender despite struggling over the past three weeks.

Offensively, Flames center Tony Kolozcy (15 goals and 12 assists) has emerged as one of the top newcomers in the CCHA. Forwards Mike Peron (22 points) and Chuck Mindel (21) will also be counted on to provide offensive punch for a unit that ranks second to last in the league in scoring (2.81).

With goaltenders Matt Eisler and Wade Salzman both playing their best hockey of the season, the Irish defense, led by junior Brian McCarthy, senior Garry Gruber, freshman Benoit Cotnoir, and junior Ben Nelsen, should not be

seriously challenged by the sputtering UIC offense. However, Notre Dame fans know not to take anything for granted.

"There's no doubt that we've had problems playing consistent defense for 60 minutes," said Nelsen. "We play well for most of the game, and then one or two mental breakdowns turns out to be the difference. That's the kind of thing we have to cut down on."

Whereas the Flames appear on the verge of burning out, the 22-6 Spartans will enter Saturday night's contest in sole possession of first place. Coached by the legendary Ron Mason, the winningest coach in NCAA history, Michigan State crushed the Irish 6-2 back on October 31.

"They are well coached and extremely talented, so we know we will have to play our best game against them," said sophomore left wing Steve Noble. "We cannot afford to have any mental lapses because we know they will make us pay for them."

In his second season, MSU goaltender Chad Alban has emerged as one of the nation's top goaltenders, ranking third in the CCHA with a 2.38 Goals Against Average. All-American candidate Anson Carter (25 points), left wing Mike Watt (23), and right wing Mike York lead one of the league's top offensive units.

Notre Dame will counter with senior center Jamie Ling (30 points), freshman right wing Brian Urick (23), and junior right wing Tim Harberts on the front line. They will have to play their top game of the season to keep pace with Michigan State's explosive bunch.

"We know that they are going to be fundamentally strong, so we have to be on our toes against them," said Gruber. "We seem to have made a habit out of playing to the level of our competition no matter who our opponent is."

It is a habit the Irish hope to break.



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Junior defenseman Ben Nelsen and teammates travel to East Lansing this weekend. Munn Arena is one of college hockey's toughest places to play.

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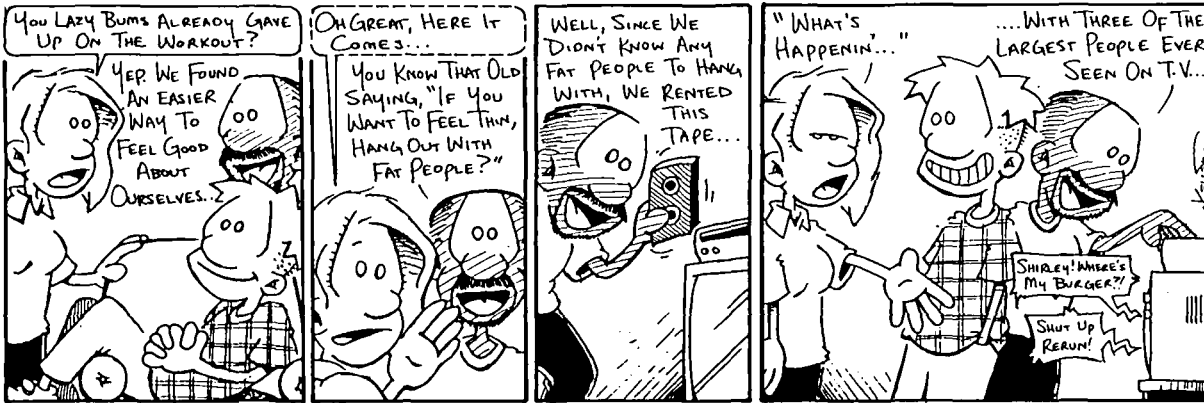
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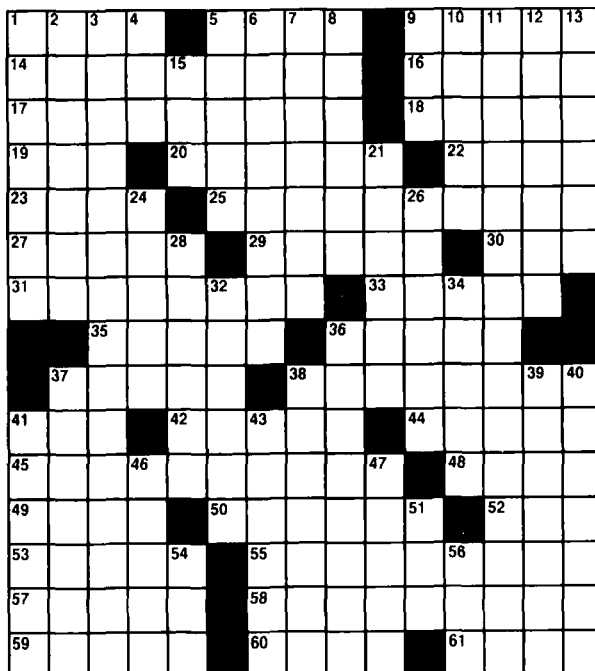
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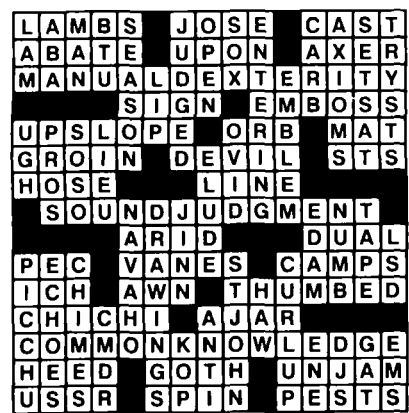
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  - 41 Assn.
  - 42 Vaquero's rope
  - 44 Brought back
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  - 48 Paint thinner, for short
  - 49 Start another hitch
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  - 52 White House nickname
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  - 24 Stevens of "Peter Gunn"
  - 26 Loudspeaker
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  - 34 Small choir
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  - 37 Siren
  - 38 Underlings
  - 39 Rotary engine
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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** actress Farrah Fawcett, country music star Garth Brooks, journalist Liz Smith, novelist James Joyce.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Budget your money wisely in order to accumulate savings. Catering to an unreasonable individual will only make the situation worse. Invite friends over for a casual supper.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** The emphasis now is on meeting your obligations. Avoid taking too much for granted or leaning too heavily on others. You need to take your time when working on financial figures or important details.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Allow extra time for a journey, especially if traveling by car. Traffic may be heavier than usual. Do not neglect your natural talents; branch out in a new direction.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Exercise restraint when dealing with career and financial matters. Get the most up-to-date information before making key decisions. A loved one's behavior may be confusing.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You feel full of energy and ready to conquer the world. A newcomer finds your daring very appealing. Rely on an older person's expertise when the chips are down.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** People who work behind the scenes admire your style. A dormant romance could spring to life again. Challenge the authority of someone who acts unwisely. Your strong moral values make you stand out from the crowd. Going into business for yourself will prove highly rewarding. Seize an opportunity to travel! A temporary separation makes loving hearts grow even fonder. You may finally be ready to settle down with your one-and-only.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Avoid making commitments you may not want to keep. Expand your intellectual horizons. A journey of the mind will lift your heart and spirits. Good timing is the key to professional and personal success.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** A busy day lies ahead. An upsurge of confidence is indicated. Be on the lookout for opportunities to advance your career. Gambling tips are unlikely to pay off. Save your money for a special treat.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Someone who performs services for you may feel unappreciated. Be generous with your praise. Let harmony reign at home. Seek an expert's advice if concerned about a legal matter.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Not a good day for taking chances. However, do seize a golden social opportunity. Wise choices are likely if you emphasize practical concerns. Be prepared to move with the times.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Avoid leaping back and forth from one project to another. Too much is at stake. Important details could get lost in the shuffle. Take a realistic approach to promises.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Discord is possible this morning. Use your talents as a mediator to restore peace. New friendships are indicated. Speak of your beliefs and hobbies. Your winning ways will not go unnoticed by an attractive newcomer.

Of Interest

Tonight and tomorrow night in **Cinema at the Snite** the movie "Amateur" will be playing at 7:30 and 9:45. The cost is \$2.

Cavanaugh Hall Players presents "Later Life" in Washington Hall tonight and tomorrow night at 8 p.m. The tickets are \$3 and can only be bought at the door. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Free Lecture: Introduction to the **World of Crystals and Stones** by Backly Raska on Saturday, February 3rd at 11 a.m. Educare Center For the Arts of Healing body, mind, spirit, and humanity, 505 E. Jefferson, Mishawaka. 259-9900.

On Saturday, February 3, Flip Side, the group that provides something other than the usual social scene, will be sponsoring **Country and Western Dancing** in LaFortune ballroom from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. The cost is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. Questions can be addressed to John (ND) at 4\*1419 or Erin (SMC) at 284-5507.

Mishawaka presents **Experiencing the Lord's Prayer in Aramaic** beginning February 6, 7-9 p.m. for 4 weeks. Call 259-9900 to preregister. Fee is \$25.

Kristin Funk (grad '91) of the **Passionate Lay Missioners**, a year long lay volunteer program with placements in Chicago, Detroit and Cincinnati, will be at the C.S.C. on Wednesday, February 7 for a general information session at 7 p.m. Individual appointments are available on Thursday.

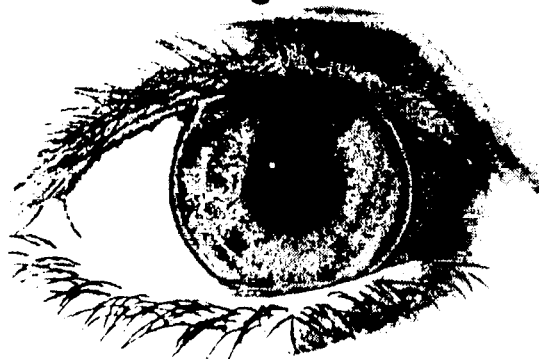
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## WOMEN'S TENNIS

# Undefeated Irish slaughter 'Cats, get revenge

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ  
Sports Writer

Sweet revenge was achieved yesterday in Eck. The women's tennis team showed Northwestern who is the top team. The Irish avenged two straight years of losing to the Wildcats, by burying Northwestern, 6-1.

"It was really fun," responded head coach, Jay Louderback, about avenging the past two losses. "We have been working really hard, and the team has been playing well together, so we deserved the victory."

The Irish came out victorious, but they did suffer one casualty in the process.

Senior Sherri Vitale, who plays no. 5 singles, suffered an injury to her wrist. She did compete in her doubles match, but was forced to retire early in her singles match. She injured it in one of her first games of the match, hitting a forehand. The status of her injury still is not known.

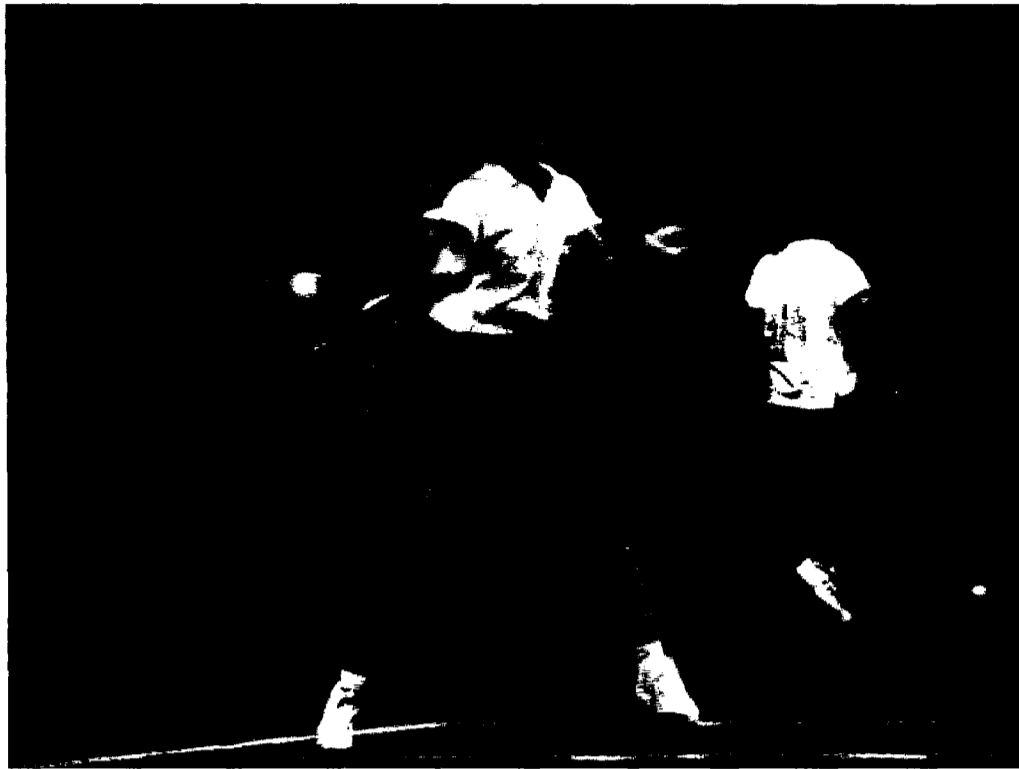
Coach Louderback predicted that the key to the match against

Northwestern would be the doubles matches. The Irish swept all doubles matches in an impressive fashion. Seniors Wendy Crabtree and Holyn Lord dominated their opponents at no. 1 doubles. The two used a combination of finesse and power to secure a victory. Each of the two served up some aces for this match at crucial times, and came out on top, 8-6.

Junior Erin Gowen and freshmen Jennifer Hall also captured a victory for the Irish, 8-5. Placement was the key to Gowen and Hall's victory, as the two both mastered their volleying technique while putting the ball out of reach of their opponent.

The no. 3 doubles team of Vitale and freshman Marisa Velasco managed a victory over Northwestern's Novak and Porter. The pair each came up with some impressive serves and overpowering returns to slide past the Wildcats, 9-8.

Crabtree at no. 1 singles, showed that she has fully recovered from her injury that occurred this past fall. She handled Northwestern's Eklund, 6-3, 6-2.



The Observer/Eric Ruethling

Senior Holyn Lord was 2-0 as Notre Dame coasted past Northwestern 6-1.

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Capitol Punishment?

*Georgetown barely won Round 1 at Notre Dame. Will the Irish be so lucky Saturday?*

By TIM SEYMOUR  
Associate Sports Editor

Led by super-soph Allen Iverson, Georgetown is one of the poster-children for revamped Big East basketball - a high-octane, highlight film extravaganza that leaves its fans and opponents gasping for breath.

This perception, though, is more illusion than reality.

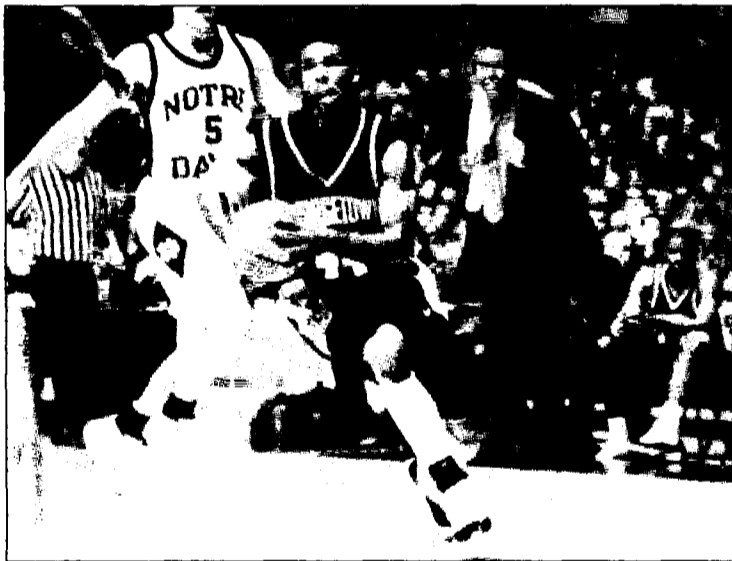
To be sure, Iverson is as exciting and explosive as anyone in the country, and the pure athleticism of the Hoyas is astonishing. But that's not why Georgetown is 18-3 overall and 8-2 in the Big East.

The Hoyas win because of substance, not style.

John Thompson's troops enjoy an impressive rebounding margin of 11 boards per game over their opponents, a greater insight into their success than Iverson's brilliance, since the Hoyas are only 1-2 when he scores more than 35.

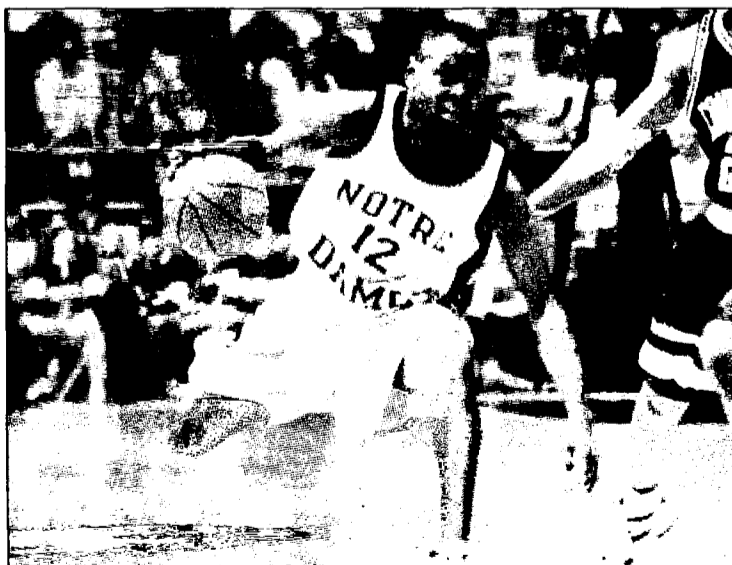
"They have a lot of players

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The Observer/Mike Ruma and Brian Hardy

Guards Victor Page (above) and Admore White are the lesser known backcourt performers in tomorrow's Big East clash.



## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Streaking Notre Dame journeys to Jersey

By TIM MCCONN  
Sports Writer

Where the Notre Dame women's basketball team stands right now, 14-4 and 9-1 in the Big East, things are looking pretty good.

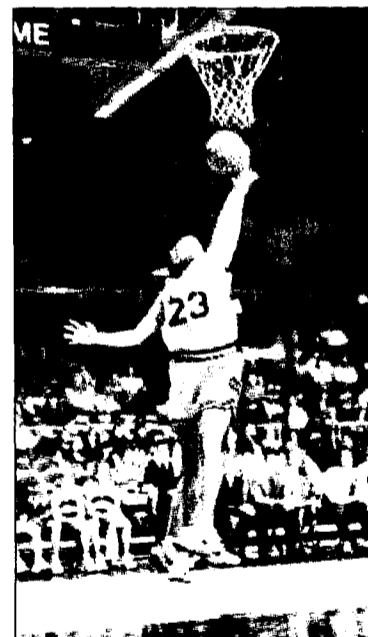
The Irish possess a three-game winning streak, and have won eight of their nine games since the new year. All of this adds up to the best start in Irish women's basketball history.

Going into the contest tomorrow at Rutgers, the Irish are looking to extend their winning streak.

When Coach Muffet McGraw was asked if she thought things would go so well in their inaugural season in the Big East, she replied, "We thought we had a good team, and would be competitive. We didn't know what to expect from the other teams, except for Connecticut, but our goal was to finish in the top 3."

In their previous meeting with the Scarlet Knights, on November 28, Notre Dame defeated Rutgers 66-54. The home win came in the first-ever Big East contest for both schools.

In that game, Katryna Gaither paced the squad with 24 points and 14 rebounds. However, the game was rather sloppy and McGraw was not exactly pleased with the overall effort.



The Observer/Brandon Candura

Stacey Fields and the Irish have another goal in mind - the NCAA tournament.

"We definitely didn't play too well last time," said the coach, who picked up her 250th career victory as a result of that game, "so we really don't have anything to be overconfident about this time."

The important thing is that the Irish got a "W" in the win column, and have taken off since then.

As noted by their mark in January, the Irish have been playing phenomenally. They

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# SPORTS at a GLANCE

**Men's Basketball**  
at Georgetown, February 3, noon

**Women's Basketball**  
at Rutgers, February 3, 2 p.m.

**Men's Tennis**  
vs. Boise St., February 2, 4 p.m.

**Hockey**  
vs. UIC, February 2, 7 p.m.

**Women's Tennis**  
at Kansas, February 4, 1 p.m.

**Fencing**  
Women at Watham, MA, February 3  
Men at Cambridge, MA, February 4

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