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ND honors Prejean with Laetare

Death penalty abolitionist's story inspires popular film

Observer Staff Report

Sister Helen Prejean, the death penalty abolitionist whose autobiography inspired the critically acclaimed film "Dead Man Walking," will receive Notre Dame's 1996 Laetare Medal, according to University president Father Edward Malloy.

The medal will be presented to Prejean during Notre Dame's 151st commencement exercises May 19.

"To death row residents, to the families of murder victims, and to our whole society, her words and deeds proclaim the gospel of life in unmistakable and even unsettling terms."

Prejean traces her involvement in the issue of capital punishment to her religious community's formal pledge, made public in 1980, to "stand on the side of the poor." Prejean initially hesitated in agreeing to this pledge, she said in her autobiography.

However, in 1982, at the request of a friend, she began correspondence with Elmo Patrick Sonnier, a 27-year-old death row resident convicted of murdering a teen-age couple.

As the date for Sonnier's execution approached, she became his close friend and spiritual counselor, eventually witnessing his execution. Since then, she has been equally outspoken as an opponent of capital punishment and as an advocate for victim's rights.



Prejean

"The most profound moral question of our violent society," she said recently, "is not what to do with the innocent, but what to do about the guilty. We ask, 'Don't they deserve to die?' But the real question should be, 'Do we deserve to kill them?'"

As a spiritual counselor, Prejean has accompanied three men to the electric chair and witnessed their deaths. And she continues her ministry to death row inmates and to victims' families today. A founder of "Survive," a victims' advocacy group, she served as a member of the board of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty from 1985-95 and as its chair from 1993-95.

Her nationwide lectures on capital punishment brought her to Notre Dame two years ago as a guest of the students of Keenan Hall.

A native of Baton Rouge, La., Prejean, 56, has worked and lived in Louisiana all her life. The second of three children in what she calls "as solid and loving a family as one could hope for," she joined the Sisters of St. Joseph of Medaille in 1957 when she was 18.

She graduated from St. Mary's Dominican College in New Orleans in 1962 and received a master's degree in religious education from St. Paul's University in Ottawa, Canada, in 1973. She has served as religious education director of St. Francis

Winners of the Laetare Medal for the Past Ten Years

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| 1986 | Thomas P. and Mary Elizabeth Carney, chairman of the University of Notre Dame's Board of Trustees and spouse |
| 1987 | Father Theodore Hesburgh, educator |
| 1988 | Eunice Kennedy Shriver, humanitarian |
| 1989 | Walker Percy, novelist |
| 1990 | Sister Thea Bowman, Gospel singer and evangelist |
| 1991 | Corinne "Lindy" Boggs, former United States Congresswoman |
| 1992 | Daniel Patrick Moynihan, United States Senator |
| 1993 | Donald R. Keough, chairman emeritus of Notre Dame's Board of Trustees |
| 1994 | Sidney Callahan, psychologist and author |
| 1995 | Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, Archbishop of Chicago |
| 1996 | Sister Helen Prejean, social activist |

Cabrini Parish in New Orleans and as a formation director for her religious community. She is now a high school English teacher in New Orleans.

The Laetare Medal is named because its recipient is announced annually on Laetare Sunday, the 4th Sunday in Lent. "Laetare," the Latin word for "rejoice," is the first word in the entrance antiphon of the Mass that Sunday. The medal bears the Latin inscription, "Magna est veritas et prevalebit" — "Truth is mighty, and it shall prevail."

Established at Notre Dame in 1883, the medal was conceived as an American counterpart of the Golden Rose, a papal honor which originated prior to the 11th century.

The medal has been awarded annually at Notre Dame to a Catholic "whose genius has ennobled the arts and sciences, illustrated the ideals of the Church and enriched the heritage

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Student leaders to focus on diversity in Trustees' report

By JAMIE HEISLER

Associate News Editor

After requesting input from the student body, a student government committee chose multiculturalism as the focus of their annual report to the Notre Dame Board of Trustees.

"We mean multiculturalism in the purest sense of the word—diverse cultures living together not just minority concerns," said Student Body President Jonathan Patrick. According to Patrick, in relation to multiculturalism, students mentioned their concerns with a lack of focus on different cultures, as well as certain feelings of isolation between members of different cultures.

These concerns were brought to the attention of the committee as a result of a process started early in March, in which student government requested student organizations, as well as individuals, to submit applications expressing issues of concern on campus in order to form a basis for the report.

A student government committee then examined these applications, looking for common concerns among students and found multiculturalism to be the most prevalent. According to Patrick, there were many other concerns presented in the first round of applications including academic concerns as well as women's issues.

The inclusion of non-student government groups in the formation of the Board of Trustees report is an initiative begun this year in an attempt to increase student body representation before the Board of Trustees. In previous years, members of student government alone approached the Board with their report.

"Our first thought was just bringing more student voices, but in the interest of making the conversation more productive, we decided to focus around a certain topic," Patrick said.

Student government is now asking for a second round of applications from both campus organizations as well as individuals in order to

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■ RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

SMC to elect executive board

By MAUREEN HURLEY
Saint Mary's News Editor

Today, Saint Mary's College will elect its 1996-97 Residence Hall Association (RHA) executive board.

The sole ticket running is: Nikki Milos, president; Christine Riesenberger, vice president; Meg Cernok, secretary; and Kim Fleming, treasurer.

Major ideas from the ticket's

platform include: an all-school event each semester, working to modify the lottery system for housing, spirit week throughout the residence halls, increasing student support for athletic activities, and working closer with the Board of Governance (BOG).

The ticket stresses their wide range of experience gained on the RHA board. Currently, Milos and Riesenberger serve on the RHA executive board as

vice president and secretary, respectively. Cernok is the McCandless Hall representative for RHA and also serves on RHA's publicity committee. Fleming is the McCandless Hall president.

"Nikki and I learned a lot taking over as the new board," said Riesenberger. "A lot of situations came up this year, and

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TeleFile alleviates tax time stress for students

By CORRINE DORAN
News Writer

As tax time quickly approaches, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students may find it easier than ever to file with the IRS.

TeleFile, a new system that allows those who normally complete 1040-EZ forms to enter information by telephone instead, will be available to between 20 and 23 million Americans this year.

The paperless system, designed to ease the complications involved in paper filing and to eliminate IRS inefficiencies, will automatically compute the amount to be refunded or the additional tax due after the appropriate information from the W-2 form is entered.

"Filing taxes doesn't get any easier than this," said IRS Tax Commissioner Margaret Milner Richardson. "TeleFile will not only save taxpayers time and trouble but will also make the IRS more efficient," she added.

This is the first year the IRS has made such a system available, and consequently, an analysis of its effectiveness needs to be done after the tax season, according to Accounting Professor Ken Milani.

"I think it's a system that basically is in the experimental stage," said Milani. "My major concern with the effort will be the things that are omitted that cost the taxpayer."

"If it works well it will help those taxpayers and it will help the IRS. It's a win-win situation," Milani added.

Those eligible to file by telephone will receive special TeleFile instructions and a Personal Identification Number (PIN) along with their regular tax booklet.

The PIN number serves as the taxpayer's signature and, along with his or her social security number, as identification if any questions arise concerning the return.

Because of its fairly simple design, the TeleFile system makes sense for those people eligible to file with it, according to Milani.

"It makes a lot of sense for a lot of taxpayers if they fit in those parameters," Milani said.

The TeleFile service is available to single people with no dependents who have taxable income of less than \$50,000.

To be eligible for the service, a taxpayer must have previ-

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Couple sponsors Dante collection



The Observer/Dave Murphy

Dante endowment received University President Father Edward Malloy blessed a plaque depicting Dante's Divine Comedy as part of a ceremony in the library concourse honoring donors William and Katherine Devers. See page 3 for related story.

■ INSIDE COLUMN

Spring Break 101

Okay, I admit. I didn't get crazy for spring break this year. I gathered up my laundry, tossed my books in the car, and drove home.

Oh, yes. To the place where my body doesn't tan, my liver rejoices, and the extent of my social life consists of trips to the video store.

But as I laid back on the dusty couch in my basement, kicked up my feet, closed my eyes, and forgot about the paper I swore I'd write, I realized the lessons that spring break taught me each year.

My freshman year I went to Florida. I got to see the beach for the first time in my life. (Step off, I'm from the Midwest. It could happen.) It was a discovery period for me. I saw the ocean, breathed the air. Walked on the beach. Tasted salt water. Rented a wave runner. Experienced a vacation without my parents. Got sick off Zima and Bud Ice. (Remember when they were big?)

And then there was Cancun. I just want to take a moment to acknowledge those of us out there who have experienced a spring break in Cancun. Whoa Nellie. Cancun was a discovery for me as well. I learned a lot of important lessons about life.

1) In life, realize that even the things you love the most are capable of being distorted. Like listening to "With or Without You" with a techno beat.

2) Trends never die, such as the male sleeveless T-shirt.

3) There are certain characteristics about yourself that you can't change. For instance, being 5'0" tall. It's not so fun being short when you're fighting for your life at foam party.

4) No matter how happy you are to see your hotel (place of residence) at the end of the night, it's not such a good idea to give your cab driver a kiss on the cheek when he drops you off.

5) Don't disturb the hibernated. Those asleep by the side of the pool really don't want to take a late-night dip with you.

6) Learn the language. A Margarita or two sure does a lot for your Spanish speaking ability. (But not so much for market shopping).

7) Be careful where you decide to take a nap. Passing out on the beach is not a good idea, you might find yourself in the middle of the ocean. (I never did get that ebb and tide stuff.)

8) Your old Girl/Boy Scout Leader was right. Use the buddy system.

9) Notre Dame sports will follow you for the rest of your life. And every bar in the world has the Notre Dame Victory March on CD.

10) If someone asks you if you want to see their new tattoo, say no.

12) Stay healthy. If you don't feel so good one morning, have a Bloody Mary.

13) While traveling, don't give the natives your credit card when you've had a few Coronas. You might not get it back.

14) Don't go to Bladder Busters at Fat Tuesdays. People bring cameras.

15) Don't be afraid to ask someone to buy you and all of your friends a drink, even if you just met them. You might get lucky.

16) Be responsible of your possessions. If you leave your camera lying around, some crazy might come and take it.

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■ WORLD AT A GLANCE

Suicide bomber kills Israeli soldier, seven wounded

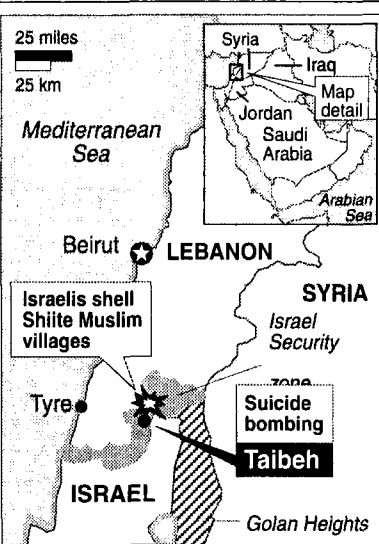
TYRE, Lebanon
A suicide bomber from the Iranian-backed Hezbollah blew himself up near an Israeli army convoy in southern Lebanon today, killing one soldier. One Israeli civilian was slightly wounded, the Israeli army said.

Israeli troops came under mortar fire around the same time, the Israeli army said, and gunners opened up with 155-mm howitzers and 120-mm mortars against a cluster of Shiite Muslim villages just north of the enclave, according to Lebanese security sources.

It took place just weeks after Palestinian militants carried out four suicide bombings in Israel that killed 62 people, including four bombers. Hezbollah said its attack was in response to the international anti-terror conference held in Egypt last week in response to the bombings in Israel.

On Tuesday, Prime Minister Shimon Peres of Israel warned that guerrillas in Lebanon would pay for increasing attacks on Israeli troops, who have controlled southern Lebanon since 1985 in an attempt to curb guerrilla raids on northern Israeli settlements.

"He who tries to harm Israel will be punished, and very



AP/Carl Fox

quickly," Peres said.

After the threat, the United States intervened to try to keep the violence from growing.

U.S. Ambassador Martin Indyk called Peres on Tuesday to ask him to hold off on a military strike until Washington could ask President Hafez Assad of Syria — the main power broker in Lebanon — to restrain Hezbollah, two Israeli newspapers reported.

President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt also sent a message to Jerusalem urging restraint, the Yediot Ahronot and Davar newspapers said.

An Israeli government official who spoke on condition of anonymity confirmed the U.S. efforts. There was no immediate Israeli reaction to yesterday's attack.

Ten minutes after the blast, Hezbollah's radio station, Voice of the Oppressed, interrupted its regular programming to claim responsibility.

"In response to Sharm el-Sheik summit and to those who sleep on the doorsteps of the White House, a resistance holy warrior attacked an enemy convoy today," the statement said. It gave no other details.

Bayh's '95 contributions questioned

People and companies with ties to the gaming industry contributed more than 10 percent of the money Gov. Evan Bayh collected last year for a possible U.S. Senate run in 1998, a statewide gambling newsletter reported. Of the more than \$1 million raised, nearly \$116,000 came from lawyers, lobbyists, accountants, engineers and investors with significant gambling interests, according to Indiana Gaming Insight, a weekly newsletter chronicling the state's gaming industry. Bayh hasn't formally announced that he'll seek the Senate seat once held by his father, Birch Bayh, and now occupied by Sen. Dan Coats. But the younger Bayh's second and final gubernatorial term expires this year, and he created an exploratory committee last September allowing him to raise money for a federal campaign. "With regard to people coming in from Las Vegas, or that kind of thing, whom I've had no previous connection with, who've not been supporters of mine for a long time or are not longtime residents of Indiana, in general, I have not accepted support from folks like that," Bayh said.

MUNSTER, Ind.



Lizard mating game discovered

NEW YORK
A complicated mating game is going on in California, played by harem-keeping males, female impersonators and fellas who just want to get along. They're all lizards. Literally. Scientists studying the side-blotched lizard in rocky outcrops in the foothills of the Coast Range report that the male mating strategies resemble the child's game of rock-paper-scissors. They showed that the mating strategy that got the most females constantly shifted. Males with orange throat markings are very aggressive and defend large territories, keeping harems of up to six females. They take females away from the blue-throated male, which is less aggressive and typically has only one or two females. When the orange-throats are common, it's a bonanza for the third kind of male, female impersonators with yellow stripes on their throats. These "sneakers" invade orange-throat harems for quick sex, avoiding harm because they look and behave like females.

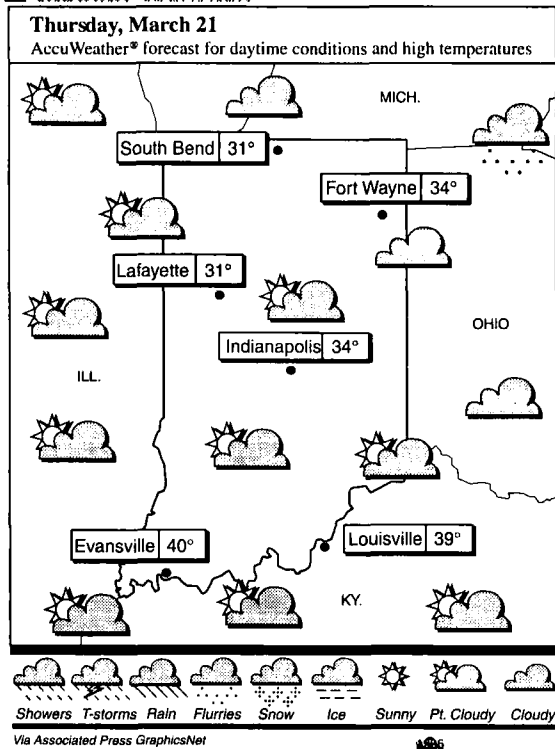
Cheaper drugs may actually cost more

LOS ANGELES
Cheaper prescription drugs required by HMOs may actually increase the cost of medical care in the long run, a study published today suggests. The study in the American Journal of Managed Care says the practice, a long-time cornerstone of medical cost control, may mean access to some drugs is restricted and sometimes the most effective medicines aren't used. More than 100 million Americans belong to managed-care plans that require or encourage their doctors to prescribe drugs from lists of "formularies." The programs also encourage pharmacists to recommend the less expensive, generic medications. The study covered 13 thousand patients in six Health Maintenance Organizations. Thomas Purdon, medical director of the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center, offered one example of how such a formulary might increase health-care costs. Standard treatment for the common sexually transmitted disease chlamydia is an antibiotic called doxycycline taken four times a day for seven days. A new antibiotic called azithromycin can cure the disease with one dose, but the drug costs four times as much. Some health researchers said the methodology used in the study raised questions about its conclusions.

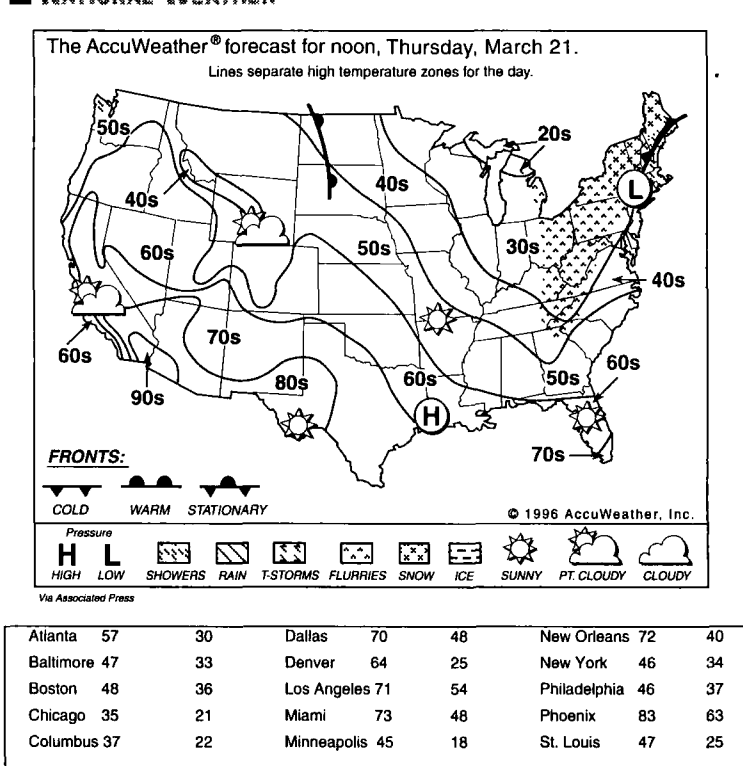
Funeral highlights biker gang war

STENLOESE, Denmark
Their faces cold and expressionless, scores of bikers from a Texas-led motorcycle gang buried a comrade Wednesday who was killed in a flare-up of their turf war in Scandinavia. Clad in black leather and riding Harley-Davidson motorcycles, European, Australian and American members of the Bandidos converged on Stenloese, a sleepy village 22 miles northwest of Copenhagen. Many of the bikers appeared to be wearing bulletproof vests, standard equipment during a feud. All wore black arm-bands, and a few wore small signs reading "God forgives, Bandidos don't." Dozens of police were scattered around the small church during the 30-minute service, but no violence was reported and no weapons were visible. Police said 200 bikers attended the ceremony. The Bandidos-affiliated gangs have made inroads on Hells Angels' turf in recent years, apparently leading to the recent retaliatory attacks, Danish authorities said.

■ INDIANA WEATHER



■ NATIONAL WEATHER



Wadell: Find friend in Christ

By KATHLEEN POLICY
News Writer

Father Paul Wadell spoke of Christ as an integral part of a "spiritual friendship" in his lecture concerning "Our Life Together in Christ" at Saint Mary's yesterday.

A member of the Passionist Community and a Professor of ethics at the Catholic Theological Union, Wadell proposed that Christ walks with us in spiritual friendships.

A spiritual friend is someone who is "a companion of the

soul," someone who grows with us in the fullness of Christ, and someone who shares our sense of what is good, Wadell said.

These friendships are necessary for three reasons, Wadell explained. First, they provide a life of discipleship.

Secondly, they allow the participants openness with each other. Thirdly, these friends lend support when everything else is going badly, Wadell said.

Many attending students felt the lecture gave them new in-

formation about their relationships.

"I thought the lecture was interesting because it made me realize that I have spiritual friends like this and I thought that they were just regular friends," said freshman Jennifer Pelic.

The next installment of the Lenten Lecture Series, titled "To Lay Down One's Life for One's Friends," will take place next Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge.

ND noted as prime site for Dante research

By JILLIAN PAGLIOCCA
News Writer

At the inaugural celebration of the William and Katherine Devers Program in Dante Studies yesterday, the first annual Devers visiting professor, Zygmunt Baranski, called the program an "event of monumental importance and a key moment in the whole history of the Dante movement."

Baranski's remarks commemorated the first in a series of events organized in honor of the Devers Program. The Devers Program in Dante Studies was established in 1995 to promote a wide range of scholarly activities at Notre Dame relating to the study of the great Florentine poet, Dante Alighieri. The Dante Program furthers the vision of Father John A. Zahm, who assembled one of North America's finest Dante collections for Notre Dame.

While William Devers, whose only campus connection is his daughter's graduation from the Notre Dame law school, seems an unlikely candidate to fund a program based on a medieval Italian poet, he explains his donation as a means to "get back to my liberal arts roots."

At a dinner on the 14th floor of Hesburgh Library, following a mass said by University President Father Edward A. Malloy, William Devers said that he was "very happy that my wife and I took advantage of Monk's offer to support the program."

As a symbol of the appreciation for the Devers' investment in Dante studies at Notre Dame, a plaque has been placed in the Library Concourse, depicting a portrait of Dante in a 1529 ver-

sion of "The Divine Comedy," chosen by the Devers.

Associate Professor of Romance Language and Literature Ted Cachey, the director of the Devers Program, returned from leave in Florence, Italy for the commemoration. In his introduction of Baranski, he praised the Devers for enabling the "soul, shape and form of Dante to touch the hearts and lives of students."

Describing Dante as the "greatest, best-known intellectual of his time," Baranski, a professional 'Dantist,' attributed the Italian poet's genius to his enthusiasm for literature. Speaking in the Special Collections reading room in Hesburgh Library, Baranski stressed Dante's voracious appetite for books and how his extensive reading enabled him to create the masterpiece "The Divine Comedy."

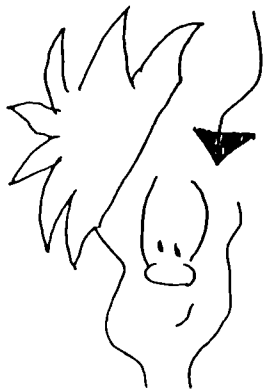
In addition to endowing an annual visiting professorship in Dante Studies, the Devers Program also funds rare book acquisitions and supports electronic and print publication of current scholarly research in the field.

Last year the Devers Program made two significant acquisitions in the Dante collection possible. The first was a 1629 edition of "The Divine Comedy," the last to be printed in the Renaissance. This hand-held version of Dante's epic poem was the thirty-ninth to be acquired by the University.

Also acquired through the Devers Program is a fine quality facsimile of a fourteenth century manuscript of the Divine Comedy. Both are on display in Special Collections on the first floor of Hesburgh Library until May 15.

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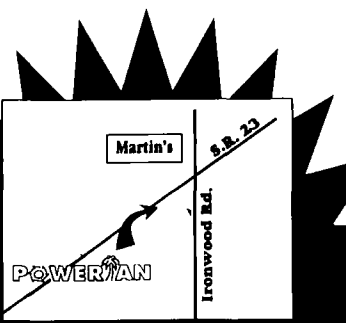
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If you did not attend Tuesday night's meeting, please come tonight. Please bring your personal calendar and a pen.

Questions? Unable to attend? Call:

Colleen Walton
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4-4707

Jennifer Carrier
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TeleFile

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ously filed a 1040-EZ form and have received TeleFile information with the federal tax booklet. The entire filing process should take six to 10 minutes to complete, according to the IRS.

Since the TeleFile system is completely electronic, it is the easiest way for the IRS to process refund checks. The government agency estimates that a check should be received within 21 days of filing. The TeleFile system appears to be part of the IRS's continuing effort to reduce the amount of paper involved in the transaction system.

The IRS has also recently announced that it will offer direct deposit refunds and will greatly expand the quantity of information and forms available on-line.

Students can access this information on the World Wide Web at <http://www.ustreas.gov/treasury/bureaus/irs/irs.html>. The automated system is available in Spanish or English.

Despite the ease of the new TeleFile system, those who owe additional taxes will not enjoy an extension on payment; the IRS says the amount must be paid by the normal April 15 tax deadline.

Medal

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of humanity." It is commonly regarded as the most prestigious honor given to American Catholics.

Among the 117 previous recipients are President John F. Kennedy, Catholic Worker founder Dorothy Day and Archbishop Joseph Bernardin.

By DEB RIECHMANN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
High school students abroad take and pass more demanding tests in such subjects as physics and chemistry than college-bound students in America, a teachers' union says. The figures show a need for tougher standards in this country, the union contends.

"Most states here are working on raising their academic standards," said Albert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers, which represents 885,000 teachers. "So far, what we see are mostly good intentions, not rigorous standards like the ones students overseas must meet."

The teachers union and the National Center for Improving Science Education released a study Wednesday that com-

pares tests taken by students in Germany, France, Japan, England and Wales with advanced-placement tests — the hardest exams taken by American high school students.

The study, financed with a National Science Foundation grant, found that one-fourth to one-half of students in the foreign countries take the exams. The percentage of students who pass ranges from 25 percent in England, Wales and Germany to a little more than 30 percent in France and Japan.

In contrast, 8 percent of American 18-year-olds took the tests in chemistry, physics or some 15 other subjects in 1995, and only 5 percent passed, the report said. U.S. high school students can earn college credit by doing well on these tests.

"Why aren't we up there?" Shanker asked. "In all the other countries, there are high

stakes attached. If you want to go to college, you have to pass this test."

"In the U.S., you clearly don't have to take any advanced-placement test or score at any particular level to be admitted to the overwhelming majority of our colleges and universities."

Gerald Bracey, director of the Alliance for Curriculum Reform, an Arlington, Va.-based umbrella group of 30 educational associations, says it's not fair to make international comparisons of these

tests for that very reason. Abroad, they are college entrance exams, while in the United States, they are voluntary, he said. Make them mandatory in America, and the results would be much different.

Also, while the number of U.S. students taking the tests has risen from 98,000 in 1975 to 463,000 in 1995, some school districts are just beginning to offer advanced-placement courses, which tend to attract students who choose to take the tests, Bracey said.

Student Activities Employee Applications Available Now!

Applications are being accepted from NOW until MARCH 22 for all positions in LaFortune Student Center (under the supervision of the Student Activities Office) and Stepan Center.

Applications can be picked up at the Student Activities Office, 315 LaFortune, or at the LaFortune Information Desk.

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If you are interested in planning next year's Sophomore Literary Festival or you really dig Spamburgers, just grab an application at the SUB office on the 2nd floor of LaFortune and return it by 7:14pm on Sunday. It's as easy as opening a can of Spam!!! Questions/Spam recipes? Call 1-7757.

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would like to congratulate all members who were awarded internships for the summer of 1996:

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Argentina--Olsten Corporation

Susie Yang

England--Market Access

Ben Gray, Dave Buckley

England--H&M Partners

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England--Bank of Montreal

Mary Schroeder

England--Waste Management

Amanda Maurer

England--MHM Limited

Kathleen Jordan

England--Arthur Andersen

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Estonia--Estonian Government

Tom Snider

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Chris Hanson

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Jason Subler, R. Jacob Bump

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Ireland--IBM

Rebecca Calice

Ireland--Janssen Pharmaceutical

Kathleen Zimmer

Ireland--Waterford Crystal

Erin McMahon, Kim Shiely

Ireland--Jefferson Smurfit

Jeremy Heckman

Ireland--H.J. Heinz

Tom Roderick, Sarah Stock

Mexico--Hylsa

Carrie Cook, Ana Gutierrez

Italy--Waste Management

Kirsten Harter

Russia--Alfa Capital

Denise Campbell

Russia--AT&T

Lisa Kackos, Katie Bellock

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Catherine Mullaly, Emily Locher

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NDCIBD would like to thank all those who applied for summer internships. This year's selection process was extremely competitive with a field of highly qualified applicants. Interns were selected on the basis of Council involvement, strength of academic and professional record, and specifications particular to each firm. NDCIBD is open to students of all classes and majors--Come learn more about our organization on Saturday March 23 at 1:30 in the Knights of Columbus Building. ***The World is Waiting!***

As he sees it...



The Observer/Dave Murphy

As part of Keenan, PE, Lewis, and Lyons' Human Rights Week, Colorado Congressional Candidate Les Franklin drew upon his public service experiences to offer students his perspectives on achievement, employment, and education in the CSC last night.

Immigrants rush for green cards

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Thousands of legal immigrants, some responding to rumors of mass deportations, rushed to federal offices nationwide Wednesday to renew expiring "green cards."

Immigration officials said there was no threat of penalties against those with expired cards.

Since late 1993, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has asked those with permanent resident alien permits issued before 1979 to renew their green cards.

But word apparently failed to reach many.

"I heard nothing ... whatsoever, not until 6 a.m. on the radio," Larry Healy, a 67-year-old retired railroad worker originally from Ireland, said as he waited in line at the Los Angeles INS office.

"If I had known about it, I would've come one month, two months ago," Healy said. "I'm retired. I have nothing else to do."

Standing next to Healy, 31-year-old South Korean native Sunmi Choi said she only learned of the deadline when

her mother woke her and rushed her off downtown.

"I just dropped everything and came down here," she said.

An INS spokesman in San Antonio expressed some skepticism that latecomers weren't aware of the deadline. "We've been in this roughly two years and these folks have had a lot of time to get in and do this," said spokesman Ray Dudley. "A lot of them will say 'I just heard.' But actually, I think they just waited until the last minute."

Still, there was confusion about which document had expired.

Kim Ogden, an INS spokesman in Dallas, said many who showed up at that office worried that other immigration documents were expiring.

And rumors were circulating of "mass deportations" for holders of expired cards, he said.

Lack of a new green card doesn't change a person's status as a legal resident.

But failure to obtain a new card could pose problems for those who travel abroad and then try to return to the United States, as well as for legal immigrants applying for ben-

efits with the now-expired document.

The INS began the card-replacement effort in November 1993 in an attempt to deter counterfeiting of the green card.

"We feel that in the 40 months that this program has ensued, we have in fact made various and numerous attempts to make sure that the public understood and knew what the requirement was and that we have given them ample time to request replacement," said INS Deputy Commissioner Chris Sale.

Of the 1.5 million people estimated in 1993 to be holders of the older cards, probably 200,000 to 300,000 have yet to replace their documents, Ms. Sale said.

Before 1979, there was little consistency in issuing green cards — a misnomer as the cards haven't been green since World War II and the latest ones are pink.

Often, the cards were cranked out on typewriters with the photograph affixed with tape and then laminated.

The latest version, dating to 1990, require a thumb print and a signature and can be scanned by machine.

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They came into the Campus Ministry Office hoping for some information. Perhaps we had a compatibility test they might take to see if they were truly meant for each other. Did we have any articles they might read? Did we have any advice on what they should do?

This was a new twist. Though we had offered programs for engaged couples for many years, we had not really thought about this category of couple. A program for the engaged would not be appropriate for this couple. They were still exploring their relationship - the decision was not yet made, and the decision might eventually be to not continue the relationship.

After identifying their issues we put together a program and called it "What's the Future of this Relationship?" It includes presentations on the stages of relationships and decision-making. While we were able to avoid "compatibility tests", we did include a marriage expectations quiz. There is time for answering questions and a lot of time for discussing answers with your partner. There is a discussion period for questions and a folder of articles for additional information and reflection.

If you are in a significant relationship perhaps you'd like to attend the program this semester.

"What's the Future of this Relationship?" will take place Sunday, March 31. Pre-registration is required. Registration papers can be obtained in both Campus Ministry Offices (Library Concourse and Badin Hall). Registration deadline is Thursday, March 28. The program is limited to 25 couples. There is no cost for the program. If you have any questions, please call Chris Etzel, Sylvia or John Dillon 631-5242.

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Last blast of winter slams Midwest region

Associated Press

The last storm of winter pummeled the Midwest yesterday with up to 15 inches of snow and wind whistling at 57 mph, stranding travelers in snowbound cars and leaving more than 200,000 customers without power.

Schools were closed yesterday from Michigan into Georgia. It was the first time all season that Detroit shut down classes because of snow. Because of all the snow and closed schools, the National Weather Service in Indiana had to postpone yesterday's statewide tornado drill. It was reset for Thursday.

The storm that began Tuesday was blamed for nine traffic deaths: two in Indiana, one in Michigan, two in West Virginia and four in Kentucky.

And while deep drifts blocked fire trucks and ambulances, fire killed a 2-year-old girl at Woodburn, Ky. Her parents and 1-year-old sister were hospitalized in critical condition. Woodburn Volunteer Assistant Fire Chief Garland Richardson said he didn't know if Savannah Akins could have been saved if rescuers had been able to reach her home sooner late Tuesday.

Spring officially began yesterday at 3:03 a.m. EST, the vernal equinox or the time at which the sun was directly over the equator.

Some growled. "It's just been a lousy winter," Connie Smith said Tuesday while taking

refuge in a coffee shop in downtown Indianapolis, where it was still snowing this morning.

Up to 15 inches of snow fell at Scottsburg, Ind., and Indianapolis got 11.3 inches Tuesday, its heaviest one-day total all winter.

The snow drifts were up to 6 feet high on some rural roads in Kentucky, state police reported. "The roads that are passable are slick and hazardous. Two-lane roads are down to one lane," said Jeff Wardlow of the Indiana State Police.

Drifting snow stranded 73 travelers along a highway 25 miles west of Indianapolis, said Cindy Birch, a dispatcher with the Hendricks County Sheriff's Department.

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find students' specific concerns in relation to multiculturalism. From these applications, the committee will choose three to four groups to present their concerns to the Board of Trustees.

"We're asking anyone who feels they represent some type of diversity to apply," Patrick said. "I think personal interactions and stories are much more powerful than statistics alone."

In the past, the report has carried great weight with the Board, several times resulting in policy changes for the University. After a 'Back to Basics' report made by student government, which concerned the quality of the academic life at Notre Dame, the trustees moved to lower class sizes as well as to establish the John A.

Kaneb Center for Undergraduate Teaching.

"The Trustees are very interested in what students have to say and can change policy as a result," Patrick said. "We hope students see this and want to take advantage of it."

Student government will accept applications from student organizations and individuals until March 29 and will announce the groups chosen to speak on April 2.

The report will be made to the Board of Trustees on May 2 or 3.

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we need to put that behind us and continue working in a positive manner.

"We hope to have strong communication and a lot more interaction with residence life, and continue open communication with the hall councils."

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Panel Members

Rev. J. Bryan Hehir, Professor, Harvard Divinity School, formerly served in Washington, DC at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

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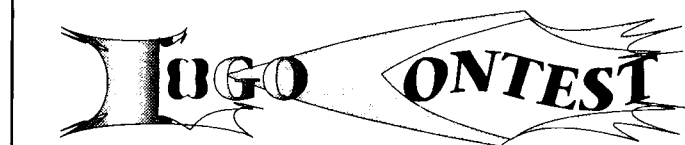
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GOP leaders, Clinton to talk budget balancing

Republicans make effort to compromise

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Republican congressional leaders went to the White House to meet with President Clinton today in what the administration said could be the start of a last-ditch effort to compromise on a balanced budget.

The GOP lawmakers responded to an invitation from

Clinton for discussions just one day after he unveiled his 1997 budget.

On their way to the White House, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and House Majority Leader Richard Armey, R-Texas, said they also wanted to talk to Clinton about other items that remain hung up between Congress and the president. They include welfare reform, overhauling immigration laws, a product liability bill and spending for the District of Columbia.

The GOP leaders said they also wanted to talk to Clinton about possibly attaching the

line-item veto, regulatory reform for small business and higher benefits for working Social Security recipients to must-pass debt-limit extension legislation.

"Hopefully, we can do some business," said Dole, who Tuesday night clinched the GOP presidential nomination.

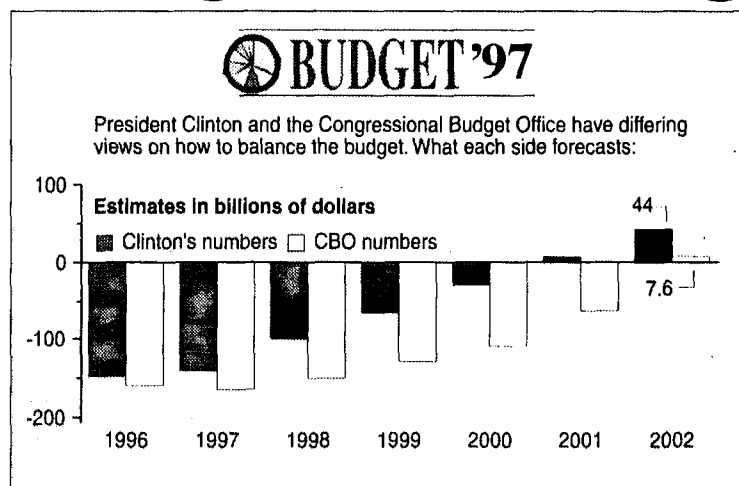
The leaders also said they want to avoid a new federal shutdown this weekend, when temporary spending authority for many agencies expires. Congress and the president are trying to complete a compromise bill that will finance the programs for the remaining six months of fiscal 1996.

"The three of us will make the case we ought to keep the government open," said Gingrich.

White House aides, making the rounds of television network news shows, said today the talks may be the last chance this year for both parties to reach a budget compromise.

"We have been through the Republican primary season. There is a small window of opportunity to try to work together for the nation," White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta said on Fox morning news.

"There's a window of opportunity here where we can really get some work done," White House spokesman Mike Mc-



Curry told reporters.

"It's not going to be open very long. It certainly will be closed if we all begin campaigning by 6 o'clock tonight, so we hope we don't end up in that position."

For his part, Clinton used the release of his election-year budget earlier Tuesday to tell Republicans once again that they could strike a balanced-budget deal if only they would accept his smaller tax-cut proposal and less-severe savings in Medicare, Medicaid, education, environmental protection and other Democratic priorities.

"We must seize the opportunity we now have to give the American people a moment of real bipartisan achievement," Clinton said.

However, Gingrich, recalling the protracted budget stalemate of the past year that produced two partial government shutdowns, said, "We passed a balanced budget; Clinton vetoed it. ... Who's he kidding?"

Even as the president was outlining his 2,196-page, \$1.64 trillion 1997 spending blueprint, the Senate was struggling Tuesday to bring the ugly, months-long brawl over the 1996 budget to a close.

It passed, 79-21, legislation

providing \$166 billion to operate dozens of agencies and departments through the fiscal year that ends Sept. 30. A week and a half ago, the House passed a much more austere version.

Now, if they are to avoid another shutdown, lawmakers from both chambers must iron out a compromise that Clinton won't veto.

That likely won't be done until next week and, in the meantime, GOP leaders plan to send Clinton a stopgap spending bill keeping the government running through March 28.

Senate Democrats, supported by moderate Republicans, succeeded in adding more than \$3 billion — not in the House bill — for environmental protection, education and job-training.

The White House publicly ignored the Senate action and instead focused on the president's 1997 budget that claims to eliminate annual deficits by 2001 or 2002, depending on whether the administration's economic projection or the more pessimistic Congressional Budget Office forecast is used.

Like Republicans, Clinton offers a tax cut, though his, at roughly \$100 billion, is about half the size of the GOP's.

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Court: 1990 census can stand

By LAURIE ASSEO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court upheld the 1990 census results, rejecting a bid by local governments to force an adjustment to make up for an admitted undercount of minorities yesterday.

The secretary of commerce had the discretion to decide not to adjust the census results, the justices said in unanimously rejecting a challenge by New York City, Los Angeles, Chicago and other local governments.

Changing the 1990 census would have stripped Wisconsin of one member of the House, transferring the seat to California.

"We hold that the secretary's decision was well within the constitutional bounds of discretion over the conduct of the census provided to the federal government," Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist wrote for the court.

"In 1990, the Census Bureau made an extraordinary effort to conduct an accurate enumeration, and was successful in counting 98.4 percent of the population," the chief justice wrote.

Rehnquist said those who challenged the census results "have not argued that the secretary's decision not to adjust was based upon an intent to discriminate on the basis of race."

"Indeed, in light of the government's extraordinary efforts to include traditionally undercounted minorities in the 1990 census," Rehnquist wrote, those who sought an adjustment "would have had a tough row to hoe had they set out to prove intentional discrimination by the secretary."

New York City Corporation Counsel Paul Crotty said he is disappointed in the decision. He contended census officials' recommendation to adjust the 1990 count to make up for a minority undercount was overridden for political reasons by the Republican secretary of commerce, Robert Mosbacher.

If the census had been adjusted, Crotty said, New York City would have been entitled to additional tens of millions of dollars in government aid.

But he said he generally is satisfied with the Census Bureau's announced plans to find and count more minorities in the 2000 census.

Clinton to testify by videotape in trial

By CHUCK BARTELS
Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.

A federal judge today said President Clinton could testify in a Whitewater-related case by videotape because traveling to Little Rock would be too much of a burden.

But he won't get the luxury of getting questions submitted in advance.



Clinton

U.S. District Judge George Howard Jr. denied motions by defense lawyers for James and Susan McDougal to compel Clinton to testify in person at their conspiracy and fraud trial.

The judge will preside over the questioning by video conferencing and rule on objections as they come up. He also will edit the videotape if lawyers cannot agree on what is pertinent for jurors to hear.

Rejecting Clinton's request to get the questions in advance, Howard said lawyers can ask the president whatever they like about allegations raised during the trial. He said the only reason a president might deserve such special treatment would be if national security was involved.

"They concern matters from prior to his presidency, so matters of national security will not be concerned," Howard said. Clinton had argued that the process would go more easily if

he got the questions in advance.

McDougal, his ex-wife Susan and Gov. Jim Guy Tucker are accused of arranging nearly \$3 million in fraudulent loans from McDougals' Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan and David Hale's Capital Management Services Inc.

Hale is the government's chief witness and claims Clinton pressured him to loan Susan McDougal \$300,000. Clinton has called the accusation "a bunch of bull." The McDougals say only Clinton can set the story straight.

Howard said ordering Clinton to travel to Arkansas "would be unduly burdensome to the president in the performance of his official duties."

Clinton personal attorney David Kendall could not be immediately reached for comment, nor could White House attorneys.

The White House and Justice Department asked Howard to let Clinton testify on his own terms.

The videotape will be made in private and the original tape will not be released. Howard said he would unseal only the portion of the videotaped deposition that eventually is played before jurors.

Howard directed lawyers for the prosecution, defense and Clinton to agree on a date and time for the deposition. If they cannot agree on a date, Howard will set one, the order said.

The judge said the videotape will be made after Hale testifies. Hale has pleaded guilty to

GOP appears to soften demand on Senate inquiry

By MARCY GORDON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Senate Republicans appear to be softening their demand that the chamber's Whitewater investigation be extended at least until the middle of July. But the Democrats rebuffed the GOP leader's new suggestion to end it a month earlier.

The partisan dispute has dragged on for weeks. Democrats want a quicker end to the special committee's inquiry, which began last July with a mandate that expired on Feb. 29.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, interviewed Tuesday night on ABC News' "Nightline," said he believes the investigation should be wrapped up "fairly soon."

"I think by mid-June," said Dole, the GOP presidential front-runner. "I think we can come to some agreement. ... (We can) try to get an agreement to end it by June 15."

Dole's Democratic counterpart, Senate Minority Leader

Tom Daschle, D-S.D., told reporters today, "We've been talking but so far there is no resolution." He said Dole's June 15 proposal had not been formally presented to the Democrats.

"We're prepared to find ways with which to end this in a meaningful way by the end of May, but we will not go beyond the end of May. That's long enough," Daschle said.

For three days last week, the Republicans fell short of the 60 votes they need to end debate and to proceed to a vote on extending indefinitely the Senate Whitewater Committee's authority.

The Republicans hold a 53-47 majority in the Senate.

Democrats have rejected as unreasonable a GOP compromise offer to end the investigation by mid-July, before major party presidential nominating conventions begin in August. In turn, they suggested a compromise of a five-week extension and an additional \$185,000.

The original GOP plan was for an open-ended extension and \$600,000 more to spend.

fraud and is to be sentenced Monday. The judge's order was released just before a former Madison employee returned to the stand in the trial, which began March 4.

Lisa Aunspaugh Thompson, under questioning from prose-

cutors, said she wrote checks to pay off McDougal's personal American Express bill and for renovations to his home. The money came from an account set up to pay construction bills for various Madison properties, she said.

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Dole to make Senate his bully pulpit

By MIKE FEINSILBER
Associated Press

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole says his quick wrap-up of the GOP presidential nomination shows he offers "the right agenda for the next generation," but he admits the prospect of being president is "scary."



Dole

What looms is the selection of a running mate — a delicate matter in a divided party — and a renewed threat of a Ross Perot third-party candidacy.

Solid victories in four Midwestern states on Tuesday, coming exactly a month after a humiliating loss to commentator Pat Buchanan in New Hampshire, nailed down the party's nomination for the 72-year-old Dole.

He had first sought it 16 years ago.

"The moral of the story is if

you ... don't give up too easily, you can still make it," Dole said in an interview broadcast today on "CBS This Morning."

"It's scary in the sense that you want to be sure you can do it," he added. "I'm convinced I can."

With Buchanan reduced to nuisance status, Dole is planning to make the Senate his bully pulpit — and is also planning to give himself a week off sometime soon in the Florida sunshine.

But for now "I'm going to be a full-time senator," Dole said, in line with his strategy of using his Republican leadership position to carry the fight to President Clinton.

Both of the November rivals are leaders within the government, so each is able to undercut — or cooperate with — the other, intertwining even more than usual the business of government with the requirements of politics.

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As of 5:00 a.m. EST

Independent party wants Buchanan

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press

DALLAS — With the GOP presidential nomination out of reach for Pat Buchanan, an independent party today began a nationwide effort to get on the November ballot — and invited the commentator to top its ticket.



Buchanan

While in the past, Buchanan has told the U.S. Taxpayers Party that he prefers to run as a Republican, the candidate's Dallas-Fort Worth chairman called it an option in continuing his campaign.

"The Taxpayers Party will try to get on in 50 states. If that happens, Mr. Buchanan will have to consider something and he will consider it strongly," said Tom Staley, North Texas chairman for Buchanan.

"It would be hard to turn down ... a party who likes and wants you."

Meanwhile, Buchanan continued to campaign today in California for next week's primary even after Dole earned enough delegates to secure the GOP nomination.

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Germany debates limits on grants for citizenship

By PAUL GEITNER
Associated Press

BERLIN

Germany is struggling with record unemployment, a stagnant economy and a ballooning federal deficit.

So why, the leader of the political opposition asks, should the country grant automatic citizenship — and all the welfare benefits that entails — to more than 200,000 immigrants from the former Soviet Union each year, just because they come from German stock?

The question, posed last month by Social Democratic Party chairman Oskar Lafontaine, unleashed a tempest of criticism, illustrating the sensitivity of the subject of immigration in Germany, where a surge of anti-foreigner violence that followed unification in 1990 has only recently subsided.

Critics from across the political spectrum accuse Lafontaine of resorting to demagoguery in the hope of winning votes in Sunday's local elections in three important states. A strong showing by the liberal Social Democrats could endanger Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative coalition in parliament.

Lafontaine insists he's only facing facts.

With a jobless rate of more than 11 percent, "we just can't bring more and more workers to Germany," he said in a newspaper interview last week.

A recent poll found 70 percent of Germans supported Lafontaine's call to limit the flow of "Aussiedler," ethnic German immigrants from the former Soviet bloc.

The German-born Empress Catherine the Great invited German farmers and craftspeople to Russia in 1762 to help modernize the country, granting them land, religious freedom and other special privileges.

During World War II, Stalin ordered all ethnic Germans in the lower Volga region deported to Siberia and Central Asia as potential traitors. Thousands died in labor camps or coal mines.

Because of that persecution, West Germany's postwar constitution included the right to automatic citizenship for Aussiedler.

"We have a responsibility to the people who had to suffer because they were German," said Horst Waffenschmidt, the federal secretary responsible

for Aussiedler affairs.

Most, however, were trapped behind the Iron Curtain. Until the late 1980s, only about 20,000 or 30,000 a year actually made the trip, usually after West Germany paid a "ransom" to the Soviet-bloc governments.

But as communism crumbled, the numbers jumped. More than 2 million have arrived since 1988, most from the former Soviet Union.

The government estimates another 2.2 million are eligible to come.

Pia Hermann, 71, and her 74-year-old sister, Julia Jaufmann, arrived in 1994 from Kazakhstan, where Hermann says ethnic Germans had to hide their language and culture and do jobs no one else wanted.

Standing next to their bunk beds in a tiny room at a Red Cross shelter in eastern Berlin, the two women who had never before set foot on German soil said in old-fashioned German that they finally felt at home.

"We never felt like Kazaks," Jaufmann said.

"We were German."

By CHARLENE FU
Associated Press

BEIJING

A powerful earthquake has leveled remote towns in northwestern China, killing at least 24 people — most of them young children — and leaving 10,000 homeless.

The magnitude 6.9 earthquake late Tuesday struck settlements along the centuries-old trade route known as the Silk Road in China's Xinjiang region.

The quake and 68 aftershocks of up to magnitude 5.1 caused 50,000 buildings to collapse and cracked a dike, government seismologists said Wednesday. At least 78 people were injured, nine of them seriously.

Casualty reports, however, were incomplete due to disrupted communications with the hardest hit area, Jiashi county. By late Wednesday afternoon, only one village in the county had reported in.

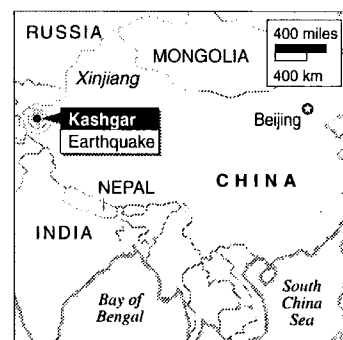
Jiashi is about 43 miles east of Kashgar, an ancient bazaar town.

The earthquake was centered close to Artux, 15 miles north of Kashgar.

Many people were at home when the quake struck at 11 p.m. (10 a.m. EST).

Seventeen of those killed were children under the age of eight, said Bake Aji, director of the Kashgar Seismology Bureau.

"They were home watching television and couldn't get out fast enough," Bake said. Most houses in the region are one-story dwellings made of baked mud bricks and topped by wooden beams and mud that



could cause heavy casualties if they collapsed.

Dear Shari,

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■ GOD N LIFE

Academics teach 'people skills'

Academics were made for man, not man for academics. This variation of Jesus' proclamation ("The Law was made for man...") seems fitting, in light of where we are and what we are doing - studying, researching and writing. It is a student's task to conform to what the instructors expect (a 30-page report, a certain type of project, footnotes done "just so").

Still, unless we plan a career in teaching or research, does knowledge of such details have any benefit beyond college? Even more important: does this knowledge do anything to enhance our lives as God's children?

Julie Ferraro

I suppose the point to stress in all this is that a lot of what takes place on this campus is not "real life", and students shouldn't get the impression that it is. The employers with whom a young person hires on after graduation will rarely check grammar or spelling (many executives can't spell themselves), and they won't really care if someone can find their way around a library. They will be more interested in "people skills" because, unless the office is a windowless room in the bottommost basement, business involves dealing with people every step of the way.

This is where personal faith comes in. Whether one is an accountant, a lawyer, a biologist or a diplomat, the ability to see others as equals - all God's children - is vital. The Golden Rule, "Do unto others..." applies to everyone of all religions. No matter if a person has a college degree, or what their racial or ethnic origins are, it has no bearing in business or at a social gathering. The ultimate value placed on any person is that he or she is created in the image of God, and that same God loves each individual unconditionally.

We should do likewise. If anything, that is what college offers the students a chance to learn. By bringing together people from around the world, of all races and faiths, there are countless opportunities to face one's own prejudices or fears. This is where the emphasis of college should be.

So, don't let the academics get you down. Most of what is crammed into the textbooks, then crammed into the students' brains will be forgotten and unused after the diploma is in hand. What will be useful is how we've learned to relate to others, which - above wealth and power - is what "success" is all about.

Julie Ferraro runs every other Wednesday.

■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Pessimism darkens American society

Dear Editor:

Christiane Likely has done it again. While she surely desires racial tolerance and acceptance, her writings unfortunately preach pessimism and division. In her most recent article ("Republicans whimper and whine," March 6) she desperately attempts to tie the deplorable actions of "one sicko Neo-Nazi" to the "whole Republican Party". That connection certainly does not exist.

Also, Likely's examples of hate and ignorance are knee-deep in false assumptions. First of all, *Chicago Tribune* columnist Mike Royko's controversial piece concerning Pat Buchanan and Mexico was political satire, intended to poke fun at Buchanan's extremist

stances, as well as at voters' aptness to fall prey to such demagoguery. It is unfortunate that a few oversensitive leaders were able to incite the latino community into believing this column to be racist.

Furthermore, Pat Buchanan is not the Republican party and has in fact been repudiated not only by the vast majority of Republican voters in the nation but also by such prominent party leaders as Newt Gingrich, Bob Dole, William Bennett, Colin Powell, and William F. Buckley Jr. Pat Buchanan is a populist, not a conservative, and disparages such conservative notions as free trade and Wall Street. The Republican party is the party of Lincoln and Reagan, the party of opti-

mism, responsibility, and economic growth, not the party of Buchanan. Opposition to the high taxes and crime her column complains about have always been firm planks in the Republican platform.

Worst of all, Likely's column drips with pessimism. While I agree that many parts of our society are sick, I believe it is slowly but surely getting better. Few would deny the wrongs committed by the United States over its history, but despite these, it is hard to forget the advantages of living in the United States. Pessimism only maintains the status quo.

JIM SCHUELLER

Junior
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Violence strikes: Domers fear for classmates abroad

Dear Editor:

I am writing in reaction to several of your recent articles: an Inside Column, and a two-part series, both on the recent bombing of a London bus and its effect on ND students studying there. Understandably, there is much concern for the safety of fellow Domers.

However, there are numerous other places in the world where ND has study programs. For example, ND and SMC students study in Japan, where deadly fumes were released in the busy Tokyo subways. ND has a program in Mexico City, where devastating earthquakes often occur. In France there have been numerous dangerous strikes. Ironically, the London bombing occurred around the same time as terrorist bombings in Jerusalem, another ND study location.

As a participant in the ND Jerusalem program last spring, it is easy to imagine what the students there are experiencing. The program is centered at Tantur Ecumenical institute whose wall is part of the imaginary border line between Israel and the West Bank. Every day students witness and experience first hand consequences

of the Israeli occupation of Palestinian land. They must always consider which bus to take. They can never travel alone, and they must avoid any possible disturbances.

Despite the dangers of all these programs, though, the study abroad experience is invaluable. Year after year students apply to study in Jerusalem although there is no guarantee the program will be held until they board the plane to Tel Aviv. During the intifadah (the Palestinian uprising that began in 1987), and during the Gulf War of the early 90's, no program was held there. Those of us who are fortunate enough to study in Jerusalem would never trade in the experience.

Whenever friends and fellow students are in danger, like those in London, it is appropriate to be concerned. However, it is also essential to be aware of problems and situations in many other places all over the world.

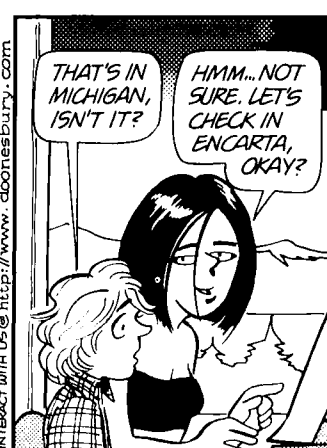
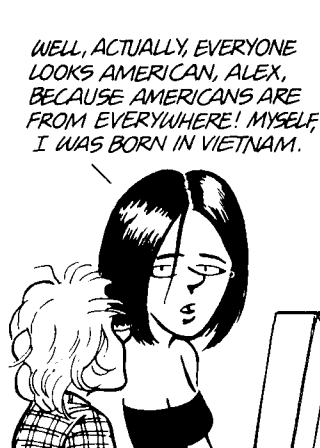
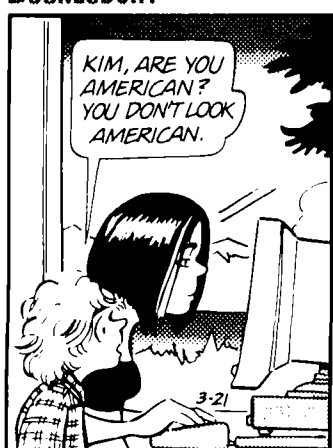
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■ QUOTE OF THE DAY



"I'm holding out for the day
When all the clouds have
blown away."

—Pink Floyd

■ KEVORKIAN KORNER

Church and state collide in open court

Abdul-Rauf: A Likely story

Like most Observer readers, I enjoy Christiane Likely's "In My Neighborhood" columns a lot. You can't beat an angry victim for columnistic rhetoric, especially when it comes straight from the mean streets of Pasquerilla West. Now that Father Griffin is retired, she is probably my second-favorite Observer columnist. (Why she doesn't use a title playing off her last name is a mystery to me, but that's okay. Matt Apple rejected "The Fifth Column" as a possible title for a Common Sense feature. Oh well.) I bring up Likely for another reason.

In yesterday's column, she makes the case for the Denver Nuggets' Mahmoud Abdul Rauf as being put upon by the "eggheads" of the NBA offices. "I fully understand what the Brother is going through," Likely says, with sisterly solidarity. "It is very difficult to try to maintain your religious/spiritual ideologies when they differ. . . [from] the popular or majority religious systems." You know what? I don't find this surprising. Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf and Christine Likely seem to have exactly the same perspective on things. This is easily explained. Here is the explanation. They are both self-righteous, spoiled, adolescent bullies.

I don't mind being harangued on account of my privileges, my real or imaginary complicity in historical villainies, or even the color of my skin. Even the naked anti-semitism many American blacks express in private (and occasionally in public) is understandable. They aren't the first, or the last, to get tricked that way. I had hoped that calling people "eggheads" went out with the fifties, but we live in an atavistic period.

**Josh
Ozersky**



But fine. Like Christine Likely, I appreciate the honesty of firebrands, even when it comes at little or no cost to themselves. (Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf, for his part, certainly got tired of confrontation when it began to cost him money). Malcolm X is the great black firebrand, but even the lesser men who succeeded him, like H. Rap Brown or Bobby Seale, knew how to make a point. "Violence is as American as apple pie," said Brown, at the height of his celebrity.

Why then do Rauf and Likely find it so necessary to hide behind religious sanctimoniousness? Likely insists on quoting prayers from the Quran to us, as if the mere fact of holy writ justified the dubious position of the basketball player who wouldn't stand for the national anthem, and the columnist who feels religions, except her own, are "man-made" and "confusing," with Christianity "an insult" to God.

Contrast this horseplay with a honest man like Dennis Rodman. Rodman doesn't want to play by the rules, either, but he hasn't wrapped himself up in sacred scripture. For him, the existential confrontation: he challenged the NBA's director of operations like Job before the whirlwind. "Suspend me, Rod Thorn. Suspend me." Now why couldn't Mahmoud-Rauf do likewise? His

decision was plainly a political one. Why not stand by your political beliefs, instead of hiding in a religious stance which you obviously don't take seriously enough to lose by? According to Hakeem Olajuwon, a Moslem so devout he fasts during the regular season, there is nothing in Islamic theology, Wallace Fard notwithstanding, that says that a Moslem shouldn't respect the customs of the country he lives in. I think Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf might have taken a page out of Rodman's book. At least then you wouldn't look like such a hypocrite when you do knuckle under. In America, we have free speech, but it is only "free" legally — not in the sense that it is without responsibility, or consequences. It seems to me that only people in very sheltered environments don't understand that.

Which brings up another point. Where does

Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf come from, anyway? When he was Chris Jackson, it seemed to be America. So where does Christiane Likely come to write about "a nation and its flag"? I don't stand by the actions of the US at every moment in its history, but there's certainly no getting around the fact that it is my country and that I am a citizen of it. That much can be gleaned from my birth certificate. If I really wanted to reject the US, I suppose I would emigrate to Israel; just as honest black separatists from Marcus Garvey on down have advocated leaving America for Africa. Likely, for her part, doesn't seem to be going anywhere but Atlanta; and Rauf has modified his "spirituality" so as not to interfere with the ludicrously well-paying game that is his fortune.

The thing that bothers so many people, I think, is that the Christiane Likelys of the world are so smug in their sense of victimhood. But they never have any time for specific reforms, because that involves hard, aggravating work, and generally requires you to submerge your sense of moral ascendancy. It's a big buzz-kill to deal with the realities of American society. That's the appeal of the flat tax, anti-semitism, and, of course, that old standby, "my own spiritual growth and development." Like their mirror images, Pat Buchanan and Ralph Reed, Rauf and Likely advance no cause but themselves, and they don't even do a very good job of that, seeing as how they have pointlessly alienated themselves from society.

And it is their society: if Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf, Christine Likely, or Louis Farrakhan ever do one tenth of the good work of any \$20,000 a year welfare case-worker, or city high-school teacher, or small-town public defender, they should get on their knees and thank Allah. In the meantime, they would all do well to get off their high horse and realize that, whether they spout scripture, "spiritual" buzzwords, or PC jargon, it all amounts to self-promotion in one way or another.

Which really is as American as apple pie. How could Rauf and Likely ever have doubted that they belong here?

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■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Speaking of anthems, amendments, and millionaire Muslims...

Dear Editor:

All is well in the world of hoops: Notre Dame has promising young talent; the eventual national champion may actually be a team I like; the Big East is a Beast once again (Syracuse—my favorite team after ND—made it to the Sweet 16); and there's a new movie about the greatest hoops franchise ever—the Boston Celtics. I can't even root against the Knicks any more, since Jeff Van Gundy coached my high school classmates in the mid-1980s. Over break however, every time I turned on the tv, radio or tried to read the paper, I was besieged by "Abdul-Rauf."

The refusal of Denver Nuggets guard Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf to stand during the National Anthem would have been the most ridiculous spectacle of the past week, were it not for the gaggle of commentators falling all over themselves to defend Abdul-Rauf's "freedom of expression." Not only does the United States Constitution not protect this purported "protest," Abdul-Rauf's almost instantaneous concession on the issue calls into serious question whether there was ever any "principle" involved at all.

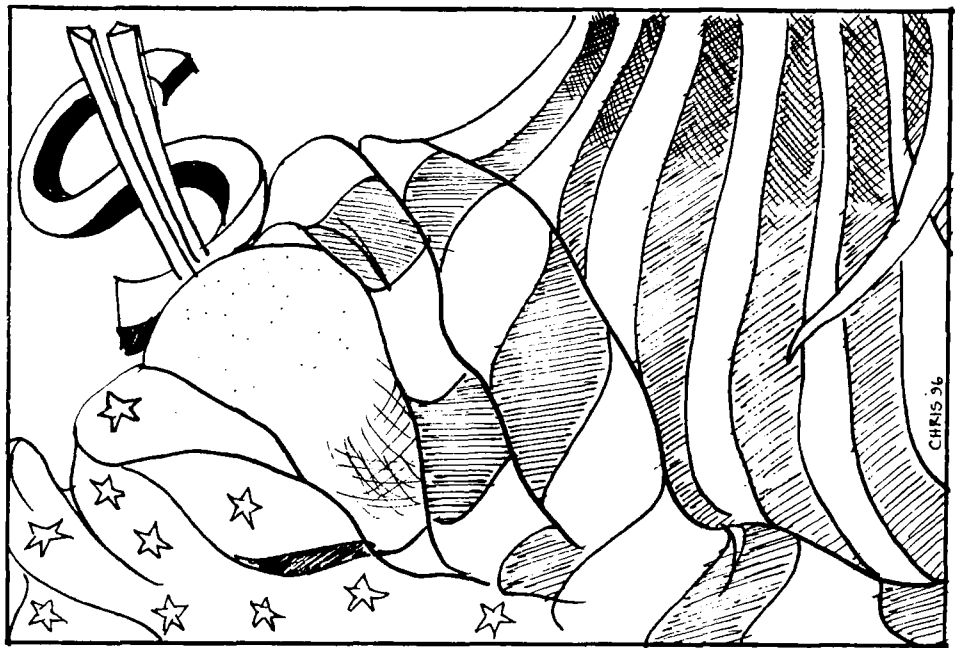
Calling the American flag a "symbol of oppression and tyranny," Abdul-Rauf initially stated that he would rather give up his NBA career than stand for the Star Spangled Banner. After the NBA announced (on the night of March 12) his indefinite suspension without pay—which would have cost Abdul-Rauf \$31,707 per game—it took the Nuggets guard less than 48 hours to decide that standing wasn't so bad after all.

What is even more telling is that the Nuggets had no games scheduled on March 13 and 14—the days between the

NBA's announcement of the suspension and Abdul-Rauf's concession. In other words, after several months and 62 games of refusing to stand for the National Anthem, Abdul-Rauf caved almost as soon as his actions would have cost him anything; he did miss the Nuggets' game on March 12—the day the suspension was announced.

The ridiculousness of the situation does not result merely from the fact that it was a "protest," this country has a long, proud history of—and indeed was founded on—protests and fights against injustice. What's ludicrous is the spectacle of this 27-year-old criticizing the "oppression and tyranny" of the United States—a country which guarantees the world's most profound freedoms to those who protest against it and a country which enables Abdul-Rauf to make \$2.6 million per year to play basketball. While many black Americans continue to suffer injustice, the absurdity of Abdul-Rauf's protest is that its setting was the NBA, perhaps the world's most privileged collection of multi-millionaires, most of whom are black.

Even given the absence of any principled or intellectual underpinning, I can see why Abdul-Rauf may have engaged in such a charade. A convert's zeal is often the strongest (witness Saint Paul)—Abdul-Rauf converted to Islam in 1991 and changed his name two years later. Perhaps the Nation of Islam's Louis Farrakhan preyed upon Abdul-Rauf's faith and manipulated him into this embarrassingly simple-minded and transparent spectacle. What I can't understand is why many commentators insist on misrepresenting (or misunderstanding) the First Amendment.



Broadly-speaking, the First Amendment protects freedom of expression: religion, speech, press, assembly and petition. However, the First Amendment (and the Constitution itself) limits—with few exceptions—only governmental entities. In other words, the NBA's status as a "private" actor means that while the suspension may well have penalized Abdul-Rauf's speech or religion, nothing in the United States Constitution prevents the NBA, the Nuggets or any other private actor from so doing. Even the few Constitutional provisions enforceable against private actors (e.g., the 13th Amendment and parts of the 14th and 15th Amendments) are inapplicable here. Abdul-Rauf's case is thus fatally flawed not only in terms of credibility and logic, it also has no Constitutional force. Perhaps that's why he gave up so easily.

It is understandable that many sincere Muslims—in this country and elsewhere—are concerned that people like Abdul-Rauf and Farrakhan will be viewed by casual observers as typical adherents of Islam. The Houston Rockets' center Hakeem Olajuwon and other devout Muslims emphatically deny that Islam requires or even allows Abdul-Rauf's actions. Farrakhan—a charlatan and one of the most unrepen-

tant and vile bigots in recent memory—recently flouted federal law by visiting terrorist nations without first notifying the U.S. State Department. In addition to Farrakhan's lengthy record of anti-Semitic and racist statements, the Nation of Islam teaches racial division, a doctrine not found in the more widely-accepted and long-standing faith of Islam.

While we should welcome the sincere expression of religious and political beliefs, we must not be cowed—out of political correctness or any other influence—into misrepresenting the Constitution. Having read Malcolm X's autobiography twice, I certainly have disagreements with him; yet I am impressed by his messages of self-reliance, self-restraint and respect for women. Muhammed Ali sacrificed the best years of his career rather than compromise what he saw as his religious duty—not to serve in the United States military during the Vietnam War.

Next time, before Abdul-Rauf or anyone else—of any religion—decides to create a public spectacle, perhaps he should study Muhammed Ali or Malcolm X. Then again, he could just read the Constitution.

JOHN T. REFERMAT
Third-year law student

MIKE JOHNSON

Year of Mondays

★★★★
(out of five)



Courtesy Atlantic Records

Dark? Yes. Dismal? Yes. Depressing? Yes. Good? No doubt about it. Mike Johnson's second solo project, *Year of Mondays*, is definitely a success.

Johnson, the bassist for alternative engineers Dinosaur Jr., shows his talent on this ten song compilation that skids along the bottom of the earth in content, but at the same time soars high in the sky with musical ingenuity. And musical talent is abundant on *Year of Mondays* as Johnson moves from bass to acoustic and electric guitars with great ease, clearly showing how his trademark guitar-istic bass playing developed.

It is not, however, Johnson alone on this album. Instead, he invites close friends J Mascis (singer/guitarist for Dinosaur Jr.) and Barrett Martin (drummer for Screaming Trees) to play along with him. Mascis ventures to play drums and Martin plays bass. Johnson also incorporates a string section as well as the backing vocals of Tiffany Anders on several tracks.

Being in Dino Jr. is not an easy task, especially for someone who wants to explore their own creative side. As Johnson notes, "I never felt frustrated by Dino, but sometimes I just

felt like I was treading water because I wouldn't use my time well enough." On *Year of Mondays* Johnson finds this freedom allowing him to do his own thing. This is not a Dinosaur Jr. album, despite the appearance of J Mascis. It is a Mike Johnson album, demonstrated in the first track "Where Am I?" where his voice rumbles in a deep baritone throughout. This Leonard Cohen sound-alike makes his songs unique from Dino Jr. with his voice, as his music sometimes resembles that of his day-job band.

In all seriousness, *Year of Mondays* is not as depressing as it first seems. Songs such as "Circle" and "One Way Out" bring an upbeat, pleasant sound to the album. For those who enjoy longer jams, Johnson includes two ten minute-plus songs, "Overdrive" and "Eclipse."

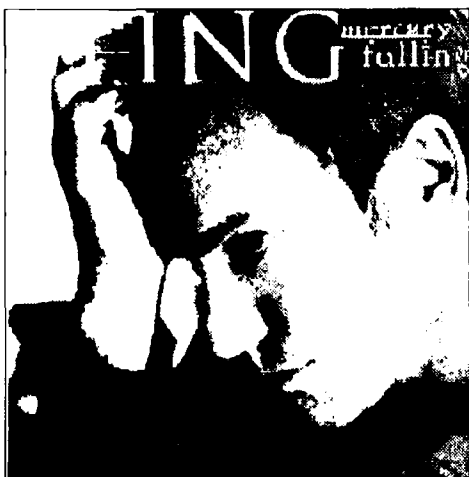
This is not a Dinosaur Jr. album, but it will appeal to the majority of Dino fans with its darker, heavier sound.

-by Christian Stein

STING

Mercury Falling

★★★★
(out of five)



Courtesy A & M Records

There are many things that make Sting one of the preeminent songwriters of his generation. Among them are his unpredictability. *Dream of the Blue Turtles* was jazz-pop. ...*Nothing Like the Sun* was politically charged jazz-non-pop. Then came 1991's *The Soul Cages*. Written in the wake of great personal tragedy, as were many of Sting's greatest works, it is still the greatest album to not receive a Grammy. Then came *Ten Summoner's Tales*, a much lighter pop album that was happier than *Cages* and much less musically fulfilling. There were a few masterworks, but it was evident that the catharsis that was *Cages* was a one-time masterpiece. Sting's new album, *Mercury Falling*, shows that the sequel to *Cages* has yet to, and may never, appear.

Sting is no longer "the brooding young man." At least, not always. "Valparaiso," a travelogue augmented by the Northumbrian pipes that colored *Cages*, is a hauntingly atmospheric ballad. "I Was Brought to My Senses," a tale of love's discovery, is lyrically and musically evocative, just like "Fields of Gold." The album's lead track, "The Hounds of

Winter," follows the same path.

The rest of the album is not as memorable. Gratuitous horns combined with a mystifying taste for country kill songs like "All Four Seasons," which sounds like it was written in about ten minutes. "You Still Touch Me" is, lyrically, an update of "Every Breath You Take." Musically, it's totally disposable. And then there's "La Belle Dame Sans Regrets." It's wonderful that Sting can write nightclubby faux-Latin music and all-French lyrics, but that doesn't mean he should.

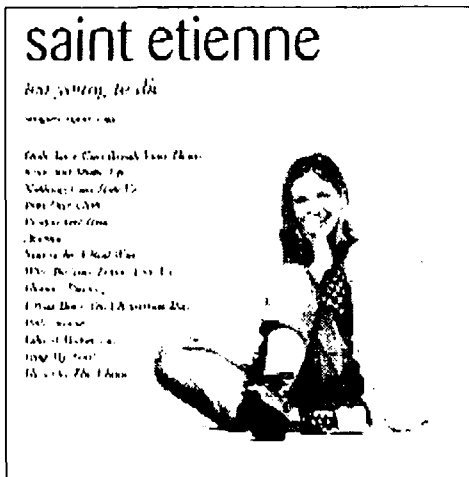
The country flavor works on "I Hung My Head," mostly because of the song's odd time signature. Make no mistake about it, on his worst day, Sting would not write "Only Wanna Be With You." But the poetry, the emotion, the pure feeling of *Cages* reflects Sting at his songwriting apex. *Mercury Falling* shows Sting for what he is—a happily married, enormously successful middle-aged pop star. Personally, that's great for him. Musically and lyrically, it sounds as though Sting's muse has flown...for now.

-by Kevin Dolan

SAINT ETIENNE

Too Young To Die - Singles 1990-1995

★★★★
(out of five)



Courtesy Epic Records

This compilation was released to encourage people to check out one of London's most loved yet not-as-famous-as-they-deserve-to-be groups. It includes some of their best tracks; there can be fewer more joyous pop songs than "Pale Movie," and Sarah Cracknell's voice is a sublime presence throughout the album. However, the principal defect of this collection is that by definition it fails to include minor classics from two of their previous albums, *So Tough* and *Tiger Bay*. Instead of being a gem, it leaves the listener feeling something is missing. Including tracks such as "I Was Born On Christmas Day" and "Nothing Can Stop Us" hurts an otherwise a great compilation, and as with all collections, a certain continuity and coherence is lost. If one can put up with this, however, what remains is hugely enjoyable.

As the tracks span five years, the maturing of Cracknell's voice can easily be traced. Her youth is evident on the earliest song, "Only Love Can Break Your Heart," as fine a piece of energetic singing as one could hope to come across. Four years later in "Like a Motorway," her approach gains an

interesting new subtlety and admirable degree of restraint. This latter track is one of the highlights of the album; a work encompassing the sadness of loving and losing set to a dynamic backing overlaid by lush vocals.

Saint Etienne are one of those groups who gleefully provide many memorable and quotable lines; from the mournful "she said her life was like a motorway - dull, gray and long," and the intimate "he shows dreams like a movie, she's the softness of cinema seats," to the bizarrely cryptic "he said her skin smelled just like pebbles." These ensure that whatever the status of the group, they will be remembered for a long time.

We are left with an album that could have been stunning but is merely very good. If classic and subtle English pop music is to your taste, then this compilation will serve as a useful introduction. The group's previous works are all of exceptional quality, and *Too Young To Die* represents an adequate and rewarding ensemble of them.

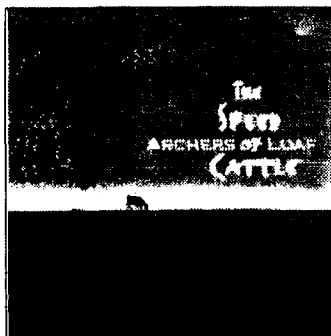
-by Julian Elliott

WVFI CORNER

ARCHERS OF LOAF

The Speed of Cattle

★★★★
(out of five)



The Archers of Loaf sound like no one else you've ever heard. They are musical freaks, but in a good way. Lead singer Eric Bachmann strings his guitar like no other guitarist, and he has a very distinctive voice. Archers songs are typified by Bachmann's grave vocals with lyrics that walk a fine line between the metaphorically beautiful and the meaningless. The melody is backed up by an energetic bassist and a lead guitarist who makes sounds you never thought would come from a guitar.

The Speed of Cattle is a collection of re-recordings and Peel Sessions of previously released material, with one new song. Since many of the songs are from esoteric 7" records and compilations, they will be new to all but the most die-hard of Archers fans. The songs span the four years the Archers have been around, and show their musical growth through that time.

While some may call the Archers freaks, the bottom line is that people like them. Despite their distinctive sounds, the Archers appeal to the mainstream alternative listener because of their ability to write infectious pop songs that you'll be humming for days.

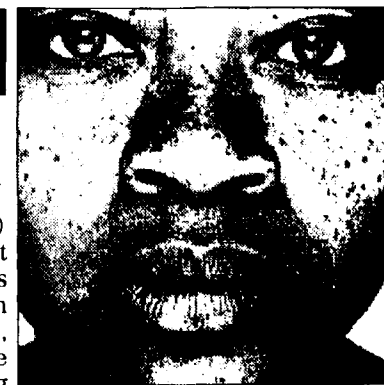
-by Dan Connolly, WVFI

new release

Bad Religion

The Gray Race

★★★★
(out of five)



Atlantic Records

After recording their breakthrough hardcore first I.P., *How Could Hell Be Any Worse?* in the early eighties, Bad Religion decided to take a turn in direction. Lead singer/honor student Greg Graffin, invested in some keyboards to further the band's success. After all, it worked for BowWowWow. Fortunately, guitarist Brett Gurewitz had the soul to call it quits in the studio. The band dissolved, each member going back to their respective universities, but that funky keyboard album, *Into the Unknown*, was released. Bad Religion, a bastion of punk rock, is so embarrassed by the album that it's about as easy to find in stores as Alanis Morissette's first "Debbie Gibson of Canada" album.

Obviously, Bad Religion decided to strap the instruments back on. After five albums for the indie label Epitaph, Brett Gurewitz hit the road again. Bad Religion had just finished a major label debut for Atlantic. Apparently, Mr. Brett knows when to rethink those luxury cruise tickets for the USS Titanic.

The Gray Race is by no means another *Into the Unknown*. Fret not young punkers, you'll find no synth jams here. However, *The Gray Race* is by no means fresh or inventive. The drum rhythms keep getting ever so slower on each successive album. Bobby Shriver may one day soon drop to the sub-Max Weinberg rhythm level. New guitarist Brian Baker seems to possess an itchy whammy-bar finger, as lengthy, noodling solos spoil several songs. It's hard to believe Baker grew up playing bass for the most influential hardcore band ever, Minor Threat. However,

Baker is reluctant to discuss his days in the eighties glam hair-metal band, Junkyard, when he wrote rocking anthems like "Blooze."

The Gray Race has its moments, but they come sporadically. The title track, "Them and Us," "Parallel," "Ten in 2010" and "Nobody Listens" should satisfy the most avid Bad Religion fans with their quick pace, hummable choruses, and brevity. After first listen "Parallel" and "The Gray Race" will be the ones still swimming in your brain and humming in your lips. "Punk Rock Song" is a few tempo notches slow from a classic Bad Religion anthem. Unfortunately, these songs constitute the bulk of good tracks on the album. On other songs, Greg Graffin departs from his intellectual barking and attempts to "sing" too often, and his harmony was never very good. The typically rousing cheers of "Let's Go!" on "Them and Us" and "Hey! Hey!" on "Spirit Shine" are delivered with all the acting fervor of Keanu Reeves as Jonathan Harker in "Dracula."

The Gray Race is a decent album, but a better Bad Religion album to purchase would have to be *Suffer* or *No Control*.

-by Brent DiCrescenzo

concert review

by
tim bayne

reggae in the city

Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers
Aragon Ballroom, Chicago
March 9, 1996

Photo courtesy of Tim Bayne

The Windy City was truly miserable but Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers turned on conscious party for those who came in from the cold. While the stern visage of Haile Selassie kept a watchful eye on the proceedings the Aragon crowd skanked to the positive vibrations of one of the tightest reggae acts in the business. True to their Rastafarian roots, Ziggy and the Melody Makers put on a righteous performance that bore witness to, and to some degree embodied, their vision of cosmic unity.

Julian and Damion Marley, supported by the fantastically tight Uprising band, were the opening act. After the compulsory greeting "in the name of his Majesty Haile Selassie I", they launched into an hour of fine one-drop, ragga, and soca riddims. Julian's attempt to get the crowd singing along with his "Blossomin' and Bloomin'" fell flat, but a four-on-the-floor version of "Exodus" and a take-no-prisoners cut of "War" both went down like cold Fosters in a humid Wollongong woolshed.

By now the crowd was well and truly livelier up for Ziggy and the Melody Makers. In crystal-clear sound they effortlessly performed material drawn mainly from their last album, *Free Like We Want 2 B*, interspersed with a good number of songs taken from the corpus of that more famous Marley.

First up was the hopeful "My

Generation (will make the change)" which transformed itself into the pulsating dance-hall workout of "Live it Up." And then it was time for the proclamation of the gospel of ganja: "You got the apple tree, you got the mango tree, you got the orange tree, and you got the marijuana tree, and God made them all good. I and I smoke the herb of Mt. Sinai, I and I are in the flow." All this by way of introduction to "In the Flow," a track which was included in last year's release, *Hempilation*.

Not to be constrained by the laws of logic, "Tipzy Dazy" was prefaced with a lesson on the evils of drugs—"No crack, no morphine, no cocaine"—and concluded with the chant "Strictly Marijuana." The fact that Ziggy was sporting a checkered shirt à la Lamar (that polytrickster!) did nothing to diminish the irony of the moment.

At this point in the proceedings some of my fellows started to leave the flow. The fresh-faced youth in front of me began convulsing—the result, no doubt, of too much in the way of the sacred herb and too little in the way of a high-fiber breakfast. As his friends said, "The dude wasn't, like, totally cool." Then the giant of a man to my left decided that he was going to enjoy his conscious party while sitting on the floor. But everyone was fairly happy at this stage and they didn't really mind. Meanwhile the energy from the stage was keeping those still stand-

Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers brought their unique combination of dance hall and reggae to Chicago's Aragon Ballroom.

ing energized. Stephen Marley, who shared much of the singing duties with Ziggy, turned on a truly inspiring cut of "No Woman, No Cry," which featured the soulful voice of Cedella Marley.

From here on in the hits just kept on rolling down as the energy-level went up. The failsafe "I Shot the Sheriff" was followed by a soca reworking of the 1988 classic "Tumblin' Down" and a very livicated treatment of "Get Up, Stand Up." The tour moniker, "Free Like we want 2B," came across with passion and urgency, while "Move it" persuaded the crowd to do just that with the fattest funk groove Chicago has seen since George Clinton became a granddaddy. Ziggy stripped things back with the bare and honest cry of "Justice," a stand-out track from *One Bright Day* cut from the same cloth as "Redemption Song." But

the party was not over yet as the band broke it down for a tougher-than-tough mix of "Look Who's Dancing" with some of the wildest on-stage dancing one is likely to see this side of Shiloh. The irrepressible positivity of "Could You Be Loved?" sent the crowd back into the cold Chicago night.

Ziggy Marley may not have inherited his father's genius but he has surely inherited the Marley gift of touching the heart by moving the dancing feet. After the lewd slackness and superficial sensuality which characterizes ragga and dancehall, Marley's spiritual connectedness, as naive as it undoubtedly is, is welcome relief. For three hours the crowd at the Aragon, black, white and every shade in between, was jammin' in a spirit of unity (or 'inity'). And that must surely count for something.

NOCTURNE

TOP
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1. Tripmaster Monkey - *Practice Changes*
2. Too Much Joy - *...finally*
3. Siberia - *Damage*
4. No Doubt - *Tragic Kingdom*
5. The Presidents of the U.S.A. - *self-titled*
6. Tori Amos - *Boys for Pele*
7. Possum Dixon - *Star Maps*
8. Smashing Pumpkins - *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness*
9. Bad Religion - *The Gray Race*
10. Lush - *Last Night*

TRACKS

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1. Sting - *Mercury Falling*
2. Oasis - *(What's The Story) Morning Glory?*
3. Alanis Morissette - *Jagged Little Pill*
4. Everclear - *Sparkle and Fade*
5. Kiss - *Unplugged*
6. Surrender to The Air - *Surrender to The Air*
7. No Doubt - *Tragic Kingdom*
8. Spacehog - *Resident Alien*
9. 7 Mary 3 - *American Standard*
10. Celine Dion - *Falling into You*

CONCERT REVIEWS CONCERT REVIEWS

Few experiences in life withstand comparison to seeing George Clinton and associates open their bag of party tricks. Seeing Clinton give it up for the funk is a little like what one might imagine snorting Vegemite to be. The sheer metaphysical mayhem of Parliament Funkadelic rivals that of the Kabbalah, while uncut P-Funk often lives up to the press reports that it is indeed the ultimate force in the Universe.

before the P-Funk proper began, Clinton led the crowd of racially diverse funksters in a chorus of random P-Funk chants: "S**t, go**amn, get off your ass and jam; If you ain't gonna give it up, take your dead ass home." When the funk finally came it was loud, heavy and definitely chased away any egocentric unsatisfunktion that was in the house.

Sure, the sound was pretty terrible and the band was a little unsettled, but

funksters know that, but they also know that funk is its own reward.

One might wonder how a reggae band came to playing on St. Patrick's day in an 'Australian' nightclub located in the heart of Arizona, but such mysteries are not to be solved by such cognitively impoverished creatures as ourselves. The lead singer explained the connection thus: "You know, mon, St. Patrick was a

Things heated up a little when the natti band on percussion stepped out from behind his congas to toast and skank, but it was the hit "Baby I Love Your Way" that really got the audience on their feet and moving to the reggae beat.

Halfway through the set, the lead singer introduced a song with the statement that the band stood in solidarity with all native peoples. As he was

George Clinton and the P-Funk Allstars/Big Mountain
The Outback, Tucson, AZ
March 14 & 17, 1996

The Mothership was an hour and a half late because George and his freaks were stuck in Vail by very unfunky weather (caused, no doubt, by the evil Sir Nose D'Voidoffunk). The crowd was restless as they waited for Dr. Funkenstein and his extraterrestrial brothers—they had waited a long time for their funk and they wanted it bad. Clinton finally came on at 11 pm to tell Tucson's weird and wonderful starchildren that the Funkentelechy would soon be flowing. And indeed it did as the P-Funk Allstars wandered on stage. But

someone forgot to tell the audience. The ten member band forged a mothership connection from one Parliament Funkadelic classic to another—"P. Funk (Wants to Get Funked Up)", "Give Up the Funk (Tear the Roof off the Sucker)", "Up for the Down Stroke"—that, for three precious hours, united one nation under a groove. There ain't nothing like a P-Funk party, but the P-Funk is not just a party. Indeed, the apparent psycho-babble of Clinton's cosmos is actually a very clever commentary on the ills of American society. Of course,

rebel like us, and this is rebel music 'cos we fightin' for freedom too." Maybe he's right, but the crowd was there to hear sweet reggae sounds, not a lesson in Irish history.

And if Big Mountain knows how to do one thing it is surely to produce sweet reggae sounds. Unfortunately much of their material was unknown to the crowd and their performance, while polished and precise, lacked a certain degree of intensity.

speaking, the 'friendly' security threw the only identifiable Native American out of the house for being a little overzealous in his appreciation of the "ridim" in rhyme. Not surprisingly, the irony of this seemed to be lost on a crowd composed of people taken from a population that had almost given Buchanan the Republican primary. The sweet St. Patrick's Day reggae continued, but the positive vibration had a hollow ring to it after that.

-by Tim Bayne

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■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Lieberthal leads Phillies as Cards continue to struggle

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Rookie Mike Lieberthal homered and had two RBIs as the Philadelphia Phillies beat St. Louis 3-2 Wednesday, handing the Cardinals their seventh straight exhibition loss.

Lieberthal, the Phillies' backup catcher, had a sacrifice fly in the second and led off the ninth against Dennis Eckersley with his second home run of the spring. Eckersley, who pitched in the ninth for the first time this spring, has given up two home runs in nine innings.

Mike Grace allowed three hits in six innings, his longest outing of the spring, for the Phillies. Grace allowed a run, lowering his ERA to 4.50.

Winner Dave Leiper allowed a run on two hits in one inning.

The Phillies snapped an eighth-inning tie when Gregg Jefferies scored from third on Todd Zeile's double-play grounder. Jefferies and Mark Whiten had opened the eighth with singles off Tom Urbani.

Cardinals starter Mike Busby

subbed for the second time for Alan Benes, who's day-to-day with a stiff neck. Busby worked four innings, allowing a run on two hits.

Zeile's RBI single in the fifth made it 2-0.

David Bell had an RBI double in the bottom of the fifth, and Urbani followed with a single, but Bell was easily thrown out at the plate by right fielder Mark Whiten.

The Cardinals tied it 2-2 on doubles by Ray Lankford and John Mabry in the seventh.

Mets 15, Astros 12

Todd Hundley hit a decisive three-run homer in the sixth inning, and Butch Huskey connected for the sixth time this spring as the New York Mets beat the Houston Astros 15-12 Wednesday.

Roberto Petagine added a two-run homer in seventh, when the Mets were in the midst on 11-run outburst over a three-inning span. New York also scored six runs in the eighth.

Huskey, continuing to fill in for injured first baseman Rico Brogna, had a solo homer in the second. Huskey had two hits in the game while raising his spring RBI total to 14.

Jeff Bagwell had a three-run homer in the eighth for Houston.

Jerry DiPoto pitched a perfect fifth, and got the victory because Hundley's homer off loser Scott Bankhead broke a 4-4 tie and put the Mets ahead to stay.

Both teams had 16 hits, but the Astros made four errors that contributed to four unearned runs for the Mets.

Rockies 5, Padres 4

Andres Galarraga, who hit six homers against San Diego in 1995, got another one Wednesday when a split squad of Colorado Rockies beat the Padres 5-4.

After losing a 4-1 lead, the Rockies pushed across the go-ahead run in the sixth inning on a hit batsman, two singles and a grounder. Lance Painter

and Mike Munoz then held the Padres to two hits over the final three innings as the Rockies won for the seventh time in eight games.

Galarraga's two-run homer, his fourth of the spring, gave the Rockies a three-run lead after three innings, but the Padres scored once in the fifth and twice more in the sixth thanks to wildness by Colorado reliever John Burke.

Burke, who walked all five batters he faced Sunday, walked Chris Gwynn to open the sixth and later gave up an RBI single to Scott Livingstone and a bases-loaded walk to Rico Rossy.

San Diego starter Fernando Valenzuela gave up four runs in 4 1-3 innings and has allowed 10 earned runs in 8 2-3. He gave up back-to-back RBI doubles to Larry Walker and Vinny Castilla in the second and Galarraga's homer in the third.

Colorado starter Armando Reynoso continued his stellar spring. The right-hander allowed two runs on five hits over five innings. He struck out

one and walked none. Reynoso has given up just three earned runs in 14 innings, and hasn't walked a batter.

Dodgers 7, Expos 4

A two-run homer by Mike Piazza capped a five-run first inning, and Ismael Valdes pitched well as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Montreal Expos 7-4 Wednesday.

The Dodgers scored all their runs in the first two innings off Expos starter Rhee Cormier. Raul Mondesi, Mike Blowers and Roger Cedeno had RBI singles in the first before Piazza hit his fourth homer of the spring.

Valdes allowed five hits and two runs in five innings while walking three and striking out seven. Mike Harkey allowed two runs in two innings, then Todd Worrell and Mark Guthrie held Montreal hitless over the last two innings.

Piazza also doubled in the first, and Brett Butler and Roger Cedeno added two singles apiece for the Dodgers.

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Facial hair is no longer attractive to girls. Especially phat goats that have been growing for three months.

Whoever put the nasty personal in about a certain svelt gentleman is going to die.

12 days Dante. Counting them down.

Louisville beats the house. They're going to beat Wake without batting one of Denny Crum's eyelashes.

What'sgoingonupinthis BAD BOY?

Yes, facial hair is definitely not attractive, especially on guys who can't grow any on their UPPER LIP!!! (Not that I'm pointing fingers or anything....) And, hey, some guys REALLY DO look better without it...

FLAT 7:
Let's talk about...
DEFECATION!
(I can't believe it's not butter.... I just can't believe it....)

307 + 2 does Mexico. And the airports.
(Better late than never.)

5. I think I've always been somewhere between vice and ass.

4. Making sure Krista got on a bike has really been stressing me out.

3. Little Pancho, Como se dice "Renaissance Man" in spanish?
2. He doesn't know how bueno we are.

1. Pull me off anything foreign!

Extra special thanks to O'Hare airport, the US Postal Service and fax machines across the world.

John Thompson is a racist man if you ask me. Even if you don't, I'll tell you he is. Maybe if my dad was a Las Vegas big whig, I could be a token too.

Hey, ask Charles Smith. Oh wait, is he still in jail for killing someone. Maybe you could try David Wingate if he's free on parole after that little rape episode..

I love a little controversy.

And I love my new video.

I also love bookstore. It's a beautiful thing..

Yo boyz, can we invite coach Thompson to Las Vegas nite? Head would be in heaven.

Yeah Mo, Timmy, Val, and Wil. Hey, Stanley ain't "too shabby".

It's appropriate that the best baseball movie had the best baseball park. Friendly Fenway rules.

Heather sucks.
Just kidding.

Watch out for that door.

■ NBA

Rivalry is renewed as Knicks down Pacers, 102-99

By CHRIS SHERIDAN
Associated Press

NEW YORK

John Starks pointed at his chest, nodded his head and pranced downcourt in an exaggerated gesture after making a crucial 3-pointer.

Reggie Miller punched a television set.

Obviously, things went better for the New York Knicks on Wednesday night than they did for the Indiana Pacers.

Starks made two clutch plays in the final 3 1/2 minutes and Miller didn't, and the Knicks began a tough stretch of five games in eight days with a 102-99 victory over the Pacers.

"It felt like a playoff atmosphere here tonight," said Starks, who has engaged in several playoff duels with Miller and the Pacers in recent years. "It felt good to be getting back to the way we're used to playing."

Starks and Miller refrained from any trash talk this time, but still tried to outdo each other. Starks got the better of this one, scoring 19 points on 6-of-8 shooting, including 4-of-6 from 3-point range, and getting a key assist in the final two minutes.

Miller had 25 points, but he missed wide-open 3-pointers with 1:04 and 50 seconds left when the Pacers had a chance to get within two points. Miller, who finished 8-of-22 from the field, also punched the televi-

sion set at the end of the first half after missing another pair of 3-pointers.

"It's always going to be intense when these two teams get together. This was good for both teams because it's getting close to that time (playoffs)," Miller said.

Patrick Ewing scored 31 points for New York, which plays at Chicago on Thursday before heading to Texas for three more games by next Wednesday.

New York, which won its fourth in a row, was playing for only the second time in nine games.

The Knicks moved within a game of the Pacers for the third seed in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

Indiana, which got 20 points from Derrick McKey and 16 from Dale Davis, lost its second straight.

The Knicks had an 8-2 run early in the fourth quarter to go ahead for good. Indiana pulled within one, 82-81, on the second of Mark Jackson's consecutive 3-pointers with 4:54 left and again 38 seconds later on Miller's two free throws.

But the next possession led to Starks' 3-pointer from in front of Indiana's bench, and he gestured at the Pacers bench after the shot went through.

"I didn't see that, but its good to know John is feeling his oats," Miller said.

Ewing followed with a left-handed layup over Rik Smits for a six-point lead, but Miller hit a

3-pointer and a free throw, sandwiched around a turn-around jumper by Ewing, to cut the deficit to 91-87.

Starks drove the left baseline on New York's next possession and passed to Harper near the 3-point line for an open jumper that made it 93-87.

"John's defense was solid until that final minute and a half. Reggie had too many good chances at the end," Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy said.

New York hit 7 of 8 free throws in the final minute to

wrap up the victory.

NOTES: Charles Oakley practiced with the Knicks for the second straight day. A roster spot will open Thursday when Ronnie Grandison's 10-day contract expires, and Oakley could be activated for Thursday night's game at Chicago. ... Starks started for the second straight game as Hubert Davis sat out with a hyperextended knee. ... Brad Lohaus was in uniform for New York after missing two games with a sore foot, but he did not play.

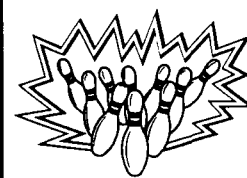


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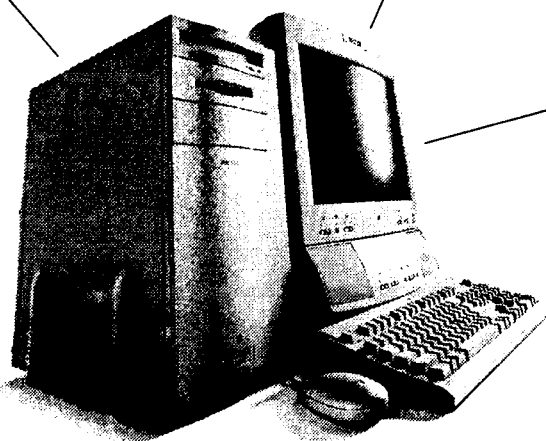
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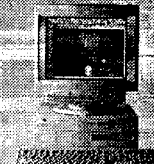
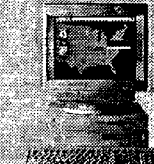

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■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thompson runs out of luck

By TIM DAHLBERG
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS Georgetown basketball coach John Thompson, bowing to the wishes of his university president, today said he will drop his application for a Nevada gaming license.

Thompson had planned to operate slot machines at the Las Vegas airport but was told by the Rev. Leo O'Donovan, the university president, that he couldn't do that and remain Hoyas coach.

"Our position is that it is inappropriate for an active Georgetown University coach to have investments in the gaming industry," said the Rev. Leo O'Donovan, Georgetown's president.

Thompson, in Atlanta to coach Georgetown in the NCAA East regional, said he had reconsidered after speaking with O'Donovan.

"He is a person who has been extremely supportive and a person who I love very dearly because he's permitted me to be me," Thompson said. "I have decided to drop it."

Thompson, an avid Las Vegas slot machine player, applied for

the license months ago to join a Las Vegas casino owner in the company that operates a lucrative string of 1,000 slot machines at McCarran International Airport.

But news of his planned entry into the gaming industry was greeted icily by both the university and the NCAA.

NCAA executive director Cedric Dempsey said it would be "ill-advised for anyone connected to college sports to be involved, even peripherally, with gambling interests."

Dempsey also said he had "strong concerns about the image statement that this makes about the sport and about him as a coach."

Thompson wants to own 10 percent of a company controlled by Michael Gaughan that runs the slot machine concession at the Las Vegas airport. Gaughan is the principle stockholder in a company that owns two casinos, but the slot machine concession is separate from the casinos.

Gaughan's son, Brendan, is a senior walk-on guard on the Georgetown team, which Dempsey said could be a further invitation to controversy if the team doesn't play well in a

big game.

"If your team competes and doesn't play to the caliber that it's capable of playing, there's going to be the question of whether or not the game had been fixed," Dempsey said. "It just opens up a tremendous suspicion, I think, that is not necessary."

Gaughan said Tuesday he has known Thompson for 15 years, and the Georgetown coach is a regular slot machine player at the Gold Coast hotel-casino, which Gaughan owns.

"He loves Las Vegas. He comes here for recreation," Gaughan said. "He wanted to know if there was something he could get involved with here."

McCarran business manager Larry Larson said the slot machine concession is the airport's most lucrative, bringing in some \$20 million to airport coffers last year. Gaughan, however, said it was a minor business compared to the casinos.

"John just loves to play slots," he said. "I've got 1,000 little old ladies out there who know him by his first name. They talk slot talk, which one's ready to hit, that kind of thing. He's an entirely different person here."

■ NCAA TOURNAMENT

Guards control tournament play

By PAUL NEWBERRY
Associated Press

ATLANTA

Allen Iverson springs toward the basket, propelled by the quickest feet in the country.

Kareem Reid fearlessly ventures into the land of giants, flipping in acrobatic shots or creating easy baskets for his teammates while defenders stand around dumbfounded.

Stephon Marbury bounces the ball leisurely at the top of the key when — boom! — his powerful legs propel him in the air for a 3-pointer while everyone else remains firmly planted on the ground.

They have taken the NCAA tournament into their hands with the deftness of a crossover dribble. They are the UnGuardables.

"If you don't have any guards, baby, you can forget it," said Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson, who has turned his team over to the freshman Reid. "You can have the big guy, the aircraft carrier, but if you ain't got a guard who can play defense and get the ball to those big people, on time, it won't matter."

Guards have produced the seven highest-scoring games thus far in the NCAA tournament, but their importance goes beyond the points that wind up in their name.

How many teams, wary of Iverson's creativity, open up space on the floor for his less-heralded Georgetown teammates? Would Kansas have reached the West Regional semifinals without Jacque

Vaughn's defensive toughness? Would Massachusetts be No. 1 without the stability and 3-point shooting of Edgar Padilla and Carmelo Travieso?

"Nine times out of 10, the guards are going to be put in a leadership role," Iverson said Wednesday at the Georgia Dome, where his team will play in the East Regional semifinals Thursday. "I think teams are looking for guards who can play physically and stay out there on the court. They have to know when to slow it down, they have to know when the opportunity is there to run."

Georgia Tech wound up in the round of 16 by turning its team over to not one, but two natural point guards. Drew Barry led the Atlantic Coast Conference in assists for the third year in a row, freeing up Marbury to develop as a scorer.

"They're definitely one of the keys to winning," Georgia Tech coach Bobby Cremins said of his guards. "There's no question the guards are going to handle the ball most of the time and take most of the shots."

A natural shooting guard when he came to Georgetown, the 6-foot, 165-pound Iverson was moved to the point because that's the position he will have to play in the NBA. "Last year, I used to rush a lot," he said. "I wanted so much to contribute to this team and try to do things on my own. This year, I think I've changed. I play a little bit more patient now. I get other people more involved. I'm taking better shots."

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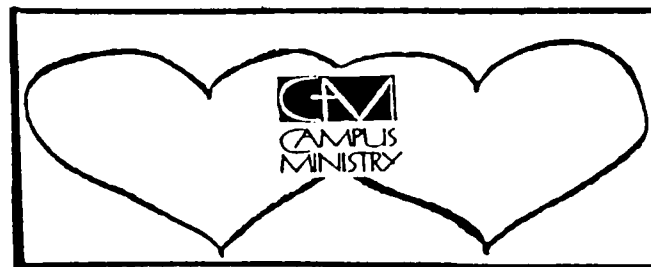
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■ NCAA TOURNAMENT

Majerus, Crum fear Kentucky's depth and speed

By OWEN CANFIELD
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS

Utah coach Rick Majerus thinks he knows how to combat Kentucky's depth.

"Food poisoning," he said.

The coach who's always quick with a one-liner wasn't joking however when he really assessed the Wildcats, the top seeds in the Midwest Regional and strong favorites to reach the Final Four.

"We have a good team. We've played a good schedule," Majerus said Wednesday. "But we've not played the likes of these guys."

Kentucky (30-2) went through the Southeastern Conference regular season undefeated, something that hadn't been done in 40 years. The Wildcats have good size, great quickness, can shoot the 3-pointer and have more quality depth than anybody around.

"If anyone beats them this year, they will have earned their title," said Louisville coach Denny Crum, whose team could wind up facing Kentucky in the regional finals, "because I still think they are by far the best team."

Utah (27-6) will counter Thursday night with one excellent player in forward Keith Van Horn, plus a solid group of supporting players.

Van Horn is a second-team All-American and two-time Western Athletic Conference player of the year who is

healthy this week — last weekend, he missed the first-round game due to the flu.

In Brandon Jessie and Michael Doleac, the Utes have enough size and strength to present problems for Kentucky's frontline. The unknown — as it is with just about everyone who plays Kentucky — is whether Utah will be able to handle the Wildcats' pressure and then get good shots.

Virginia Tech did a good job against the press in a second-round game last week, but got worn out by Kentucky's parade of players and wound up losing by 24.

"It'll be something we haven't faced much this year," said guard Mark Rydallch.

"We can't run up and down the floor and exchange baskets

with them."

Maybe not, but Van Horn said the Utes will have to attack the press and then try to do what has worked so well all year — get to the foul line. The Utes led the nation this year, hitting 78 percent from the line.

That, and Utah's size advantage up front, are what most concern Kentucky coach Rick Pitino, who noted that the Utes ranked No. 3 nationally in rebounding.

"I think they have strengths over us, and I think we have strengths over them," he said. "Which strengths win out?"

Crum might argue that strength of character is what has carried his Louisville team to the regional semifinals against No. 2 seed Wake Forest. The Cardinals (22-11) have had to contend with in-

juries, academic disqualifications and an NCAA investigation during a season that almost ended in the first round of the tournament.

Instead, the 11th-seeded Cardinals rallied from a late 12-point deficit to beat Tulsa, then knocked out third-seeded Villanova in the second round. This from a team that entered the tournament having lost four out of five.

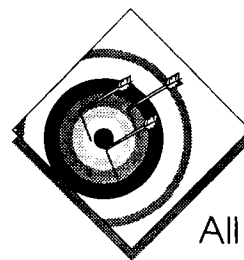
"I've never had a team I think that is as short-handed as this team play as well as this team has played," said Crum, who is

in his 25th year at Louisville. "I think most of it has to do with their effort and their attitude."

The Cardinals have some pretty good players, too, most notably DeJuan Wheat and Samaki Walker. Wheat leads the team with 18 points per game and has led the Cardinals in scoring and assists the past two years.

Walker, who missed 10 games while the NCAA looked into his dad's purchase of a car, gives Louisville size and scoring inside.

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Irish

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starts, Bessolo improved her record to 5-3 by winning 5 of 6 starts on the trip.

"I felt more confident," said Bessolo. "I was a little nervous at first, but the more I get to play, the more comfortable I feel out there."

Going into today's double-header with Purdue, whom the Irish have never met in softball, all members of the Irish squad

seek to continue that on-field improvement. Despite their newly-attained national ranking, the Irish vow not to take anyone for granted.

"Any team we're going to play will be a tough game, in our minds, no matter who they may be," said Bessolo.

It must be noted, however, that the possibility of a postponement still remains. Coach Miller told her team last night at practice that she and other officials will make the final decision this morning as to

whether or not the games will be played as scheduled.

Whether they play these two games or not, Notre Dame must continue their improvement if they are to have a strong second half push. They must get the encouraging play from underrated players like Bessolo. More importantly, the stars, such as All-American pitcher Terri Kobata and second baseman Meghan Murray, have to continue their strong performances.

The Irish may not be back in top form, but are on their way. They know they are improving, but still want to achieve the high goals they have set for themselves this year. Bessolo offered her final explanation as to why the team's success is picking up so much.

"I think, because spring break is such a long trip, we got to be closer off the field. This off-the-field chemistry has made us better on the field in games. We're definitely starting to click."

■ NBA

Game highlighted by heated tempers

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY

The Philadelphia 76ers have struggled this season even when they were at full strength. Wednesday night, they lost their starting backcourt and fifth straight game.

Jerry Stackhouse was tossed out of the game with 9:39 left in the third quarter for flagrantly fouling Utah's Jeff Hornacek as the Jazz guard went for a layup. After the foul, both players scuffled and Hornacek was also ejected.

Vernon Maxwell was ejected with 4:38 left in the second quarter after being assessed two technical fouls for arguing with referee Leroy Richardson.

"Hornacek and Stackhouse

got into it on the baseline earlier in the game," said coach Jerry Sloan, whose Jazz won their 15th straight home game. "The mental attitude and energy level jumped up after the incident." For Utah, that is.

After Sean Higgins hit a technical free throw on Hornacek's ejection, Utah outscored the 76ers 21-9.

"After the fight broke out, they responded and we didn't," said Philadelphia coach John Lucas. "Losing Stackhouse and Maxwell makes it tough for us when it's already tough being as shorthanded as we are. What disappoints me is that, if a fight breaks out, you're supposed to attack, not retreat."


Jazz teammates claim Hornacek didn't throw a punch and shouldn't have been ejected.

"There were five, six seven shots thrown at our teammate," said John Stockton, who scored 12 points and handed out 15 assists. "Jeff didn't throw a punch, not even close. But, yeah, it (the fight) got us up."

Stackhouse had a different version.

"He (Hornacek) came back with an elbow at me, and then he walked up to me and that was it," said Stackhouse. "I regret the whole situation. It was in the heat of the moment. I wish I could have it all back, but I can't."

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HOOPS SHOOT OUT - RecSports will be sponsoring a Hoop Shoot Out on Wednesday, March 27, at 7 p.m. in the Joyce Center Arena. The Shoot Out will consist of a One-on-One contest, a Free Point contest, and a Three Throw contest. Advance registration in the RecSports office is required and the deadline is Tuesday, March 26. There is no fee for this event.

BOWLING LEAGUE - RecSports will be sponsoring a Bowling League on Thursday nights from March 28-May 2. Register your three-person team in advance at RecSports. Cost is \$6 per week per person and includes three games and shoe rental. Play is held at Chippewa Bowl and transportation is not provided. Deadline to register is Wednesday, March 27. Captain's meeting is scheduled for March 27, at 6:15 p.m. in the RecSports office.

WEEKEND RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT - This tournament will be on Saturday, March 30, and Sunday, March 31. There will be men's and women's divisions. Bring your own racquet, but racquetballs will be provided. Also, refreshments will be served. You must register in advance in the RecSports office by Thursday, March 28 and there is a \$6 fee. For information, call the RecSports office at 1-6100.

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL BENEFIT RUN - March 30 is the date for this 5K or 10K run, and 2 mile walk. The run begins at 11 a.m. with the start/finish being at the Rockne Memorial. There will be six divisions for each run with trophies being awarded to the top finisher in each division. The cost of the run is \$5 in advance and \$6 the day of the event. All proceeds from the event will be donated to Christmas in April. All registration forms can be obtained in the RecSports office and at the event. For information, call the RecSports office at 1-6100.

DROP-IN VOLLEYBALL - RecSports will be offering Drop-In Volleyball on Tuesdays March 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, from 8-11 p.m. in the Joyce Center. Come by yourself or bring some friends. No established teams or advanced sign-ups necessary.

CASTING AND ANGLING COURSE - Course includes four sessions which meet on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 p.m. The dates are April 2, 9, 16, and 23. Classes are held in the Joyce Center, Rolfs, and campus lakes. Equipment is provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own. The fee is \$8 for the class. Advance registration in the RecSports office is required.

Davis

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excited because the races are longer in the outdoor season.

"It is my goal to get better every time," Davis said. "I try to concentrate more on improvement more than winning."

Davis will have a chance to race again Saturday at the Wabash Invitational. Coach Szczechowski is uncertain about the other teams entered in the tournament, but looks forward to the competition.

"For most girls, this will be the first meet," Coach Szczechowski said. "It is hard to judge how we will do because we are very young."

■ FIGURE SKATING

Harding ignores USFSA ban

By WILLIAM McCALL
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore.

Tonya Harding's lifetime ban by the U.S. Figure Skating Association apparently isn't stopping her from planning a return to competitive skating.

She has been training hard and might apply for reinstatement to the association, possibly by next month.

Her new publicist, David Hans Schmidt of Phoenix, would not confirm or deny that Harding will petition the USFSA to have her ban lifted, or at least shortened. There has been

speculation for weeks she will do so.

"Tonya is in the best shape she's ever been in," Schmidt said. "She's five pounds less than when she won U.S. national in 1991."

"She's practicing two to three hours a day, seven days a week. She's just more serious about skating than she's ever been."

He said Harding will hold a news conference in early April to announce her intentions.

"We're going to unveil Tonya II," Schmidt said. "It's a whole new Tonya. And it's the right time."

Harding, 25, was stripped of her national title and banned for life by the USFSA for her role in the attack on Nancy Kerrigan at the 1994 U.S. championships.

"We'll deal with it if and when it comes up," said USFSA president Morry Stillwell.

Bill Hybl, who chaired the disciplinary panel that barred Harding from the USFSA for life, said today that he doubted the association's board of directors would vote to let her back in.

"Based on the totality of the circumstances, that would seem very unlikely," he said.

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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Bowling down under

Associated Press

Bowl games named for fruits, flowers and even yard-care products have come to be accepted by football fans. A bowl named for a Maori war dance is the latest to be added to the list.

The Haka Bowl, pairing the third-place finisher in the Pac-10 against an at-large team, will be played in Auckland, New Zealand, on Dec. 27.

Teams for the game, the first non-All Star football bowl outside the United States since 1937, will split \$3 million. The game will be played at 50,000-seat Eden Park and televised by ESPN (Dec. 26, 8 p.m. EST).

The creator of the game is former NFL player Riki Ellison,

who was born in Christchurch, New Zealand.

"This will mark the first overseas college bowl game and we are thrilled to bring the game to my homeland," said Ellison, the former line-backer who won three Super Bowl rings with the San Francisco 49ers during a 10-year NFL career.

Haka is an ancient Maori war party's dramatic war dance performed in preparation for battle. It has been synonymous with New Zealand rugby for more than a century.

"It should prove to be a bowl unlike any other and an event that will be a great experience for not only the Pac-10, but all parties involved," Pac-10 commissioner Tom Hansen said.

■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Kruger rumored to coach Illini

Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

Florida coach Lon Kruger will succeed the retiring Lou Henson as Illinois basketball coach, according to broadcast reports Wednesday.

Illinois officials denied the reports on Chicago radio stations WGN-AM and WSCR-AM, saying no decision had been made and no announcement was planned.

Illinois athletic director Ron

Guenther said Tuesday he asked permission to speak to Kruger. Illinois assistant Jimmy Collins, who played for Henson at New Mexico State, was also a candidate for the job.

Kruger and Guenther did not immediately return telephone calls seeking comment.

Collins had been at a junior college tournament in Kansas on Tuesday when Guenther asked him to return to Champaign early to discuss the coaching situation.

Marty Kaufmann, an Illini spokesman, said Wednesday that no press conference had been planned regarding the hiring of a coach.

Kruger, 43, has a 104-80 record in six years at Florida. His 1993-94 team was 29-8, the winningest record in the school's 76-year basketball history, and reached the NCAA tournament's Final Four.

Before coaching the Gators, Kruger was 81-46 at Kansas State, his alma mater.

■ NFL FOOTBALL

Irvin involved in drug case

Associated Press

DALLAS

Prosecutors say Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Michael Irvin will be subpoenaed to testify Thursday before a grand jury about why he was in a motel room where a woman was arrested on drug charges.

While investigating a motel manager's complaint early March 4 about possible prostitution and drug use, police in suburban Irving said they discovered marijuana, cocaine and drug paraphernalia in a room occupied by four people.

A woman identified as Angela Renee Beck, 22, of Cedar Hill, a south Dallas suburb, was the only person arrested.

"The narcotics were found in her property or immediately around her" and she claimed all the drugs belonged to her, Lt. Jimmy Perdue of the Irving Police Department said Tuesday night.

Now, Dallas County prosecutors say they want statements from the three others.

"At the time the drugs were found, Michael Irvin, Angela Beck, (former Cowboys' tight end) Alfredo Roberts and another young lady by the name of Jasmine Jennifer Nabwangu were present in the room," first assistant district attorney Norm Kinne said today.

Subpoenas have been issued for Irvin, Roberts and Nabwangu, who could face charges, he said.

"It's possible that any of them could depending upon what the testimony shows," Kinne said.

"We're not satisfied at this time as to who all is responsible. They are going to be asked to give their statements so that we can see who is criminally responsible for the narcotics," he said.

Irvin could not be reached for comment Tuesday. At their home in suburban Carrollton, a woman identifying herself only as his wife said that she was unaware of the incident and that her husband was out of town, The Dallas Morning News

reported.

Irvin's attorney, Kevin Clancy, did not immediately return a call from The Associated Press today.

A Cowboys spokesman who declined to be identified said the team had no official comment about Irvin.

"He is a witness" to the arrest but was not himself arrested, the spokesman said. "That's all I know at this point."

According to a 911 transcript obtained Tuesday, the motel manager complained:

"We have two individuals who keep checking into our hotel. ... They've been renting the rooms and when we have to clean up after them, we've been finding cocaine and crack and marijuana. Well, they're back on our property tonight and their room is getting noisy."

Irving police chief Lowell Cannaday said the circumstances appear suspicious, but that the police department doesn't have enough evidence to arrest or charge the witnesses involved. "It's not a crime to be in a room at the Residence Inn," Cannaday said.

Irvin recently completed the most successful of his eight seasons with the Cowboys. He was named to the Pro Bowl for the fifth time and holds Cowboys records for most receptions and receiving yardage.

Roberts, who declined comment, was a reserve tight end for the Cowboys in 1991-92, and also was a teammate of Irvin's at the University of Miami from 1984-87.

Roberts is part owner of the Cowboys Sports Cafe in Irving.

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For additional information you may contact :
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Kurowski

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After starting the first three games, Kurowski's role became severely limited, not even playing in many contests.

"After those three games, coach (John MacLeod) decided to shake the lineup a little bit and I just wasn't in his plans the rest of the year," Kurowski commented.

Behind senior captain Ryan Hoover there were not many minutes to be distributed and Kurowski experienced the brunt of this situation. During the season, however, MacLeod stated that he had not given up on Kurowski.

"To look at what he's gone through and see that he's still playing says a lot about him," MacLeod said. "It's very difficult for him to be in the position he's in. He was the 25th best senior in his class in the country, and it just hasn't happened the way he thought it was going to happen. It's been upsetting to him and upsetting to us, but he's just had that bad luck."

"Basically the coaches lost confidence in my play," Kurowski said. "Sometimes they would say your not the same Keith we recruited and that I was a step slower. I guess the coaches just decided to go with some of the younger players."

Kurowski encountered bad luck even before his first game, missing his entire freshman season with a stress fracture he suffered during preseason drills. During his sophomore year, he would undergo arthroscopic knee surgery and last year was diagnosed with Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome in his heart.

"The first five or six games it was just weird being out there again after the year before with my heart," he noted. "But I made it through the whole year and I didn't miss a practice. I suited up for every game and it was the first time in four years I was able to do that, so from a health standpoint, I feel great."

With better health, Kurowski looks to next season to finally make the impact he wants. After being red-shirted freshman year with the stress fracture, Kurowski has one more year eligibility left. He will be student-teaching and taking graduate courses, while trying to earn a starting spot on next year's squad.

That spot will most likely be at shooting guard with the departure of Hoover. Like Hoover, Kurowski has shown that he has the touch and range to fill this vital role in the Irish rotation.

"I definitely plan to step into the two spot," Kurowski added. "Whether it be to start or to come off the bench, I plan to play a significant role."

"Also from a leadership standpoint, I can provide leadership for the younger players because I'll be the only player in the program to have been here five years."

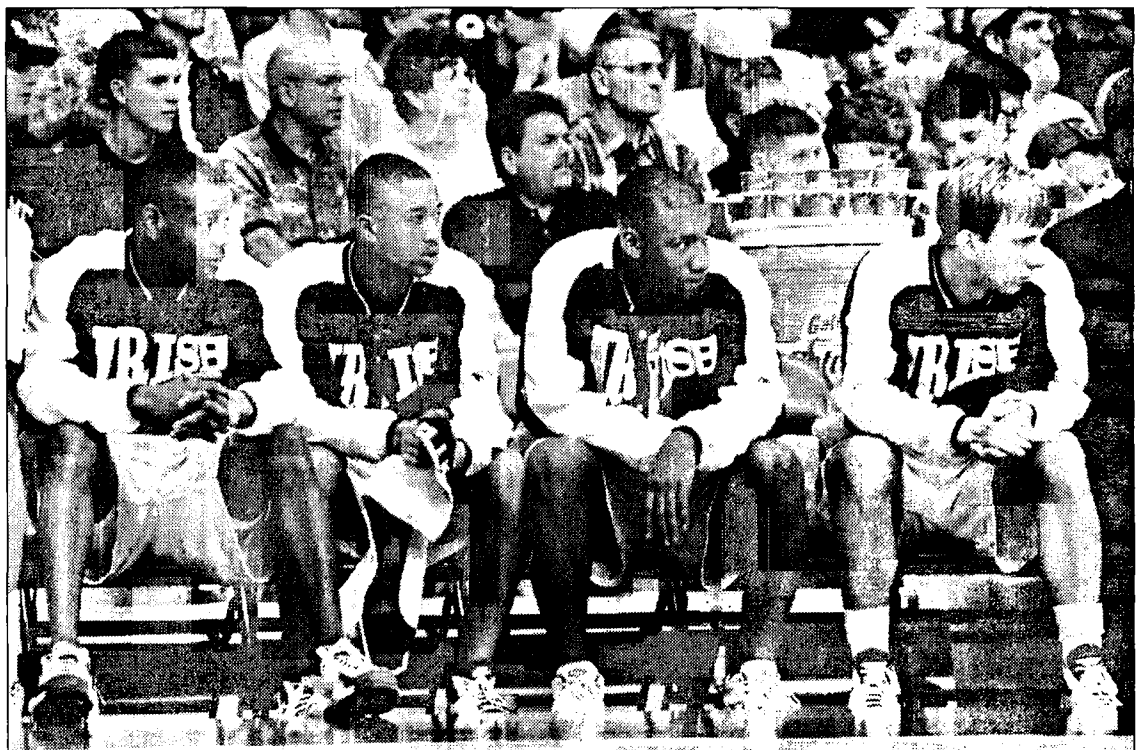
In his fifth year, Kurowski believes the Irish can get over that proverbial hump and win the games that slipped away this season.

"We pretty much have solid play at every position," Kurowski said. "We were able to compete this year, but we were unable to win games. Next year, we should be able to win those game we should have won this year."

Of course, Kurowski's decision was not a simple one, but one he hopes will provide a final year to remember.

"I believe I'll have one good year before I leave this place," he concluded. "After a lot of games I didn't play in, I would talk to my dad and he would tell me to keep my head up and next year would be my year."

Future Prospects: On the recruiting front, Notre Dame received its third commitment last week from Keith Friel of Oyster River High in Durham, N.H. In his senior season, the 6-foot-3, 195-pound Friel averaged 28 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists. Friel joins David Lalazarian of Tustin,



The bench became a familiar site for Keith Kurowski as he spent much of last season watching from the sidelines.

Calif. and Todd Palmer of Ramsey, N.J. as part of this year's Irish recruiting class.

The South Bend Tribune contributed to this report.

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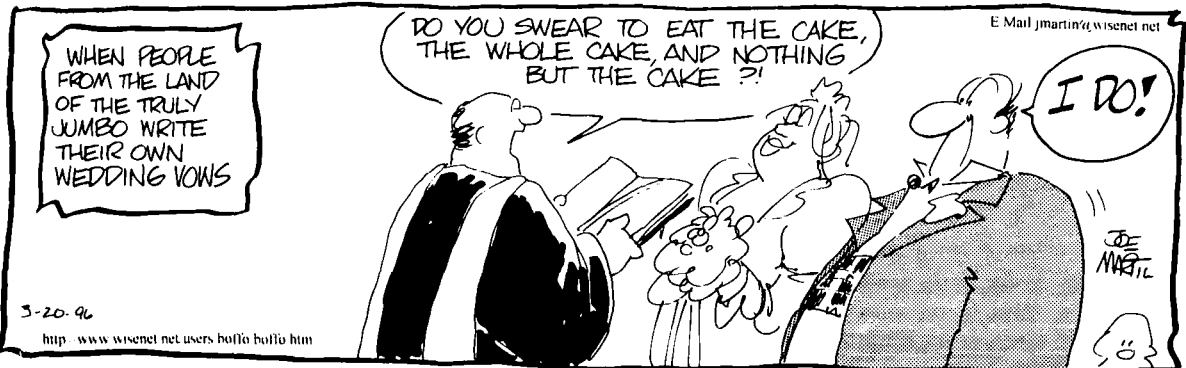
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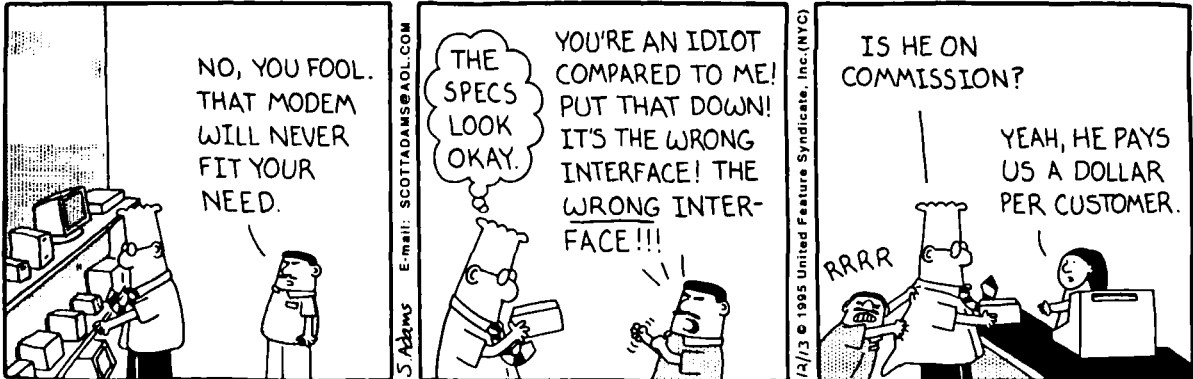
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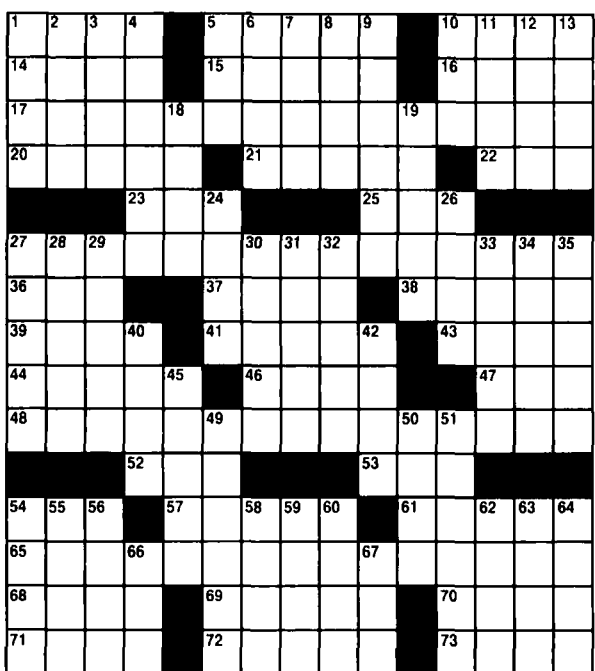


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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: poet Phyllis McGinley, actor Timothy Dalton, composer Johann Sebastian Bach, actress Sabrina Le Beauf.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A romantic partner who keeps saying "maybe" needs a gentle hint. A compliment, love token or fleeting touch could tip the scales in your favor. Do not splurge with family resources.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Keep a clever idea to yourself for a little while longer. Those in authority could make suggestions that give you the feeling you are being criticized.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may be taking two steps forward, then two back. How frustrating when you are in a hurry! Channel your dynamic energy into fun as well as work. Get together with friends who inspire you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your social connections can be profitable as well as fun. Fortuitous events aid a business partnership. You view someone's skeptical attitude as a challenge.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Heavy responsibilities could weigh you down. The facts are on your side;

influential people will back you. Put first things first. Keep a dental or medical appointment even if you must cancel something else.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A business or romantic partner could throw you a curve. Your quick recovery convinces someone to help you. New perks or a promotion are possible at work.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keep your thoughts to yourself for now. Showing tact and diplomacy will encourage others to play fair. Expect friends to pay their share when you go out together.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Curb a wild urge to play giveaway games with the family fortune. Free yourself from debt by paying off your bills. A parent needs financial advice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Resist the temptation to do something rash in romance. A sweet and easy pace will get you further than daredevil moves. The same advice applies to work, too. Stick to the tried-and-true.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Change is all around you. Welcome an opportunity to rethink your options. You have learned a lot. Dust off old ambitions to see if they are still worth pursuing. Consider going in a new direction.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Crack the whip if doing so will get a pet project off the ground. Welcome shortcuts suggested by co-workers. Their advice is invaluable! Swap the latest news over lunch.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Flouting the law or antagonizing powerful people could prove costly. Exercise self-restraint. Psychological questions may require a closer look. Consult a therapist if you feel it might help.

■ Of Interest

Power Resumes Workshop will be held today from 4-5:30 p.m. in 215 DeBartolo. This is sponsored by the Career and Placement Center.

A Job Search Orientation For Juniors presentation will be held today from 4-5 p.m. in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune. This event is sponsored by the Career and Placement Center.

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■ SOFTBALL



The Observer/Angela Addington

Starting pitcher Terri Kobata continues to lead the Irish as they look to improve after a cold start.

Surging softball squad looks to maintain pace

By TIM MCCONN
Sports Writer

Following their spring break road trip, the Notre Dame softball team, which owns a 14-10 record so far, knew it was back in business. The business of winning softball games, that is.

Despite a rough early-going, which consisted of a 4-6 start, the Irish appear to be back on their game, and improving in the meantime.

According to Coach Liz Miller, the team, near the halfway point in their 1996 campaign, "has a long way to go, but [they] seem to be on the way to a successful season." Their 10-4 record on the recent road trip should attest to this continual improvement.

Included in that period of time were wins over #18 University of Illinois-Chicago, #21 Oklahoma State, and #9 Florida State. As a matter of fact, the team found out that



Bessolo

they had moved into the USA Today/NSCA Top 25, with a national ranking of 24, on the eve of that Florida State game. These wins demonstrated the Irish's ability to handle the big-time pressure situations.

"Our team has been playing great," explained freshman pitcher Angela Bessolo. "We felt a little more relaxed because of all the games we've played. Those games, especially Florida State, were real exciting. We just had a nothing-to-lose attitude that helped us play real well."

This ranking was, however, only one tangible sign of the team's progress. The improvement of the Notre Dame was especially evident on the field in the Irish 1-0 victory over FSU last Thursday.

Throughout that Florida State game in particular, and the trip as a whole, Bessolo epitomized the team's success of late, by displaying her own personal improvement. She put on a clinic, by pitching seven shutout innings to get the win. After struggling at the outset of the season with an 0-2 record in her first 4

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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Returning for redemption

An optimistic Keith Kurowski plans on fifth-year revival

By JOE VILLINSKI
Associate Sports Editor

There are basketball values senior Keith Kurowski holds which made this season an especially difficult one.

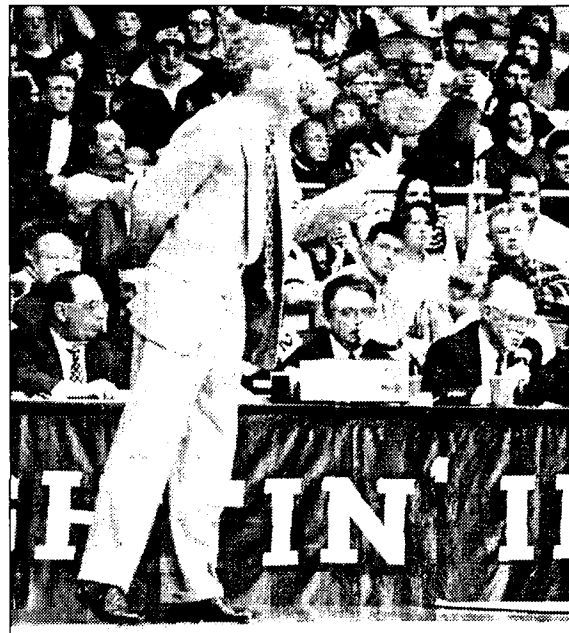
"My dad always told me to go out and work as hard as I could," he reflected. "All you can do is when you step off the court is to be honest with yourself, knowing you did your best."

Problem was that the injury-plagued guard spent a majority of this past year on the bench. This permanent seat on the sidelines was a change after being the third-leading Irish scorer over the past two years. Kurowski, however, would not be a major part of Notre Dame inaugural season in the Big East.

In light of this transition, that walk off the court was never an easy one.

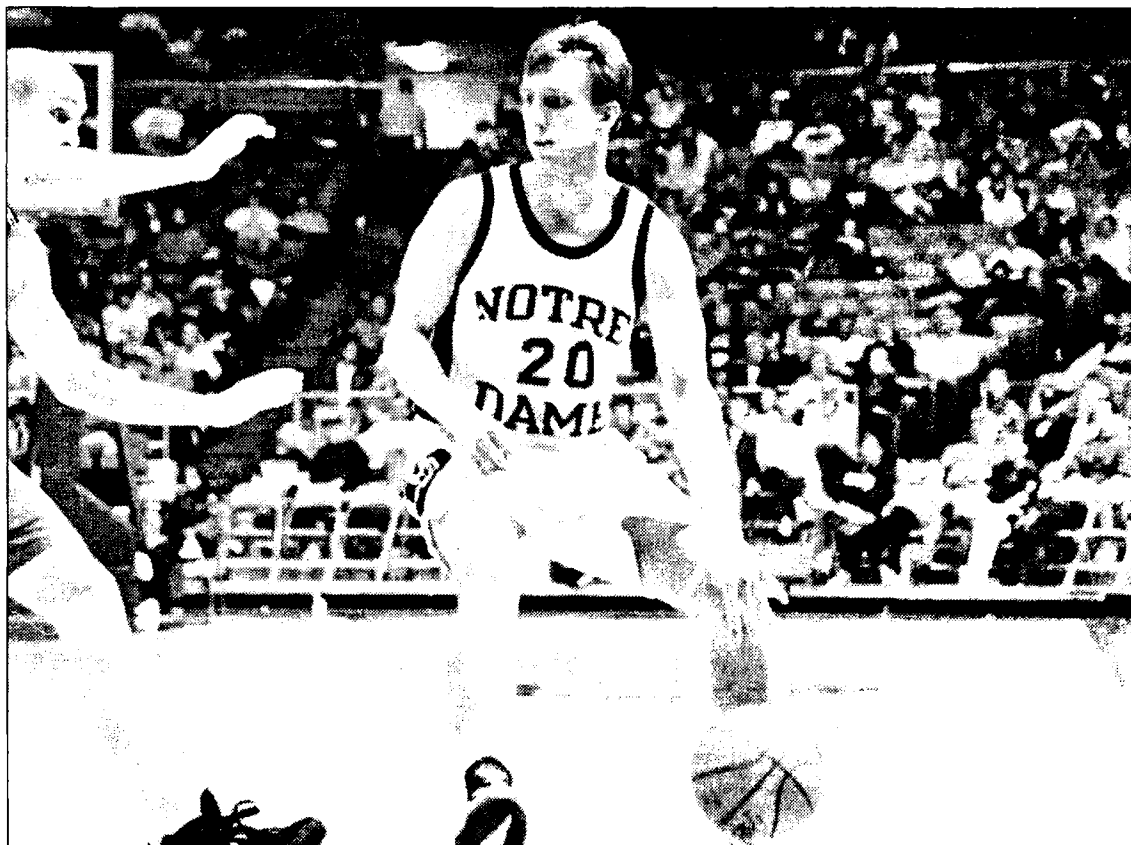
"From a personal standpoint, it was very disappointing," Kurowski said. "Things just didn't work out. It was just a tough year for myself all around."

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The Observer/David Murphy

Irish head coach John MacLeod had difficulty finding room for Keith Kurowski in last season's line-up.



The Observer/Rob Finch

Keith Kurowski, after enduring injury and lack of playing time, hopes that returning for a fifth year will salvage his career at Notre Dame.

■ SAINT MARY'S TRACK

Davis sets SMC precedent

By KATHLEEN POLICY
Sports Writer

Despite her 13th place finish at Division III Nationals last week, freshman Stacy Davis feels that her 55 meter run was a positive experience.

She ran the 55 meters in 7.48 seconds. Though not her best time this season, Davis is still satisfied with her appearance at Nationals.

"She is only a freshman, and

has seven more tries at Nationals," Coach Szczechowski said. "It was great for her to just make it there."

It was a momentous event for Saint Mary's because no runner has made it to Nationals since the school became a member of the NCAA.

According to Szczechowski, Davis does not like to lose. He feels that she will keep working harder to get better.

Davis attributes her slower time to a poor start. With her concentration effected from the beginning of such a short race, Davis could not make up the time at the end.

"I'm going to chalk this up to experience and work harder to better next time," Davis said.

Davis and the rest of the team now look forward to the outdoor season. She is especially

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