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Report: Davie is new Irish head coach

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

The winds of change surrounding the now-vacant Notre Dame coaching situation are swirling again.

This time, they are swirling in the direction of current Irish defensive coordinator Bob Davie.

ESPN, who was the first major media outlet to break the story that Lou Holtz would be stepping down, reported last evening that Davie will likely soon be named as the 28th coach in Notre Dame history.

Reporter Keith Olbermann cited "sources close to the Notre Dame program" who indicated that Notre Dame wants to make a decision soon and that the decision will be Davie.

Just 24 hours ago, it was wide-

ly assumed that Northwestern head coach Gary Barnett would be named the new coach. Notre Dame officials had contacted Barnett and it seemed the job was his for the taking.

But it was never taken, and quite possibly, never offered.

"I am very humbled and flattered that Notre Dame has asked me to be a candidate for their head coaching football position," Barnett said in a released statement. "However, for very personal and private reasons, I have informed Notre Dame officials that I wish not be considered as a candidate. Regardless of the rumors, an offer was never extended to me by Notre Dame. This is all I will say about the matter."

University administrators offered little detail, other than



See today's insert section for a special look at *The Holtz Years*

the timing of the process.

"Our search continues to go well," reported Athletic Director Mike Wadsworth. "Nothing has changed in the course of our search. We said we wanted to make a decision by the first week in December and we are on course, if not making better time."

Davie wasn't so concerned about the timing as he is about the end result of the situation.

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Bob Davie, no stranger to the Notre Dame sidelines, will reportedly be named as the next head coach of the Fighting Irish. Yesterday, Northwestern coach Gary Barnett withdrew his name for the vacancy left by Lou Holtz's resignation.

Friday Feature

A loyal son marches on

Saturday's band performance will cap a senior's return from losing a leg to cancer

By RUSSELL WILLIAMS
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When watching the Band of the Fighting Irish during this weekend's Rutgers game, pay special attention to the saxophone players.

That is where you'll find Kurt Weiss, a senior from North Hills, Pa., who has displayed tremendous amounts of courage and tenacity in battling bone cancer. He later fulfilled his dream of marching with the Notre Dame band despite having a prosthetic right leg.

As a freshman in high school in 1989, Weiss was diagnosed with osteogenic sarcoma, or bone cancer. He was a member of his football, basketball, and swimming teams. After physical education class one day in May 1989, he noticed that his shins were aching. Displaying what he describes as the "jock mentality," he dealt with the pain for about one month until his mother finally forced him to seek medical treatment.

He sought treatment from Dr. Jack Failla, father of former Notre Dame football player and baseball standout Paul Failla, and was immediately referred to a specialist. Shortly thereafter, Weiss was diagnosed with bone cancer, and began chemotherapy treatment two days after the diagnosis.

"The cancer was very well-progressed. By the time we found it, it had spread to my lungs," Weiss said, adding that doctors informed him he'd be lucky to live five more years.

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The Observer/Mike Ruma
Saturday's game will signal the conclusion of Kurt Weiss' marching career, which has been marked by a prolific struggle with cancer.

Tensions surrounding frosh flyers ease

By CAROLINE BLUM
Saint Mary's Editor

It was only an oversight. Or at least that's how the freshmen classes at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame will remember it.

Some women noticed the signs posted in Notre Dame dorms as they walked out of church. Others saw the flyers posted in their own dorms, while still others heard about them by word of mouth.

"My father was over at P.E. visiting my cousin," Saint Mary's junior

Courtney Reagan said. "He saw the sign before I did. He ripped it down and showed it to me. I knew it was just a joke, but I'm not sure he did."

But where or when students saw the posters advertising a bonfire sponsored by the freshmen classes at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, most of the reactions were the same. Shock.

The flyers posted in the Notre Dame female dorms, created by the Notre Dame freshman class council, read "Hey freshmen girls: fight back. Don't let the SMC girls take

all your guys. Come to the bonfire at SMC and reclaim your men." Contrastingly, posters advertising in male dorms read, "Get some," followed by tiny lettering reading "smores, goodies, fun with the," and then large font again, "SMC students at the freshmen bonfire."

Although the event initially caused some hurt feelings and animosity among Saint Mary's and Notre Dame women, freshmen class publicity chairperson Matt

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Three Years Ago...



...Game of Century left lasting memories for Class of 1997

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Assistant News Editor

On Nov. 13, 1993, the Class of 1997, as freshmen, watched what the media had billed as the "Game of the Century." Despite the three years passed since that contest against Florida State University, many students say no game has come close in intensity and excitement.

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Schedule of Events

Friday, November 22

- 3:30-5 p.m. Center for the Homeless Alumni Tours (C.H.A.T)
Meet at the Main Circle
- 6:45 p.m. Band Steps off for Pep Rally
Band Building
- 7:00 p.m. PEP RALLY!
JACC Arena, enter Gate 10

Saturday, November 23

- 9 a.m.-12 p.m. The Alumni Hospitality Center welcomes all Alumni and friends
Joyce Center, North Dome
- 9-9:30 a.m. PomPon Squad (9:00) and Cheerleader (9:15)
Performances
Notre Dame Bookstore
- 9:40-10 a.m. PomPon Squad (9:40) and Cheerleader (9:50)
Performances
Joyce Center, North Dome
- 10-10:15 a.m. ND Air Force ROTC Drill Team
Joyce Center, North Dome
- 10-10:30 a.m. Shenanigans Performance
Joyce Center, North Dome
- 10:30-11 a.m. Glee Club - Notre Dame in Review
Joyce Center, North Dome
- 11-11:20 p.m. Marching Band Concert
Main Building (Step off at 11:45)
- 12:10 p.m. Marching Band Pre-game Show
at the Stadium
- 12:30 p.m. BEAT RUTGERS!
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Sunday, November 24

- 11 a.m. Men's Interhall Football
Notre Dame Stadium
- 12 p.m. Women's Interhall Football
Notre Dame Stadium
- 1 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Wisconsin (2nd round NCAA)
Alumni Field
- 2 p.m. Men's Basketball vs. Monmouth
Joyce Center

INSIDE COLUMN

A lasting impression

Don't get me wrong. I'm not a doctor. (Heck, I'm an English major; I have no hope of future employment.) However, I think that I can safely assess that a large majority of the senior class is suffering from a common disease: lastitis.

Melanie Waters
Assistant Accent Editor

The symptoms are tragic and debilitating, most often marked by an uncontrollable desire to turn to one's friends and emit a pathetic wail to mark the passing of each "last" on the express path toward May 17.

Allow me to elaborate. As we all know, tomorrow marks probably the most significant "last" in our college careers as we herd into Notre Dame Stadium for the very last time as undergrads. Lastitis, being excruciatingly contagious, should run rampant from the 30 to the 50 yard line as we realize that one of our most beloved collegiate rituals is slipping away as each neon orange second ticks off the clock.

Take caution. Once the reality sets in, lastitis will take control of your life.

Soon you'll find yourself sniffing as you raise your arms as the third quarter clock turns to 15:00. Feel the same uncertainty about your future as Lou does? Then make sure we send him out with a Lou cheer so powerful that you whack the person in front of you on every downbeat of the "1812 Overture." Remember, we're his last ticket camp-out morning donut delivery senior class!

Once you're done causing cranial damage to your neighbor, don't forget to partake of your last stadium hot dog in the last game in the old stadium. Need more lasts? How about the last bratwurst of your undergraduate tailgating career, our last marshmallow fight, our last words of advice from Sgt. Tim McCarthy, and the last time the senior team members will raise their helmets to their friends, classmates and families in the stands.

Of course, for those ambitious travelers who want to prolong the lastitis pain, you can always trek out to Southern California or the January 1st destination of choice, as long as it's somewhere warm.

And it's only gonna get worse. Prepare yourself for your final stringing up of Christmas lights, your last pre-finals prayer at the Grotto on a cold, snow-covered December night, your last road trip, that last walk around the lake, your final helping of California Eldorado Casserole, and the ultimate knife in the heart — your last trip to the 'Backer, followed by lifetime flashbacks of "Oh What A Night" and "Copa Cabana".

If you can "last" through the whole game tomorrow without getting even the slightest bit depressed, you've either had one too many pre-game refreshments or you're way more mentally stable than me, both of which are pretty viable options. At least show some support for those of us too far gone with lastitis to recover. And for God's sake, if you think you might be coming down with it, bring your own tissues. I'm not sharing.

So as you throw your arms around your best friend's shoulders and start our final Alma Mater sway, make this "last" last. We'll always belong here, but the next five months and three weeks are our claim to "owning" this campus. On Monday, you can be first in line to purchase your plaid pants.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Flu strikes in 15 states, expected to get worse in December

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Flu has struck in 15 states in the last two months and outbreaks are expected to get worse in December, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday.

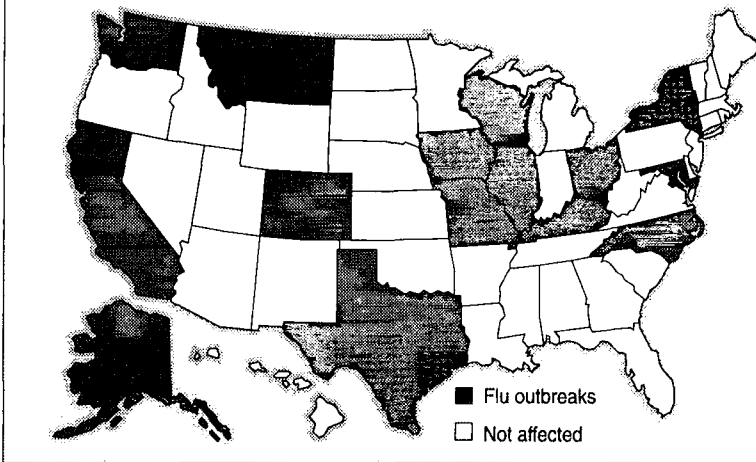
While the government doesn't have a count of victims yet, most of the outbreaks involved one person or just a few people, said Nancy Arden of the CDC's National Center for Infectious Diseases.

"Even though it's past November, people who have not gotten their vaccines can and should," Ms. Arden said. The vaccine protects against both flu strains that have people feeling miserable this year — Type A-Wuhan and Type B.

Wuhan can kill. If elderly people or the chronically ill get that strain, they are more likely to get pneumonia or other

Achoo! It's the flu

The flu has struck in 15 states since September, a typical start to the season. Outbreaks are expected to get worse in December.



life-threatening illnesses. Outbreaks in at least four of the 15 states are blamed on Wuhan.

Flu contributes to the deaths of about 20,000 people a year in the United States. The CDC recommends vaccinations for people 65 and older, people in nursing homes, children with asthma and anyone with a chronic illness.

The CDC relies on state health departments and physicians to help track flu cases across the country. Last year, about 16 states reported flu

outbreaks during this period.

Outbreaks have occurred in Alaska, California, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, New York, Ohio, North Carolina, Texas, Washington state and Wisconsin.

Watergate lawyers looking at payments

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.

Whitewater prosecutors are looking into payments to former Associate Attorney General Webster Hubbell from an Indonesian family that helped bankroll the Democratic Party, according to people familiar with the matter. The prosecutors also are asking questions about the firing of another key witness who testified against then-Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and the Whitewater investment partners of President Clinton and his wife Hillary. Hubbell — who pleaded guilty to bilking his law firm clients in Arkansas — spent Tuesday morning before a federal grand jury testifying about money he has received from business interests of Mochtar Riady. The Indonesian billionaire's business empire is at center of the controversy over foreign-linked contributions to the Democratic Party. Hubbell's grand jury appearance was followed Tuesday afternoon by Don Denton, who last spring testified against Tucker and Jim and Susan McDougal.



CDC provides recipe for safe Thanksgiving

ATLANTA

Don't trust the tan on a turkey. Check the temperature instead. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reiterated its annual warning on Thursday: Undercooked turkeys and raw eggs in the stuffing are a recipe for food poisoning. A Thanksgiving feast in Nevada last year, for example, killed one person and made six others miserable with diarrhea, cramps and nausea, the CDC said. The government now says it's OK to cook stuffing inside the turkey, as long as cooks check it with a meat thermometer to make sure it reaches 165 degrees — hot enough to kill any bacteria from the turkey or from eggs used in the stuffing. And check the thigh too. It should be at least 180 degrees. Other turkey tips: Thaw the bird completely before cooking and set the oven to at least 325 degrees. Meat thermometers are a must. And one more thing: both the bird and the giblets must be thawed in a refrigerator, not on a counter. Salmonella sickens 2 million to 4 million people each year and kills at least 500. Between 1988 and 1992, tainted turkeys were responsible for 4 percent of those cases. Bad eggs caused 14 percent of them.

Teen surrenders in baby's death

WILMINGTON, Del.

From the throng surrounding the 18-year-old college freshman, someone screamed "baby killer!" Brian Peterson Jr. did not flinch. The fresh-faced youth in the baseball cap looked dazed as he pushed through the swarm of reporters and onlookers Thursday to face charges he killed his girlfriend's newborn son. Peterson and his girlfriend, Amy Grossberg, could face the death penalty — a prospect that made his parents consider sending him abroad rather than turn him over to police. His mother, Barbara, sobbed uncontrollably, wrapping her arms around her son and burying her face in his shoulder as the family pushed its way toward FBI offices in Wilmington. Once inside, Peterson lost his composure and cried, but also comforted his mother, telling her it would be all right, his attorney Joseph A. Hurley said. "How can I give my only boy to the state to die?" Peterson's mother told Hurley.

Tapes show Nixon ordered break-in

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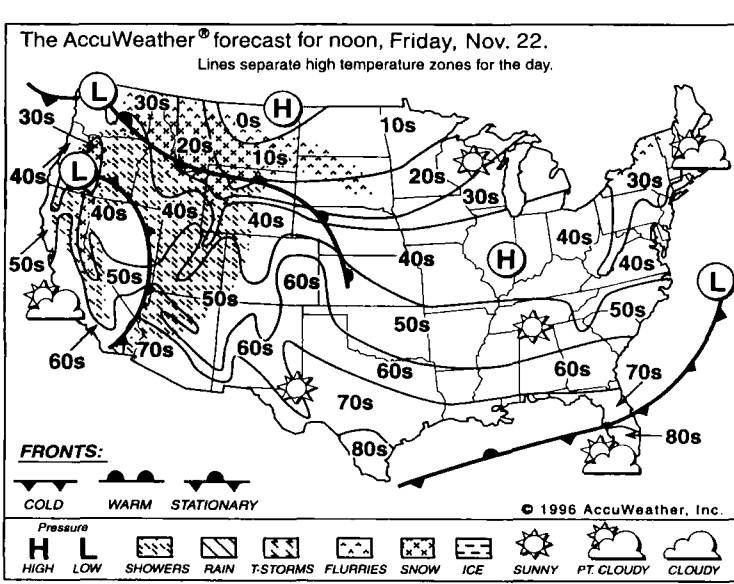
Recently released audio tapes capture President Nixon ordering his top aide, a year before the Watergate burglary, to break into the Brookings Institution and steal the liberal think tank's files on Vietnam, the San Francisco Examiner reported today. The newspaper quoted from audio tapes of a conversation between Nixon and White House Chief of Staff H.R. Haldeman, part of 201 hours of private tapes released this week by the National Archives. During a June 30, 1971, Oval Office conversation, Nixon asked Haldeman to take the institution's files relating to the Vietnam War, the Examiner said. According to a partial transcript provided by the newspaper, Nixon said, "The way I want that handled, Bob, is through another way. I want Brooking — just to break in. Break in and take it out! You understand?" Haldeman responded, "But who do we have to do it?" "Well, don't discuss it here. You talk to ... you're to break into the place, rifle the files, and bring me," Nixon responded, according to the newspaper's transcript.

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Multi-purpose ID card still in planning stages

By HEATHER COCKS
Associate News Editor

Notre Dame may radically change its ID card system in future semesters.

Though nothing concrete has been established, a special committee has undertaken the specific task of devising an "all-campus card," a concept which could open up numerous possibilities for Notre Dame students.

The ultimate ideal is to develop a card which serves not just as a student ID, but as a detex, meal card, and a debit card of sorts.

"Nothing is clear yet," Dave Prentkowski, director of Food Services, said. "A lot of it depends on finding a company that provides a system which is integratable with the existing campus system."

Fellow committee member and assistant registrar Pam Johnson said, "Right now, we're sifting through proposals from various companies, but we haven't found the perfect one."

Prentkowski said that, to an as-yet undetermined degree, The Huddle would begin accepting the revamped ID cards, using a

special account system. Arguably the most relevant change for students, it would allow them to buy snacks at the convenience store or food from the fast-food bars.

"Basically, we want to increase the flexibility of the entire meal plan," he said. "Feedback indicates that people want the option of using their cards at other times, not just the three standard meal times."

Prentkowski stressed his desire to make the dining halls as easy and accessible as The Huddle, citing the addition of "Grab-n-Go" as a successful step in that direction. "People can eat from the dining halls during the 'off hours' if they can't make it there at the usual time," he said.

His biggest concern was the limited seating capacity of LaFortune. With the influx of diners that the new card would inevitably provide, Prentkowski envisions LaFortune as being "a nightmare."

"I wouldn't want to encourage all undergraduates to flock to LaFortune just because they can use the system there," he said. "It's just not designed for the volume of people."

Renovation stays on track

By DEREK BETCHER
Assistant News Editor

On Saturday, ten scaled-down weeks of stadium renovation will come to an end along with the home football season. Full paced construction will resume the following Monday with the goal of finishing the new Notre Dame Stadium before the 1997 season opener.

Although progress slowed to accommodate Saturday crowds, construction supervisors noted that not only was their fall productive, but the stage has been set for winter work that will bring the renovation to completion.

"It's kind of obvious, just walking around the stadium, that there have been a lot of things coming together," Director of Facilities Engineering Mike Smith said.

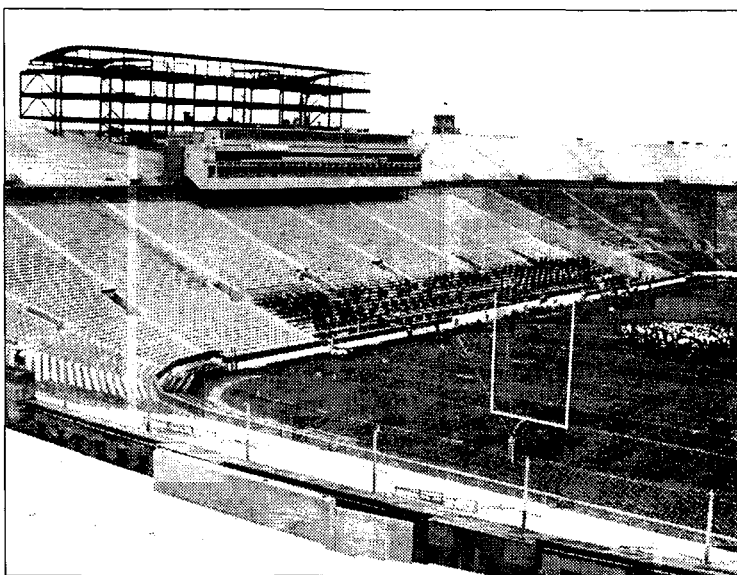
Reassuringly, things have been coming together on schedule and on budget. Fall construction, punctuated by six football games, had the benefit of cooperative weather. Finishing the precast shell, bricking the exterior, and erecting the steel supports for the new press box have been the most visible improvements reflecting Mother Nature's temperance.

More than being grateful for physical progress, officials were pleased with the lack of trouble they had in accommodating the 1996 football season.

"It's gone real well with the crowds and crowd control during the games. Everyone has been great respecting the construction zones, so the transitions have gone pretty well," Project Manager Jeff Cerney explained.

"This fall, the most satisfying thing is that we've been able to have the football season go on without a hitch," Smith agreed.

With structural work almost



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Filling in Notre Dame Stadium's press box shed will be one of several projects Casteel Construction plans to tackle this winter.

entirely complete, Casteel Construction and its subcontractors are finishing up on exterior masonry work before weather forces them inside for the winter. Mortar and concrete cannot be set in freezing temperatures, so following Saturday's game Casteel plans on enclosing portions of the concourse and installing portable heaters to continue working.

"We're going to close off sections of the existing walls and heat it up to about 40 degrees just to knock the chill out of the air," Cerney said.

Months of plumbing, electrical, and finishing work remain for the dozens of new restrooms and concession areas waiting to be installed. Removal of the old press box - slated for early December - and completion of the new three-story structure are also major steps to be taken.

"We've just been waiting for the last game," Fred Wyant, project superintendent said. Wyant highlighted four distinct areas where work will be done in coming weeks. First, he cited

mechanical work, like installing ducts and plumbing, and electrical work.

"That's going great guns right now," Wyant remarked.

Demolition work, centering around the old scoreboards, original parapet, and interior concourse floors will represent the greatest pick up in activity, though.

Finally, Wyant anticipates major strides in renovation work, where portions of the original stadium are razed and replaced. As an example, he told of plans to remove existing concourse floor concrete and asphalt so that foundation and plumbing work can proceed unimpeded.

Currently Casteel has 175 workers on site, and 30 to 35 more are expected in coming weeks to help handle the expanded operations.

"There's just a lot of people pushing in the same direction," Smith noted.

The stadium expansion project is expected to be finished for next season's Sept. 6 home opener against Georgia Tech.

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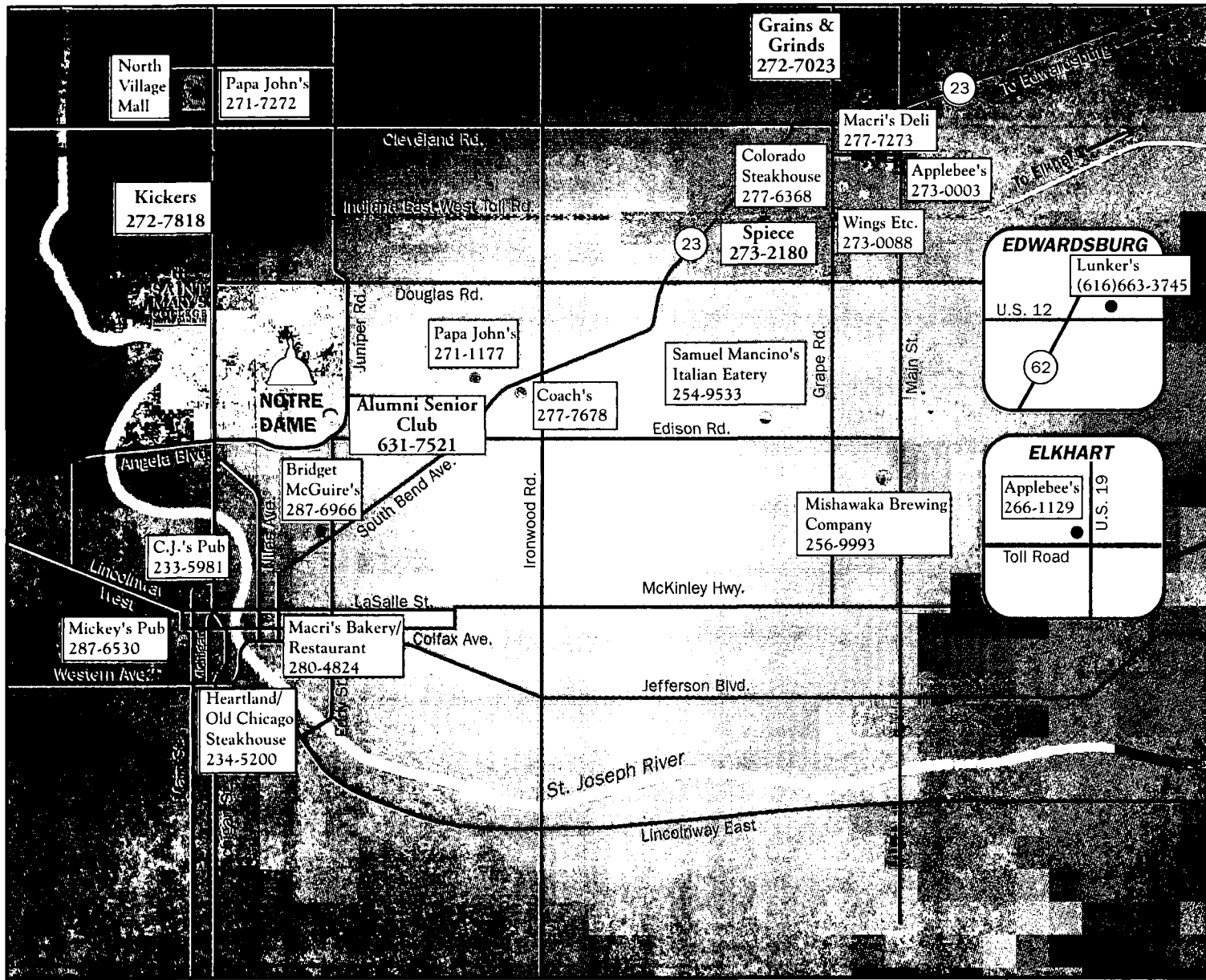
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Posters

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Wohlberg's public apology in the Nov. 20 issue of The Observer eased the situation.

In the apology, Wohlberg stated, "We thought we had designed a humorous and attention-grabbing flyer design that would create interest in the bonfire. . . We not only failed. . . at this attempt, but potentially created an intimidating environment while set-

ting back gender relations at Notre Dame."

The administration and student body at Saint Mary's have accepted this apology, and view Wohlberg's gesture as whole-hearted and sincere.

"I think that the article published in The Observer cleared up any malice caused by the situation," director of student activities at Saint Mary's Georgeanna Rosenbush said. "The students themselves took the initiative to amend the situation, not me. The article displayed a great

apology and was sincere. I think that it was a big step in improving relations between freshmen, which will provoke better relations as seniors."

Despite the controversy, the bonfire took place at Saint Mary's as scheduled Thursday night, attracting several students from both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame.

"The bonfire was wonderful," Saint Mary's freshman class president Beth Beatty said. "We had a great turnout, and a lot of Notre Dame students—male and female—

showed up."

Beatty also added that she thought students had calmed down about the issue, and both campuses accepted and appreciated Wohlberg's apology.

So now that the conflict has been resolved, students are left with only one question — how did the flyers get approval from Student Activities at Notre Dame in the first place?

Carol Taylor, who works in the Student Activities office, approved the flyers. She explained that 20-30 students

enter her office daily requesting approval for posters, and receive approval provided that "their request does not go against du Lac."

Taylor remembered when the student came to her requesting approval for the bonfire posters, but "did not really have a reaction to it."

In defense of the office, Rosenbush explained, "The office gets calls all the time. I'm sure they do their best to monitor every poster that comes in, but it's difficult."

Davie

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"The right decision will be made because I have the utmost confidence in the people making the decision," Davie stated. "Fans shouldn't worry about the timing. The bottom line is that they (University officials) make the right decision."

If Davie is, in fact, the deci-

sion, his current players will be satisfied.

"I have a lot of respect for Coach Davie," senior linebacker Bert Berry said. "He will definitely make a great coach because he has a great working relationship with the people who play for him."

Berry thinks he'll also have a great relationship with the people he works for.

"He will make a great representative of the University,"

Berry said. "He may not have the quick jokes like Coach Holtz but he is morally upstanding. His track record speaks for itself."

That record included a role as Holtz's defensive coordinator since 1994 and a similar stint before that at Texas A&M.

"He has coached under some great coaches and has good experience," Berry added.

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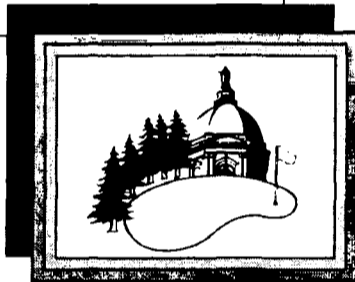

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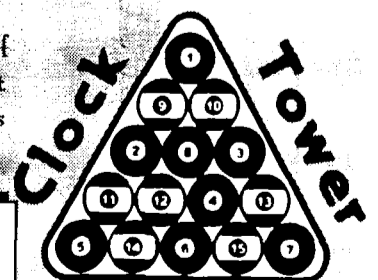
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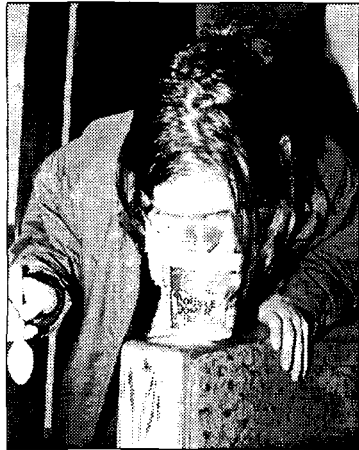
By BILL UNIOWSKI
News Writer

In addition to sweatshirts, T-shirts, hats and jackets, add officially licensed Notre Dame ice cream to your bookstore shopping list.

Ice cream?
Bonnie Doon Ice Cream, headquartered in Elkhart, has released four new Notre Dame ice cream flavors that are available in collectable plastic containers. Golden Dome Vanilla, Football Fudge Crunch, Double Domer Double Chocolate and Leprechaun Lemon Cheesecake are available in pint containers at the Huddle and the bookstore for \$2.99.

"When we bought the company, I was observing how many different and unusual flavors of ice cream the companies were coming out with," said President John Cohoat, a 1976 Notre Dame graduate. "I thought it would be neat to try Notre Dame ice cream."

In order to become an officially licensed product of the University, Bonnie Doon had to go through committees that



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Tanya Lenko can't get enough Double Domer ice cream.

approved the concepts. Following the initial committees, the company had to submit flavors and packaging, as well as pass strict quality standards.

The product has experienced moderate success thus far.

"It sold really well, then fell off a little after a couple of losses," Cohoat said, alluding to the Ohio State and Air Force football losses. "It does better at different times."

MULTICULTURAL BEAT

OMSA seeks unified voice

By ALLISON KOENIG
News Writer

Ethnic progression and unification were the main subjects of discussion during the Notre Dame Coalition Counsel's Thursday meeting.

Office of Multicultural Student Affairs (OMSA) Director Iris Outlaw reported that the black student retention rate is only 74 percent annually, compared to 98 percent for white students. Similar statistics on the retention rates of Hispanic or Asian students are not yet available.

Outlaw, in collaboration with a number of faculty and staff members, is currently working on a pilot program with fifty-eight African American freshmen. Labeled the OMSA Scholarship Program, it is designed to support black students in their pursuit of a degree.

Outlaw hopes that the voluntary program will not only give the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs some insight into why the retention rate of black students is substantially lower than that of whites, but might also assist in raising that



The Observer/Michelle Sweet
Members of the Coalition Council discussed black students' retention rates, among other topics at yesterday's meeting.

percentage.

Outlaw has also been busy setting up formats to help students of color in assessments of internal barriers, how to be assertive in the classroom and interaction within the residence halls. There are also plans for a reception for those freshman who make Dean's List this semester.

Jose Gonzalez, assistant director of OMSA, then discussed the potential of renaming the counsel to the Council of

Ethnic Organizations (CEO). Gonzalez also encouraged the group to make use of campus publications as media forums to promote the message of the group. The floor was then opened up for discussion.

Graciela Cruz began by speaking about her wish for more unification within the counsel. "There needs to be more personal interaction (within the group) if we wish to make a difference," said Cruz.

Gonzalez suggested a gathering of the counsel for social purposes alone, to better facilitate that kind of communication. "I believe you have the power to make an impact, to have a voice," he said. "What can we do to help that?"

"There needs to be an ethnic voice, one that isn't divided, at other campus meetings, like Hall President's Council or Student Senate," suggested John Fernandez.

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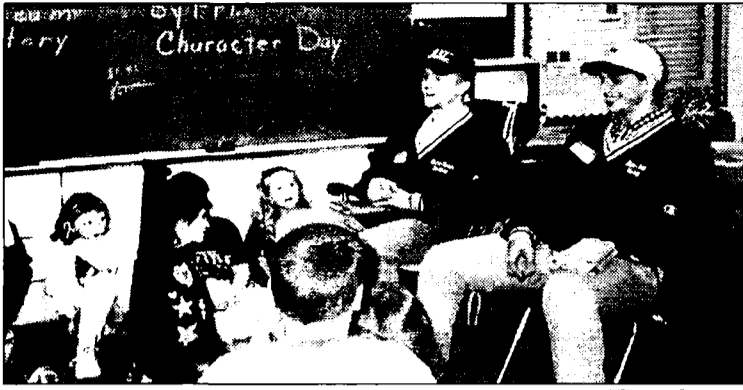


photo courtesy of Frances Shavers

ND hockey players read to students at Mishawaka's North Side Elementary School this week as part of National Read Week.

ND athletes reach out to community youths

By ANNE HOSINSKI
News Writer

This week, the students of North Side Elementary School in Mishawaka were treated with a few guest speakers — Notre Dame student athletes. The athletes volunteered their time to read stories to students in kindergarten through sixth grade, and speak about what it means to be a student athlete at Notre Dame.

The North Side School Read Week program ran this week in conjunction with National Read Week in schools throughout the country. Sponsored by the Athletic Department's Life Skills program, approximately 40 student athletes and coaches got a chance to make a difference in the lives of the children at North Side. The Life Skills program helps student athletes develop a balance between academics, athletics and community service.

According to Judy Harper, an administrator at North Side, the students were delighted with the athletes. "The children got so excited to meet the athletes," says Harper, "that they went crazy with autographs." Harper also noted that many of the kindergartners got a treat when members of the Ice Hockey team

stayed for recess and "had a good time playing on the monkey bars" with the children.

Frances Shavers, director of the Life Skills program, stressed that the athletes did more than just read to the students. They gave them insight on the entire college experience, not only athletics. They also spoke about the importance of reading, studying, and the benefits of staying in school. According to Shavers, this is only one of the few programs that touches the lives of children in the Michiana area.

Carla Fornelos, a member of the Women's Lacrosse team, commented that the entire experience was a great time and that she would love to do it again. Fornelos read to sixth graders, and then gave them a lesson on the sport of Lacrosse, including drawing a diagram of the sport on the chalk board.

Chrissy Holmberg, a varsity swimmer, remarked that the fourth and fifth graders that she spoke to were especially responsive to her message.

"The girls in particular," remarked Holmberg, "were responsive to the fact that I was a female athlete. It gave them more to relate to."

FSU

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"We have seen glimpses of the sort of intensity displayed, but never for an entire game," said Matt Joss, a senior in Keenan Hall.

The last second had already ticked off the game clock when Charlie Ward, whose team trailed Notre Dame by a score of 31 to 24, threw a pass from the 14 yard-line to the end zone. The pass would have tied or won the game for FSU, had Notre Dame backup cornerback Shawn Wooden not jumped in the way.

The crowd erupted. "I remember being in the aisle for that game and rushing down on the field," said Callie Teegardin, a senior from Farley Hall.

"I'm just glad I didn't get trampled," recalled Abigail Fleming, a Saint Mary's senior who lives off campus. "On the field, people were going nuts, trying to tear down the goalposts and jumping around."

"I was screaming so loud that I was about to pass out," said Joss. "Then we were down on the field, basking in the win." Fans who swarmed the field left through the tunnel singing "We're number one" to part of the tune "Call me Al" by Paul Simon.

Attracting more national attention than any game that year, the nation seemed to converge on South Bend that

November. Figures estimated that hundreds of thousands journeyed to campus just to be near the game. ESPN broadcast their "Gameday" show from the Joyce Center, and every network was using the phrase "Game of the Century" to describe the contest.

"The pregame hype was phenomenal," Teegardin offered. "I have never seen a campus so excited."

"It felt like we were going to win from the get-go," Joss said. "You could sense it in the air, and I think the players felt it too. It still gives me chills to remember."

Wooden's deflection ended the game and catapulted Notre Dame to the number one spot in the Associated Press polls. The football team lost that ranking the next week by losing to Boston College and has never regained the top position.

"The fans overlooked BC, we all thought that we were headed for a rematch in Phoenix," said Teegardin. "While it wasn't the end of the world, it was very disappointing. I was shocked to see the big '1' on top of Grace Hall go out."

"No one took the BC game seriously," said Joss. "It was seen as a pushover game — it

was no Florida State. Ever since BC though, we have never been invincible like we were that day against FSU. Ninety-three was a perfect season and every other season... we were always playing catch-up."

"Our class didn't have any star players," Fleming said. "The hype about Ron Powulus, who was a passing quarterback in an option-oriented offense, brought the team down because he wasn't as good as everyone said he was going to be."

This year's seniors are the last class who was present when the football team seriously approached winning a national championship. They also exit at the same time as Lou Holtz, who announced his resignation on Tuesday after 11 years with Notre Dame.

"[Tomorrow's Rutgers game] is going to be a special game, very emotional," said Joss. "I feel almost bad for the underclassmen. Lou was an institution when we got here, he was part of the school. The football games are going to be weird without him next year, with a new coach. But Notre Dame football is bigger than any one coach, any one player. It will move on and it will thrive."

■ CORRECTION

Laura Richter was misidentified as the former Residence Hall Association president. Monday's story 'Milos implements change, creates strong council' should have stated that Tara Hooper held the office last year. *The Observer regrets this error.*

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Each participating choir will perform three to four pieces.

Lunch will be provided for all the participants by the Saint Mary's College department of music.

Also included in the day's events are a campus tour and a performance by Saint Mary's College Women's Choir.

For further information on participation or observation, please contact Dr. Nancy Menk, chair, department of music, Saint Mary's College at (219) 284-4632.

Olmos shares struggles and success

By BERNADETTE PAMPUCH
News Writer

For the hundreds of teenagers sitting spellbound in the auditorium of Washington High School Wednesday, the man on stage represented more than the Hollywood dream with which most stars have come to be associated.

"I'm not naturally gifted, I'm not naturally talented, I'm not smart and I'm not good looking," he claimed, speaking out over a crowd of students, parents and teachers. "And I make \$2 million a picture. Now how does that work out?"

While the audience erupted in laughter, they also grasped his message. The man speaking was famed Latino actor and dedicated humanitarian Edward James Olmos, who knows all too well the hard work and determination it took to make his career and

life as successful as they have been.

He attributed it to his call to share his message with others. "I get more out of this than the students do," he insisted, and stressed how important it was to give back to the community.

Olmos' message reflects his own life. He began giving free motivational speeches in high schools, immigrant camps, Indian reservations, and prisons in 1972 at the bequest of a teacher. A struggling actor at the time, he balked at the idea of talking to students about a life in the arts.

"I said, 'I'm struggling,' and she said, 'That's what I want, somebody that's in the struggle.'" That struggle gave rise to a prolific career: a Tony nomination for his performance in the Broadway musical *Zoot Suit*, an Emmy award for his work in *Miami Vice* and an Oscar nomination for his performance in *Stand and Deliver*. He is proud of the 18 years he spent researching violence and the penal system for the movie *American Me*, but does not overlook the toil.

"I went into an acting class in my first year of college, not because I wanted to be an actor, but because I wanted to get rid of this problem of reading aloud," he said, revealing a history of dyslexia that often made it hard to speak in front of a class.

The acting class paid off; he just finished filming his role as father of slain Tejano superstar Selena in the soon-to-be-released film based on her life and is currently at work on *Rain of Gold*, a project that promises to be the first-ever Latino-themed mini-series to debut on network television.

But it is Olmos' social work that seems to matter most. Soft-spoken in person, dynamic on stage, he yells, pantomimes,



The Observer/Bernadette Pampuch
Edward James Olmos, shown here with the children of the owner of El Taco Tipico, offered a hopeful outlook for the future of the Latino community during his recent trip to South Bend. He visited El Taco Tipico to visit with local Hispanic leaders.

whistles and holds the audience captive but never fails to mention the importance of giving back what he counts himself blessed with. As an ambassador for UNICEF, Olmos has worked as an election supervisor in Poland, Bosnia and South Africa. He has spent hours speaking to audiences across the country, and just this summer traveled to Chiapas, Mexico on a mission to bring food to some of the poorest of the poor.

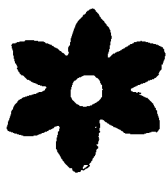
Upon seeing the plight of the indigenous Mayan Indians during a 1994 visit to Chiapas, Olmos began a project to deliver staple foods like corn, salt and beans to the area.

It is not just the indigenous of Mexico that appreciate his effort, but members of the South Bend community as well. Speaking at Washington High School and Notre Dame, he was swarmed by community leaders, grandmothers and children looking for autographs and the chance to be

photographed with him. At a stop at El Taco Tipico during the afternoon, the newest Mexican restaurant to open in the burgeoning Hispanic community on the west side, Olmos acknowledged the sense of Latino community over tortillas and café con leche. He talked with area leaders of the League of United Latin American Citizens in the area with the owner's seven-month-old granddaughter balanced on his knee, stopping for more photographs and signing menus.

Ironically, during his speech at Notre Dame Wednesday night the actor used a phrase to describe his admiration for Mexican-American civil rights activist César Chávez that suits him just as well:

"A saint is a person who has the courage to give and not ask anything in return." Modestly and unassumingly, Olmos has become the kind of person that does just that.

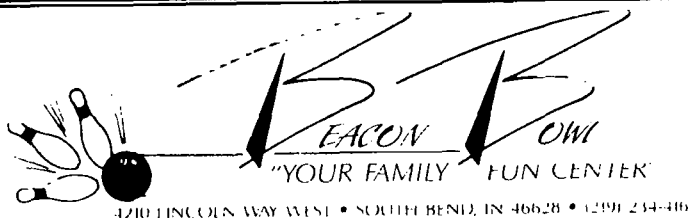


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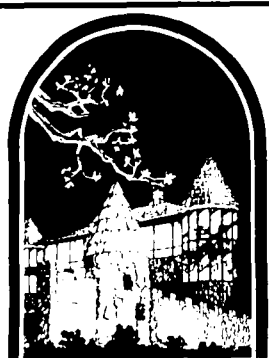
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"It was very trying emotionally, spiritually, and physically," he said of the initial stages of his fight with the cancer. "But, my family is wonderful and helped a lot."

Weiss went through chemotherapy for over a year, but, the bone cancer had left his right leg severely damaged and it required drastic medical attention.

In 1989, Weiss underwent his first operation, a procedure called an allograft, to repair damage to his right leg.

"We tried like hell to make it work," said Weiss, referring to the surgical procedures.

By the time treatment ran its course, Weiss had undergone nine operations, the last of which being the amputation of his leg. Doctors inserted metal plates and screws to strengthen the leg in some of the operations.

Weiss had given serious thought to attending Notre Dame since long before his battle with cancer. His older sister, Gretchen, is a 1988 graduate and a former member of the band, and it was during her tenure at Notre Dame that Weiss first visited the campus.

"I was hooked on Notre Dame after the first couple of football games," said Weiss. "I didn't think there was any

other place in the world I wanted to go."

Once Weiss realized that his hopes of continuing on with sports participation was over, he decided to focus on other interests, particularly the saxophone. In 1990, the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Western Pennsylvania contacted Weiss, and he expressed his desire to have a new tenor saxophone and to play with the Band of the Fighting Irish. The organization fulfilled his wish, and as a high school sophomore Weiss played with the Notre Dame band in the 1990 Orange Bowl.

Despite a serious infection in his leg, Weiss enrolled at Notre Dame in the fall of 1992. He ran into more problems in October and was forced to withdraw for medical reasons.

"My knee basically collapsed in mid-October of 1992," said Weiss, and he left school November 1 to go home and have more surgery and rehabilitation.

Weiss returned in the fall of 1993 and remained at Notre Dame for the rest of that academic year. Weiss spent most of the summer of 1994 undergoing surgical procedures and rehabilitating.

In 1994, Weiss had his first opportunity to fulfill his dream of actually marching with the band as a Notre Dame student, during the Navy game. Weiss marched in the following two games, including the USC game and the Fiesta Bowl game against Colorado.

Weiss returned for the 1995

year consuming anti-biotics to fight the infections in his right leg. Despite the difficulty and pain, Weiss marched with the band the entire football season. "I wanted to fulfill my duties as the president of the University Band, so I decided to march that year and put off more surgery," said Weiss.

The Alumni Hall resident was informed during the summer of 1995 that there was far too much damage to the leg and it required amputation. "The doctors told me that if I don't get it amputated, I could be in danger," Weiss said. "Until I had no other options, I wanted to keep the leg."

Ironically, Weiss marched in the Orange Bowl in 1996, the same place where he fulfilled his wish as a sophomore in high school. Following the game, Weiss went home and had surgery on Jan. 16 yet again to undergo amputation of the leg, and took off all of the Spring semester of 1996 to recover and adjust to life with a prosthetic limb.

"I went through a ridiculous amount of rehabilitation," said Weiss, describing the adjustment and rehabilitation period spent at Harmarville Rehabilitation Center.

Weiss set the lofty goal of returning to march with the band for the 1996 season. "Nobody thought I could do it (march) again," said Weiss. "The therapists didn't encourage me at first. But they helped me to learn how to march, jog, and ride a bike."

Weiss beat the odds and returned to march with the band this year for the first time since his right leg was amputated. "I came back to summer band not knowing what to expect," said Weiss, referring to marching with a prosthesis. "I underestimated how quickly I had to move around."

"I had to give everything and work as hard as I could," remarked Weiss. "I wasn't going to go back to Notre Dame and not march."

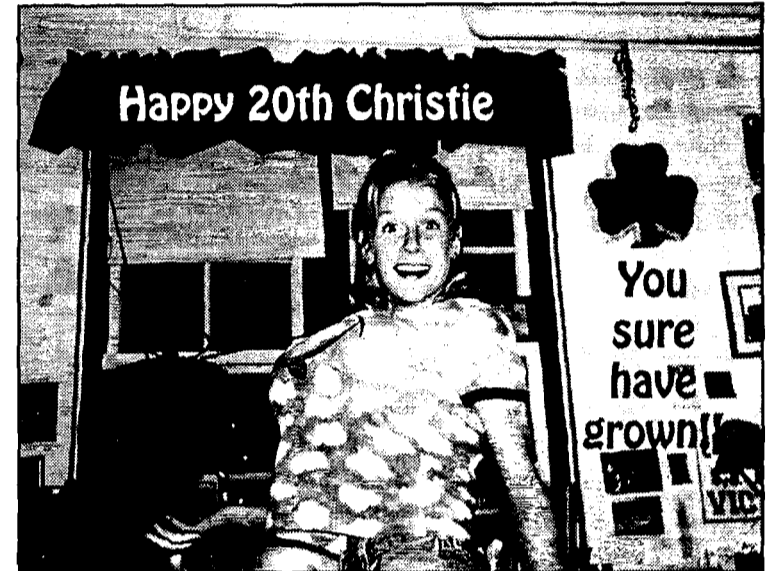
The Pittsburgh game was a special one for Weiss because all of his therapists from the Harmarville Rehabilitation Center came to the game and

saw him march, and was just one of the many positive aspects of the football season for Weiss. "It was rough at first, but after I made adjustments on my leg, it has just gotten better and better every time."

The Rutgers game marks the end of the playing careers for senior members of the football team and the band. It also marks the final chapter in the uplifting story about Weiss, who has undergone nine surgeries.

Weiss is a pre-med major and hopes to attend medical school at Johns Hopkins, Rochester, or Pittsburgh next year.

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Student-run course generates excitement at SMC

By ANGELA CATALDO
News Writer

A new, student-run course being offered at Saint Mary's next semester is causing a lot of excitement.

"Sister Madeleva Wolff, CSC: Catalyst for Contemporary Women's Issues," is the first class in Saint Mary's history to be initiated and led solely by students. Under the direction of Dr. Gail Mandell, the course will be taught by humanistic studies majors Abby Johnson, Janet Kelley and Ashley Ratcliffe.

Madeleva was the College's president from 1934 through

1961 and was a visionary in women's education. She was responsible for making Saint Mary's one of the first residential institutions to be racially integrated. Also, at a time when only priests could receive a graduate degree in theology, she initiated a graduate theology program for women at Saint Mary's. Madeleva not only challenged the integrity of the institution, but also changed the physical shape of the college. "She was responsible for the creation of the gardens and a great supporter of the building of Moreau," added Kelley.

Inspired by a lecture given by Mandell on Madeleva's life,

Johnson, Kelley and Ratcliffe began discussing the possibilities of a class. "We found her life to be so exciting that it seemed natural that there be a class," said Kelley.

The students will have the class discuss the College in light of current women's issues and how they relate to Madeleva's vision of the College. Mandell is proud of the students' work: "They are reclaiming her vision and interpreting it for a later generation, and by being visionaries themselves, they are continuing the tradition."

Johnson, Kelly, Ratcliffe and Mandell all feel that it is important that the students of Saint Mary's take this course. "For most people she (Madeleva) is just a building," said Mandell referring to the classroom building that bears Madeleva's name, "and that is sad." What they hope is that by taking this course, students will realize the rich history from which their school stems and appreciate

the environment in which they live, the education they receive and how the values expressed at the institution were shaped. "We've inherited that tradition (Madeleva's) and don't know what we've got," stated Mandell. Kelley agrees: "It is important to know where we come from in order to know where we are going. By understanding our history we can then strengthen our identity as a Catholic women's college...and this will benefit everyone in the community."

The class is entirely experimental with all research being done by Johnson, Kelley and Ratcliffe as an independent study. Kelley believes that this in itself is an example of how Madeleva's presence is alive today. "The school has been extremely supportive of this experimental project. It just goes to show the power and the flexibility of an institution like Saint Mary's. It is wonderful that we have been given this responsibility and received so much encouragement. I can't imagine finding it anywhere else."

As a guide, the students are using one of Mandell's published lectures to lead the class. The lecture on Madeleva's life and work titled, "One Woman's Life," was one part in a series of lectures sponsored by the Center for Spirituality. Also being used as a reference, a manuscript of Madeleva: A Biography, by Mandell which is in print now and will be available in soft cover and hard back in the late spring.

Mandell dreams that the class will eventually become a course for first year students which is taught by seniors as a "way to initiate the students into the college." Students of all majors and from Notre Dame are encouraged to register for the course, not only humanistic studies majors. "It is important that all fields are represented in order for the course to be beneficial, we must have many voices" said Kelley. The class is a one credit course and will be held Mondays at noon. Any questions concerning the course should be directed to the Saint Mary's humanistic studies department at 284-4465.

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EDITORIAL

Holtz departure timely, leaves huge shoes to fill

At some point in the last three years, we all said it. At some point in the last three years, we all thought about it.

It is time for Lou Holtz to retire. And yet as the reality set in, as we crowded around our TVs Tuesday afternoon and watched him say it, we could not help but feel sorrow in our hearts. It was indeed a "sad day." And as we turn the page of the book of Notre Dame football history, we will remember Lou Holtz as a symbol of all that represents Notre Dame.

Holtz has never been one for self-aggrandizement. In fact he is famous for his early-season negative assessments of his own football teams. But the time has come for the praise to be heaped upon him.

Lou Holtz has had nothing but love and respect for Notre Dame during his years here; indeed, he has had nothing but love and respect for the University his entire life. His devotion goes deeper than just the confines of the stadium. He has done infinitely more than deliver his promised national championship to South Bend. He has given of himself to the entire community.

The now-famous Lou Holtz Masks which benefitted the South Bend Center for the Homeless are just one example of the good works of Holtz outside the arena of football. Indeed, Holtz has brought such an honorable, loving personality to the head coach position that it's a shame that Notre Dame has to find another coach.

But we do. And the successor has some big shoes to fill.

Character is something that Notre Dame actively seeks in all its faculty and staff members, including the football coach. Qualities that will be considered along with talent and experience in any coach include integrity and compassion, as well as a dedication to excellence both on and off the field, according to Mike Wadsworth, Notre Dame's athletic director.

Wadsworth wants a coach who will be a "perfect fit" for Notre Dame. He wants integrity in recruiting — a coach who will take an active role in his players' lives and be a role model for them.

Finally, a candidate must be proficient in public speaking, as he will be an "ambassador" for the University, according to Wadsworth.

Sounds like a list of qualities and character traits possessed by none other than Lou Holtz himself. Is the University looking for a younger version of an old legend? It will not be easy to find a coach to meet the requirements, especially someone who filled that job description as well as Holtz did.

Holtz's record speaks for itself, but one of the more special achievements of his stay at Notre Dame was the honor paid to him by the students at the end of the third quarter of each home game. Tomorrow, we have the chance to pay him that honor one more time.

It will be a moment to remember forever.

GUEST COLUMN

ACE provides educational experience for all participants

"The ACE Gators?" asked the cashier. "Um, I'm going to need to see a driver's license with this check then...You're from California?!? How and why did you end up here in Napoleonville, Louisiana?"

I, too, often wonder why I and the three other ACE Gators arrived in this rural, southern Louisiana town. Because EVERYTHING here in the Bayou is referred to as either "Gator" this or "Cajun" that, we at ACE Napoleonville decided, as our checking account testifies, to name ourselves the "ACE" Gators.

Since that time not only have we increased this town's population from 880 to 884 and turned heads with license plates from Colorado, Oregon, and Washington, but we have sparked many questions beyond those of the perplexed cashier: "Why Napoleonville?"

How we got here is easy to answer in one sense. Napoleonville is just one of the many new sites where The Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE), now in its third year of service, places teachers throughout the Southern United States.

While it may not resemble the quaint place dripping in Americana that John Mellencamp describes in his song "Small Town," Napoleonville is a town that has already taught us about ourselves and each other, about community life, and about country life in Louisiana. From all that we have learned thus far, rather than asking "Why Napoleonville?" we ACE Gators find ourselves asking, "Why not?"

More than just learning about life in a small town, I have gained incredible insight about the South. I still remember when during the interview for ACE that all applicants receive, I was asked how I felt about living in the South. I quickly replied "that is the icing on the cake in terms of this service program."

Sure I was drawn to teaching in a Catholic school, living in a community, and earning a Masters in teaching, but I was also excited about the opportunity to come to know such a unique region of the USA.

From its incredible sense of hospitality to its strong sense of history, the mystical South, the

cradle of so many great American authors, always held a special allure for me. My placement in Napoleonville, combined with teaching in the small school of OLPS, has provided me with a deeper perspective and understanding than I could have imagined.

Lest we forget that we are in the South, Mother Nature always has a way of reminding us. If it is not the temperatures outside that cause my students to beg me to turn up the air conditioner, even in November, then it is swamps we drive through, the bayou we cross, and the sugarcane fields we pass all in the drive to school.

My students also give constant reminders with their thick Southern drawls, their excitement in foretelling the events of Mardi Gras, their disbelief that I have never eaten some of their favorite Cajun food, and their Cajun surnames like Bourgeois and Bourdeaux. Despite the idiosyncrasies that characterize this region, we have found a home in Napoleonville.

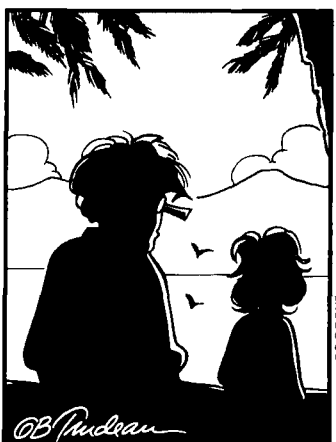
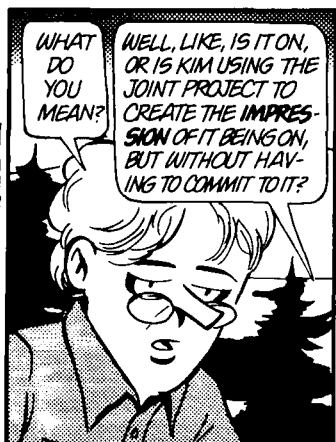
Walker Percy, the famous Southern writer, once said of his hometown: "Covington (Louisiana) is in the Deep South, which is supposed to have a strong sense of place. It does, but Covington occupies a kind of interstice in the South. It falls between places." So does Napoleonville, in place and in time. Equidistant from Baton Rouge and New Orleans, our town also falls between places in the lives and work of the ACE Gators.

While we find ourselves enjoying life after college in service with ACE for two years here in Napoleonville, we are still in between places in our development as teachers and as individuals.

When the four ACE Gators return to their four cities in four different states, this small town of 880 people will have indeed marked us with a strong sense of place. I only hope the next time I am asked "Why Napoleonville?" I can begin to give a sufficient answer.

Ann Sricherz is a 1996 Notre Dame graduate currently participating in the The Alliance for Catholic Education.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"All farewells should be sudden."

—George Gordon, Lord Byron

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Holtz has given more to ND than just coaching

Dear Coach Holtz:

During the past eleven years the names of Notre Dame and Lou Holtz have become synonymous with each other. Over the past eleven years, you have grown with the University, and the University has grown with you. As you have stated, you have enjoyed your stay at the University; well, I'm sure I speak for all when I say that the University has enjoyed your stay.

Coach Holtz, I have grown up over the past eleven years, becoming not only a Notre Dame fan, but also a Lou Holtz fan. Lou Holtz is a class act individual. In being one of the most visible teachers on campus and around the country, you put yourself in a position where what you said and did affected the entire campus. However, you have never done anything to compromise the values that you believe in nor the values that the University believes in. You talk of how the Notre Dame community is a big family and rightly so. This campus is one entire family, and like any other family, we hate to see one of our own leave. However, I am one that believes that you still have bigger and better things to accomplish in life.

Rarely ever has there been somebody so dedicated to something that it carries over in other areas. Sir, your constant dedication to the University is like none the it has ever come to know except for Father Sorin, Knute Rockne, and Frank Leahy. If you look around the different aspects of the University, you can see that dedication is at an abundance. I believe that to be attributed to you, Coach Holtz. Again, being a visible figure on campus your actions speak loudly of yourself. Dedication can be seen in the students attending class, in the athletes performing at their best, in the faculty members who stay the extra ten minutes after class to help out a student, and in many other places as well.

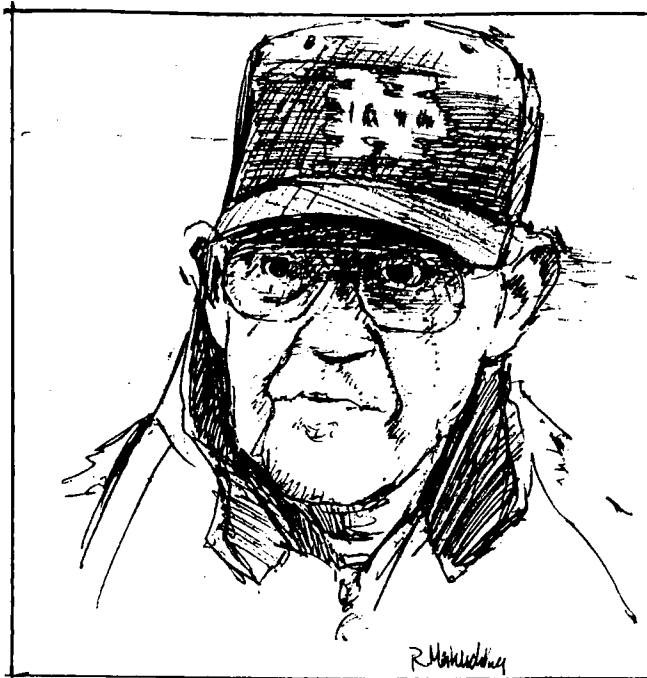
Coach Holtz, you have been a great role model for those who have come to know you. You are a class act, a very dedicated man, who is strong in his faith, doesn't compromise his values, prays about tough decisions, and is an all-around great person. I hope

that all this is in the minds of those who attend the game this weekend and do the "Lou Cheer" for the last time. Coach Holtz, you will be missed but not forgotten. You talk of how you desire not to be a legend; however, I think that all would agree that you are already a legend.

Sir, take care of yourself, and God Bless you. Before, I close out this letter, I have one question. For those, like myself, who grew up and have come to know Notre Dame football and Lou Holtz what words of wisdom, of consolation, of faith can you give us? In closing I would like to end with the words from a famous American poet who wrote about an occasion similar to this:

O Captain! My Captain!

O Captain! My Captain! our fearful trip is done,
The ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won,
The port is near, the bells I hear, the people all exulting,
While follow eyes the steady keel, the vessel grim and daring;
But O heart! heart! heart!
O the bleeding drops of red,
Where on the deck my Captain lies
Fallen cold and dead.
O Captain! My Captain! Fies up and hear the bells;
Rise up - for you the flag is flung — for you the bulge trills;
For you bouquets and ribbon'd wreaths — for you the shores a-crowding
For you they call the swaying mass, their eager faces turning;
Hear Captain! Dear father!
The arm beneath your head!
It is some dream that on the deck
You've fallen cold and dead.
My Captain does not answer, his lips are pale and still,
My father does not feel my arm, he has no pulse or



will,
The ship is anchor'd safe and sound, its voyage closed and done,
From fearful trip victor ship comes in with object won;
Exult O shores and ring the bells!
But I with mournful tread,
Walk the deck my Captain lies,
Fallen cold and dead.

—Walt Whitman

Again, Coach Holtz, may God bless and keep you.

CRISTOBAL SALDANA

Freshman
Dillon Hall

RIGHT OR WRONG?

Potato Famine a legitimate example of genocide

Recent discussions on campus and in South Bend remind us that, 150 years ago, Ireland was in the grip of the Great Hunger. "No one knows precisely how many people died in Ireland's Great Famine of 1845-52, but in a population

that carried the emigrants, whom the English lawmakers claimed could not be fed, were redundant in their native land, and therefore had to go somewhere else." (Thomas Gallagher, Paddy's Lament (1982), 148-49) For those who chose, or were forced by British design, to emigrate on the "coffin ships," the predicament was hardly better. In a typical case, the British brig *Larch*, from Sligo, buried at sea 108 of its 440 passengers, and 150 of the rest were seriously ill when she reached Canada. (Ibid. at 210-11)

Dr. Christine Kinealy, of the University of Liverpool, will speak at Notre Dame Law School at 12:15 on Nov. 26. In her definitive study of the Famine, Dr. Kinealy marshals facts that implicate British officials in what we could today fairly describe as crimes against humanity and genocide perpetrated by culpable indifference:

"As the Famine progressed... the government was using... an opportunity to facilitate... long-desired changes within Ireland. These included population control and the consolidation of property through a variety of means, including emigration [and] the elimination of small holdings... This was a pervasive and powerful 'hidden agenda.' The government measured the success of its relief policies by the changes which were brought about in Ireland rather than by the quality of relief provided... The response of the British government to the Famine was inadequate in terms of humanitarian criteria and, increasingly after 1847, systematically and deliberately so. The localized shortages that followed the blight of 1845 were adequately dealt with but, as the shortages became more widespread, the government retreated. With the short-lived exception of the soup kitchens, access to relief—or even more importantly, access to food—became more restricted. That the response illustrated a view of Ireland and its people as distant and marginal is hard to deny... A group of officials and their non-elected advisors were able to dominate government policy... to manipulate a theory of free enterprise, thus

allowing a massive social injustice to be perpetrated within a part of the United Kingdom... Within Ireland itself, there were substantial resources of food which... could have been diverted, even as a short-term measure, to supply a starving people. Instead, the government pursued the objective of economic, social and agrarian reform as a long-term aim, although the price paid for this ultimately elusive goal was privation, disease, emigration, mortality and an enduring legacy of disenchantment." (Kinealy, *This Great Calamity* (1994), 353, 359)

A New York law and the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education have recently mandated inclusion of the Famine as an example of genocide in the human rights curricula in the public schools of those states. According to New Jersey Congressman Bob Menendez, who has introduced a federal law to require Famine education, "The Irish famine teaches an important lesson about intolerance and inhumanity and the indifference of the British government to the potato blight that led to the mass starvation of one million people."

The Genocide Convention, approved by the United Nations in 1948, provides the first juridically codified definition of what has been a recurrent crime throughout history. Obviously, the Convention is not itself applicable to the Irish Famine which occurred a century before. But British policies in the Famine could seriously be argued to fulfill the Convention's definition of genocide as including "any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnic, racial or religious group, as such:

"(b) Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group;

"(c) Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part;"

Want indifference can supply the necessary intent. The Famine was an appropriate curtain-raiser on the inhumanities that have plagued the past century. A common theme in these events is the subordination of the person to the

dictates of ideology. From 1928 to 1933, the Soviets exterminated the Kulaks by starvation because they were bourgeois and landowners. The Nazis exterminated Jews because the reigning ideology defined them as sub-human and a threat to the Nazi order. And so on. "In the five decades since World War II there have been well over 100 million fatalities due to war, genocide, democide, politicide, and mass murder," writes Srdja Trifkovic of The Lord Byron Foundation for Balkan Studies. The Irish Famine, of course, did not involve the direct and bloody murder of innocents. Instead, it resulted from a culpable official disinterest born of inflexible adherence to non-interventionist ideology and compounded by disdain for the Irish on account of their religion and race. In 1846, Charles Trevelyan, the British treasury secretary, responsible for Famine relief, described the Famine as a "cure" for the overpopulation of Ireland "applied by the direct stroke of an all-wise Providence." He said, "The great evil with which we have to contend is not the physical evil of the famine, but the moral evil of the selfish, perverse and turbulent character of the people."

"Esquimaux and New Zealanders," wrote Lord Clarendon, the British Lord Lieutenant in Ireland, "are more thrifty and industrious than those people who deserve to be left to their fate instead of the hardworking people of England being taxed for their support." (Kinealy, *How Politics Fed the Famine*, at 34-35)

The Famine indicates that genocide can be committed, not only by direct and violent extermination, but also by culpable indifference to the needs of a government's own people when that indifference is born of ideology reinforced by racial and religious prejudice. We ought to reflect upon the Famine, not in a spirit of recrimination but so we can learn from it. The Famine can tell us something about the deadly combination of ideology and bigotry.

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Charles Rice



of more than eight million people, the death count reached at least one million. Another million and a half emigrated. This occurred within the jurisdiction of the richest and most industrially advanced empire in the world." (Christine Kinealy, *How Politics Fed the Famine*, Natural History, Jan., 1996, 33)

One reason why the Famine remains a subject of interest is that it need not have happened. "Potatoes were... the only produce which the Irish—75 percent of whom were feudal tenants of British landlords, fanatical preachers of 'free trade'—were allowed to eat or to feed their livestock... During 1846, Ireland exported enough wheat, barley, oats, oatmeal, pigs, eggs, and butter to feed its entire population. Many modern historians have noted outrage at this export, which was heavily guarded by British troops against starving crowds. But few note that under British free trade policies, even more wheat was imported into Ireland that year than exported; however, at least half the entire Irish population was without any means to buy food; 'free trade' dictated that none be given—'no welfare'—and the rate of evictions was growing with their destitution." (Paul Gallagher, *How British Free Trade Starved Millions in Ireland's Potato Famine*, *The New Federalist*, May 29, 1995)

In 1847, "Irish produce was still being sent to Liverpool on the very same ships

Gearing up for

Drum Majors

By JACKIE MARTINEZ
Accent Copy Editor

It's just minutes before game time. Ahead lies a blurred sheet of blue and gold spotted with the laboriously sketched signs of "WE LOVE YOU, LOU!" and "GO IRISH!" Behind stands a polished, stone-faced wall of over 300. As the attention whistle blows, out of the tunnel arises the Band of the Fighting Irish led by the gleaming white facade of the poised trio we call the drum majors.

The first ones to charge onto the field and into the house that Rockne built, it is the drum majors whose first steps trigger the wave of guttural yells that escalate to a thundering roar heard throughout the campus as they approach the goal line. In addition to their crowd-pleasing cadence and hike step however, the responsibilities of a drum major extend far beyond great footing.

Assistant Drum Major Steve Wojcikiewicz runs the traveling band, the group of band members that move around the four corners of the stadium in the third quarter.

Wojcikiewicz describes the experience of having band members' every move depend on just a flick of his wrist as involving, "a lot of concentration. I have to stay focused on just what the band is doing and not the crowd behind me."

Initially a tuba player, Wojcikiewicz recalls always bringing up the rear and seeing everything five minutes after everyone else. "Before this year, I didn't know what it all looked like," he says.

However after this year, Wojcikiewicz says he'll never forget "the feeling of going out there and being the first on the field with all of that yell and the crowd yelling."

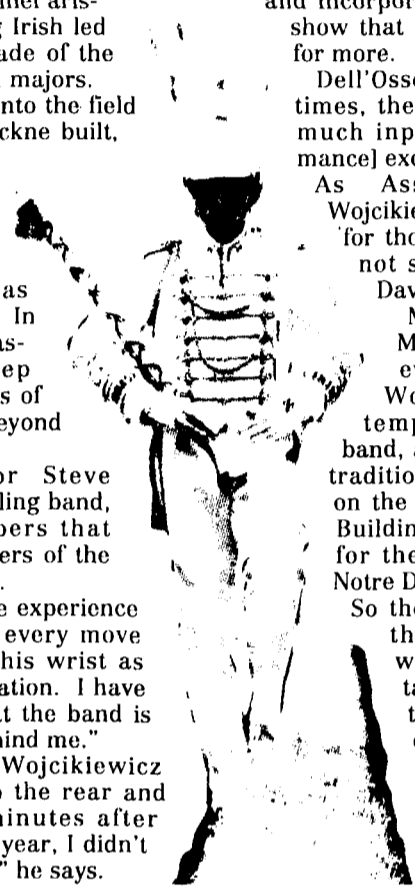
Renado Dell'Osso, also an Assistant Drum Major, shares Wojcikiewicz's excitement in holding such an esteemed position in the band's overall makeup. Dell'Osso's responsibilities include taking the latest dance moves and incorporating them into a half-time show that keeps the fans coming back for more.

Dell'Osso points out that, "A lot of times, the students don't get to give much input [on the band's performance] except for with the dance."

As Assistant Drum Majors, Wojcikiewicz and Dell'Osso conduct for those band members that cannot see the Head Drum Major, David Mullen.

Mullen's role as Head Drum Major requires him to "run everything" in the words of Wojcikiewicz. He sets the tempo, starts and stops the band, and runs the pep rallies and traditional pre-game performance on the steps of the Administration Building before the band sets out for the stadium with throngs of Notre Dame fans on its heels.

So the next time you gaze upon the field and find yourself wondering about the men in tall white hats with maces in their hands upon which every band member's eyes are fixed, they are the true and the proud. They are the Band of the Fighting Irish drum majors.



The Leprech

MARY BETH ELLIS
Accent Copy Editor

Take a look at him sitting in a dorm room in the middle of a other Domer. Sweatshirt. Backpack. Thinking out loud about give him.

Take a look at him standing in the north end zone of Notre Dam afternoon, and he tends to stand out somewhat. Short green pants. H Yelling "Go Irish go!" in time to the beats of the drum corps.

And the beard. The beard is a dead giveaway. But Ryan Gee doesn't mind having a face trademarked by the Univ been pulling Leprechaun mascot duty for two years now— first as a cer games, now as the Green One himself every Saturday.

So how does a kid from Spokane, WA, who until last year rise to the most glamorous job on campus? Peer pressure of The Observer and putting them on my door," he says and liked what I heard. I never thought I'd make it, but he's making that thrilling ninety-yard dash down the swarming mass of the most famous gold helmets in the

The symbol of the shamrocked fever surrounding Iris Notre Dame nationalism has dwindled somewhat. "For its spirit is crazy," says Gee, who, thanks to road gam Irish fans to those from colleges across the

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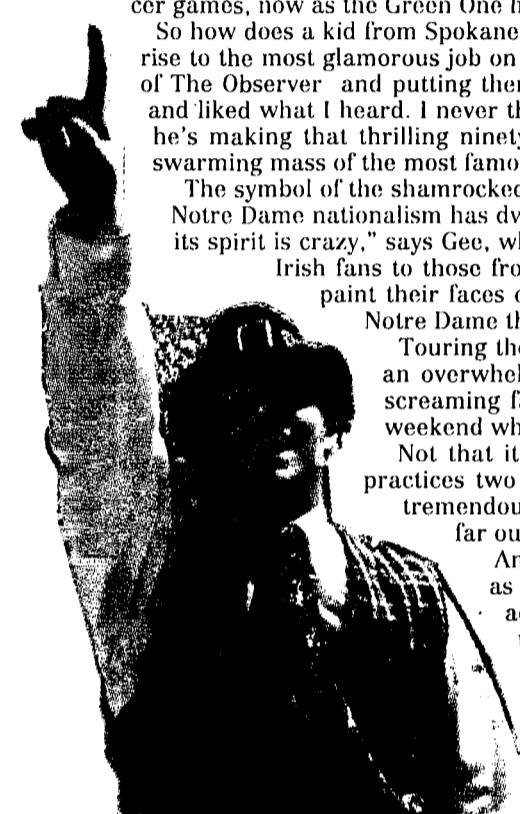
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Concessions

By LESLIE FIELD
Accent Copy Editor

As this historical season-ending home game nears, it's time to pay tribute to the people behind the great eats surrounding the stands. They are there at 5 a.m. preparing for the 59,000 fans who will, undoubtedly, get the half-time munchies.

Notre Dame Stadium sells 60,000 of their best-selling food item, the illustrious hot dog, per game. That's 1.01 hot dogs per hungry fan. And Oscar Meyer's claim to fame is only the beginning of Notre Dame Stadium's concession mania. After all, what is a hot dog without a Coke to wash it down?

According to Fred Kraus, Stadium Operations Concession Manager, not much. "What really gets mind-boggling is the amount of liquids we go through; a million ounces per game," he said. Can't beat the feeling.

And for those fans who must have their traditional gameday popcorn, the stadium addition will include a room dedicated to, you guessed it, popcorn, popcorn and more popcorn. "We sell as much popcorn as we can make," Kraus said. This addition will be a great help in keeping the popcorn coming to all of the twenty one inside concession stands, seven outdoor concession trailers and the portable unit as well.

Hot pretzels will also grace the stadi-

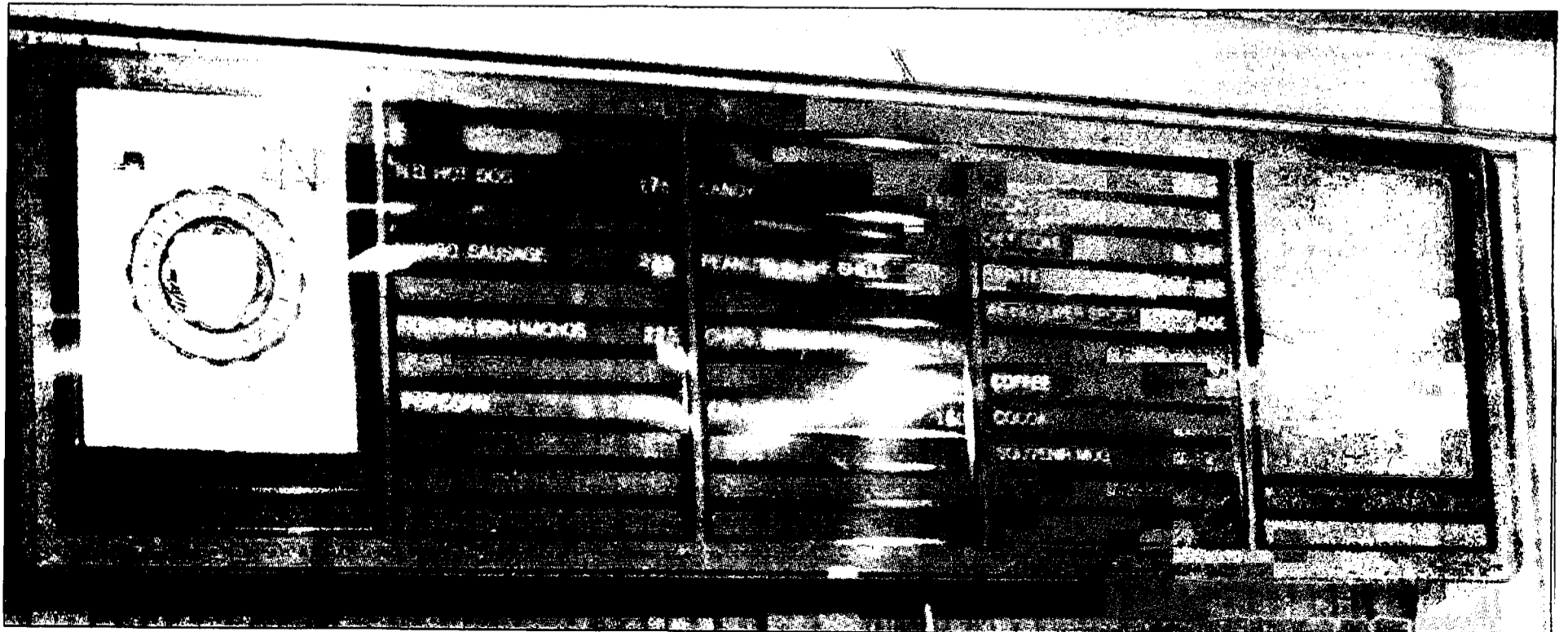
um next year. (Always good with mustard.)

And on hot days, the Ben and Jerry's peace pops are a big seller. The cookie dough ice cream is nearly impossible to keep in stock. This year, the expected ice cream sales neared \$60,000. Unfortunately, hot chocolate replaced the Lemon Chills and English Toffee Crunch, as the warm weather was cut short by an unexpected cold snap. It only brought in \$14,000, which still seems like solid earnings to most people.

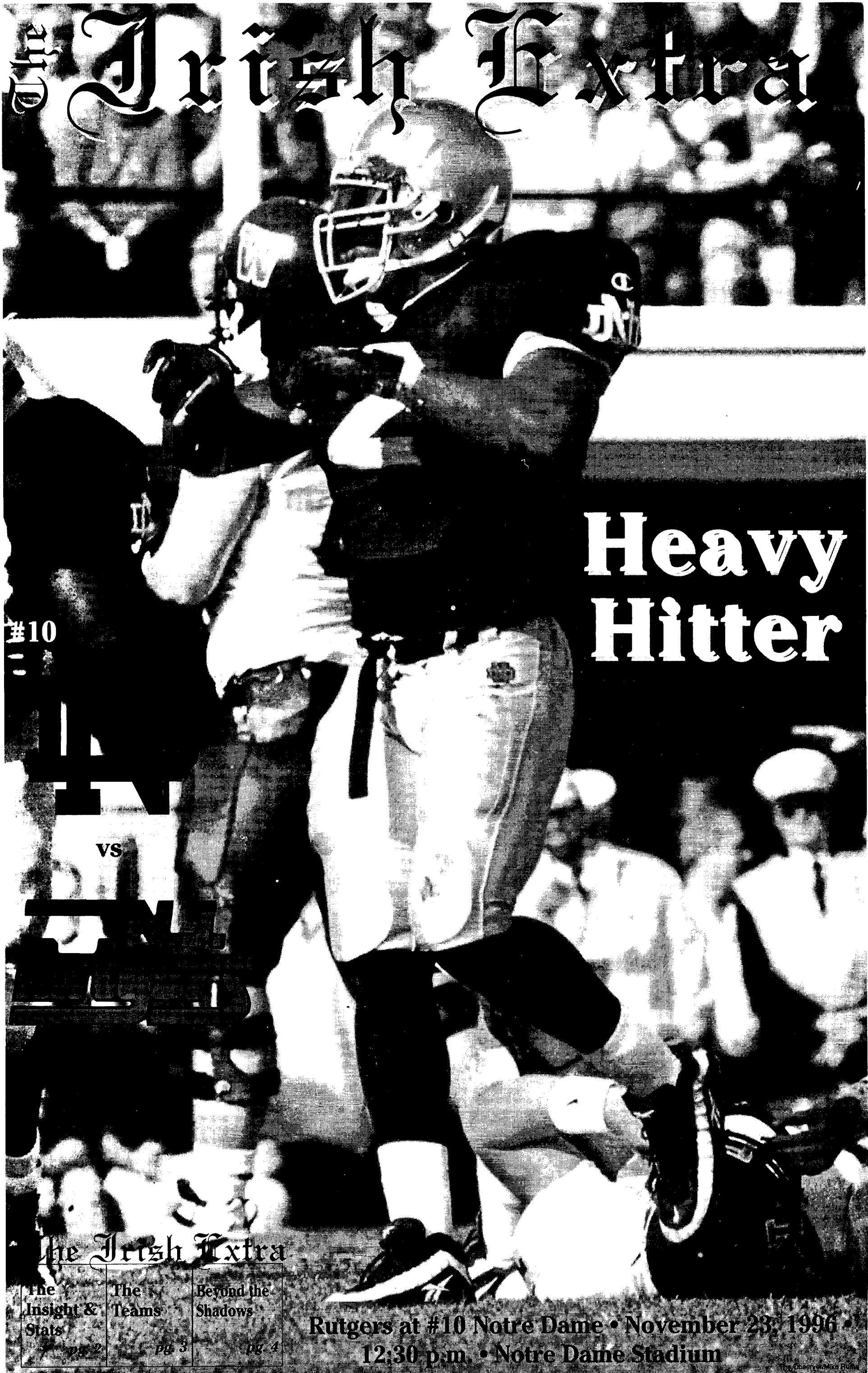
With millions of ounces being dispensed and thousands of dogs being doled out, there has to be an efficient and brave staff of workers. There are 400 volunteers and seventy five paid

workers. The volunteers are given a percentage of the total amount of money earned from the game at which they worked. They, in turn, take that money back to the organization they represent. "If they have a tax-exempt organization they can make around thirteen hundred dollars in a day," Kraus commented. And 200,000 is given back from food sale profit at the end of each football season.

"We have a bigger per capita than anyone else in this region. The only time any other school comes close is during hot games when cold beverages are the biggest sellers. We are the leader, thanks to our great fans," Kraus said.



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IRISH INSIGHT

No tributes, just memories

This is not a eulogy. Only a few memories. One man's images. My images.

Images that will only be memories in three short games. As Lou Holtz coaches his final game this Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium, the tributes to him will be numerous.

This is not a tribute. Just my thoughts. Take them for what they are worth and move on. That's what everyone did at Tuesday's farewell pow-wow. Lou offered his thoughts and the people took them for what they're worth.

Now everything can continue. Birth. Football. Death.

Normal resumption of the Notre Dame life cycle cannot proceed that suddenly, however. Not as suddenly as Holtz walked out the door and certainly not as sudden as athletic director Michael Wadsworth closed it behind him.

Before somebody new walks in that door, it is time to remember the lame duck who is exiting.

Lou Holtz is just a man. A man made famous by his prominent occupation. A man who won more games than he lost. A man whose departure was as mysterious as his team's play this season.

Most people will remember him for those reasons.

Those are not my memories. About a week ago, a small handful of people gathered in DeBartolo Hall for a lecture about the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) program. The keynote speaker did not directly discuss the program, but broader issues.

Issues such as the importance of teaching. Why discipline is necessary in creating a learning atmosphere. The need to build a team in the classroom.

That speaker was Lou Holtz. Doing what he does best; motivating people to achieve some end. There was no media

around. No glaring lights from the television cameras. The only questions put to Holtz this night regarded his thoughts on the necessity to educate.

A person, ignorant of Holtz's legendary status in the public eye, could have walked in the auditorium and listened to an excellent speech about how teaching can be a rewarding profession. Without knowing the man on stage was the Notre Dame head football coach, all you could have inferred was that this man was speaking from the heart.

During Junior Parents Weekend last year, Holtz also spoke from the heart. He talked about what family means to him and offered insights on family life that brought both laughter and tears. Holtz provided a perspective on the Notre Dame family, leaving parents trusting their decision to have sent their children to live under the Golden Dome.

Holtz may have never understood some players he coached or the new athletic administration, but he did grasp life issues such as education, family, and others.

In other words, things that mattered.

Sure, Irish football matters. Matters as much as you want it to. But the things Holtz often spoke about outside the realm of football really mattered. Things that cannot be overshadowed by a coaching record or a bad call on the field.

All of Holtz's calls off the field were not stellar either, but who's ever are. My memories are of him making as much of a difference off the field as on it.

To reiterate, these are my memories.

No better or more insightful than anyone else's.

Just like Holtz, they will eventually fade to black.

I wanted to share them before they leave my head.

And before Lou Holtz leaves Notre Dame as coach of one of the most storied college football programs in the country.

Of course, that's not why I'll remember him.

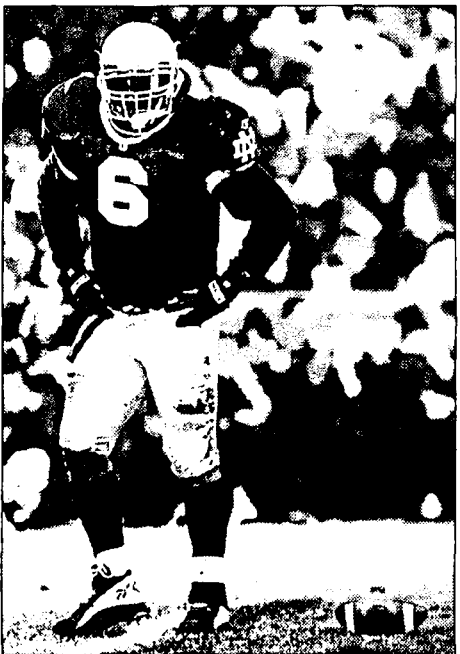


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The Observer/Rob Finch As a great speaker and a tremendous motivator, Irish head coach Lou Holtz is more than one of the most successful coaches in college football history.

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The Observer/Rob Finch Linebacker Lyron Cobbins ranks second on the Irish with 65 tackles.

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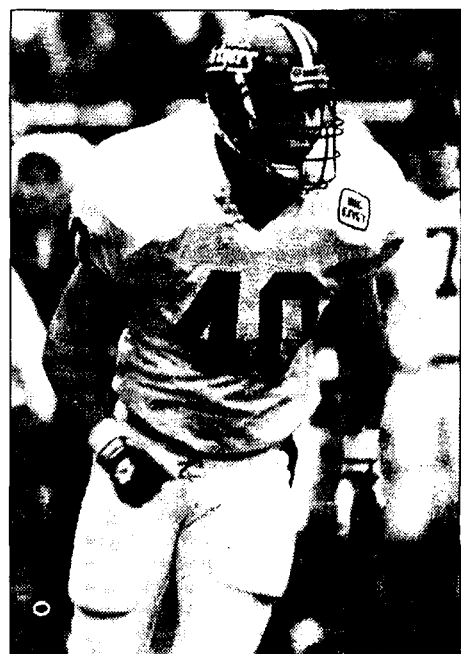
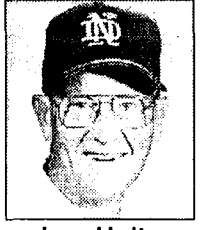


Photo courtesy of Rutgers Sports Information Tight end Rob Seeger leads the Scarlet Knights with three touchdowns.

NOTRE DAME SCHEDULE

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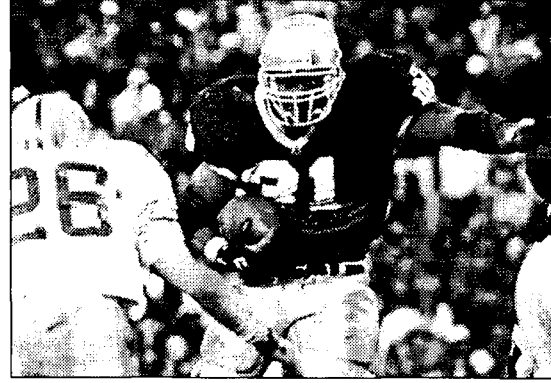
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At Notre Dame: 99-29-2
Against Rutgers: 0-0

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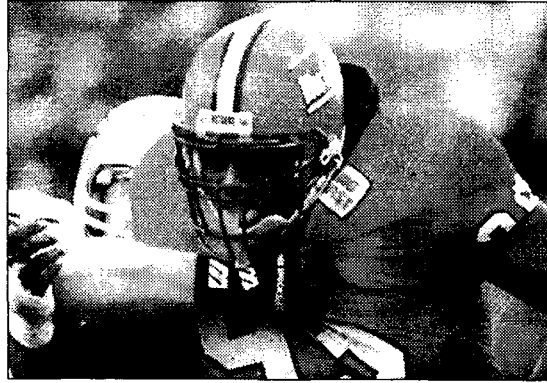
Irish rushing attack vs. Rutgers defensive line

With three consecutive games of over 300 yards rushing, the Notre Dame offensive attack is playing its best football of the season. Autry Denson needs just 97 yards to reach the 1000 yard plateau for the first time. Backup Randy Kinder is out with a separated shoulder, but Robert Farmer has been on a roll, running for a career-high 140 yards in the win over Pittsburgh. Fullback Jamie Spencer responded well in his first career start last week.

The key to success for the Scarlet Knights will rest on their ability to stop the run. Defensive tackle Rashod Swinger has been outstanding for Rutgers, leading all Big East linemen in tackles. Chris Cebula is undersized but has notched four sacks this season. The group will have to play the game of their lives to have any chance of staying with the Irish on Saturday.



Robert Farmer has had the "hot hand" for the Irish.



Rashod Swinger leads Big East linemen in tackles.

RUTGERS SCHEDULE

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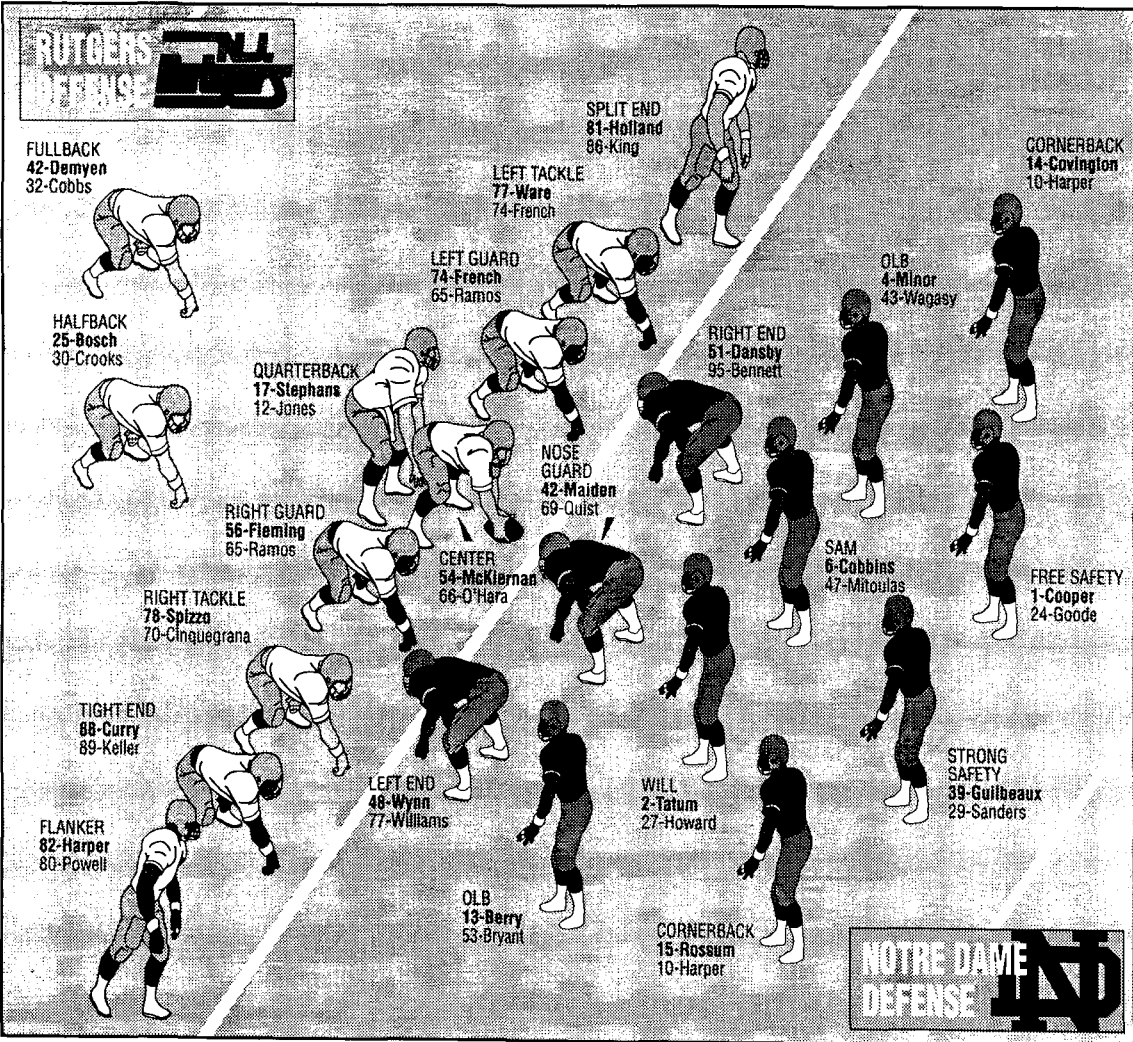
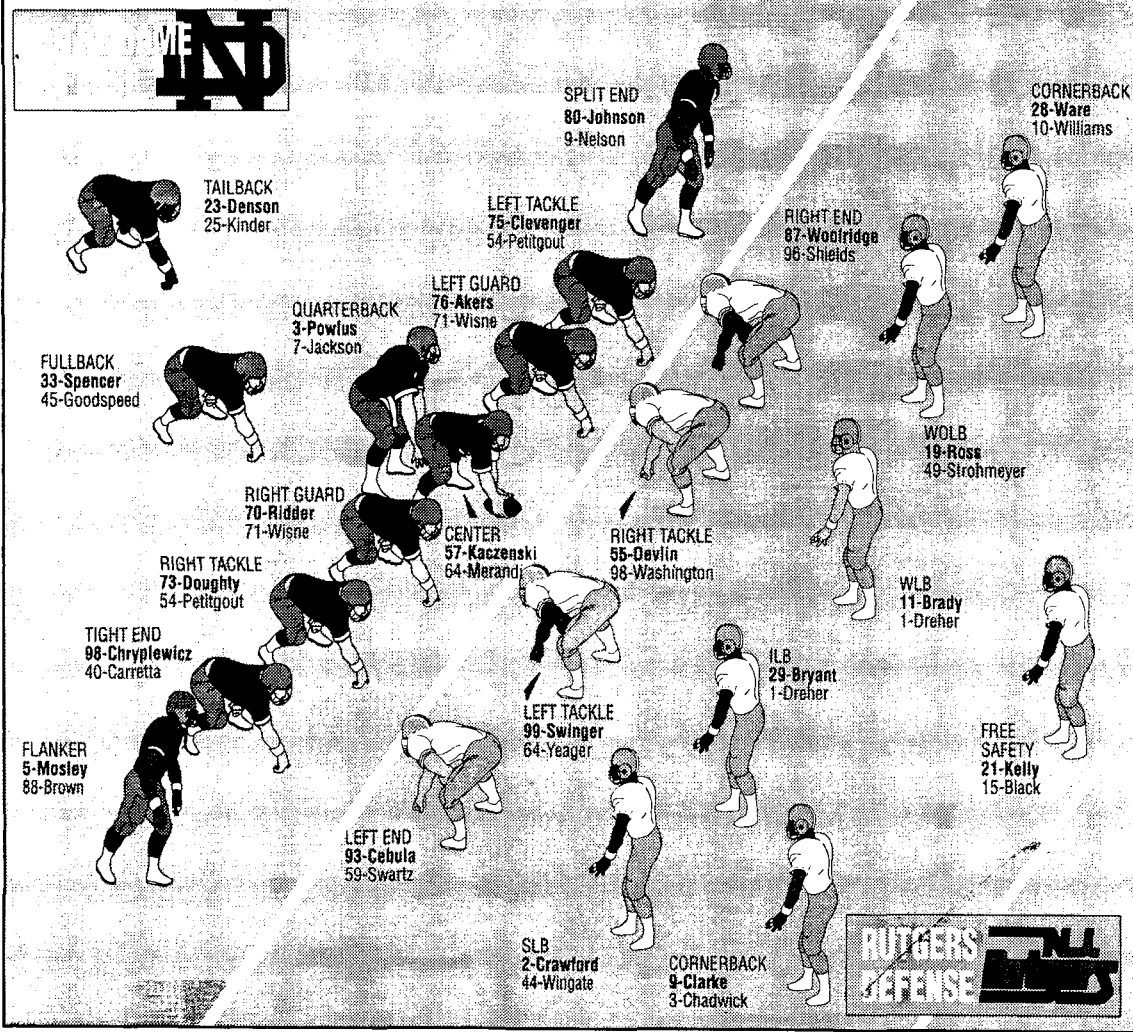
First season at Rutgers



Career record: 17-13-2
At Rutgers: 2-7
Against Notre Dame: 0-0

NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame roster table with columns: No., Name, Pos., Ht., Wt., Yr. Lists 99 players including Deke Cooper, Kinnon Tatum, Ron Powilus, etc.



RUTGERS

Rutgers roster table with columns: No., Name, Pos., Ht., Wt., Yr. Lists 99 players including Art Dreher, Norris Crawford, Cindy Crawford, etc.

Beyond the shadows

Out of the spotlight, Irish linebacker Kinnon Tatum has emerged as a star

By MIKE DAY
Assistant Sports Editor

Way out in the darkness, in an abyss beyond the shadows, lurks a truly dangerous specimen.

Without a hint of his presence, he quietly waits for his next victim. And when the moment arrives, he strikes in the blink of an eye, delivering a jarring, earth-shaking attack on the unsuspecting prey.

And with that, he quickly slips back into the shadows.

Linebacker Kinnon Tatum is not the most recognizable name on the Notre Dame defense. In fact, of the four starting linebackers, he is often lost in the shuffle, taking a back seat to the bigger names and the higher profiles.

Guys like Lyron Cobbins, Bert Berry, and Kory Minor are mentioned with the frequency of one of Tatum's bone-crushing tackles.

But it seems that no matter how many tackles he records or how many players he sends crawling to the sidelines, Tatum always manages to hide in the shadows of the more heralded Cobbins, Berry, and Minor.

"It is hard for me to explain," said defensive coordinator Bob Davie. "Cobbins has had the opportunity to get his hands on a lot of balls, so his name always comes up. Bert Berry and Kory Minor play the rush linebacker position where they can get a lot of sacks. And sacks seem to attract attention."

"But I'll say one thing. Since I've been here, I don't think a player on this team has improved more than Kinnon Tatum."

While his fellow members of the linebacker quartet, nicknamed "The Headbangers," grab all the headlines, Tatum is perfectly content with plugging along and quietly taking care of business.

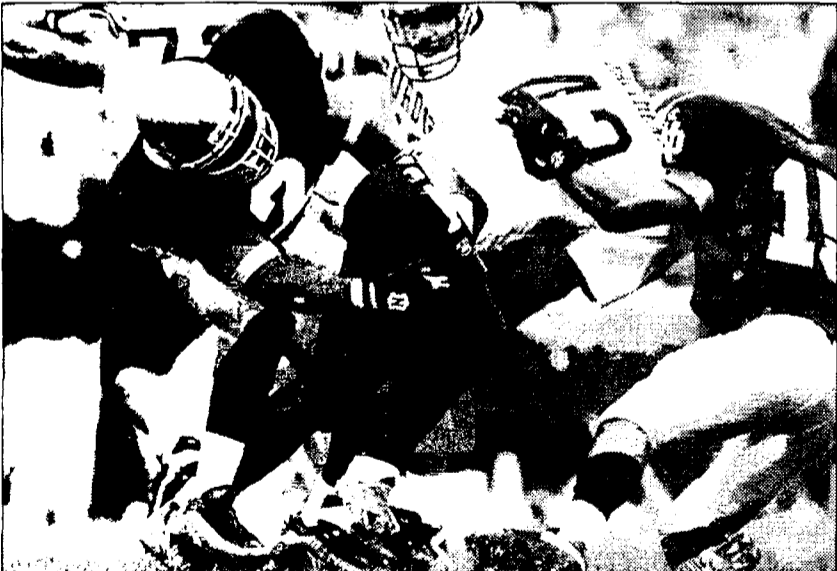
"That kind of stuff really doesn't matter to me," said Tatum. "My job is to go out and compete to the best of my ability. I know the rest will just take care of itself."

Even though the fans and media may lose sight of what Tatum has accomplished in two years as a starter, his teammates and coaches are first in line to acknowledge what the senior middle linebacker means to the Irish defense.

"He is the glue of the defense," said Minor. "He makes it all go. Kinnon never misses an assignment and is always in the right place at the right time. Without him, this defense would not be what it is."

"Kinnon Tatum is absolutely dynamite," said Cobbins. "His tenacity and intensity in every game and practice is what makes him a great linebacker...And nobody hits like Kinnon Tatum."

Kinnon Tatum doesn't just tackle; he makes a statement. Any running back or receiver who plans on traveling Tatum's way is forced to think twice about it. In two years as a starter, the six foot, 224-pound mass of muscle has developed a knack of



The Observer/Rob Finch
After missing last season's contest at Purdue, Tatum responded with a team high eight tackles in a 35-0 victory over the Boilermakers.

delivering punishing blows that can be felt throughout the stadium.

"It is definitely something I take pride in," said Tatum. "I just try to give it everything I've got and never let up. If you let up, you're cheating yourself. A big hit shows that you're giving it your all and did not let up at any point in the play."

The results speak for themselves. After ranking second on the Irish in 1995 with 82 tackles, Tatum has elevated his game to another level. Referred to by many as "The Hitter," the middle linebacker leads the Irish with 68 tackles and has tallied a sack and one interception this season.

"The opportunities to make plays have been there,



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Often overshadowed by the likes of Bert Berry, Lyron Cobbins, and Kory Minor (4), linebacker Kinnon Tatum (2), also pictured here with Alton Maiden (42), quietly leads the Irish in tackles and has earned the nickname "The Hitter" for his knack of making the big hit.

and I've just tried to take advantage of them," said Tatum. "In our style of defense, the middle linebackers have to make plays, so that's what Lyron and myself have tried to do."

Playing in the shadows is nothing new to Tatum. As a defensive back out of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Tatum followed in the footsteps of current NFL standouts Donnell Woolford of the Chicago Bears and Brad Edwards of the Washington Redskins.

"There's always been someone ahead of me who sort of set the standard for me to reach," said Tatum. "I've never tried to be anyone else. I just want to be myself and reach the goals that I set out to accomplish."

Recruited as a safety, Tatum was switched to linebacker just after he arrived at Notre Dame. The switch paid immediate dividends for the Irish as Tatum started four games as a freshman when starter Jeremy Sample went down with an injury.

Following a successful freshman year, Tatum was forced to take a smaller role in 1994 with the return of Sample. Despite

the setback, Tatum did not give up and even benefited from the tutelage of Sample and fellow inside linebacker Justin Goheen.

"I had a lot of playing time for a freshman, so it was a pretty frustrating sophomore year. I learned a lot though, and I never gave up. I think that the experience benefited me in the long run."

As starters over the last two years, "The Headbangers" have formed a close-knit group, feeding off each other's success. And by banging the most heads on the football field, "The Hitter" does not take a back seat to anyone.

"I can't begin to describe how much he

means to this defense," said Davie. "To be successful, we need Kinnon Tatum to have a big game. He disrupts a lot of things that the other offense is trying to do, and we can capitalize on that."

"He is a great player, but he is a fantastic person too," said Berry. "He's kind of a jokester, and he helps keep the guys loose. And I say this from deep down: I am a better person from knowing Kinnon Tatum."

As he prepares for his final home game this Saturday against Rutgers, Tatum realizes that it will be a moment he remembers for the rest of his life.

"It will be an emotional time for me and the rest of the seniors," said Tatum. "It's our last home game and the last home game for Coach Holtz. We want to go out giving it our best."

And with that, he slips back into the shadows again.



The Observer/Mike Ruma

The tenacious Tatum, shown here wrapping up Washington's Rashaan Shehee, has feasted on opposing running backs this season.

the weekend

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Campus Security

By LESLIE FIELD
Accent Copy Editor

Wednesday afternoon, and he's like any other options his major in Government will

Stadium in the middle of a Saturday game yellow sign that screams, "NOISE."

University of Notre Dame. Gee, a junior, has a university understudy at volleyball and soccer rolls into town.

had never lifted a pom pom in his life. "People started cutting tryout ads out. I went to the informational meeting and decided, 'Why not?'" Two years later, length of Notre Dame Stadium with a country in his wake.

football scoffs at recent concerns that people to say that Notre Dame has lost. es, has had the opportunity to compare country. "It's not that more of our fans have a feeling of pride in the tradition of Notre Dame the school."

awed junior in high school and then as he ever see himself with fifty thousand dollars? "Never, never!" he laughs. "Every time I think, 'Gosh, how did I end up here?'" and TV camera hamming for Gee, who is the rest of the cheerleading squad. "It's a lot of responsibility, but the rewards

quickly discovered, are as overwhelming. "The best part is the personal inter-act with the last person has gotten. Some have taken their life savings to the football game. If I can make it a little whatever I can."

and, and underneath the sweats you can see in the short green pants. "That's my

What are you gonna do when they come for you? Accent spoke with Rick Rakow, director of security and police, and got the answer to this and other pressing game day questions that you always wanted to ask, but couldn't.

At 5 a.m. on Saturday, security begins barricading the fields and lots in effort to get ready for the masses of people to enter Joyce South, Red West, the baseball field and the infamous RV land. They are all prepped for an onslaught of beer cans, dips and fried chicken.

By 7 a.m. everything is in place.

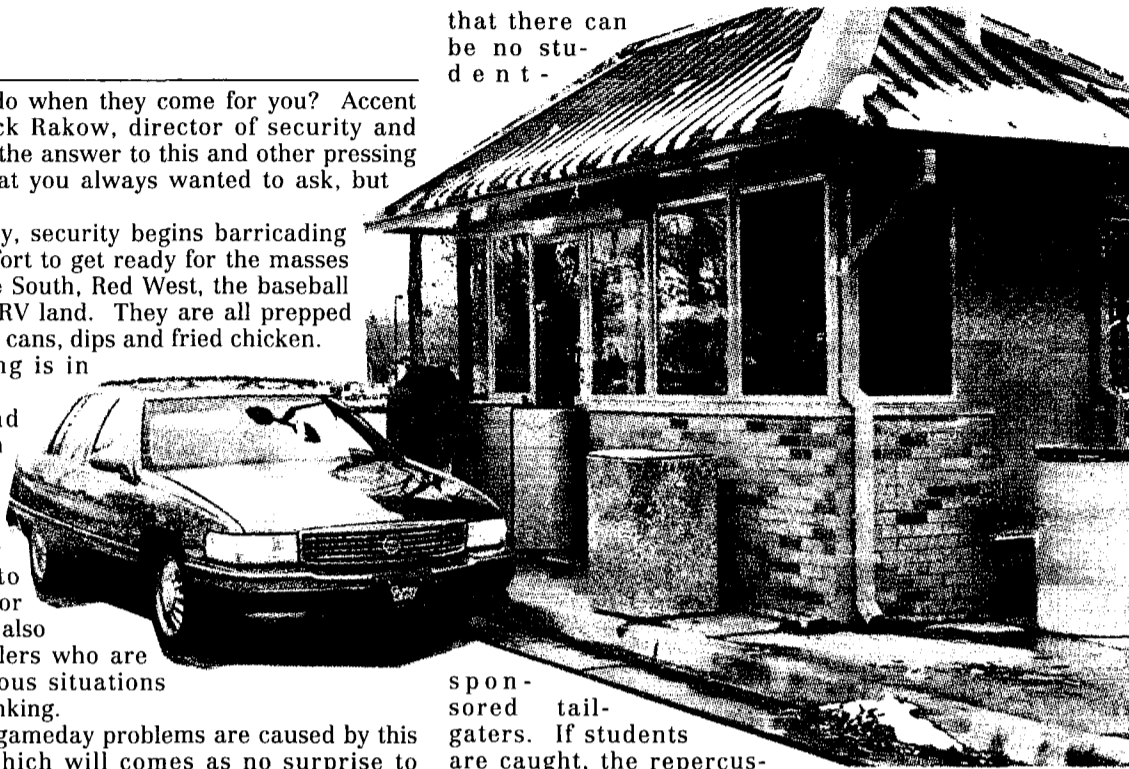
Thirty South Bend police, thirty St. Joseph county police and twenty-five private security guards are hired, working in twelve hour shifts, in addition to Notre Dame security for game days. There are also twelve mounted patrolers who are hired to react to various situations caused by excessive drinking.

Generally, the actual gameday problems are caused by this excessive drinking, which will come as no surprise to diehard Domers. However, in the past few years, incidences of drinking problems have actually been reduced. "Over the years, alcohol in the stadium has become less of a problem because students can't leave and get tanked during half time," Officer Rakow commented.

Notre Dame security has become much more aggressive over the years, according to Officer Rakow. He claims that more students are getting reported to student affairs for things like intoxication in the stands leading to poor conduct. But, Officer Rakow said, "The vast majority of people who come in are in pretty good shape. Ushers have the discretion not to let people in."

However, outside the stadium, security still warns students to follow the rules in DuLac. On page twenty two, it states

that there can be no student -



sponsored tailgaters. If students are caught, the repercussions can be anything from a hefty \$300 fine to suspension or even dismissal.

"If we see a place where there's five hundred of someone's closest friends, we're going to take a look to see who is sponsoring it and look to see if it's a student-sponsored event and make a student affairs referral," Officer Rakow said. On average, two to three arrests are made per game.

There are also many problems involving cars parked for tailgaters. They are perfect targets for theft while unassuming Irish fans are in the stands. "Some people are there to victimize others," Officer Rakow commented.

So as you enjoy Lou's final home game and your friends and family, remember that being careful and smart have to be a part of tailgating as well as the Natty Light and Bud.

Student Managers

By JOEY CRAWFORD
Accent Editor

The alarm clock flashes 6:29 a.m.; just one more minute of sleep. On football weekends, the days start early for the student managers at the University of Notre Dame. The student managers represent what being a true Notre Dame fan is all about: volunteering their lives and time for the pure love of football.

"I wanted to be part of Notre Dame athletics," explains senior head manager Kevin Haggard, who spends up to seventy hours with the football team.

As early as the days begin on Football Saturdays, those interested in joining in this group, must begin equally as early.

The process begins in the spring of freshman year. Freshmen managers work the spring practices and learn exactly what it takes to be a student manager. They learn quickly that the organization eats up a great deal of time which does not leave "a lot of time to goof around."

Sophomore year is even more tumultuous for this group of students, but this is also when the perks begin. Sophomore managers are invited to work two home football games a year. Their responsibilities become more involved as well. They work other sports: taping practices, shagging balls, writing down plays, and working closely with other coaches.

Sophomores also participate in the heralded activity of painting and buffing the legendary golden helmets of the Fighting Irish. This activity, which is just one event in a collective group called "game prep," begins early Friday

afternoon and can continue well into the night. The sophomore managers also set up the locker room the night before a home game.

The next morning, they take the field with the team and help out the coaches when they can, moving the cords that connect the field crew to the coaches' box high above the stands, tracking plays and supplying footballs when needed. At the end of the school year, each manager fills out a peer evaluation judging the other managers' performances. The top twenty are asked to come back and are involved solely with football.

The twenty junior student managers go with the team to their pre-season practices and get paid up to \$1,000 for their involvement. They help run practices and oversee the younger managers. The juniors have the opportunity to go to every game as well.

Following the rigorous season is yet another peer evaluation. Here, the twenty managers are ranked and then given the opportunity to choose what sport they want to manage the next year. The top three managers work football and the next two manage basketball. After that it's a free-for-all to pick their favorite sport.

Last year's top manager honors went to

Haggard. Now he spends almost every waking hour with the football team, making sure everyone is in the right place at the right time. He has enjoyed learning from Lou Holtz during his stint as head manager: "I've learned a lot and it's really exciting to be right there in the middle of the action." With his position comes a well deserved full-scholarship tuition, which adds to the competition.

With all of these activities, how do they find time to study? Haggard explains organization is the key.

Sometimes it may seem impossible, but it can be

done.

Joe Frericks, a sophomore manager, maintains, "If you work hard and have fun and basically enjoy what you are doing, it can be very rewarding. It makes you feel like an integral part of the University."

And what are those rewards? With all of the time they spend together, the managers became very close. "The friendships you make with the other managers is one of the great rewards of the job," explains junior Christy Grady. "They'll do anything for you. We're really close."

Being a member of the student manager organization is rigorous indeed, but the experience can be golden. They are given the opportunity to do things that other people would pay to do.



COLLEGE FOOTBALL

'Husker arrested in hit and run Old Oaken Bucket

By ED HOWARD Associated Press Writer

LINCOLN, Neb. Nebraska linebacker Terrell Farley allegedly hit two parked cars and tried to run away before he was arrested early today for the second time this year on suspicion of drunken driving.

Farley was suspended from the team and will be dropped from the squad if he is found guilty, coach Tom Osborne said in a written statement. He said the team had tested Farley for alcohol usage daily since a pre-season drunken-driving incident and Farley had tested clean.

Police chief Tom Casady said the 21-year-old senior was clocked driving 61 mph in a 35 mph zone shortly before mid-

night Wednesday. One of college football's top defensive players, Farley was booked about 1:15 a.m. on suspicion of drunken driving, refusing to take a test for alcohol levels, speeding, driving with a suspended license, leaving the scene of a property damage accident and resisting arrest.

He was released from jail about an hour later after posting \$250 bail, including \$100 in cash he provided. He is scheduled to be arraigned Dec. 9 in Lancaster County Court.

Police reports say Farley's car ran off the road, slid about 135 feet through a muddy field and then came back on the road and struck two parked vehicles. Each car had an estimated \$1,000 damage.

Casady said the 21-year-old senior did not struggle with police but tried to run away

before he was arrested. Farley pleaded guilty last month to a drunken driving charge and was suspended from the Cornhuskers' first two games. He was sentenced Oct. 25 to one year of probation and a \$200 fine for first-offense drunken driving. His license also was suspended for 60 days.

"Terrell had been receiving counseling and treatment for alcohol abuse and had been notified that any further problems in this area would result in dismissal from the team," Osborne said. "Even though he may no longer play football here at Nebraska, we will continue to support him academically and personally."

The player had been arrested Aug. 30 near the campus. Police said his blood-alcohol level was 0.177 percent.

now just pours pride

By STEVE HERMAN Associated Press Writer

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. The Old Oaken Bucket, a moss- and mold-covered Civil War relic plucked off a southern Indiana farm, is the symbol of one of college football's oldest rivalries.

This year, it also offers an opportunity for lame-duck coaches Bill Mallory and Jim Colletto to go out with a smile and at least a small measure of satisfaction.

Mallory, already assured of a second straight losing season was fired three weeks ago. Colletto, whose only winning season at Purdue resulted from a forfeit victory two years ago, cited burnout as the reason for his resignation four days after

Mallory was sacked. All that's left now is pride. "This game Saturday, you separate it from all the other games," said Mallory, who has won half of his 12 games in the annual season windup for the two schools.

"It's a big rivalry. A great part of college football is when you're involved in rivalry of this sort," Mallory said.

Colletto, whose Boilermaker teams have won two of five Old Oaken Bucket games with Indiana, reveres the bucket history as much as Mallory.

"It's been in existence for such a long time," Colletto said. "But it has some real historical value to both schools. With this long chain of gold P's and I's, it becomes a unique trophy."

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■ SAINT MARY'S BASKETBALL

Belles under new leadership

By COURTNEY REAGEN
Sports Writer



The Observer/Kim Michalik

St. Mary's will count on a blend of youth and experience for success.

To follow in the footsteps of a legend such as former basketball coach Marvin Wood, is not an easy task. However, Saint Mary's new head basketball coach, David Roeder, is striving hard to create his own footsteps. As of this moment, Roeder has the Saint Mary's basketball team hard at work preparing for the opening of their season. The Belles tip off the year this week-end under the supervision of their new coach in a tournament hosted by Kalamazoo College.

Saint Mary's ended last season with a record of 7-15, but that does not keep Roeder from having a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards his team.

He stressed that the Belles strengths are, "perimeter shooting, quickness, hustle and desire" and will serve as a threat to any opposing teams.

With the strong talent Saint Mary's possesses on their team they are bound to dominate. Coach Roeder explained that he expects key playing time from Darcy Nikes. Nikes is a 5'4 guard and will lead the team at point guard this season.

He will also look to Sheila Sandine, a 6'1 forward who holds the title of the top returning scorer.

Another valued Belle is the sole senior on the team, Marianne Banko. Banko is a returning starter, however, she is presently battling a day to day foot injury.

According to Roeder the rest of the starting lineup will consist of Nicole Giffin, and Brenda Hoban, 5'8 guard/forward.

The Belles will, unfortunately, be missing Charlotte Albrecht, a 6'0 forward/center from Aberdeen, SO due to an ankle injury that will keep her out until December and Julie McGillis who is abroad until

January.

When Nicole Giffin was asked about having a new head coach she responded positively.

"He has brought a new intensity to our program. He has been working us very hard and has taught us a lot of things in a small amount of time."

Saint Mary's will travel to Kalamazoo Friday where they will first battle Alma College at 8:00 p.m.

On Saturday the Belles will then face the Kalamazoo Hornets. Roeder stated that, "both teams will pose as a real challenge for us." Giffin agrees and remarked that playing Alma will let Saint Mary's know where they stand. "They will be good but if we execute then

we will give them a run for their money." Giffin's last words concerning both Alma and Kalamazoo—"We're ready!"

Brenda Hoban is excited for all of that hard work to pay off. She exclaimed that the Belles were ready to start and find out how they can compete



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■ SAINT MARY'S SWIMMING

Swimmers looking to earn individual honors

By DEBRA DIEMER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's Belles travel to Olivet College in the double dual swim meet Wednesday, however they chalked up a loss to Albion College.

As the Belles had predicted, they dominated the waters against the smaller of the teams.

The three schools met earlier this season in an invitational and the results remained the same.

The Belles, with only seven swimmers competing, placed at least one swimmer in most of the events. But, each swimmer dominating their event wasn't enough to beat Albion. On the other hand, the Belles proved unbeatable to Olivet.

It has been a slow season, but the Belles record doesn't show all of the teams accomplishments in such a short time. The swimmers' devotion has contributed to seconds shaved off times and broken school records.

More improvement is expected to come.

Again, junior Allison Smith placed first in the 1000

freestyle. Smith's work has paid off this season as she continues to dominate the event meet after meet.

With only seven swimmers on the team, everyone is expected to do their share. The Belles freshmen, Nancy Midden, Michelle Samreta, and Laurie Healy have stepped up to the collegiate competition creating success for the team.

"Wednesday night went really well. Our win over Olivet was the first of the season. Everyone is ready to work harder in order to create more wins," said Midden.

The Belles expect more time in the pool will help improve their record. Yet, the record is not the main focus this season. Coach Angela Addington is focused more on individual improvement for the team.

"I think that we are doing well. We only had seven swimmers competing last night against Albion, a team with 25 members.

"We don't have the depth in numbers, but we have one strong swimmer in each event and we count on them for the points," expressed junior Natasha Mitchener.

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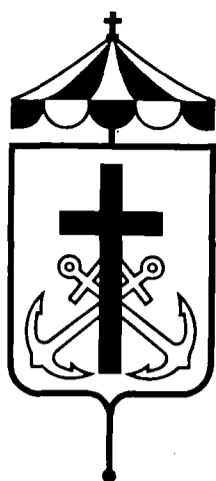
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■ INTERHALL FOOTBALL

Interhall championship to be end of several eras

By ADRIAN WILKERSON
Sports Writer

An emotion-filled weekend is on tap at Notre Dame Stadium. Two eras will be coming to an end. Of course there is the obvious one, but this Sunday will mark Flanner Hall's last football game. All that stands between Flanner and the perfect ending is the Off-Campus Crime.

Quarterbacks: Even

The finals will pit two of the most impressive quarterbacks in the league. The Crime's Scott Lupo and the 'Cock's Mike Daigler are both dangerous runners and passers. Lupo has been successful in eluding the pass rush with impressive scrambling ability.

In fact, in last Sunday's game against Sorin, Lupo had most of the Crime's rushing yardage. Daigler, while an impressive scrambler in his own right, is the more accomplished passer of the two. His composure in the pocket and keen field sense have allowed him to throw in tight coverage situations.

Whoever plays the most up to his abilities this Sunday will be able to determine the tempo of the game.

Running Backs: Even

Running backs will be another key matchup in determining a champion this Sunday. Both teams have run over their opposition in the course of the playoffs.

Flanner's Drew Klosterman and Erik Himan will anchor a running game that dismantled

the tough Zahm defensive line, and broke through Fisher's defenses.

Off-Campus has pretty much destroyed any run defense, including Flanner's in a game earlier this season. The running corps that puts up big yardage early will definitely have an advantage later in the game.

Receivers: Edge Flanner

This is an area in which Flanner clearly dominates Off-Campus. The Gamecocks' receiving corps has been vital to Flanner's postseason success.

The Crime's receivers have shown promise in key game situations, but the Off-Campus offensive plan has limited the action they have been involved in. If Flanner can outmaneuver the Crime's secondary, it could be the 'Cocks in a surprise.

Offensive Line: Edge Flanner

This has been a category won through experience, not just mere talent. On the surface, both teams have impressive offensive lines. However, Flanner has routinely put down the best defenses in the league in the postseason.

The Gamecocks line has stopped the potent Zahm line cold and surprised a Fisher defensive line that silenced the Alumni running game.

Defensive Line: Edge Off-Campus

The Crime's defensive line has been impressive throughout the season, only cracking once in the team's loss to Morrissey. This is the line that had shut down the Flanner running

game earlier in the season. If Off-Campus can do the same, the improved Flanner running game will be in deep trouble.

Linebackers: Edge Flanner

The linebacking corps of Flanner is the best in the league, period. Brett Galley, Robert Miakawya, and Steve Walter have limited most of the offensive output by normally productive opponents. They will be in charge of preventing most of the Crime's most significant offensive gain's this Sunday. If they are effective, Off-Campus may have a tough time putting points on the board.

Secondary: Edge Off-Campus

Again, it is experience that points the way to the better defensive backfield. Off-Campus did a remarkable job in eliminating the dangerous Sorin

passing game in the semifinals.

They will face a similar passing style this weekend as Flanner signal caller, Daigler can effectively throw in heavy traffic. If the Off-Campus backfield can remain alert, they can shut down a good portion of the Flanner offense.

Special Teams: Edge Flanner

While not as important to the interhall game as in other football leagues, special teams could be an important aspect this Sunday. Flanner's unit has consistently outplayed and outkicked the Off-Campus special team unit. So in a one or two point game, it would be advantage Flanner.

Intangibles: Even

Quite a few things are on the line this Sunday, besides this year's interhall football championship. For Flanner it is the

hall's last game before splitting into Siegfried and Knott. What better way to close out the hall's history with a championship? This game is also the 'Cock's chance to exact revenge on the Crime for an earlier loss this season. This game could also be redemption for last year's heartbreaking championship game.

Off-Campus is playing for most of the same reasons as Flanner. Most of the Off-Campus team are members of last year's Flanner team and also remember well the disappointment of last season.

This game could also serve as the Crime's crowning achievement in a season they have dominated. Both teams will definitely playing their hearts out in the last game of the original stadium.

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■ VOLLEYBALL

Setters hope to maintain domination, perfection

By JOE CAVATO
Sports Writer

When one thinks of the Notre Dame volleyball team and the Big East conference, two words come to mind, dominance and perfection.

They also hope to dominate the Big East banquet as junior Jaimie Lee and freshman Mary Leffers are up for conference player of the year and rookie of the year, respectively.

Lee has been a key element this year as she played setter with the injury to Carey May. Leffers has been dominating at the net with her 6-4 frame. Senior captain Jenny Birkner won the Big East player of 1995.

Since joining the conference last season the setters are 22-0 which includes two perfect regular seasons and one tournament championship. They will be looking for their second consecutive tournament championship this weekend in Pittsburgh for the Big East tournament.

Villanova and the host Panthers are the only teams in the conference that have managed to take games from the Irish. Thus, the Domers are clearly the class of the conference but they have yet to hit their stride as they are without services of hitter Angie Harris and blocker Jen Rouse.

"I think we're still playing below potential," senior hitter Jen Briggs commented. "We have the capacity to beat them (the Big East) so it shouldn't be a struggle if we play our game. We have a lot more talent than they do."

"It definitely wasn't real competitive though the teams are getting better," commented Brown.

"It would be nice to be in a tougher conference," commented freshman Mandi Powell. "But since it's not we always know that we have a really good chance to be in the (NCAA) tournament and that's a positive."

So this weekend will provide the Irish with a chance to just worry about things on their side of the net as they are in yet another transition. Besides the injuries, Brown has switched hitters Briggs and junior Jamie Lee. Brown is also hoping that Lee will be at 100 percent as she spent some of yesterday at the infirmary.

But dealing with adversity and adjustments is nothing new for Brown's squad as they have been shaken up all season but their plethora of talent has been

essential.

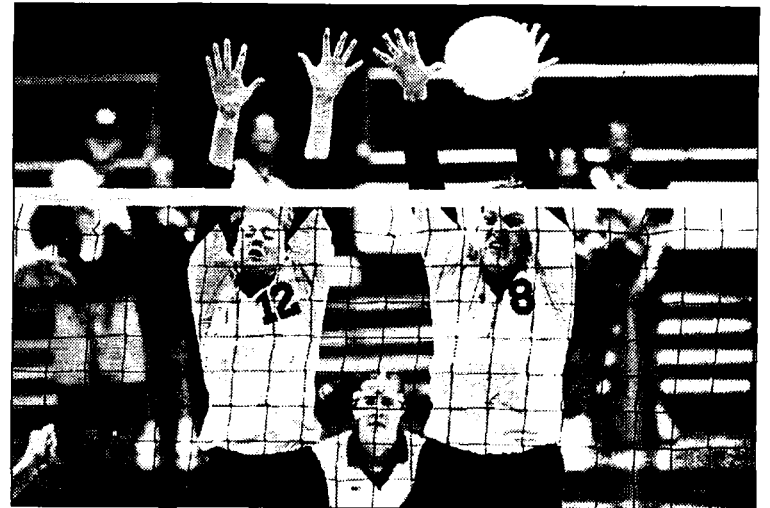
"I think that depth was one of our strengths heading into the season," Briggs explained. "We have had so many hurdles since the beginning of the season this is just one more thing we need to get through."

Sophomore Lindsay Treadwell, Briggs and Powell have combined to fill in for Rouse and Harris. Briggs and Powell have done the job as they each took a turn in throbbing Connecticut and St. John's last weekend while Treadwell has provided consistent offense from the frontline.

"Mandi has been doing a great job and I have a lot of confidence in Mandi," Brown expressed. "She's a very good passer and I think her hitting has improved since earlier in the year."

One of the six-footer's best assets is her ability to come off the bench, prepared for action at any instant as Briggs explains.

"What I admire about her is that she can go in as a freshman at a crucial moments and just play. She doesn't get rattled



The Observer/Rob Finch

Jenny Birkner (12) and Mary Leffers look to clinch a NCAA birth.

and is very dependable which is kind of hard to come by in a freshman. She's been really important this year."

Brown echoed these sentiments saying, "It's good to have her on the bench knowing that I can substitute her in any situation she's very solid."

Powell spoke about her chance to contribute. "Being a

freshman I didn't expect to get very much playing time if any at all. So, I am very excited that I am in this position even though it is because of injuries. It's a good time for me to prove myself."

Powell and the rest of the squad will get their chance to continue their dominance and perfection this weekend.

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■ HOCKEY

Irish Icers seek consistency

By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

A storyline for a typical Notre Dame hockey game would go something like this: in the first period, play very sluggishly and spot the opposing team a lead; in the second period, start to come around and play a little more aggressively; in the third period, realize that the game is on the line and play extremely intensely.

Sometimes this formula has worked for the Irish, as it did against Bowling Green earlier in the season. Sometimes it does not work, as it failed against Ferris State last Friday.

In any event, playing consistently at a high level will be the main focus for the Boys of Winter when they hit the road this weekend to take on Bowling Green and Miami of Ohio in Central Collegiate Hockey League action.

The Irish have already skated with each of these teams. On October 26, the Irish dropped a heartbreaker to Miami, 2-1, after Miami scored twice in the first two minutes of the third period. On November 2, Notre Dame won a wild, 7-5, shootout in which the lead changed hands three times in the third period.

A strong start seems to be

slipping out of the Irish's hands. They are in the midst of a losing streak, having dropped five of the past six games.

"It's the mistakes that we repeatedly make," said Coach Dave Poulin. "That worries me the most. We have to stop playing in bursts. We need to dominate the game for longer stretches."

What did Poulin say to his team this week?

"Basically that he needed more out of us," stated junior captain Steve Noble. "He said that we need to dominate the game for 60 minutes and that we need to play a full game."

Consistency is indeed what



The Observer/Jed Donahue

Poulin's squad is looking to put together a solid 60 minutes.

this young team seeks. To accomplish this, the Irish "returned to the fundamentals this week in practice," said freshman center Ben Simon. "We worked on our stops and starts in skating and just went over the basics."

"We also made a few minor, technical changes on the power play," stated Noble.

A big piece in this consistency puzzle lies in the players' mental states. "I think that a lot of it is psychological," agreed Noble. "Everyone just needs to come mentally prepared to

play. We also need to be a little more aggressive out there, but again, a lot of that is mental."

"Guys need to show up to play, that's all," said Simon.

This is a critical weekend for the hockey team, with four points in the CCHA standings hanging in the balance.

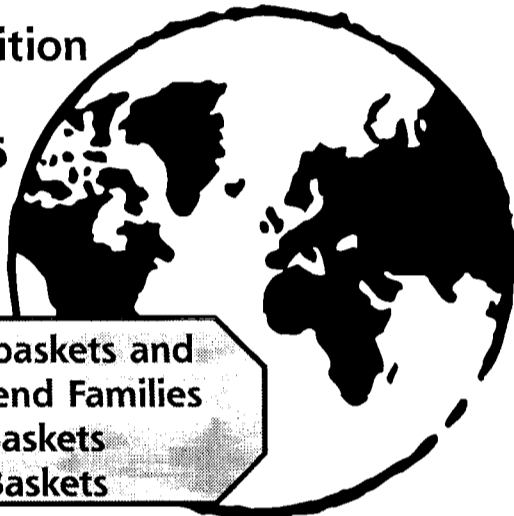
"We'd obviously love to win both games," said sophomore defenseman Benoit Cotnoir, "but we'd be happy with a split."

The future looks very bright, but now they need to play consistently smart and intensely.

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coach John MacLeod appraised. "We've gained a great deal of experience; we've learned that this team has excellent chemistry and a feel for each other, and that they care for each other which goes a long way in really performing like a team."

"Of all the games, this is a team game, and the better the team plays, the more unselfish they are and the more times the ball goes to the open man. The more times you help your teammate when he's in trouble, that embodies team play."

"That's what this team does." Senior center Matt Gotsch, slated to start in this Sunday's season opener against Monmouth, is pleased with the change from last season to the present.

"With four seniors returning, we have a lot of people who are leaders. It's also going to help this year that our offense isn't going to have a single focus on one guy; we're going to play much more as a team," Gotsch predicted.

The difference between the two seasons may be in a single position change: from Doug Gottlieb to Admore White at point guard.

"Admore is doing a great job thus far, he's really getting everyone on the floor involved in the offense. Losing Doug is not a problem; there's a much better team attitude this season," the center said.

The starting back court will feature White at the point and fellow senior Pete Miller at shooting guard.

Miller returned to the squad earlier this year after receiving a scholarship formerly held by Keith Kurowski, who was forced to leave the squad due to medical problems.

The two-guard's main weapon is not offensive prowess, but tight defense. He also moves well without the ball, forcing opponents to stay

which prevents double-teaming inside.

"Pete Miller is a special player. He puts it all on the court, stays focused, and is a true competitor," MacLeod said.

Joining Gotsch in the back-court are juniors Pat Garrity and Derek Manner. Garrity has been the focal point on offense for the Irish the past two seasons. Despite drawing regular double-teams, the power forward puts points on the board consistently.

"Pat is a natural scorer," Gotsch said. "He's still going to score a lot of points, but he plays team ball and is unselfish. We're still going to look to him to score, and he's going to look to us to help him out."

Part of helping out Garrity will be to prevent him from having to face multiple defenders with regularity.

The Irish will run a motion offense again this season which hopefully will force opponents to respect Garrity's ability to feed the open man cutting into the lane.

"We want Garrity to score, but we want others to score, too. The best offense is a balanced attack," MacLeod offered.

Manner's role at small forward will include both having to defend several conference athletes while trying to spark the offense and keep the focus off Garrity.

He will split time at the position with sophomore Gary Bell, sidelined at the present time with a sprained ankle.

"We had Gary Bell slated into a starting spot until he sprained his ankle; he's been out for four weeks now, and he's just started doing some limited running. It's hard to say when he'll be back," MacLeod said.

The freshmen are also expected to see playing time this season. The most likely candidates are Keith Friel at point guard and David Lalazarian at small forward.

Both have the ability to put

points on the board, and will have to play bigger roles due to injuries and lack of experienced depth at their respective positions.

MacLeod wants to put a strong emphasis on smart decisions on the court.

"One of the big keys (we've concentrated on) is putting a value on the basketball," MacLeod explained.

"We want to remember how important (the ball) is, and not just crank a 20-footer or throw an errant pass. We have a long way to go, but we're learning."

The schedule features non-

conference opponents before the new year, with the exception of a game at Providence in early December.

Although the talent level of the team is still below the powerhouses of the conference, the team has gotten more physical and is counting on experience to help them through.

The game against Monmouth may be an interesting contest. The squad returns four starters from a 20-10 record last year. Although Monmouth advanced to the NCAA tournament last season, earning a bid after win-

ning the Northeast Conference, they do not feature height or size.

"They play a zone offense, and we think we can capitalize on some holes to get our scoring going."

Notre Dame must implement and adhere to a game plan, especially for their first game of the regular season, to open the schedule with a win.

"This is the hardest working group we've had since '91-'92," MacLeod judged.

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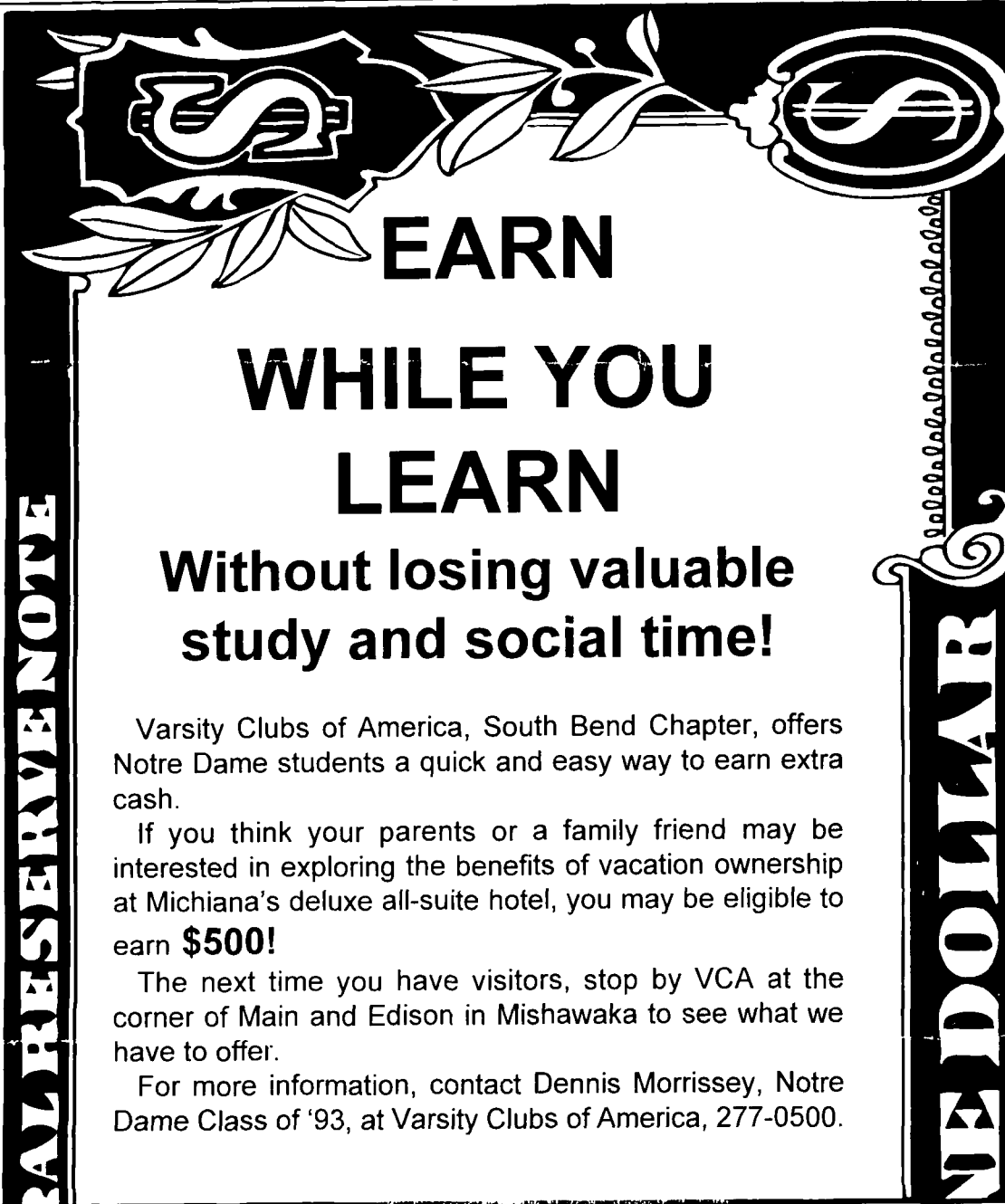
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of competition," said senior captain Cindy Daws about this weekend's contest.

Both teams have matured since their first encounter this season. The Badgers suffered a

couple of tough losses this season. They succumbed to North Carolina and just a couple of weeks ago, the Badgers lost to University of Indiana in the Big Ten championships.

"One of the things that we have improved on is maturity," said Wisconsin head coach Dean Duerst. "We have lost some games since we first

played them. We had a loss to North Carolina and to the University of Indiana loss. The losses taught us that we are human. These losses give us a chance to go in with a great attitude and upset them."

Wisconsin will provide a challenge for Notre Dame, just like they did in September. The Badgers feel that they are ready for the Irish, and they have been preparing for them all week.

"The key is to shut down the attack," said Duerst about his team's game plan. "In order to do that we have to stop play, challenge everything that they serve into the box. It will take a great defensive effort from us."

The key for the Irish will be to maintain the style that has gotten them this far. "We are a lot better at scoring goals," said Petrucelli about the difference in the squad now compared to earlier in the season. "In that game we had a lot of chances that we did not finish. Now we can finish them."

"Physicalness will be a big key," said sophomore Shannon Boxx about the keys to a victory. "We need to go out there and work hard and get it done."

In postseason play, the team has seen the reserves take an increased role in the offensive



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Coach Petrucelli prepares his squad for their drive to the title.



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Shannon Boxx will be key in what promises to be a physical contest.

and defensive games. Freshman Jenny Heft has sparked the offense in the past two postseason games. In the last game against Villanova, Heft registered a hat trick. She is only the second player in Notre Dame history to accomplish such a feat.

"We've got a twelfth starter in Jenny," said Petrucelli. "She gives us a different look, because she is faster than any other forward, that makes her speed a threat."

Sophomore Laura Vanderberg

has also sparked the Irish offense. She provide strength on the wing, with her speed and her skills.

"Not everybody can play a 100%," said Daws. "Laura's speed and one-on-one made a big impact."

By defeating the Badgers, the Irish will be one step closer to Santa Clara and reclaiming the National Championship.

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knocked down a hook shot to tie the score. The play sparked a 15-6 Irish run, and suddenly the Irish were nine. Notre Dame frosted the cake by hitting nine of 11 free throws in the second half

"We proved that we're capable of beating the top-ranked teams," Gaither insisted. "Coach McGraw just put us in the right mind frame, but we can still improve."

"We upset two ranked teams this week, so we feel pretty good about the start to our season," MacGraw said.

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earned Notre Dame its third invitation to the "Big Dance" in the last four years.

"We kind of dipped a little bit at the end of the season," acknowledged captain Tony Capasso.

"We've had some ups and downs," agreed Irish head coach Mike Berticelli. "A couple of losses can (often) bring you together (as a team)."

The Irish certainly are together at this point in time, as they find themselves in the midst of a three-game winning streak, just three wins away from a trip to the Final Four in Richmond, VA.

Notre Dame's first tournament challenge is a big one. On Sunday, the Irish will find themselves in Greensboro, N.C. facing the No. 3 seed Spartans. The matchup is an intriguing one, regardless of the fact that UNC-Greensboro is actually the second-ranked team in the country, and that they own the best regular season record in Division I at 21-1.

For Berticelli, the trip to Greensboro represents a return to the campus he called home in 1982 and 1983 when he coached the Spartans to back-

to-back Division III championships.

When asked if there would be any extra significance if he were to beat Greensboro on Sunday, Berticelli replied, "Anything like that would be selfish on my part. I want to win, but I don't care who it's against. It was also 13 years ago. It's not like I'm returning to face them after two years."

The Irish coach is definitely right about one thing. He is not facing the 1985 UNC-Greensboro Spartans.

In fact, Greensboro will be the highest ranked opponent that the Irish have faced this

season. In previous matchups with Top 10 opponents, Notre Dame is 1-1-1. They split a pair of games with Rutgers, taking the all-important Big East Championship game after dropping a late-season decision in New Jersey.

The other big showdown took place way back on September 7, when the Irish surprised the Red Storm of St. John's, who were ranked No. 6 at the time, by holding them scoreless for the ninety minutes of regulation play.

The Irish were still full of surprises though and ran out

a 2-1 lead in overtime. St. John's was able to salvage the tie though, on a fluke goal with less than 10 seconds remaining.

The team knows that this weekend's game will not be easy.

But that's no excuse for the Irish to back down now. Just ask Capasso.

"I think it's easy not be satisfied (with just the Big East Championship)," explained the senior midfielder.

"It's not going to mean all that much if we go out in the first round."

If Capasso's attitude is an accurate reflection of the rest of the team's mindset heading into

the big contest, then the Irish will be in it to the very end.

If they can take their "one game at a time" philosophy, and alter it just a bit, it would not be surprising to see the Blue and Gold prevail, one play at a time.

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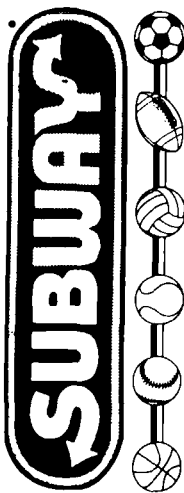
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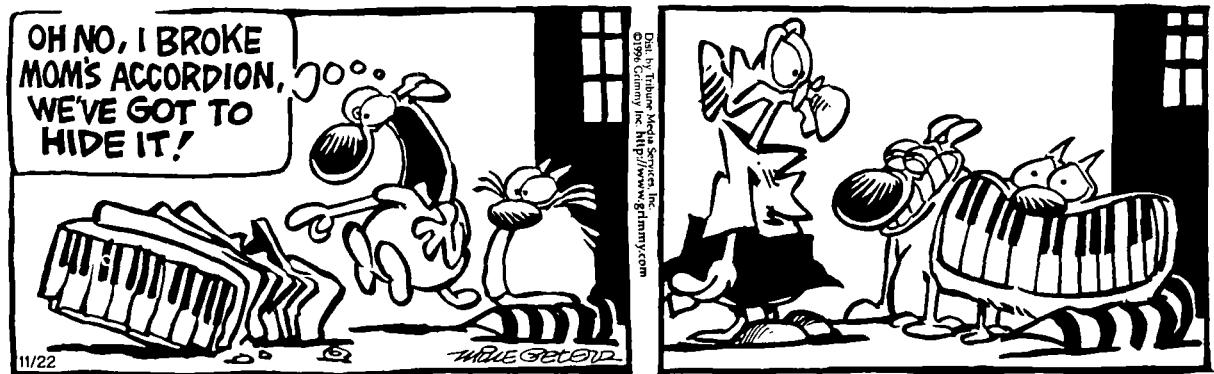
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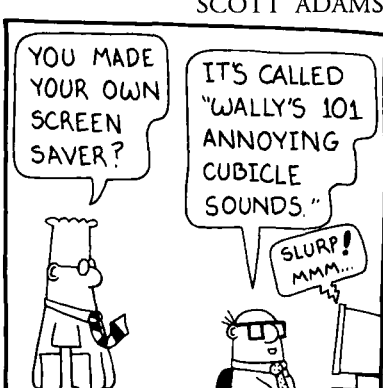
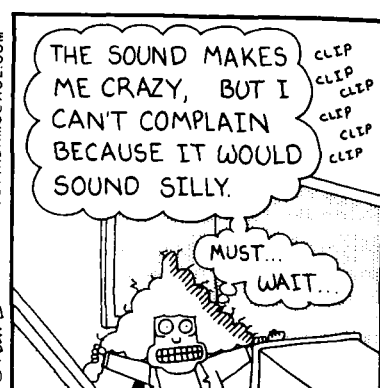


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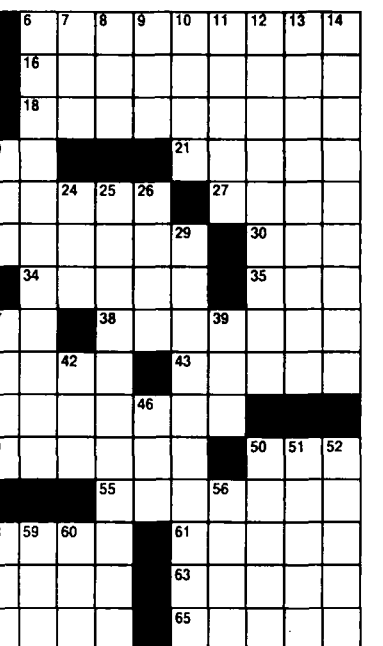
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BASKETBALL

Irish Hoopsters looking to build on preseason Men hope to progress in conference

By DAVE TREACY
Associate Sports Editor

The men's basketball team is going to try something new this season; implementing a plan that may actually help them win a few more games on a rough schedule, including a stretch of 17 straight against Big East opponents.

They're going to attempt to play as a team.

Players and coaches alike have emphatically expressed confidence that, unlike last year's squad, the Irish will be a more cohesive unit, working together for success. Leadership on the team should be a major bonus as four seniors return, as should a year of experience for all returnees playing against Big East competition.

The preseason began rather ominously as the Irish struggled in their first exhibition game against Northwest Basketball Camps, winning 80-78 in overtime. Australia's Junior National team did not encounter the same Irish squad six days later, and received a 105-75 beating that allowed Notre Dame to open the offensive floodgates.

"We've gained a great deal from this preseason," head



The Observer/Rob Finch

Pat Garrity hopes the Big East is kinder the second time around.

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Women's squad jumps out of blocks in WNIT

By T. RYAN KENNEDY
Sports Writer

Before the season began, Coach Muffet McGraw promised that her team would take each game one at a time. It is a common phrase often used carelessly in today's sports lingo, but it is one which the Notre Dame women have adhered to.

After a tough 72-59 loss to the fourth-ranked Tennessee Tuesday night, the Irish rebounded to hammer eighth-ranked North Carolina State, 64-53, on Wednesday in the consolation game of the Preseason WNIT.

The 14th-ranked Irish (3-1) have already victimized two top-10 teams in three games, doubling the number of victories over top-10 opponents in the program's history (4). Notre Dame thrashed sixth-ranked Iowa last Sunday to open the season, and should catapult even higher into the polls next week.

All-American Katryna Gaither has yet to slow down her torrid scoring

pace, as the senior poured in a game-high 24 points and pulled down 10 rebounds. She registered her second double-double of the season and reached the 20-point mark for the fourth straight game.

"People look for me to score and otherwise don't pass the ball," quipped Gaither, who, like her teammates, had just returned from the six-day trip.

"We cannot dwell on our accidents or our mistakes. We can either learn from them or suffer from them. We prefer learn from them and move on."

Gaither wasn't the only one who dictated the outcome of this game. The Irish left the Wolfpack in shell-shock with their best shooting display of the year (56.5 percent), including a dazzling 7-for-8 performance by Rosanne Bohman who finished with 15 points.

Bohman also ignited one of the night's key plays. With her team trailing 39-37 and over 12 minutes remaining, the senior

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SOCCER

Kickers hope to continue drive in postseason Badgers next on Champs' list

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A sequel is in the making for the Wisconsin Badgers. The Badgers are finding themselves in the same predicament as they did last year. In their fourth consecutive NCAA bid, they will once again meet a hot Irish team in the second round for the second year in a row. Last year, Notre Dame dismissed Wisconsin, 5-0.

"I'm sure they are coming in hungry," said Irish head coach Chris

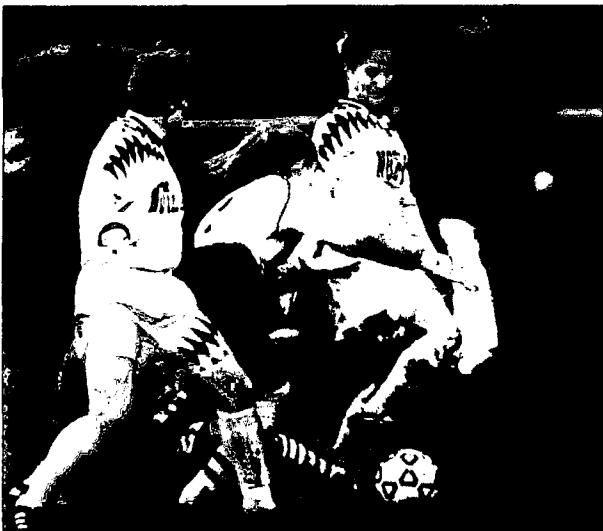
Petrucelli, "But so are we."

Earlier this season, the two teams met in a heated battle. It was a physical matchup with lots of fouls. The Badger offense would not allow themselves to be silenced, and constantly plagued the Irish defense. Notre Dame's defense has been the foundation for the team, and held their ground in the contest. The Badgers could not shutdown the Irish attack, and the Irish come out victorious, 3-1.

"They are physical team," said Petrucelli about Wisconsin. "Also they are an athletic team. In our last game, their idea was to disrupt our rhythm by fouling."

The team is ready for a physical game after playing the University of Indiana, last weekend. The Irish managed to weather the blows of the Hoosiers, and hold on for the 8-1 victory. The game was highlighted by the large number of fouls called, and Irish junior Holly Manthei received a yellow card, along with a Hoosier player.

"It is a game we will enjoy because of the level



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Wisconsin will have their hands full with Cindy Daws.

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Men ready to take next step

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One game at a time.

That has been the philosophy of the men's soccer team from the outset of the 1996 campaign. So far, all that their simple approach has gotten them is a 10-6-2 regular season record, a third place finish in the conference standings, a Big East post-season championship, and a berth in the NCAA tournament.

Not bad for a squad that suffered multiple injuries to key players and was forced to rely on the services a large number of freshmen and sophomores from the opening game of the

year to the regular season finale.

It seems that ever since the Irish began the season with a conference win on the road at Providence (whereas last year's team was winless away from home), they have been able to pick their spots and step up their level of play whenever they need it most.

This ability was clearly displayed when Notre Dame dropped four of its final five games of the season, including three losses against conference foes, only to come roaring back to tear through the competition in the Big East Championship tournament. Their performance at Rutgers last weekend

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Captain Tony Capasso hopes to fend off the second ranked team in the nation.

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