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HALL PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL

Council passes constitutional amendments

By SEAN SMITH
News Writer

University of Notre Dame students are now one step closer to owning a reformed student constitution.

Following a short debate last night, the Hall Presidents' Council overwhelmingly approved the Student Senate reform committee's proposed changes to the current constitutional document.

"This [reformation] is something that a lot of people have put a lot of work into, and it is complete, thorough, and allows us to do things better," said Brendan Kelly, head of the reform committee.

The outcome of HPC's vote was not surprising, resulting from the reform committee's effective presentation of the proposed changes to the council

last week. In the end, 22 dorms voted to accept the changes. Sorin and Carroll rejected the reforms, Alumni and Flanner abstained, and Keough was not represented.

"We [HPC] were very well represented and agreed with the changes," said Mark Fennell, co-president of Keenan Hall and member of the reform committee. The reform committee's proposed changes, however, did not go entirely unopposed. Mike Tobin, co-chair of HPC and off-campus representative, expressed concern over HPC's future role in approving amendments to the constitution.

"Basically this document allows HPC to do what it does best," Kelly replied.

As the current constitution demands now, all amendments must be approved by both HPC and Student Senate before going to the desk of the

vice president of Student Affairs. Under Article 10 of the new constitution, however, amendments would be approved only by Student Senate, and not HPC.

"It's good to take a lot of busy work out of HPC, but an amendment is a different circumstance," said Bill Briggs, co-president of Keenan Hall.

The debate did not last long, however, as the room was cleared of all non-HPC members and voting commenced. The general consensus among HPC members was that student senators would be in more contact with their constituents in the future and thus could adequately represent the views of the campus.

"One thing that we did maintain in this document was HPC's autonomy,"



The Observer/Joe Stark
Brendan Kelly, chair of the reform committee, explained the proposed constitutional changes to the HPC before they voted.

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WEDNESDAY FEATURE

Prof's approach impacts students

SMC's Claude Renshaw tours and teaches

By ALYSSON COOK
Saint Mary's Assistant News Editor

Claude Renshaw, Saint Mary's professor of business administration and economics, has an office with a couch, a chair, and an immediately comfortable atmosphere.

That's not all.

A personable man with a sturdy handshake, Renshaw's window is a collage of exotic stamps from all corners of the world. His office reflects his own character. It houses a new bumper sticker collection and an autographed photo of Newt Gingrich.

A map of London's Underground, acquired during Renshaw's 1987 sabbatical in London, engulfs one wall. A bookshelf with family photos and black and white prints of the Tower of London, Saint Paul's Cathedral, and Westminster



Courtesy of Tiffany Bowman
Over Christmas break, Saint Mary's professor Claude Renshaw toured London with a dozen students. Above, members of the group are pictured at Victoria Station.

Abbey adorn the opposite wall.

"I love London and Washington D.C., and I know the two cities well," said Renshaw. Three years ago, Renshaw decided to take a group of students to Washington D.C. During Fall Break of 1994, he took students from Saint Mary's to the nation's capital for the first time.

"We organized the trip through the Republican Club to go to D.C.," said Renshaw. "The whole idea was to show everyone around and maybe meet a few politicians."

A trip to Washington was only the beginning. During this past Christmas break, Professor Renshaw and his wife chaperoned a week-long

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Malloy to serve as club trustee

Special to The Observer

Father Edward Malloy, president of the University of Notre Dame, has been elected to the National Board of Trustees of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

As a national trustee, Malloy will help generate support for the B&GCA's annual campaign, which supports programs and services provided by the national organization to local clubs and communities.



Malloy

Now in his tenth year as Notre Dame's president, Malloy is a national leader in efforts to assist America's young people. He is a member of the National Committee on Higher Education and the Health of Youth, a new organization funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and he chairs the Education and Training Committee of the AmeriCorps and National Civilian Community Corps Advisory Board. He also chairs the Indiana Commission on Community Service, which oversees state implementation

of the national service program.

The Boys Club, first established in 1860, changed its name in 1990 to Boys & Girls Clubs of America. With 1,976 clubs nationwide, B&GCA provides guidance-oriented character development programs on a daily basis to some 2.6 million young people between six and 18 years of age.

Club programs emphasize educational achievement, career exploration, drug and alcohol avoidance, health and fitness, gang and violence prevention, cultural enrichment, leadership development and community service.

SAINT MARY'S CLASS OFFICER ELECTIONS

Balloting decides two offices in SMC primaries

By LORI ALLEN
Saint Mary's News Editor

In an unexpected twist for Saint Mary's student politics, only one runoff election will follow yesterday's three primaries.

While the junior and freshman classes elected their officers Tuesday, the Class of 1999 must revisit the polls on Thursday for a runoff.

Three tickets ran for senior class office, and the deciding vote fell with the Coury ticket. Capturing 54 percent of the vote, Lisa Coury (president), Ivonne Grantham (vice president), Meredith Johnson (secretary), and Meg Winkler

(treasurer) were chosen to represent their class.

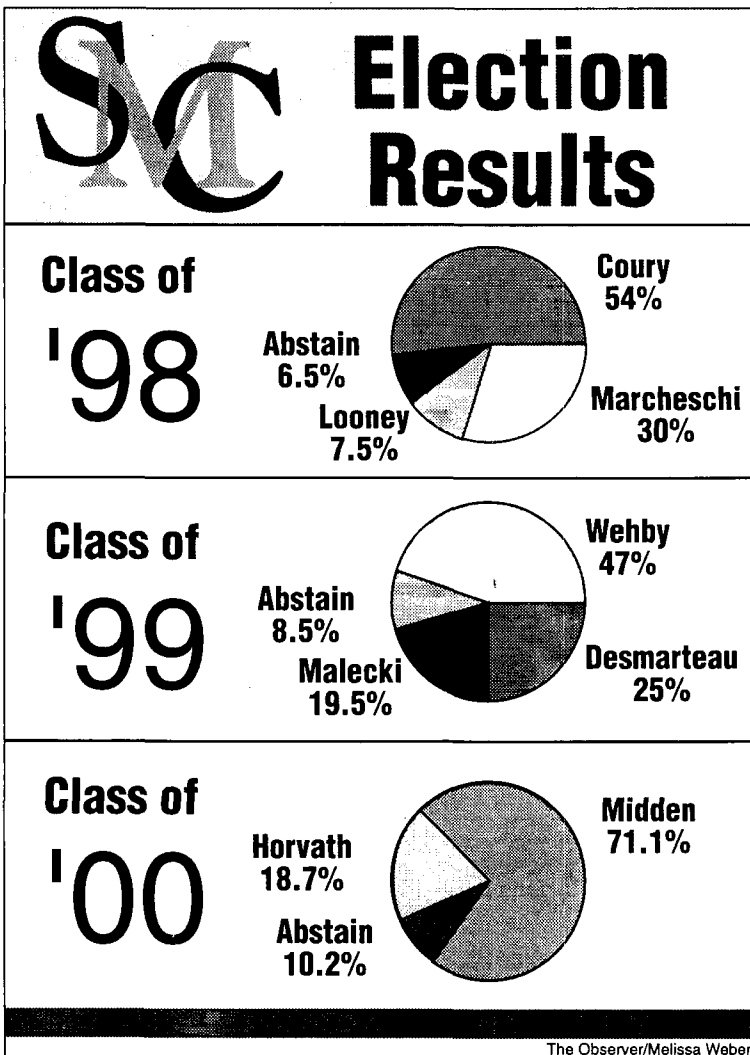
"It is such an honor that the class has chosen us to represent them next year. We are ready to get going and start implementing everything that we discussed on our platform," Coury said.

Chiara Marcheschi (president), Katie Brown (vice president), Sarah Corkrean (secretary), and Brigid Coleman (treasurer) earned 32 percent of the vote.

"We are excited for Lisa and wish them the best of luck next year," said Marcheschi.

Sarah Looney (vice president), Michelle Abraham (vice presi-

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The Observer/Melissa Weber

INSIDE COLUMN

We have smart, two

It has occurred to me that many people hold the mistaken belief that Saint Mary's students are not intelligent.

Nora Meany
Saint Mary's Accent
Editor

This is not write. We are not stoopid here across the street. They learn us really good here.

I are Kcommunications major here at SMC, and I had talking to people in my classes. They say that it is fun being Kcommunications major!

I have classes with students from Noter Dame and I like them. I cannot tell who is a Noter Dame student and who is a Saint Mary's student just from looking at them if they are in my classes. Well, unless they are a boy.

Boys do not go to Saint Mary's. Boys go to Noter Dame.

In my classes nobody looks more smart or acts more smart we are happy to have them in our classes.

Every school is different, though. For instance, I have to take a COMP my senior year of college.

Do you know what a COMP is? Neither do I. But just because schools are different does not mene that they are more smarter or more stupider.

I are ofended that people would say that we here are just to get husbands and not be smart. I do not want husband yet. I are only a junior.

I am worked as an editor here at the paper. Do you like the paper? I like the paper. The paper is fun.

Sometimes I am going to dances here at Noter Dame. Do you like dances? I like dances. Dances are fun.

Last year I goed to Maynooth, which is in Iarland. Even though Iarland is a different country, they speaked well English good. I had to go in a plane to get there.

I don't like planes cause planes make my easrs go pop and it hurts when my eaars go pop and it makes what is in between my head hurt too when I ride in they.so I don't ride in planes that very much.

I haved friends at Noter Dame and Saint Mary's and Holy Cross too. I don't think that anyone of my friends is stoopid. Just because you go to one school or another school does not make you more smarter or more stoopider.

My friends do not think that I am stooped. They love me for who I am. My friends are good. Do you have friends?

I knowed that what they speaked about at the Keenan Review was just a joke. I knowed then that Saint Mary's are not stoopid. I thinked then everyone else knowed that too.

But I just want to be sure. After all, if people believe stereotypes, then they well believe everything that they are reading about stereotypes. And we know that's not true.

So, in closing, I would like to say that Saint Mary's students am not stoopid. They learn us real good.

For instance, I just got learned about satire.

Do you now about satire?
I like satire.
Satire is good.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

San Francisco mayor details night in Lincoln bedroom

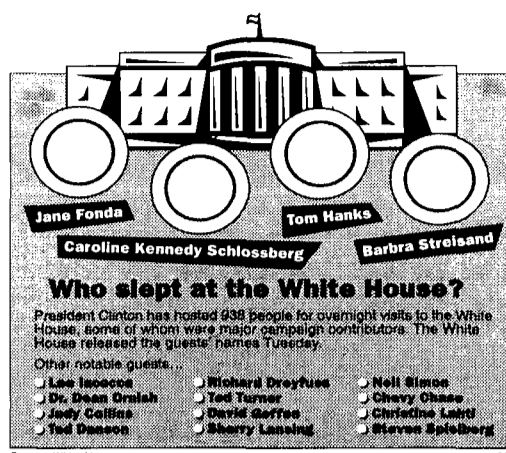
SAN FRANCISCO

Mayor Willie Brown, one of the 938 people granted a night's stay in the White House's Lincoln Bedroom, revealed some of the sordid details to reporters on Tuesday.

His overall assessment? Nice furniture, lumpy mattress.

Of the bed, he said: "You have to step up to get in, and it's not terribly comfortable." The mattress felt like it hadn't been upgraded since Lincoln slept on it, he said. The towels were worn. And, yes, he swiped a few souvenirs.

Controversy over the Lincoln Bedroom has intensified in recent days amid reports that dozens of prominent Democratic donors, some who gave as much as \$100,000 each, were rewarded with overnight stays.



Source: White House

Brown, the former head of California's state Assembly and one of the nation's most powerful black politicians, was asked why the president had invited him to stay overnight.

"Obviously, they were not trying to get anything from me — I had nothing to give them," the mayor chuckled. "What they lost was everything that wasn't tied down ... I took everything — everything that had 'White House' on it."

Pressed on that point, the mayor owned up to taking some stationery. He said he left the towels because they were worn and didn't have a White House logo.

Princess Di plans to auction gowns

NEW YORK

What's a well-dressed royal to do with a closet full of couture gowns? To the auction block, my dear. Princess Diana is selling 80 of her elegant evening dresses in hopes of raising millions of dollars for charity. "I hope that people will enjoy this, that they'll buy the dresses to wear, to have fun in them," Charles Hindlip of Christie's auction house said Tuesday. "Diana, Princess of Wales, has got superb taste, and I think many people will want to emulate it." Christie's did not even guess how much the gowns will bring when they go up for bids June 25. The gowns, five of which Christie's displayed at a preview Tuesday, range from a slinky number in white silk chiffon to the stately, ink-blue gown Diana wore to a 1986 White House dinner with the Reagans. Also on the block will be a midnight-blue tulle dance dress, its tight bodice and flouncy skirt dotted with diamond stars, and a straight, silk evening dress covered with faux pearls. Diana's most celebrated gown will be notably absent from the auction. The frothy, ill-fated wedding dress will stay in the closet. The princess, in a statement Tuesday, pronounced herself "delighted that these dresses, which gave me so much pleasure, may be enjoyed by others."



Tape catches women in dressing room

DOVER, N.H.

A photographer who took bridal portraits and portfolios for aspiring models is accused of secretly videotaping his subjects in a basement dressing room where a sign warned: "Attention Models!!! Please! No undergarments. Why? Because pantyhose, panties and bras cause unsightly lines and bulges which are unacceptable for glamorous or model shows." By Tuesday, about 20 women contacted police with fears they might have been victims of 71-year-old Lawrence Ring, who is accused of making the tapes for two decades and distributing some of the pictures over the Internet. "They realize now they may have been taped," said Sgt. Anthony Colarusso. "They're very upset because they don't feel they did anything wrong — and they didn't." Police accused the photographer of going much further than voyeurism with some of his subjects — including having sex on camera with a 15-year-old girl whose call to police last week led to Ring's arrest. Police Chief William Fenniman said Ring paid women \$15 an hour for modeling, \$30 an hour for body painting and \$150 an hour for acting in pornographic movies. After searching Ring's house for about 12 hours on Saturday, police charged him with sexual assault and said more charges are expected. Some 400 hours of videotape and thousands of photo negatives were seized, some going back so far that officers recognized some of their own high school classmates.

Woman charged with feeding bears

TUCSON, Ariz.

Patricia Thomas doesn't deny she fed bears outside her mountain cabin hand-packed French vanilla ice cream. There's even a photograph showing a bear lapping it up on her porch. If convicted of a misdemeanor nuisance charge, she could face up to 30 days in jail and a \$500 fine. Feeding bears endangers people because the wild animals lose their innate fear of humans, say game officials, who accuse Ms. Thomas of feeding them ice cream on July 4th, just three weeks before a bear mauled a 16-year-old girl at a 4-H camp on another part of Mount Lemmon. Cadie Pruss, a game and fish officer, testified at a hearing last month that an employee in a Baskin-Robbins store told her Ms. Thomas "would buy 10 to 12 quarts of hand-packed French vanilla ice cream" for the bears. But Ms. Thomas' attorney, Bradford Brown, noted that the officer did not ask the clerk when the sales took place. He also argued that game officials did not follow the proper procedures to implement the nuisance ordinance. A prosecutor, a justice of the peace and Ms. Thomas' attorney will try to resolve the misdemeanor charge of criminal nuisance.

Pickup truck rams car, kills young man

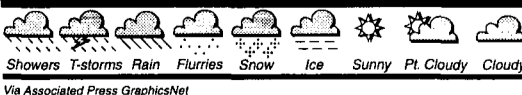
TALLAHASSEE, Fla.

A driver who became enraged when a carload of four young men honked at him at a light chased them down and rammed their vehicle with his pickup truck, killing one of them, police said Tuesday. Howard Charles Kendrick, 50, was jailed on charges of murder and attempted murder. Police are investigating whether the attack was racially motivated and whether to charge him with a hate crime. He is white; the young men are black. Kendrick used his pickup "as a weapon to attack these people," said police investigator David Folsom. Police said Kendrick, a university groundskeeper, had been drinking and turned angry when four youths honked at him for not moving through a green light early Saturday. Kendrick chased their car for three miles at speeds up to 100 mph before he rammed the small car, sending it into a fire hydrant, police said. Kendrick's pickup hit a utility pole, snapping it in two. Romondo Lamb, a 19-year-old high school senior, died Monday after he was disconnected from life-support. The three other young men in the car and Kendrick suffered minor injuries.

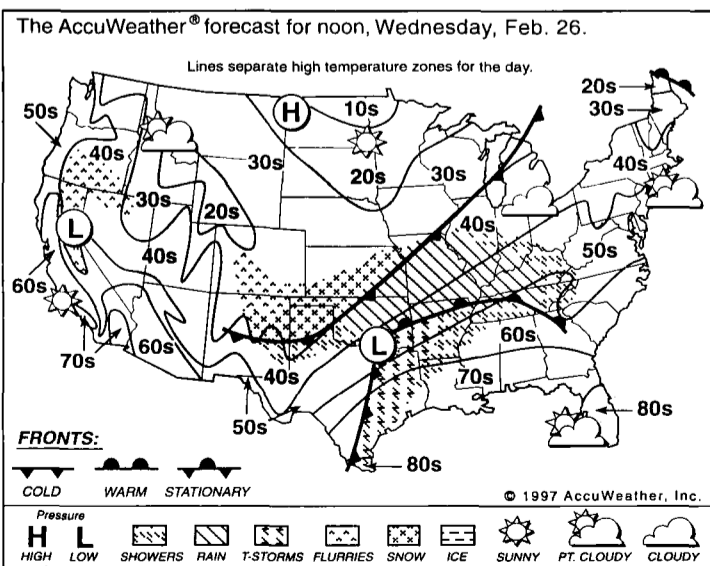
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Hey: Dependence shapes policy

By LIZ NAGLE
News Writer

Economic dependence, political will, and United States hegemony were addressed yesterday in a lecture by Jeanne Hey, assistant professor in the political science department and the International Studies Program at Miami University.

Hey shared results from her study of the processes underlying foreign policy of countries economically dependent on one primary "core" state. Specifically, she examined Latin American countries for which the core state is the United States.

"I'm reading widely what scholars and practitioners are saying about Latin America and seeing what patterns I can find," she said.

Hey has developed her own typology to classify dependent foreign policies. The system separates policy outcome and policy maker's preference into pro-core and anti-core categories, based on their consistency with the policies of the core state.

Consensus, compliance, compensation, and counter dependence were what she termed the four potential policy outcomes. Hey's current project is to determine when, why, and how each of these trends develops.

During her lecture, Hey focused primarily on the anti-core policy outcomes of compensation and counter dependence. Counter dependence, she told the audience, may result from policy makers' efforts to defend national interests against the pressures of the core state. It



The Observer/Joe Stark
Jeanne Hey gave a lecture yesterday which examined the formation of Latin American foreign policy.

could also stem from a nation's desire to gain regional prestige, or simply from its own anti-imperialist feelings.

"Whether or not a foreign policy will oppose the U.S. will often depend on the policy maker's preference," Hey said.

In some cases, she explained, anti-core policy will be achieved despite the policy maker's pro-core inclinations because of efforts to compensate for the state's [usually economic] dependence.

"Political reasons are not sufficient to explain why pro-core leaders will support anti-core policy," Hey said. She stated that policy makers occasionally find it necessary to support anti-core policies to create an image of independence that assuages anti-imperialist sentiment.

According to Hey, anti-core actions need special circumstances to develop for policy independence. Economic prosperity is one such factor which encourages independent policy making. The end of the Cold

War has also created opportunities for anti-core policy because U.S. intervention is less likely now that Latin America is no longer threatened by Soviet influence. Anti-core policy is also able to develop when the U.S. is obliged to support democracy for ideological reasons.

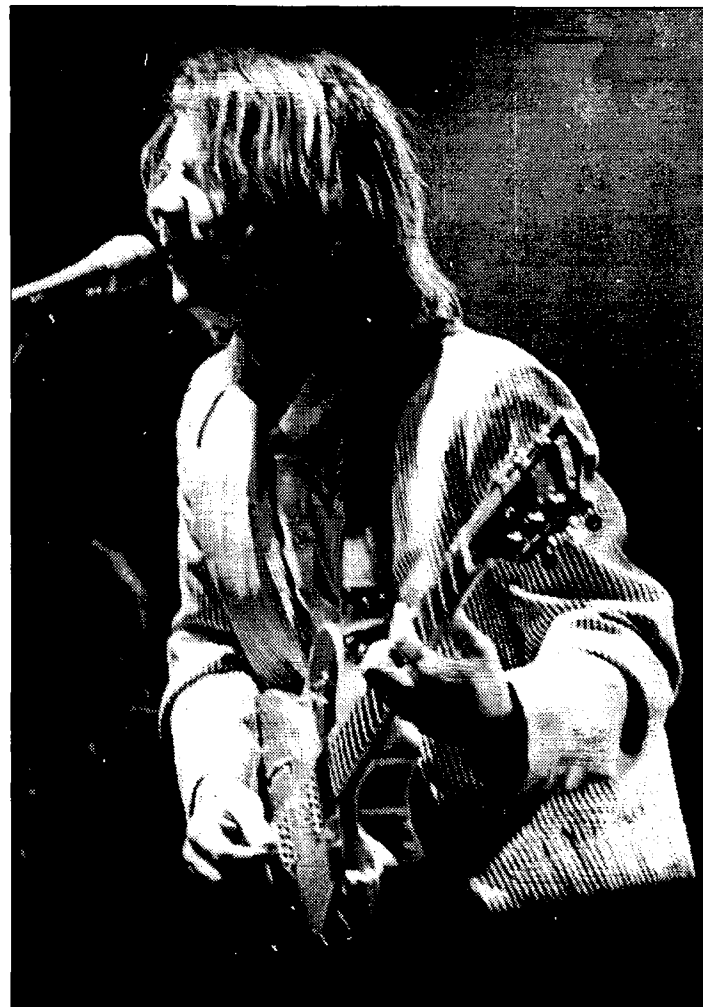
However, Hey noted that the dominant factor in determining whether or not it will occur is geographic. Economic policy of Latin American countries, for instance, is very rarely anti-core because of the economic pressures from within the core state.

Acceptance of a global trend toward a neo-liberal model of development is also a factor; economic policy will almost always fall into the categories of consensus and compliance.

Political or diplomatic policy, on the other hand, allows a greater degree of defiance toward the core state. Hey said she will further explore the differences between economic and diplomatic areas of policy making in the future.

The lecture, "Latin American Foreign Policy toward the U.S.: Can We Agree to Disagree?" was held at the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

Being There...



The Observer/Katie Kroener
Last night, the Chicago band Wilco treated a small Stepan Center crowd to a dynamic show. Front man Jeff Tweedy (above) led the charge in ranging from the mellow to the intense.

■ CORRECTION

Tuesday's story, "Members discuss summit," about the Saint Mary's Board of Governance misquoted Sarah Siefert, BOG communications commissioner.

Siefert should have been reported as saying: "I think that both campuses have a lot to offer and that Saint Mary's

has the aspect of a strong student voice in terms of influencing college policies. We might be able to offer leadership in that respect for Notre Dame, while they can offer leadership for us in many aspects as well."

The Observer regrets the error.

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Reform

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Kelly said. Mary Gillard, co-president of Knott Hall and recently appointed chief of staff for the future Griffin/Nass administration, was present at the meeting and voted in favor of the proposed reforms.

"A lot of people don't understand what student government does and hopefully this [reformed constitution] will help them," Gillard said.

The reform committee's presentation of the proposal to the senate is scheduled for this afternoon and a vote on its recommendations is expected on March 5.

Pending approval by both student senate and the office of the vice-president of Student Affairs, Patricia O'Hara, implementation of the reforms could begin as early as mid-March and continue through September.

Elections

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dent), Joann Searfoss (secretary), and Lori Riebe (treasurer) captured 7.5 percent of the vote while 6.5 percent abstained.

"We thought all of the tickets were great and we are happy for them and know they'll do a great job next year. We plan on still being involved in our senior class activities," Riebe said.

The Class of 1999 must face a runoff between the Wehby and Desmarteau tickets.

Katie Wehby (president), Tysus Jackson (vice president), Nicole Kraimer (secretary), and Becky Deitle (treasurer) earned 47 percent of the sophomore class vote.

"Just looking at our platform shows our great ideas. They are new and innovative and we feel that our experience best qualifies us to lead the Class of '99," said Wehby.

Charise Desmarteau (president), Julie Steciuk (vice president), Kate Moot (secretary) and Ann Marie Roche (treasurer) received 25 percent of the vote.

"I see this as a great opportunity for our class to make some changes. I think there is a need for some new ideas to be imple-

mented and we would be eager to try out new ideas if the class would give us a chance," said Desmarteau.

The Malecki ticket, consisting of Lynette Malecki (president), Tara Thomas (vice president), Stephanie Villinski (secretary), and Colleen Campbell (treasurer) gained 19.5 percent of the vote, 8.5 percent abstaining.

'Tis such an honor that the class has chosen us to represent them next year. We are ready to get going and start implementing everything that we discussed on our platform.'

Lisa Coury, Class of '98

"I am happy to see that there is a runoff and a possibility for a change," Thomas noted.

The Class of 2000 balloted decisively, electing Nancy Midden (president), Angie Little (vice president), Julie Duba (secretary) and Michelle Samretta (treasurer) in a landslide. Their ticket captured 71.1 percent of the freshman vote.

"I am very excited and am looking forward to working with the members of our class," said Midden.

The Midden ticket ran against Janet Horvath (president), Aryn Seminara (vice president), Sarah Clinger (secretary) and Erin Vartabedian (treasurer) who received 18.7 percent of the vote.

"It was a very good race and I wish Nancy Midden and her entire party good luck for the following year," said Horvath.

The landslide came largely because the opposing Martin ticket withdrew. Consisting of Kimmi Martin (president), Erin Hall (vice president), Bridget Hefferman (secretary) and Belmarie Gonzalez-Esteyez (treasurer), the ticket pulled out Monday night.

"Our ticket withdrew the night before the election and we want to let everyone know that we will continue to remain active in the class, we are not quitting, just postponing for a while," said Martin.

"With these results it's clear that the freshman class has noticed the Midden ticket's hard work and has confidence that they are the leaders of the Class of 2000," said Emily Miller, elections commissioner.

Voting in the runoff election for the Class of 1999 will take place on Thursday in the dining hall.

Renshaw

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trip to London. Eleven women, ten from Saint Mary's and one from Notre Dame, departed on Renshaw's first overseas expedition as a tour guide.

"I had a blast," said Saint Mary's senior Corrie Hanrahan.

"We went to forget school for a while and to have fun," said Renshaw. "My wife and I took the group on walking tours, to the pubs, and we taught them the ways of the Underground," he said.

Many of the girls had a favorite sightseeing experience.

"I loved my visit to the Tower of London," said Saint Mary's student Tara Mooney.

"This crazy befeater, Tony of the Tower, gave us the tour, and it was amazing to walk on the same stairs that queens and kings had used, and to see the gallery where the armour of King Henry VIII was on display," she added.

"There was always something going on, and we were constantly out and about," said Hanrahan.

"I felt really comfortable taking the Underground by myself at the end of the week," she

said. Renshaw is a busy man. On March 6, he will spend the day in D.C.

"There is a day each year which is set aside as National Tax Day, and next Thursday I will work in the phone bank at USA Today headquarters in D.C.," Renshaw said.

National Tax Day is sponsored by USA Today in conjunction with the American Institute of Certified Accountants. USA Today will publish an 800 number and people from all over the country can call in and ask for help with their taxes.

Renshaw has helped out for years on local television and radio shows where people call in with tax questions. He also resides on a committee in Washington.

"The AICPA invites about 72 CPA's from around the country to participate in National Tax Day, and I am excited to have this opportunity," Renshaw said.

In the midst of all the excitement, Renshaw has a reunion planned for his London group. He will host the group at his house on Sunday.

"I am looking forward to seeing everyone on Sunday, because I taped the trip and I can't wait to share it with the group," said Saint Mary's sophomore Tara Thomas.

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Assenga: SMC offers community ND applies code of conduct to licensing

Tanzanian student relates thoughts on U.S.

By RACHEL TORRES
News Writer

She came halfway across the world to go to Saint Mary's College.

Last night in Stapleton Lounge, Prediganda Assenga addressed a full audience of students, teachers, and administrators about her experiences at Saint Mary's as a student from Tanzania, Africa.

Growing up in a small village of 500 as one of twelve children in her family, Assenga did not know much outside of her own experiences.

"I used to think that everybody in the world was Catholic, because everybody who lived in my village was," she said.

She attended Mama Clementine University for one year, which is similar to a U.S. high school.

There, she became part of a non-profit organization which sponsored her education at Saint Mary's.

To Assenga, college life at Saint Mary's is "a dream come true. I do indeed love it."

She will remember her years at Saint Mary's through her friends, caring teachers, practice of her faith, and a comfortable life. In essence, the school represents everything Assenga wanted.

Assenga took time to extend a sincere thanks to her teachers at Saint Mary's. "Not once

in my four years here were they too busy to take time for me." She also praises the "sisters here who have touched my life."

Her friends contributed to many memorable experiences for Assenga, especially her travels to Connecticut, Vermont, Boston, New York, and California.

She is looking forward to a spring break trip to Florida with her friends in a few weeks.

"I am amazed at how comfortable life is in the United States," she commented, "Tanzania is the second poorest country in the world. You should all consider yourselves among the luckiest people just for being Americans."

She especially noted the differences between the US and Tanzania with regards to technology and transportation. Assenga noted that technology such as computers, fax machines, and modems make life in America so much easier than life in Tanzania.

Also, transportation in the US is comparatively easy for her; "travel on busses with goats and chickens is a way of life in my country," Assenga says.

In America, Assenga has continued her learned habit of drinking a full glass of water before every meal. "[In Tanzania] it filled my stomach before a simple meal of just one banana," she said.

Keeping this in mind, Assenga is "amazed" to see the trays of food people throw away at Saint Mary's every day in the dining hall.

Assenga is looking forward



The Observer/ Manuela Hernandez
Prediganda Assenga, a Saint Mary's student from Tanzania, spoke last night in Stapleton Lounge about observations she had made about the United States.

to returning to Tanzania when she graduates, after having been away for four years.

She wants to be seen as a role model for other Tanzanians who can't come to the United States for college.

Assenga will miss most the strong sense of community Saint Mary's has provided, along with her friendships, but she is eager to go home to enrich her people with the knowledge she has gained here.

By MICHAEL LEWIS
News Writer

For over 150 years, Notre Dame has demanded that its faculty, staff, and students abide by a code of conduct that is appropriate for a Catholic University. Now any individual or business that enters into a licensing agreement with the institution will have to do the same.

According to the new code of conduct, Notre Dame is "committed to conducting its business affairs in a socially responsible manner consistent with its religious and educational mission," and "expects nothing less of its business partners and licensees."

The Code of Conduct will apply to all licensees, as well as their contractors, subcontractors, vendors, manufacturers, sub licensees and any related entities throughout the world which produce or sell products or materials incorporated in products which bear the name, trademarks, or images of the university.

The penalty to licensees for violating the Code of Conduct will be termination of business or implementation of a corrective action plan.

There are several ways in which these licensees must meet Notre Dame's standards. They must comply with all applicable legal requirements in producing or selling products with Notre Dame's name or insignia on it.

They also must share Notre Dame's commitment to the protection and preservation of the global environment.

Honesty, integrity, trustworthi-

ness, and respect for the unique intrinsic value of the human being are standards that the licensees must observe. Any Notre Dame contractor or licensee is expected to value and practice business ethics.

Labor is another important tenant of Notre Dame's Code of Conduct for licensees. Workers must work voluntarily, not be at risk of physical harm, be fairly compensated and not exploited in any way.

The wages and benefits provided should comply with applicable laws and match or exceed the local standards. Companies must not overwork their employees and provide acceptable compensation for overtime labor.

The work environment must be safe and healthy, and any residential facilities the company provides should also meet health standards. The ability of workers to do their jobs should be the sole determinant of whether they are hired; discrimination is intolerable.

Licensees must avoid corporal punishment and psychological or physical coercion. Any company that produces Notre Dame authorized products must do so in a country whose human rights standard agree with those of the university.

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■ WEST BANK

Israeli soldiers kill Palestinian

By SAMAR ASSAD
Associated Press Writer

HIZME, West Bank
Israeli soldiers in civilian clothing opened fire in a West Bank village Tuesday, killing one Palestinian and wounding three. Troops used tear gas to quell later clashes with stone-throwing Palestinians.

The army said the shooting occurred during a confrontation between soldiers and villagers in Hizme, just north of Jerusalem, an area that is under joint Israeli and Palestinian control.

It heightened fears of a new wave of violence in the West Bank, which is already tense because of Israel's plan to build a new Jewish neighborhood in east Jerusalem. Palestinians, who hope to establish a capital in east Jerusalem, warn the construction could derail the peace process.

Witnesses said the shooters were dressed in civilian clothes and Israel TV said they were from an elite undercover unit.



AP/Carl Fox

Ali Salah a-Din, who was hospitalized with a wound in his leg, said he thought the three young men who entered his vil-

lage armed with handguns and speaking Hebrew were Jewish settlers.

They walked up to his house, grabbed his nephew and "hit him with the butts of their guns," he said. When confronted by family members, the men opened fire, he said. Soldiers posted at a nearby checkpoint refused to help and an army jeep entered the village and left with the gunmen, he said.

Yossi Shoval, spokesman for Jerusalem's Hadassah hospital, identified the dead man as Mohammed Abdel Aziz Abu Hollowi, 56. He said Hollowi was wounded in the knee and was dead on arrival.

An army statement said the Israeli troops had been attacked by Palestinian residents and fired.

"From the shots, one Palestinian was killed, another was injured seriously, and two others lightly," the statement said, stressing that "it was a shooting by Israeli soldiers and not a shooting by civilians."

Eisner could collect big in deal

By E. SCOTT RECKARD
Associated Press Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif.
Walt Disney Co. Chairman Michael Eisner could collect \$300 million in stock and salary over the next decade under a new contract overwhelmingly approved by the company's shareholders.

Eisner said the deal was based strictly on the company's performance since he took over as chief executive in 1984. In that time, he said, the value of Disney stock has soared from \$2 billion to \$50 billion.

Shareholders at Tuesday's annual meeting approved the contract by a 7-1 margin, and rejected resolutions requiring Disney to more strongly police foreign workplaces and examine pay policies to link them to job performance.

Dozens of picketers outside the meeting accused Disney of exploiting foreign workers while fattening the wallets of top executives.

"It would take a Haitian 16.8 years to earn Eisner's hourly income of \$9,783," said a sign carried by Diane Rice, a retired

school librarian.

Sanford Litvack, Disney's director of corporate operations, defended the company's policies regarding foreign workers. He said the company aggressively enforces a strict code of conduct for licensees and contractors.

But loud cheers went up when someone in the audience called Litvack arrogant, and

boos erupted when he denied that morale among Disney's workers had suffered because of recent benefit cutbacks.

Speaking to a crowd of 10,000, Eisner took personal responsibility for the debacle involving his friend Michael Ovitz, who spent 14 months as Disney's president in a botched attempt to carve out a role as Eisner's second in command.

Jury finds du Pont guilty of murder

Sentence takes mental illness into account

Associated Press

MEDIA, Pa.
Multimillionaire John E. du Pont was found guilty of murder Tuesday, but jurors spared him a possible life sentence, deciding that mental illness played a role in his fatal shooting of an Olympic wrestler.

The jurors decided that du Pont committed third-degree murder, or murder without premeditated intent, but was also mentally ill.

The conviction means du Pont will likely spend time in a mental hospital, and then begin serving prison a sentence of 20 to 40 years, if

The sentence also carries a \$50,000 fine. Judge Patricia Jenkins will hold a hearing to determine if du Pont should go to a mental hospital to serve at least part of the sentence.

Du Pont also was convicted of two counts of assault for pointing his gun at wrestler David Schultz's wife, Nancy, and his security consultant.

Both sides agreed that the chemical fortune heir was mentally ill when he shot

Schultz, 36, on Jan. 26, 1996, outside the wrestler's home on du Pont's estate, Foxcatcher Farms.

But prosecutors said his illness stopped short of legal insanity — the inability to tell right from wrong.

They said du Pont killed Schultz because he was jealous of the respect the gold medalist at the 1984 Olympics commanded in the wrestling world.

Defense attorneys and the experts they called said Du Pont, 58, was a paranoid schizophrenic who fancied himself as the Dalai Lama, the Christ Child and other grandiose figures.

They said he could not tell right from wrong when he shot Schultz three times in his driveway, the third time in the back while Schultz's wife watched.

Jurors had the choice of acquitting him by reason of insanity, finding him guilty but mentally ill, or guilty of first-degree murder, third-degree murder or voluntary manslaughter.

Jurors apparently rejected the insanity defense early in their deliberations, based on the questions they asked the judge.

Several times, they asked for the differences between first-degree murder, third-degree murder and manslaughter.

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Crude oil prices jump, soybeans also on rise

By CLIFF EDWARDS
Associated Press Writer

Crude and its products rebounded Tuesday from recent lows in futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange after white-collar workers in Nigeria's oil industry threatened to strike.

On other commodity markets, soybean futures rose sharply, while copper futures retreated.

A Nigerian oil workers' white-collar trade union said it will strike Friday if January and February back salaries aren't paid. Nigeria exports slightly more than 2 million barrels of oil a day and about half of that goes to the U.S. market.

Even with Iraq's recent return to world oil markets, any disruption from Nigeria could cause short-term supply tightness, said analyst Tim Evans at Pegasus Econometric Group.

"The question is whether a strike would mean an interruption in the flow of oil," Evans said. "These are white-collar workers — the guys who affix the official stamp to the bill of lading. It doesn't sound quite as critical as if we were talking about the folks working actually loading the crude oil."

Gasoline futures saw some support on the New York

Mercantile Exchange from heavy refiner buying of reformulated gasoline.

The American Petroleum Institute's report, released after trading had ended, confirmed gasoline supply tightness. The industry group reported stocks fell 3.166 million barrels, compared with expectations of a rise of 1.5 million barrels.

Crude oil for April delivery rose 29 cents to \$21 a barrel; March heating oil was up 1.35 cents to 56.82 cents a gallon; March unleaded gasoline rose 1.99 cents to 62.23 cents a gallon. Natural gas futures also rebounded, with April rising 5 cents to \$1.865 for each 1,000 cubic feet.

Soybean futures prices rose to five-month highs on the Chicago Board of Trade as domestic and export demand showed no signs of easing, which could seriously strain U.S. supplies.

Soybean and corn futures had been pressured throughout the day by active early harvesting of South American crops, which in a few weeks will bring competition to the market for the first time in months. But two large commercial firms stepped in late to buy as much as 5 million bushels each of soybeans, an indication of renewed demand, said analyst Joel Karlin.

Budget maneuvering heats up

By DAVID ESPO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

The balanced budget amendment to the Constitution teetered on the brink on Tuesday as a pivotal Democratic freshman endorsed the measure and one final uncommitted senator weighed a make-or-break decision.

"It's the right thing to do," Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., said in announcing she would vote for the Republican-crafted measure despite reservations.

Barring any last-minute switches, Landrieu's decision appeared to leave the fate of the amendment in the hands of Sen. Bob Torricelli, D-N.J., who pledged to disclose his decision on Wednesday.

Torricelli supported the measure two years ago in the House. He has been uncommitted since his election to the Senate in November, even as the White House and Democratic leaders have lobbied him to oppose the measure now.

And at day's end, the White House addressed one of Torricelli's concerns when it quietly announced creation of a presidential commission to study capital budgeting.

"I understand the enormity of the moment," Torricelli said as he pondered his decision.

With a final vote expected by early next week, the party's leaders seemed locked in a war of nerves.

Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle, leading the opposition, conceded, "our momentum has lost a couple of wheels" with Landrieu's announcement. He added, though, "I think it is entirely possible we could win this."

Majority Leader Trent Lott told reporters he could count "about 66" votes for the mea-

sure, one shy of the two-thirds needed to prevail, but suggested there may be a surprise or two.

"There's more than one senator who is still considering how to vote on final passage," he said with an air of mystery.

Privately, though, GOP aides said Republicans were prepared to let the measure fail rather than bow to Democratic demands for changes. These aides, speaking on condition of anonymity, noted that all 55 Senate Republicans are lined up to vote for the measure, but thus far, only 11 of 45 Democrats have done so — a

other programs.

Republicans argued that they, too, wanted to protect Social Security, but countered that the only way to do it was to include it in the amendment.

"You put Social Security out there and it is totally, totally without defense in terms of what Congress can do with the surplus" in the trust fund, said Sen. Pete V. Domenici, R-N.M. He said the proposal "provides an excuse" for former supporters of the amendment to oppose it now.

Social Security was one of the reservations cited by Landrieu as she disclosed her decision. She told reporters she would vote for rival versions of the amendment that would exempt the program from the amendment and also provide for separate budgeting for construction projects.

These versions are not expected to pass, however, and Landrieu said she would vote for the Republican version of the measure on the decisive roll call.

She said her decision was "based on many statements made during the campaign on this issue."

Landrieu thus joined fellow southern Democratic freshman Max Cleland of Georgia as a reluctant supporter of the amendment. A third swing vote — freshman Democratic Sen. Tim Johnson of South Dakota, announced his opposition to the bill last week, even though he had voted for it two years ago in the House.

That left Torricelli, and if Republicans relished turning the spotlight on him, he seemed to welcome the attention.

"This is big time stuff," said Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, one of the leading supporters of the measure. "I've been around her for 21 years and I've never seen a larger issue."

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Senator Orrin Hatch

breakdown that would make it relatively easy to make an issue of the measure's defeat at the next election.

The measure, a cornerstone of the Republican legislative agenda, would require a balanced budget by 2002 and require a three-fifths vote of Congress to run a deficit any year thereafter.

The drama surrounding Landrieu and Torricelli overshadowed the day's debate on the Senate floor, where Democrats failed, 55-44, in an effort to exempt Social Security from the provisions of the amendment.

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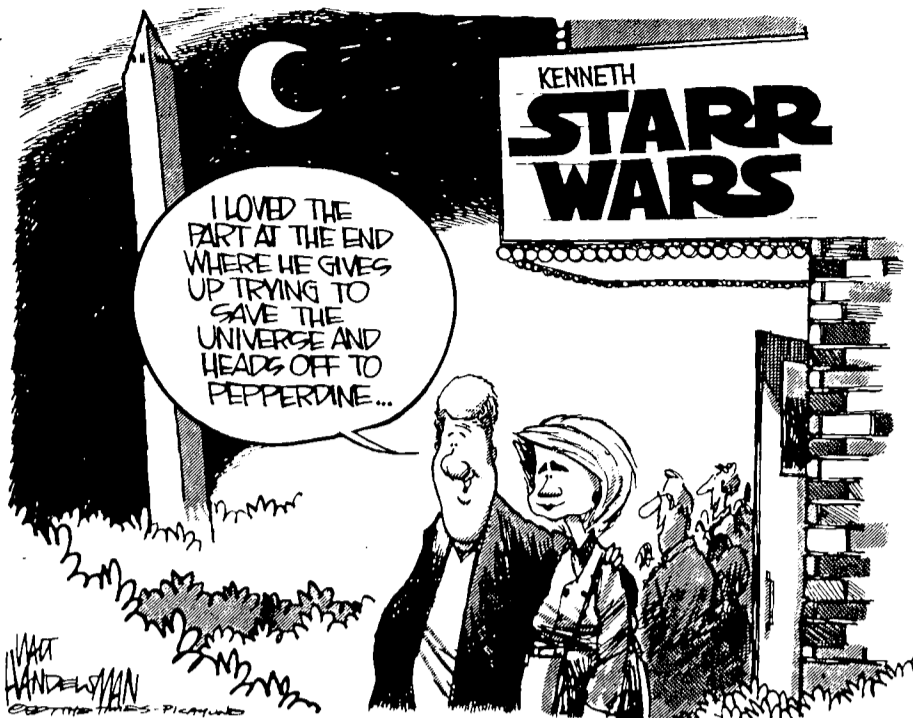
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■ GOD 'N LIFE

Cease spiritual deprivation

In stageplays like *Guys and Dolls*, old movies or television shows, those who sought shelter and food at a "mission" were also subjected to a sermon by some well-intentioned minister or lay person. It was part of the "ritual" of poverty. Yet, a deeper significance could be attached to the custom, in many ways lost now. It has long been known that to deny a body food is to

kill it, and to deny the soul sustenance through God's word is to cripple it. Spiritual starvation is, perhaps, as common as physical starvation in present times. All one need do is listen to a news broadcast to confirm the rampant crime and devastation wrought by souls wasting away from lack of the Good News. Though God loves such souls unconditionally, they have either refused His sweet nourishment of their own free will, or it has never been offered to them, like an infant never given a bottle.

Julie Ferraro

The majority of the world's ills pour forth from these starved souls. After all, where there is regular, sincere prayer, a true intention of Christian living and a willingness to accept God wherever He is found — everywhere — peace, love and harmony thrive. What can be done?

In most cases, it is almost impossible to force a starved soul to partake of divine nourishment, just as starving bodies cannot handle solid food. Anyone with the lofty idea of "converting these poor wretches" only by word of mouth will find little success. Entirely the soul fed by prayer, Scripture and genuine faith will understand that more can be accomplished by example than by words.

Take those who have heard God's call and, with careful preparation, answered wholeheartedly. Mother Teresa did not barge around shouting how much God loved the poor Indian ghetto dwellers. She simply took the dying off the streets, offered them compassion and made them comfortable. She showed them God's love enfleshed.

The priests and religious who venture into mission territories may not always have the fluency to proclaim God to the natives in the local language. Still, their actions portray the existence of a loving Father without having to utter a sound. Many members of the laity, by giving of time that might be otherwise spent watching television, playing sports or pursuing an assortment of leisure activities, are concrete proof that there is more to life than being "comfortable" and "having fun." An hour or two spent consoling the sick as a hospital volunteer, working in a soup kitchen or with a youth ministry may seem fruitless at first, but there is always a "trial period." To persevere in the task — day after day or week after week — those who see the familiar face will also recognize in that same willing soul an honesty that may give nourishment to their spirits.

Of course, there are some starved souls who may never recover their health. It is not like some eager "savior" can pressure such a one, nor can he or she be abandoned. More often than not, these "hopeless" are the true test of national spiritual well-being. If we can forego the desire to push ourselves on others, instead step back and consign the "weaker" soul to God through prayer, then He to whom no one is hopeless may intervene — nourish that soul — and bring it back to health.

The one thing that never must be allowed to happen is for the spiritually healthy soul to let itself starve. Discouragement in a particular ministry, in a career, in the family may make it seem that daily prayer, reading and other practices have little effect on the outcome of events. Through it all — for the Lord challenges those He loves — prayer must continue to sustain the soul, like water from an oasis in a vast desert.

Faith must endure, perhaps only a crust of bread for a weary soul, but still nourishment. Only for those who let these precious tidbits slip away do things become "worse", does the soul starve. To hold on is to believe in God's eternal love, that He will sustain us with His lifegiving Word through all our troubles. He lays a feast before His people — a banquet of His love. There is no reason any should starve.

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

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tom Clancy: A second look

Dear Editor:

It is amazing how two people can see the same thing and later describe it so differently. Thomas Coyne and I both attended the Tom Clancy reading and question session during the Sophomore Literary Festival, but I feel his interpretation of Clancy in *The Observer* is totally incorrect. While Coyne was watching an arrogant monster who writes mindless drivel, I was admiring an author whose intelligence and writing skills are paving the way for a new genre of literature. While Coyne maliciously attacked Clancy, I will defend both his statements during the evening and his writing.

First, I will agree with Coyne that Clancy appeared arrogant. But you earn \$31 million a year and have millions of people reading your books and try to remain humble. Anybody who has 31 million reasons to tell him that what he's doing and believes is correct is bound to become somewhat arrogant.

Besides being arrogant, however, Clancy is also very realistic. He doesn't write poetry for the simple fact that he needs to earn an income to feed his family. That makes sense to me. He doesn't support the National Endowment of the Arts. That's too bad! We can always use another abstract sculpture of recycled automotive parts in front of the art building, especially one paid for by our tax money.

Even Clancy's controversial statements make sense. Calling Gandhi arrogant seems correct when you put it into context. How confident of passive resistance would Gandhi have been had he been opposing Saddam Hussein in Iraq instead of the relatively docile English government? The latter also realistically stated that as much as poets and writers have done to establish it, the U.S. would not have freedom of the press if it were not for the soldiers who fought in the Revolutionary War to win that right and others. As far as his comment regarding women's right to vote, it is very possible that he joked that granting the right was a mistake because women generally tend to vote Democratic, whereas he is a Republican. Finally there is Coyne's statement that

instead of rewarding young writers and poets for their intellectual contributions, we, the audience and society, are shunning them in order to indulge in Clancy's "mindless drivel" of "cheap thrills and unearned suspense." While I agree that the intellectual contribution of unknown writers is something to appreciate, I am not so eager to reject the literary merit of Clancy.

The style of writing Clancy utilizes is called story-telling. He simply tells stories about imaginary people living in today's world. Like no other author of today, except perhaps John Grisham, Clancy knows how to tell a captivating tale. How else can you explain millions of readers willing to turn through seven hundred pages to see how the story ends? The fact is that people love to escape into his books as they would into a movie. People are willing to experience new things through his books, and Clancy is willing to provide the entertainment to do so.

Don't discount this style of writing. From the *Iliad* to *The Three Musketeers* to the common fairy tale, story-telling is a centuries-old technique. While these stories may differ in complexity, they don't necessarily differ in value. They provide entertainment, a quality that makes readers curious, fascinated, and delighted. Being simply a form of entertainment doesn't lessen the value of Clancy's books but is a value within itself.

Coyne is taking a much too negative approach toward Clancy and his books. When one understands what Clancy is saying it may be arrogant but also may be correct. To condemn his books as "mindless drivel" insults Clancy and the many people who read them.

While measuring literature as good or bad or drivel is a subjective process, it is difficult to contest the value of books millions have read and loved. Clancy has perfected the art of story-telling in his literary time. If Coyne doesn't like that fact, I suggest he just not read the books.

PATRICK O'SHAUGHNESSY
Freshman, Dillon Hall

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■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Art is long, life short, opportunity transient.”
—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student government election judges issues, not gender

Dear Editor:

I am writing to thank Patrick Perri for his in-depth explanation in his letter of Feb. 21 as to why women should have voted for the Matt Szabo and Mary Gillard ticket. However, it bothers me that he presumes to have license to attack the women of Notre Dame about our voting and declares we need instructions about who to vote for and what to think. In a patronizing tone, he felt he had to "spell it out" for the women of Notre Dame; we are "afraid to live up to changing gender roles," and that somehow voting for Mary Gillard would "emancipate" us all from social conservatism.

Perri's audacious belief that the most important issue for women in this election was the sex of Mary Gillard is offensive to the student body, and should be to Mary Gillard herself. The fact that Gillard is an experienced and capable candidate and a woman is not a novel concept. She is a woman and politician with views that — I know this is hard to believe Patrick — may not be shared by every other person of her gender.

Perri pled his rambling, incoherent case for the Szabo/Gillard ticket and now Notre Dame knows why HE voted the way he did. He relies on Allison Koenig's opinion that Gillard was the best candidate from an experience standpoint and he proclaims that Gillard's ticket was the only one to "advocate improved gender relations efforts." Does Perri wish to insult every woman on this campus by demanding they decide their vote on the basis of the vague notion of "improving gender relations?"

Maybe we should assess Perri's other insulting deductions as to why women voted for the Griffin/Nass ticket. He claims the women were afraid to "break away from the pack" that he left mostly undefined. I will suppose that Perri's "pack" is the scheming conglomerate of women who vote on the basis of good looks, "trendy sweaters" and

whether or not the candidates frequent Bridget's. OR maybe his "pack" consisted of the women "entrenched in a high school mentality" that voted on "sheer popularity." Surely, the women who voted for Griffin/Nass have trouble sleeping now that Perri has figured out their real motivation. Now they see their error in not supporting the ticket that had grand illusions of tearing Stepan Center down.

Can Perri believe that Notre Dame women are so superficial, self-righteous and misguided that they need a shill-righteous resident of Morrissey to be their voice for emancipation and feminism? Mr. Perri seems to think he has it all figured out — women should vote for women. By his own logic, Perri should have wholeheartedly supported Griffin and Nass since there was not just one, but TWO men he could have voted for. By voting for this ticket, perhaps Perri would have further empowered himself by voting for men solely because he is one.

In his lengthy diatribe, Perri uses Gillard only as a token — not as a candidate with any issues or ideas, but as a figurehead for Notre Dame women to automatically support because of shared gender. We all know who we voted for and why. In case you think I am trying to defend my own vote, I voted for Szabo/Gillard, but can assure you Mary's gender had nothing to do with it. If you believe that Szabo/Gillard had a better platform, then direct your misguided arguments at every student who voted for Griffin/Nass. Also Patrick, as it is painfully obvious you have personal, petty problems with Matt Griffin and Erik Nass, why don't you write them a nasty letter regarding their taste in clothing and the bar they prefer and save us all the time?

THERESA HIGGINS

Junior
Lewis Hall

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to Patrick Perri's letter (Feb. 21) regarding the recent election of Matt Griffin and Erik Nass. While I agree that the results of the male and female dorms were interesting, I do not agree that the women of Notre Dame can seriously be accused of being afraid to "live up to changing gender roles."

I am not ashamed to admit that I am one of the many women who voted for Griffin and Nass. I felt, as I'm sure did many others, that either ticket would have done a fine job in office. I chose to vote for Griffin and Nass, however, because I felt their platform was more realistic and more attainable. I strongly agree that we need more women in leadership positions, yet I am unwilling to sacrifice ideals and goals in the name of gender.

Whether one is male or female is a biological fact. Determined at birth, it is no more open to change than one's height or eye color. In fact, one's biological sex reveals next to nothing about one's experience, character, or leadership ability. Perri accused the Notre Dame women of voting for Griffin and Nass because "we needed some cute guys in office." Yet what difference is there between voting for looks and voting for a person because she possesses two x chromosomes? Both are extremely superficial and uninformed decisions.

Perri states that in voting for Griffin and Nass, the women of Notre Dame ignored "powerful

feminist ideologies." Again, I disagree. An election is not an ideal situation. Instead, the voters must decide from a limited number of imperfect choices. By electing Griffin and Nass, the students were showing support for their platform, not denouncing the role of women in government. I presume to speak for the women on campus when I say that we do not wish to see a woman elected to office just because she is a woman. The idea of a "token woman" is to me more demeaning than the elected, regardless of sex. While we hope for a woman when this will be a woman, we acknowledge that we must make the best of what we have.

Ultimately, the blame for an all male office cannot and does not reside with the voters. Instead of reprimanding the women of Notre Dame for supporting Griffin and Nass, it is necessary to examine the cultural attitudes that produced and elected a male ticket. Why did so few women run for office at all? What are the underlying attitudes that prevented or discouraged women from seeking the presidential office? These are the issues that need to be addressed.

Perhaps once the female population is better represented in the various tickets, the University will see the election of a campaign, it is likely that males will continue to dominate Notre Dame's political arena.

JESSICA FRIES

Sophomore
Pasquerilla West

WHERE I'M CALLING FROM

Remember the responsibilities of 'Irishness'

As the most joyous, glorious, and sacred holiday that Hallmark ever knew approaches, I must take this opportunity to incite some Irish fervor. THE DAY draws closer; a day for the finest people on God's green earth to stand and be noticed (and if all goes well, perhaps fall down); a day for the Irish.

With March 17 t-minus 19 days away (that's 27,360 minutes or 1,641,600 sec-

Thomas
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onds for those of you keeping track) it is time to get in the St. Pat's Day spirit, and I don't mean skip class and run over to that apartment complex with the great parking. I mean it's time to reflect on what St. Patrick's Day is and what exactly we are celebrating.

As difficult as it is to admit, the drinking, singing, and dancing have absolutely nothing to do with the patron saint of Ireland and what he accomplished in God's country. Whether or not he drove the snakes out of Ireland (a process that actually took 800 years) matters little — what he did do was bring Catholicism to a pagan people. Through the network of monasteries he created, he provided space for erudition in an otherwise ignorant age. He was the holiest of men, his devotion and sacrifice of mythical proportion. He is a symbol of peace, of selflessness, of piety — he has come to represent that which is good about the land and the people he loved.

It is a bit curious that on March 17 we will remember him by wearing Shamrocks and plastic green hats from Osco and slugging pints of Guinness or jars of Jameson. We say we are celebrating the Irish, revelling in being Irish, engaging in Irish activities. How did the notion of what is Irish ever become so

distorted? I find it ironic that few places on earth revel in Irish stereotypes more than the Irish-American bastion Notre Dame. We say we are Irish to the core, the home of the Fightin' Irish, yet on March 17 we will all prove that we have not one idea what Irishness is.

Are we not in some way responsible as a school that waves the tri-color and pastes leprechauns and shamrocks across its campus to take an interest in the history, culture, and politics of Ireland? As ethnic groups express their rage and disgust for mascots and nicknames that pervert their culture's traditions, we at Notre Dame are as accountable as anyone for such injustice. We rally behind a leprechaun caricature taken from racist British propaganda likening the Irish to monkeys. We drink in the name of the Irish, we fight in the name of the Irish. We create, embrace, and perpetuate myths and stereotypes about Irishness, stereotypes that have in a sense become the Irish, stereotypes that are belittling and deny the tragedy and the glory of Irishness.

Notre Dame has recently made an effort to remedy such ignorance through its Irish studies program, a program that will allow this "Irish University" to explore what being Irish really is. Yet as a student body largely composed of students with Irish blood, it is surprising with how little effort and how little interest we approach the study of a heritage this University supposedly celebrates.

On March 17 we will sport our Irish sweatshirts and stumble through rowdy parties, green beer in hand, muttering in the most miserable brogues ever heard, but how many of us understand anything of substance regarding Ireland and its people? How many of us have taken an Irish Studies class? How many of us even know there is an Irish language, let alone that one can fulfill Notre Dame's language requirement in it?

Names like Tone, Parnell, De Valera mean nothing to most of us, but to an Irishman they sound like Washington, Lincoln, Roosevelt. Initials like UVF,

RUC, IRA, SDLP sound like new campus organizations to a Domer (perhaps the Ultra Vehement Feminist or the Students Drinking Like Professionals), yet to a student at Queen's University Belfast, they mean something very different, something very dire. They are outfits at the center of one of the oldest conflicts in Western History, a conflict that seems to be drawing closer to resolve, a conflict most of us know nothing about.

You may wonder why you should even care. Ethnocentrism is as American as apple pie, and most of us are not concerned with such developments abroad, developments that will change the face of a country we don't pay attention to but love to invoke on March 17 and football Saturdays. Yet as Irish-Americans, as Christians, as human beings, we should be aware of Ireland's tragic yesterday and be a vocal force in helping forge its tomorrow.

Yet we are not interested. We forget. We forget that most of us are in fact American because our ancestors were starved out of their homeland in the 1840's while the English got fat. In the United States, we remember past atrocities and attempt to patch the scars they left behind, albeit slowly. The tragic history of African and Jewish Americans should never be forgotten. We regularly recall the terrible legacy of slavery in America and remember the horror of the holocaust — our capital's holocaust museum is one of the most outstanding monuments to the Jewish plight.

Yet do we recall the thousands of Irish murdered, enslaved, and transplanted throughout history? Do we mourn the fact that millions of fellow Catholics lived under rigorous penal laws imposed by a British minority, all in the name of our faith? These are sources of Irish pride and Irish sorrow, yet they are wholly overlooked by those of us who claim to be Irish but whose only Irish hero is Arthur Guinness.

It seems that what we understand about the Irish aside from the Blarney stone stereotypes are Hollywood and media representations of the Irish hooli-

gans, the fighting Irish, the terrorists who kill indiscriminately. The reality of Irish history is that the worst acts of violence ever committed on Irish soil were by the British against the Irish.

But that is not what we hear about. We hear about how those murderous Irishman resumed bombing last year and destroyed any chance for peace when the real blame for the violence falls squarely on the politicking of an inept Major government. As abrasive as it may sound, one man's terrorist is another man's freedom fighter, but we, the Irish in America, fail to recognize that point of view. We balk at the notion of violence and say 'How could they?' Don't ask the IRA, ask John Major, Maggie Thatcher, and the countless British governments before them whose racist politics subjugated and exploited the Irish people.

The loss of life resulting from Fenian violence cannot be justified by any means. Peace is the priority, and it is the hope of every Irishman. But as we stand on the brink of peace and applaud the changes leading to resolution in the North of Ireland, the ugly fact that no one seems willing to accept is that had there not been violence, there would never have been change.

So as you celebrate St. Patrick's Day and revel in your Irishness, remember that what you are celebrating is much bigger than one day. Remember that the country you are celebrating is more than shamrocks and whiskey and tweed caps, but is a county with a chance to become one free, independent nation for the first time in centuries, a country ready to stop living beneath the shadows of hatred and violence. Our voices count in shaping Ireland's future — our objection to injustice and occupation can help the Irish find that peaceful tomorrow; our ignorance and indifference will help them stay right where they are.

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■ ACCENT ASKS

If you could replace the president with a cartoon character, who would it be?



"Butthead because he is cool."

*Megan Walsh
Freshman, Pasquerilla East*

"Optimus Prime because he can transform the country into a better place for all humankind."



*Brian Jankowitz
Sophomore, Morrissey*



"Papa Smurf because he was a wise and natural leader."

*Katie Fox
Sophomore, Cavanaugh*

"Homer Simpson because he characterizes many Americans."

*Mark Higgins
Freshman, Flanner*



"Yogi Bear because he has always been a figure of leadership and the American way."

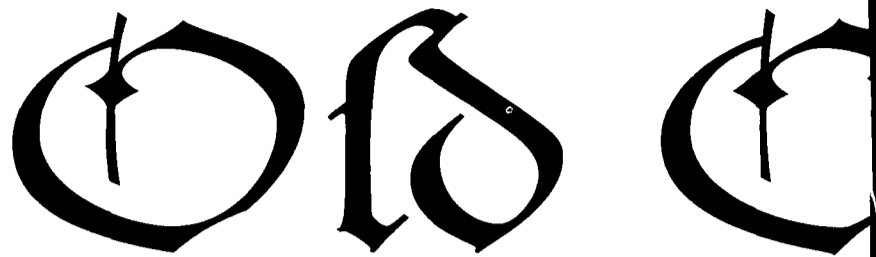
*Christy Duval
Sophomore, Pasquerilla East*

"Shaggy because he has really good posture."

*Steve McMullen
Junior, Keough*



The Observer/Rachael Sederberg



By NATHANIEL MARX
Accent Writer

No one will dispute that the Golden Dome is the heart of the Notre Dame campus. Residents of Alumni Hall say they live at the center of the universe, while LaFortune Hall claims to be Notre Dame's living room. Where, then, does one look to find the soul of this campus? It must be a place steeped in history, yet in touch with the modern world. It should represent Notre Dame's variety and live up to the character and ideals of the University. Most importantly, the soul of Notre Dame would be found in a place where life as a community is a happy reality and a serious responsibility.

One would do well to search for Notre Dame's soul among the 12 undergraduates and two priests who live at Old College. The students here are exploring a possible vocation as Catholic priests. Junior Kyle Elliott explains that the Old College program is "a trial run at living in a religious community." While it is often called the undergraduate seminary, Elliott thinks the term "House of Formation" better describes Old College.

Formation happens in many ways at Old College. In preparation for possible seminary studies, the Old Collegians are required to study a certain amount of philosophy and theology. Still, as Notre Dame students, they may choose almost any major, and they study a variety of fields, including pre-medicine, government, economics and psychology. The residents are also involved in Notre Dame's many activities. "We have two band members," says Elliott. "We have people in various clubs and activities, in retreat planning committees..."

Perhaps the most significant extracurricular activity for the Old Collegians is community service. Junior Ryan Thummel says, "There's two of us working at the Logan Center, a few in religious education, high school and elementary...

We have a person on retreat nearly every weekend." Thummel tutors children at the Center for the Homeless, while another student assists at the retirement center.

"Our days can be really, really full," Elliott remarks. In addition to their academic work, activities, and community service, the men at Old College participate in frequent prayer as a community. Elliott explains, "Most of us roll out of bed at 7 in the morning to get up for 7:15 morning prayer — not too many of my friends [outside of Old College] are talking about doing that." Additionally, evening prayer or Mass is held at 5 p.m., and Mass or night prayer at 10 p.m. Special "community nights" on Mondays and Thursdays include Mass as well as

take on the obligations of religious community?"

One possible reason and location of Old College's 154 years, it is the oldest campus — a mixed blessing. According to Elliott, Old College has a lot of quirks to a lot of character." For each student has his though some of the you share space. A separate room as well as common rooms are evidence of Collegians' welcome certainly, Old College's the edge of Saint Mary's to beat. "During the when I can sit on the bench watch the sun set over Lake, that's so beautiful reflects.

The residents of Old College the nearby log chapel of the original Father Stephen Badin, the final resting place of Badin's remains, and of Father Sorin's own veneration. Mass in this historic simple and cheerful Collegian plays the guitar takes a turn as cantor help out as lectors and The rector of Old College Moss, gives a short homily importance of forgiveness passion in community life.

Father Moss is part of the reason why these men are at Old College. Elliott and are quick to praise the staff at Old College includes Father Moss, director and Father Jim a geology professor and a priest in-residence. Additionally, each student a spiritual director that he n anywhere from one to about every two weeks. al director, Father Thummel says simply, "Thummel says, simply,

Elliott describes spirituality as "a way of speaking core things that you can look at them over a with someone who has this."

"It's an amazing part really," Thummel agrees suggest spiritual direction who feels that God is part of the



The men of Old College are composed of four juniors, seven sophomores and one freshman.

dinner prepared by two of the Old Collegians. The residents of Old College take their community prayer seriously. "We have a commitment to get up every day and to be here for every single one of these men here," Thummel says.

The University itself has several commitments to the men at Old College. While the Old Collegians are asked to pay for room and board, the University grants them full tuition scholarships for as long as they remain in the program. "I don't think that there's ever a feeling that the University or Holy Cross wants their money out of us," Elliott says, but it is



In the hunt for Old College, simply look for its trademark sign.

clear that the students feel a particular responsibility to complete academic work and support each other to the best of their abilities.

What brought these men to Old College, and why do they choose to

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regular university classes, the Old Collegians can be found at dances and parties, and have a large number of friends who live in the dorms.

While they do not hold any SYRs or formals, they do have a house party each semester. The community make its own rules about social life, including parietals that are an hour earlier than in the residence halls. For the most part, the residents believe that their social life is not very different from that of other students on campus.

Old College is a relatively unique program in America. As such, it draws people from all over the country. Thummel hails from Wichita, Kansas while Elliott comes all the way from Alaska. Other residents are

us will not become priests." However, he adds that those who do not become priests will almost certainly be "active lay members of their communities."

Thummel remembers that "John Conley said to me when I was coming in, 'Thummel, this is not a priest-making program. We are making good men.'" Thummel feels that their time at Old College should be "about finding God's will in your life today." Rather than dedicating themselves to becoming priests, he believes that "the immediacy of our commitment is to the men in the house and to our academics."

Thummel and Elliott readily admit that being at Old College involves a constant struggle to balance the many parts of their daily lives.



A beautiful spot next to Saint Mary's Lake provides Old Collegians with a peaceful atmosphere.

Still, Elliott thinks that "when everything is in its proper place, you should feel this kind of stretching — this kind of pulling. I think that call that brought us here is now making us grow another step to becoming who we are."

from California, Arkansas, and Washington.

The Old Collegians would probably agree with Elliott who says that his reasons for coming to Old College fall somewhere in between a "mystical pulling" by God to consider a priestly vocation and the encouragement of Father John Conley, a Holy Cross vocations director. "So many things seemed to really add up when I started really thinking about it, and I think that's true for most of the guys here... It really made sense to come to Old College."

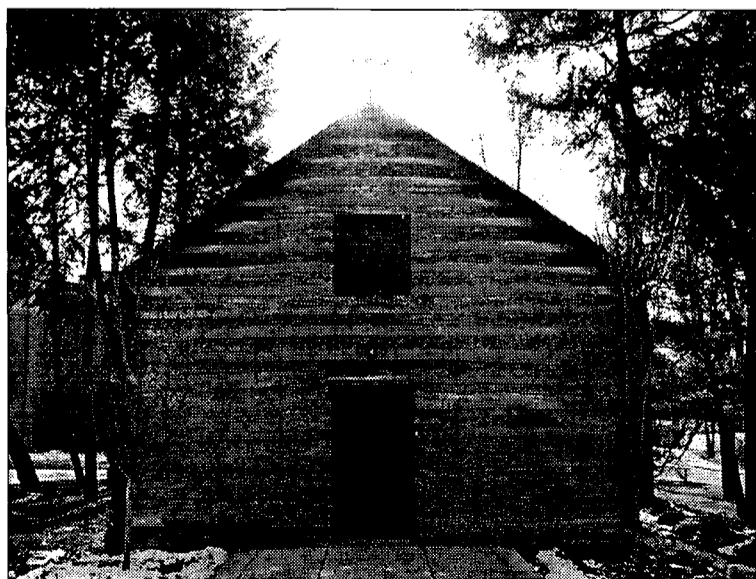
Currently, there are four juniors, seven sophomores, and one freshman living at Old College.

Despite the importance of considering the priesthood, their plans for life after graduation are not pre-determined. Elliott points out that "if you want to run the statistics, most of

If the residents of Old College do indeed represent the soul of Notre Dame, they do not always feel understood by other students, and they invite people to learn more about their community. "I would like Notre Dame to know more about this place," Thummel says, "I'm very proud of it."

In any case, the men at Old College are very aware of the truth of college life that is in the soul of every Notre Dame student.

As Elliott says, "It's a winding road, and you never know what's around the next bend." The Old Collegians are fortunate to share their winding road with each other and with God.



The Observer/Brandon Candura

A replication of the original log cabin built by Father Stephen Badin provides a place to celebrate Mass.

ACCENT SPEAKS

That Darn President

By DAN CICHALSKI
Assistant Accent Editor

We've already had one Calvin in the White House. And currently, there's a cat as the First Pet. So why not elect Calvin as President and let him bring along Hobbes as VP? Surely a tiger can do that job.

Today's Photo Poll question sparks some interesting scenarios that only a lazy Arts and Letters major such as myself would spend any serious would-be productive time contemplating.

What if Calvin grew up to be president of the United States? How about someone from the Peanuts gang? There are hundreds of possible candidates out there in the Chicago Tribune's Tempo section and on the Cartoon Network. Let's consider:

- "Blondie." If Dagwood Bumstead were elected president, Blondie would start to go by her maiden name and try to get a 10-billion page health care package passed. But, the more likely scenario here would be to elect Blondie. Dagwood would be able to adequately perform vice-presidential duties while sleeping on the couch eight hours a day.

- "Dilbert." No question here: Dogbert for president! A Dogbert cabinet would consist of Catbert as chief of staff and Rathbert as postmaster general. Dilbert could be put in charge of spraying the rental shoes in the White House bowling alley.

- "The Far Side." Gary Larson's hilarious cartoon had no main characters so the likely candidate to emerge from the Far Side Primaries would be a cow — any cow.

- "Doonesbury." Zonker Harris. We need a president named Zonker, that's all there is to it. With President Harris, there would be no question as to whether or not he inhaled.

- "Peanuts." Charlie Brown can't manage a baseball team, so it is unlikely that he could manage the country. Snoopy would perform well, given his vast knowledge of American history and ability to sleep on the top of a dog house.

- "He-Man." This guy's got the perfect campaign slogan: "Master of the Universe." Not even FDR can compete with that.

- The Warner Brothers Party. Yosemite Sam could be the western frontier candidate. But Bugs Bunny would win over Sam. With President Bunny in the White House, though, America's carrot production would suffer tremendously. Don't forget the Warner Brothers. The self-made cartoon, rising up from a childhood of poverty, living in a water tower on a studio lot. There's nothing more American than that.

- "Calvin and Hobbes." The White House would become one big Get Rid Of Slimy girls (G.R.O.S.S.) clubhouse. Calvin would be able to stay up as late as he wants and rent any movies he'd like. It'd be the idea of small government at its smallest; the people really would run everything.

- The Transformer Party. Optimus Prime was a fine leader, keeping the Decepticons from taking over the Earth. He even came back from the dead. Since Optimus had his own weapons and was made of steel, the Secret Service could be cut and the money used for the Presidential Car Wash.

- "Scooby-Doo." Shaggy was a weenie, but if George Bush can be president... Scooby himself is a long shot because no one would be able to understand his speeches. Not that that's a bad thing...

- The Disney Party. There are several possibilities within this party alone. With all of his powers, Aladdin might be too much of a dictator, so he'd be a bad choice. Goofy's got a chance — remember Gerry Ford. Everyone would love Mufasa as president because of that voice. Scar could even get elected (Nixon was reelected). Donald Duck would not be a problem in the Oval Office, even though he doesn't wear any pants. After all, JFK and Clinton couldn't keep theirs on.

- The Superfriends. The Justice League of America is a cabinet or Congress in waiting. Superman or Batman would be the president, though the Wonder Twins would make a good co-prez pair. Aquaman could be secretary of the navy.

- "The Smurfs." If Papa Smurf can keep all those little blue men in line with one woman running around town, he can hold down Congress. Gargamel seems like a dead ringer for speaker of the House.

- "The Simpsons." The next American royal family, a la the Kennedys? Perhaps not, but Lisa seems to have a good head on her shoulders, especially for an eight-year-old. If Lisa were elected, we'd finally find out what state Springfield is in. Bart would be the equivalent of Roger Clinton — that annoying, pitiful brother she would really like to keep out of the public eye.

- "The Flintstones." Truly America's First Family. Fred's a hard-working man who remains faithful to his wife, except for those testosterone-bonding sessions at the Waterbuffalo Lodge or bowling alley.

Well, some of these might not be prudent suggestions. Who cares? A lot of shady people can get elected in this country, but we're just not lucky enough to have someone as colorful as Bugs Bunny residing at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

If we did live in such a wonderful world, I think Calvin would get my vote.

■ NBA

Washington defeats Indiana

By DAVID GINSBURG
Associated Press Writer

LANDOVER, Md.

Juwan Howard scored 20 of his 28 points in the first half as the Washington Bullets built a 21-point lead and cruised past the Indiana Pacers 108-87 Tuesday night, ending a three-game losing streak.

Howard also had 11 rebounds and nine assists, barely missing the first triple-double of his NBA career. The third-year forward was coming off a miserable nine-point effort against Detroit, the first time in 36 games he failed to score in double figures.

Tracy Murray scored 19 and Rod Strickland 17 for the Bullets, who shot 63 percent before halftime to go up 58-37. Washington led by as many as 29 points in the second half in registering its second-most lopsided victory of the season.

The Bullets, despite getting only nine points from leading scorer Chris Webber, won their third game in the last 12 and improved to 3-5 under new coach Bernie Bickerstaff. Washington had lost four straight to Indiana dating back to last season.

The Pacers (25-29) and Bullets (25-30) are chasing Orlando (28-25) for the eighth and final play-off spot in the Eastern Conference.

Reggie Miller and Rik Smits had 14 points apiece for Indiana, but Miller was 1-for-7 in the first half and Smits was 4-for-9 with three turnovers as the Pacers put themselves in a deep hole by shooting just 39 percent.

Washington led 29-23 early in the second quarter before

Howard started a 9-0 run with a layup and ended it with a tip-in. The Bullets pulled away late in the period when Howard scored six straight points in a 14-2 surge that made it 58-35.

Webber opened the second half with a free throw and a dunk, and two foul shots by Strickland upped the margin to 26 points. It was 76-54 before Murray scored five points in a 7-0 spree that put the Bullets up by 29.

Notes: Miller went 4-for-12 and is 37-for-111 from the field (33 percent) in his last seven games. ... Newcomer Mark Jackson scored eight for Indiana. ... Webber grabbed all 10 of his rebounds in the first half.

Seattle 72
Cleveland 66

CLEVELAND

Seattle outscored Cleveland by 14 points at the foul line to beat the Cavaliers 72-66 Tuesday night in one of the lowest-scoring games in NBA history.

The 138 combined points were the seventh fewest since the shot clock was introduced in the 1954-55 season. No. 6 on the list is Miami's 71-66 victory over Cleveland on Feb. 1.

The Sonics made 24 of 29 free throws, including 10 of 10 by Hersey Hawkins, to win their seventh straight despite a season-low point total by Seattle. Cleveland was 10 of 18 from the line.

Seattle stars Gary Payton and Shawn Kemp had off nights. Payton was held to eight points on 2-of-12 shooting with only one assist, while Kemp shot 2-

for-7 from the field for nine points.

Cleveland, the league's top-rated defensive team, trailed 60-52 early in the fourth but went on a 12-2 run to regain the lead. Terrell Brandon's 3-pointer with two minutes left made it 64-62 and caused by far the loudest applause of the season from 18,725 at Gund Arena.

But Payton, Brandon's good friend from their college days in Oregon, followed a 3-pointer by Sam Perkins with a nifty drive to give the Sonics a 67-64 lead with 92 seconds to play.

Hawkins and Detlef Schrempf then combined to hit five of six foul shots down the stretch. Hawkins finished with 16 points, and Perkins had 14.

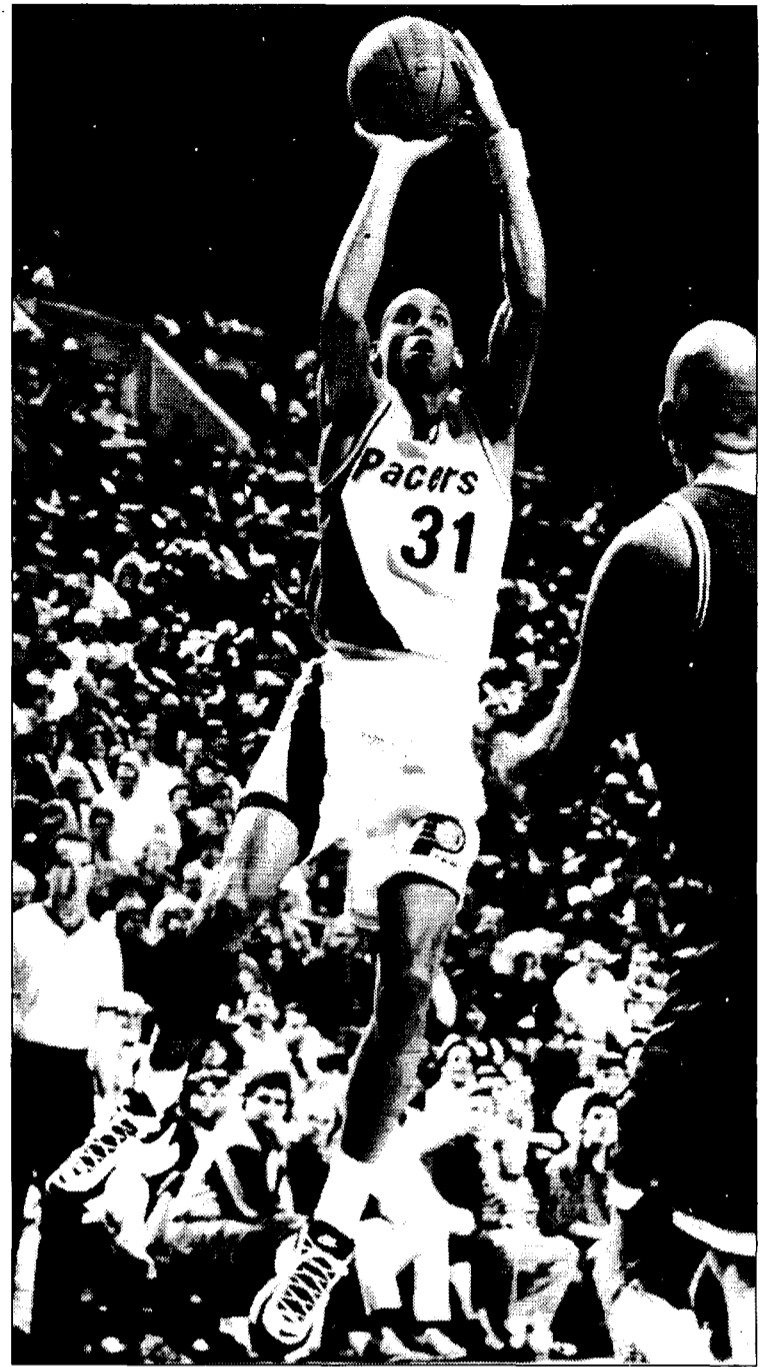
Seattle shot 35 percent from the field and fell far short of their previous scoring low this season, 84 points against the Chicago Bulls. The Sonics' franchise low is 65, set in 1990.

Seattle, second in the league in scoring with 101 points per game, took only 11 shots in the first quarter and made only three while falling behind 18-15.

The Sonics led 37-35 at halftime despite shooting 30 percent. They scored more points (38) in the third quarter against the Clippers earlier this season, and nearly twice as many (70) in the first half against Golden State.

The point guard matchup between Brandon and Payton never materialized. They didn't guard each other for most of the game.

Brandon, who is in a shooting slump, had only one field goal in the first half and finished with 11 points on 4-of-15 shooting.



Courtesy of the Indiana Pacers
Despite Reggie Miller's 14 points, Indiana couldn't overcome the offensive barrage led by Washington's Juwan Howard.

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the Irish with 27 points, 18 in the second half. The 69-60 victory assured Notre Dame of their first winning season in two years.

Always modest, Garrity admitted that the propaganda distributed to ticket holders made him a little uneasy.

"Before the game I thought I was going to have a terrible game when they start putting stuff like that out," he added.

Teammate Admore White had no problem with the crystal ball on a sign, however.

"He's definitely got my vote," White said.

White might make multiple trips to the polls after Garrity, along with reserve Antoni Wyche, compensated for his 2-11 night from the field. Wyche tallied a career-high 17 points, including a crucial trey that gave Notre Dame (14-11, 8-9) a 54-49 lead with 5:37 left.

"He (Antoni) came up big," Garrity said. "That's what we need. We need guys coming off the bench, scoring points, being

effective, and making things happen. I was glad to see him have a good night."

"I felt comfortable during the game," Wyche added. "I knew this was a game we needed. It was senior night, and I didn't want the guys to go out with a loss."

White did give the Irish the lead for good with two minutes remaining. A driving layup off the glass coupled with five free throws down the stretch helped relieve Garrity and gave White 11 points for the game.

"The opportunity came for me to drive the ball to the basket,"

White said. "I had been struggling for the last two games, and I felt the least I could do was make a layup and my free throws."

The game was ugly for the most part as both teams shot under 42 percent from the field and under 20 percent from beyond the arc. As in their last outing, the Irish struggled from the outset, reaching the ten point plateau midway through the first half.

The Irish opened the game connecting on only two of their first thirteen shots.

Despite that, the Irish trailed by one point at halftime. The Hurricanes (15-10, 9-8) shot an equally pathetic 39 percent, while committing eight turnovers and putting the Irish in the bonus with 11:40 to go in the first half.

Ugly facts that made for a typical Big East contest.

"It was a tough game because they just kept coming," said Garrity who displayed combat injuries with cuts both under his eye and on his neck.

"This game didn't have the flow to it that some of the other games have," Irish head coach John MacLeod said. "It was not a particularly high-powered offensive game."

More defensive flair was demonstrated as Notre Dame held Miami leading scorer Tim James to just nine points. Garrity also manhandled Alex

Fraser who only managed six points.

"This was a hard-fought, low-scoring, intensely played game," MacLeod surmised. "Every game has a characteristic attached to it. This game was fought down in the trenches. This team does that a lot, and I really like that."

Miami had no player to take over at game's end, so the Irish defense did instead. In the last two minutes, the Hurricanes turned it over twice, while also offering up a brick and an air ball.

"They're a hungry team that knows how to win," Miami head coach Leonard Hamilton said of the Irish.

As for Garrity, Hamilton admitted that he posed one of the biggest problems Miami has encountered the entire season. Hamilton was pleased his team limited Garrity's touches inside, but was baffled at the way in which Garrity can pop off a screen and knock down a 15-footer with a hand in his face.

"He's a tremendous basketball player," Hamilton added. "He has the confidence to hit the clutch shots down the stretch. He moves so well without the basketball. He just caught it and shot it as we were right there to contest."

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"We're a lot more mature now," said Pat Garrity. "We're not making a lot of the stupid mistakes like we did last year."

Last year, and even through the first half of the this year, the Irish probably would have found ways to dribble away the type of close game they have often found themselves.

Not anymore. Now, Notre Dame knows how to do the little things it takes to win. Importantly, they also have the necessary confidence.

Last night's final two minutes

was a case in point.

Admore White, who was just 2-10 from the floor, called out a play designed for either himself or Garrity. Seeing a crack in the Hurricane defense, White exploded to the goal and kissed in left-handed lay-up over the defense to put the Irish ahead by three.

But he wasn't done. He then stepped to the free throw line and sunk four straight free throws to ice the games.

It was simply execution of the little things, aided by a sense of confidence.

"It was just a matter of winning some games to get that confidence back," said Garrity.

It hasn't always been so simple.

Midway through the season, when the Irish hit a four-game losing streak in January to drop their league mark to just 1-5, the team was at rock bottom.

In addition, the calls for Notre Dame to find a replacement for MacLeod became louder.

"We just had to lay it out there on the floor for Coach," said White. "He's done everything he can for us."

White and his team responded, traveling to the inhospitable Carrier Dome and returning home with a 73-58 win over Syracuse. The victory stabilized the team, and the maturing process began.

"Every team, at one point, goes through a slump," observed White. "We just started

to focus more on playing together."

That focus was most apparent in the early days of February, when the Irish put together three conference wins in a week.

"That stretch was really crucial for us," admitted Garrity. "We proved we could play."

MacLeod always thought so.

"We felt like this group's makeup was good," he said. "We thought this team would really battle and they have. The chemistry is there. We have people deferring to the guys that is hot, and we have had different people step up."

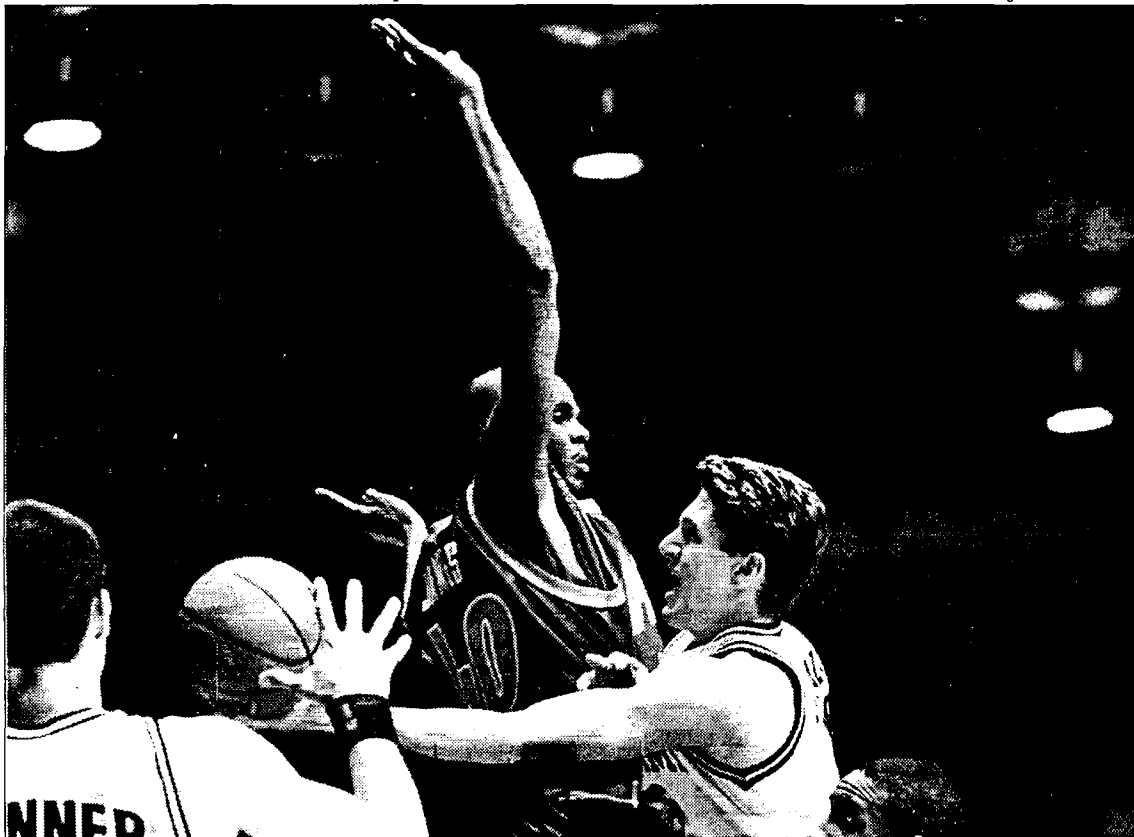
Early in the current six-game home winning streak, that role fell on guys like Pete Miller and Derek Manner. Saturday, it was Matt Gotsch and David Lalazarian. Last night, Antoni Wyche did the honors.

And no one can forget the constant, Garrity.

"This is the time to be cooking, to be on a tear going into the Big East Tournament," said MacLeod.

"Now, we're really focused on the Big East Tournament," said Garrity. "Let's run the table out there."

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The Irish managed to find ways around the intense Hurricane defense in last night's contest.

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■ BENGAL BOUTS

Intensity level increases for tonight's semifinals

Champions look to defend their titles

By **BETSY BAKER**
Assistant Sports Editor

It's time for the boys to prove themselves as men, as the competition heightens for tonight's Bengal Bouts semifinals. As the number of matches are cut in half, the intensity doubles because this year's pugilists aim to get one step closer to the ultimate goal, a Bengal Bouts championship.

While some of the boxers would be complacent making it to the final round, earning them the coveted Bengal Bouts jacket, others have a little more to prove.

"Some guys are out here for the jacket, but I already have that," said senior John Kmetz, two-time finalist, who will box fellow senior Tim Irwin in one of tonight's 157-pound semifinals. "I'm going for the title." Chip Farrell, a two-time finalist in the 160-pound weight

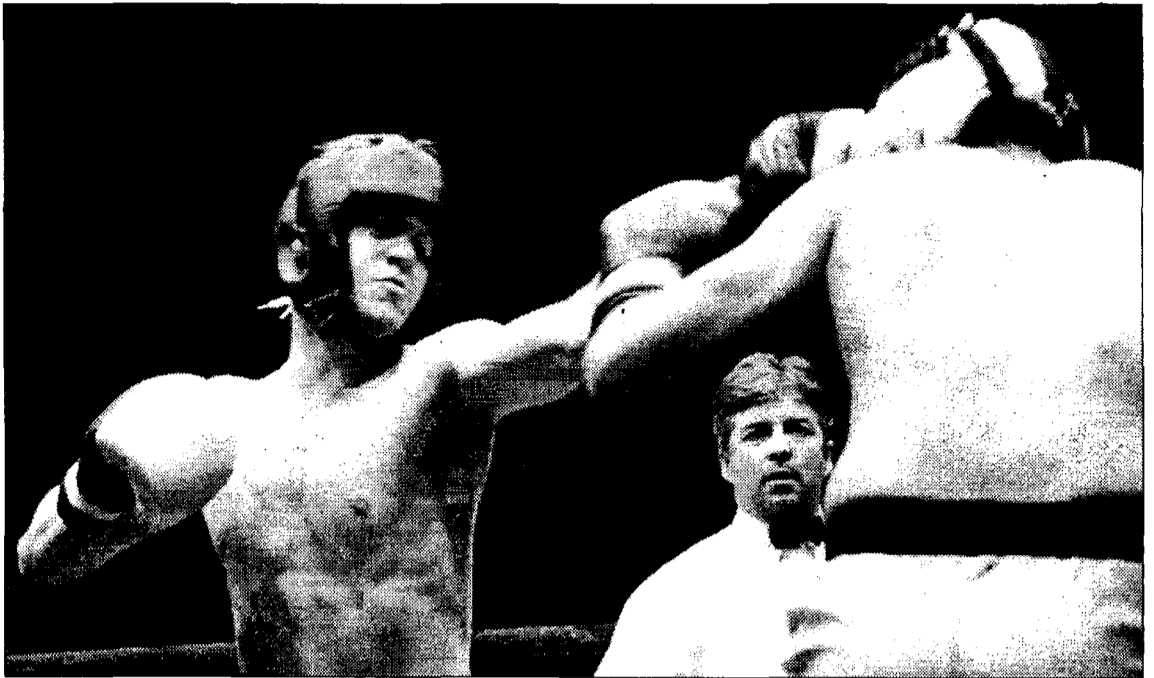
class, concurs.

"The fact that I've made it to the final round the last two years without winning just makes me hungrier," Farrell commented.

Still others are faced with defending their titles. Senior Chris Sikora, the top seed in the 157-pound class, will take on Brendan McGuire in tonight's second semi-final in that class. Sikora, who had a bit of a size advantage in Sunday's quarter-final, will find himself more evenly-matched against McGuire. Sikora will also have to fend off the pressure that goes along with being the favorite and maintain the good, clean style of fighting that has found him success in the past.

"A lot of people have come to me and asked me whether I think I'll repeat this year, so that's kind of forced me to look at the big picture," Sikora said. "But I'm just trying to stay focused."

Such is the same for Doug Pollina of the 150-pound class. Pollina will face Steve Allen tonight in hopes of the opportunity to return to the finals to defend his title. After one of



Brendan McGuire has a tough bout ahead of him, as he will be fighting top seed Chris Sikora tonight.

The Observer/Mike Ruma

the more impressive showings on Sunday with a TKO of Andrew McElhinney in the first round, Pollina is forced at sharpening his skills and preparing himself for more of a battle against Allen.

"I'm just going to have to continue to train hard," Pollina said of his next step after Sunday's match. "I'll run and continue to train myself."

On the other side of the 150 semis are graduate student Stefan Schroffner, who defeated Stephan Locher on Sunday with a split decision, and up-and-coming freshman J.R. Mellin who has already impressed people in his first year. Mellin used a lethal jab to take down senior Mike Eberly in the second round of Sunday's quarter-final match.

When asked if he was worried about his semi-final match against Schroffner, Mellin answered, "He throws a real powerful punch, which is a little

out of control, but if he lands it can do some real damage."

"He throws a lot of hooks so I guess I'll just jab and move."

In 155-pound action, top-seed Damon Affinito will take on sophomore John DeSplinter, who pulled off an impressive unanimous decision over Joshua Kirzedeer on Sunday. Affinito is one of the quicker fighters of the Bouts which will give him an advantage going into tonight's semi-finals. On the other side of the bracket, it will be a battle of the seniors as Pete Titterton will take on Matt Berilla. Titterton's very aggressive style against Berilla's ability to land nearly every one of jab's on his opponent's face should make for one of the better bouts of the middle weight classes.

Finally, to what Bengal Bouts president, John Christoforetti, touted as the toughest weight class of the bouts, the 160-

pound looks to live up to that billing as it places Chip Farrell against a feisty Tom Roderick, whose ability to catch his opponent on the way helped him find the way to the semifinals.

"Chip's a good fighter," Roderick said of tonight's opponent. "He's got a different style than my last opponent. He's more of an in-and-out fighter, but I'm looking forward to fighting him."

Richard Molloy will also have a chance to live up to the top-seed he earned in his first year of the Bengal Bouts when he goes up against Tom Biolchini. Biolchini will have a bit of an advantage, having come off an impressive quarterfinal victory over Alex Kerrigan, but the first-year Molloy is receiving a lot of hype from his teammates.

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■ BENGAL BOUTS

Semifinals will separate pretenders from contenders

Wednesday's fights sure to entertain

By MIKE DAY
Assistant Sports Editor

The smiles are gone, and the party has come to an end. Things are starting to get serious at the 67th annual Bengal Bouts.

And as the fighters prepare for the semifinals tonight at the Joyce Center, the time has come to separate the contenders from the pretenders.

In the 145-pound division, top seeds and co-favorites Fred Kelly and Ted Pagano seem destined to meet in Saturday's finals, but they will first have to take care of business if that matchup is to take place.

Kelly, who defeated Brendan Walsh with a second round TKO last Sunday, will face No. 5 seed Matt Ramarge this evening. Ramarge has been one of the true surprises in this year's bouts, knocking off Brian Daigle in the quarterfinals.

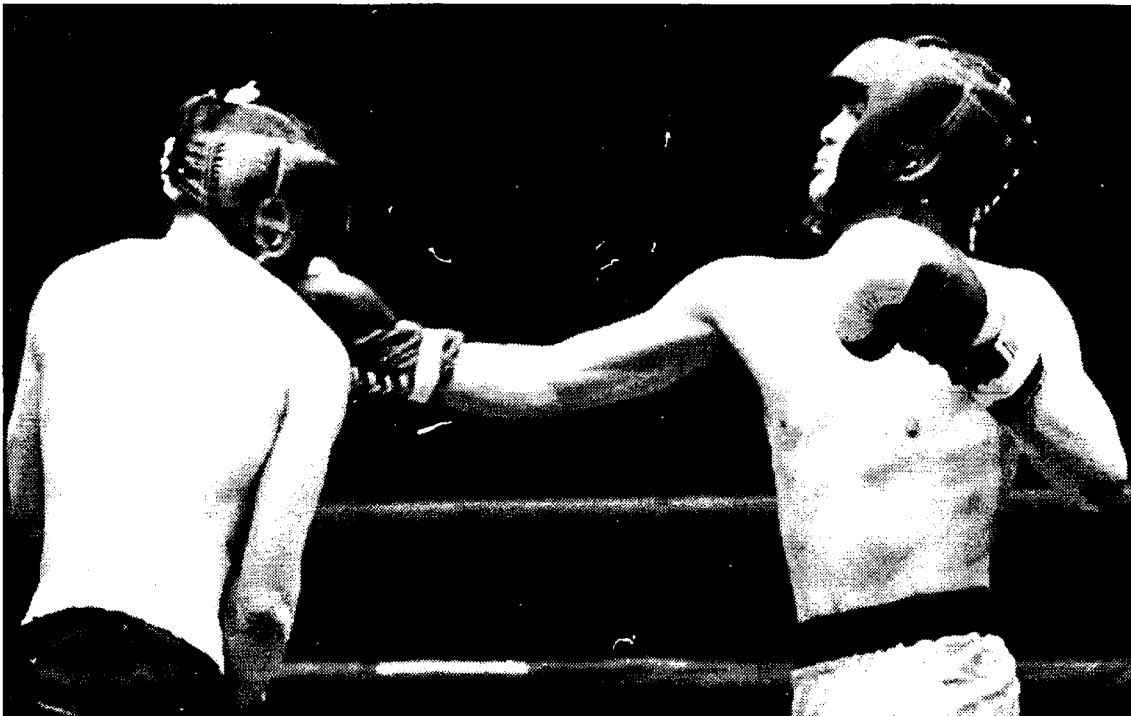
"It is certainly a challenge to compete having not fought in it before," said Ramarge. "But I believe my conditioning and endurance will help make up for my lack of experience."

After fighting for his life last Sunday against newcomer Kevin Buccellato, Pagano will need a stronger effort against the experienced No. 3 seed Tom Cronley. Pagano struggled against Buccellato, narrowly escaping with a split decision in one of the day's most exciting matches.

"He (Pagano) has a lot of experience and is one of the top fighters competing," said Cronley. "It will be a tough fight, and I know that I'll have to come ready, both physically and mentally."

Fans should definitely show up early to witness the highly competitive 135-pound class. Top seed Tommy Will is set to battle No. 4 seed Sean Sharpe, while newcomer Mike Maguire will try his luck against the heavy favorite, Lucas Molina.

Molina, who looked impressive in Sunday's second round TKO of Dominic Fahey, is not looking past Maguire to a potential finals matchup against Will.



"Ragin Roman" Ted Pagano looks to rebound from a tough first fight tonight in the semifinals.

"He (Maguire) has fought well and will definitely be tough to beat on Wednesday," said Molina. "He's really aggressive and that style always is a challenge to fight against. It is a little tougher to fight against an

aggressive opponent."

Over the last six weeks, the veteran Molina has worked extensively with Maguire, teaching the newcomer some of the secrets of the trade.

"He has taught me a lot and has been there to give me advice when I've needed it," said Maguire. "He is a great fighter, and I know it will be a tough fight. I look forward to the challenge."

After coasting through the first round, Will faces a big test in 1996 semifinalist Sharpe. Overcoming a slow start, Sharpe displayed his mettle in a tough

win over senior Pete Meyer on Sunday.

"I think my experience and endurance really helped me out in the final two rounds," said Sharpe. "I know that I will have to be at my best on Wednesday to beat a guy like him (Will)."

After receiving a bye through the quarterfinals, the well rested quartet in the 125-pound class is eager to step into the ring tonight. Junior Matt Peacock will face sophomore David Seerveld, while sophomore Chris Owens prepares to take on fellow sophomore Brian Dillon.



Bengal Bouts Semifinals



<p>Matt Peacock</p> <p>David "The Gingerbread Man" Seerveld</p> <p>Chris "Little Mac" Owens</p> <p>Brian "Look At Me" Dillon</p> <p>Tom "Go Ahead and Sign Your Will"</p> <p>Sean "Razor" Sharpe</p> <p>Michael "The Roof Is On Fire" Maguire</p> <p>Lucas "El Mariachi" Molina</p> <p>Fred "Irish Stout" Kelly</p> <p>Matthew Ramarge</p> <p>Thomas "Killer" Cronley</p> <p>Ted "The Ragin Roman" Pagano</p> <p>Doug "Pistol" Polina</p> <p>Steve "The Wrecking Ball"</p> <p>Steffan "The Hatchet Man" Schreffner</p> <p>Jeffrey "Maddog" Mellin</p> <p>Damon "Bronko" Affinito</p> <p>John "Ouch" Desplinter</p> <p>Pete "Tito" Titterton</p> <p>Matt "Mojo" Berilla</p> <p>Chris "The Polish Prince" Sikora</p> <p>Brendan "Dog-Dog" McGuire</p> <p>Tim "Poobah" Irwin</p> <p>John "Place Your Betz" Kmetz</p> <p>Rich "Rachels Dad" Malloy</p> <p>Thomas "The Tulsa Tornado" Blochini</p> <p>Tom "Go To Your Happy Place" Roderick</p> <p>Chip "Off The Old Block" Farrell</p>	<p>John Christoforetti</p> <p>David "Gonna Drop The Smack Down On Ya" Remick</p> <p>Benny "Banger" Rost</p> <p>Ryan "The Scar" Rans</p> <p>Patrick "Take Two Of These" Maciariello</p> <p>Sean "Strong Enough For A Man" Mahoney</p> <p>Norm "The Barber" Bezmoska</p> <p>Seth "Take Your Last Breath" Roy</p> <p>Ted "The Bear" Lefere</p> <p>Chris "Doom" Dobranski</p> <p>Matt "Was There Ever Any" Dowd</p> <p>Andrew "The Brazilian Bruiser" Hebert</p> <p>Brian "The Nutty Irishman" Gaffney</p> <p>Mike "Guns Don't Kill People, Kill People" Romanchek</p> <p>Aaron "May The Force Be With You" Yoder</p> <p>Mike "King Of The Ring" Debaisi</p> <p>Mike "This Blood's For You" Mantey</p> <p>Craig "Sasquatch" Prins</p> <p>Mike "Piston" Velten</p> <p>Todd "Damage, Inc." Carcelli</p> <p>Troy "C-Bass" Phillips</p> <p>Chris "Maverick" Craytor</p> <p>Chris "The Conzanian Devil" Conoscenti</p> <p>Dave "Kickin" Butz</p> <p>Dave "Kid Arcola" Monahan</p> <p>Justyn "The Pudgy Puglist" Harkin</p> <p>Michael "Phantom Of The Hood" Romero</p> <p>Steven "Ain't No Myth" Smith</p>
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Senior Mike DeBiasi hopes to improve on last year's runner-up finish.

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freshman, my experience would be a big factor, but it's not against Aaron," said DeBiasi. "He really fought a great fight. He really has good technique."

DeBiasi, a finalist last year, is also an above-average technical boxer who will use the jab extensively.

"This really should be a great boxing match," said DeBiasi, with an emphasis on the "boxing."

Don't expect that to be the case in the second semifinal in the 200-pound class, where first-year Bouter Chris Conoscenti will take on Dave Butz.

Butz has been one of the bigger surprises of the Bouts and has already learned a valuable

lesson.

"I threw 61 punches in the first round of my first fight, and I was exhausted at the end," Butz said. "I know I can't do that. I just need more control."

Should he advance, his opponent likely will be Phillips.

The senior is a sound boxer who packs a heavy punch. He will see his first action against Chris Craytor.

The heavyweight division is pretty much wide open.

Top-seeded Dave Monahan is the only returning fighter from last year.

"Monahan may have an edge just on technique because of his experience," said Mantey.

He will be stepping into the ring to face newcomer Justyn Harkin.

In the other contest, left-handed Mike Romero will be looking to get past Steven Smyth.

■ BENGAL BOUTS

Top ranked boxers begin quest for titles tonight

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Sports Writer

Some consider having a bye in a round a blessing in disguise. Others see it as a major disadvantage. The argument will be decided by tonight's fights, when the middle weight classes will see action from some of the top seeds for the first time.

While some of the boxers have settled their first night jitters, others will be facing their nerves for the first time. Favored in the 165 pound weight class, senior captain John Christoforetti will take on freshman David Remick. Christoforetti advanced into the semis with a forfeit win over sophomore Peter Kelly. Remick has seen some action in the ring as he defeated freshman Scott Potter by a unanimous decision.

Christoforetti finds himself at a disadvantage to Remick because he has not yet stepped in the ring. "I find it to be a disadvantage. Each fight in the ring is valuable. Actual fighting is different than sparring. Just to get your legs, and get under the lights is a tremendous advantage. My sophomore year I had a bye all the way into the finals, and it just took a while to get use to it all. I am just glad that I have before the finals this year."

"He is the guy I look up to," said Remick about Christoforetti. "I have sparred against him before. I know a little about what to expect. I am definitely the underdog. Basically, I am going to go out there and do my best and see what happens."

"I am expecting Dave to be

very aggressive," said Christoforetti about his opponent.

If Christoforetti advances, he might have to face one of his fellow captains in the finals of the 165 class. Junior captain Ryan Rans is the No. 2 seed in this bracket and has to face senior first year boxer Ben Rost.

"I know who he is and that he is in ROTC, but that is it," said Rans about his opponent. "I am going to have to learn fast as I can in the ring. Whoever can adapt the fastest will have the biggest advantage."

Rans has been trying to fine tune some of the things that did not run smoothly for him on Sunday. "I have been working on ring management and how to use the ring to my advantage," he said.

When asked about possibly having to face Christoforetti in the finals, he responded, "The hardest thing to do is take it one bout at a time, especially when John is at the other end of the bracket."

Christoforetti also senses that there is a possibility of meeting Rans in the finals. "Ordinarily, I prefer to take it one step at a time. Ryan and I have tough matches. Hopefully the best man will win, and we will see who ends up in the finals."

Junior Sean Mahoney has emerged as a surprise in the 170 pound bracket. But after tonight, he might be the one ending up be surprised as he will face top-seeded senior Pat Maciariello.

"I think I am at an advantage because I did it last year," said Maciariello. "I have seen every-



Junior Sean Mahoney surprised many in his first round match against junior Josh Akers.

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one that I might have to fight, and so that gives me an advantage."

"His height is going to be an advantage that I am going to have to watch out for," said Maciariello about Mahoney. "My experience is going to be an advantage over him so it will be interesting."

And in the other semi-finals of the 170 weight class will be Seth "Take Your Last Breath" Roy against Norm "The Barber" Beznoska. Both Roy and Beznoska are experienced, so this matchup might prove very interesting. Also both are in ROTC, so it should be a physical fight as well.

"I am not going to change anything about the way I fought," said Roy about his preparations for tonight's fight. "Sunday's fight was a technically sound fight for me, I felt really good

about it. Norm (Beznoska) is a technical fighter, and so I am not going to change anything about the way I have been thinking or training. Basically, I think that it should be a good fight."

"You always increase with pressure as the tournament goes on," said Beznoska about whether or not nerves increase in the semi-finals. "I do feel the pressure, and I am a little bit use to it."

The top seed did not get a bye in the 175 weight class. Senior Ted Lefere is the top-ranked boxer, and he will face junior Chris Dobranski. Lefere might dominate this one, but Dobranski has determination; Dobranski won by split decision in the first round.

The second half of the bracket could be one of the day's better fights, with senior Matt Dowd

facing junior Andrew Hebert. Hebert wowed the crowd on Sunday with his aggressive fighting style. Dowd is an experienced boxer, having made an appearance in last year's finals. Hebert has the height advantage, while Dowd has the experience. "Dowd is real strong, and he is patient," said Hebert. "He doesn't lose control, so it is hard to get him off balance. With Dowd, we won't be looking to throw a lot of punches so it should be a good fight."

"He is a hard puncher and has a really good right," said Dowd about Hebert. "I am going to try to stay away from that as much as I can. I am probably not going to go inside and try to mix it up a lot either."

Tonight's fights will answer whether or not the boxers have settled their nerves, or whether they are still on edge.

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■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Morgan sparks Irish with 19 second half points

Only eight players dress for game

By JOE CAVATO
Sports Writer

The Mountaineers tried, but they could not climb the challenge presented to them when the fourteenth ranked Notre Dame women's basketball squad visited their home court.

It was a far cry from their 45 point drubbing of West Virginia earlier in the year, but both of the tallies look the same in the win column. The hosts gave the Irish a scare going into the locker room at halftime as they were within one. But, 19 second half points from ND superstar Beth Morgan led the way to a 80-67 victory. The win gives the Irish a 25-5 record, including a 17-1 mark in the Big East. The Mountaineers fell to 18-11.

The Irish squad which only dressed eight players had two score over 20 points and two

additional players score in double figures as the starters were forced to play the majority of the minutes.

The high scoring first half of play saw the teams trade buckets as West Virginia shot 50 percent from the field, while Notre Dame shot 49 percent. The half saw the lead change hands five times, and the score was also knotted eight times which is something that the Irish have not experienced recently. The Irish have cruised through the Big East, dominating most opponents.

That was not the case last night in Morgantown. Behind the strong play of Maria Tochobanova and Talisha Hargis, the Mountaineers led the Irish until the midway point of the first stanza. After consecutive three-pointers from Mandy Ronay and Hargis, WVU got out to their largest lead of the contest, leading 15-11 with just under 15 minutes remaining in the first half.

Before senior forward Rosanne Bohman scored four consecutive points, sophomore guard Sheila McMillen dialed long distance to turn the tide



Junior Mollie Peirick had 11 points and six assists last night in the Irish's win over the Mountaineers, 80-67. The Observer/Dave Murphy

and give Notre Dame a four point lead. Bohman turned in an excellent game from the power forward slot. She added 15 points, seven rebounds and played all but three minutes of the game. McMillen came off the bench to score seven points and snag four rebounds in 25 minutes of play.

The lead changed hands again in the first. Tochobanova had 14 first half points and five rebounds, helping her team grab their last lead of the game at 33-32 with 5:24 remaining in the first.

Head coach Muffet McGraw countered Tochobanova's strong play in the paint with the Big-East leading scorer, Katryna Gaither.

The senior center, who averages 19.7 ppg and 9.1 rpg, had 14 points and seven rebounds in the first on her way to a double-double with 21 points and 16 rebounds on the

evening.

Junior Mollie Peirick also had a big first half. She had five of her six assists in the first and had only one turnover on the night. Peirick was also the team's fourth scorer in double figures as she had 11.

Notre Dame responded to the challenge that the Mountaineers presented when they came out of the locker room after the break. The Irish began the half with a 10-2 run that gave them some breathing room, leading 53-44 with just under 15 minutes of action remaining.

Both squads came out with cold hands as the Irish shot 39 percent, and the Mountaineers shot a dismal 29 percent. But the ability of the Irish to get to the free throw line was crucial as they made 18 trips in the second half.

Morgan went 7 for 8 from the charity stripe as she led all

scorers with 24 points. A three from Morgan and Gaither's dominance in the middle pushed the lead to 13 with over ten minutes remaining.

However, the Mountaineers were not done as Rebecca Burbridge came off the bench and nailed two treys to pull them within seven.

The Irish closed strong and ended the game with a lead equal to their largest of the contest, 13.

The win closed the regular season for the Irish, and they will begin post season action when the Big East Tournament starts this weekend. Notre Dame finishes second in the Big East 6 to top ranked Connecticut. Their 17-1 conference record is good for the second seed in the tournament which will give them a bye in the first round. They will be in action next in quarterfinal play on March 2.



Sophomore Sheila McMillen sparked the Irish off the bench with 7 points and 4 rebounds. The Observer/Mike Ruma

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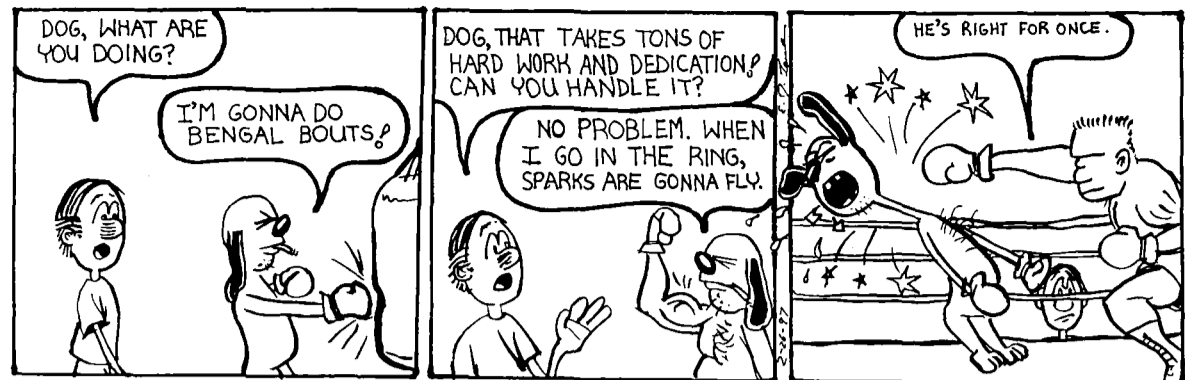
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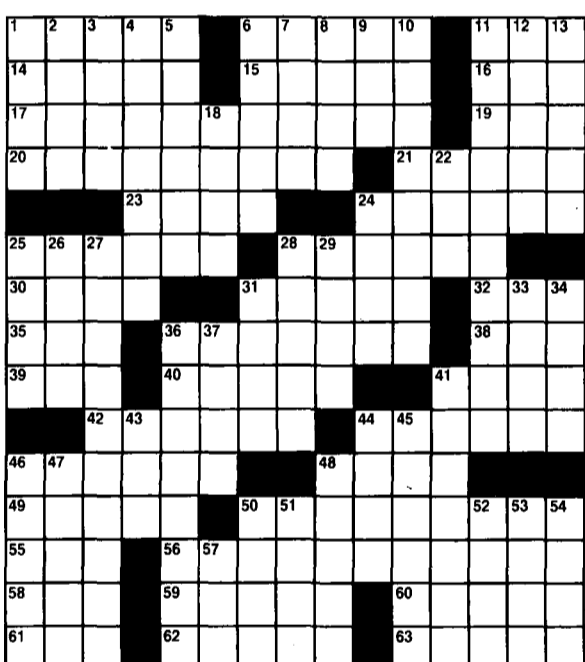
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- 46 Salon treatment
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- 56 Vein
- 58 "The Island of the Day Before" author
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- 2 Blind as ___
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- 6 Jibe
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- 29 Time to beware
- 31 "The Postman Always Rings Twice" author
- 33 "Now ___ me down..."
- 34 Actress who played Tootsie's tootsie
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- 37 Kind of history
- 41 Uzbek lake
- 43 Hoops target
- 44 Sportscaster Albert
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- 46 Clotho and Lachesis
- 47 Author Walker
- 48 To whom "my heart belongs"
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: country music star Johnny Cash, rock 'n roll legend Fats Domino, actress Betty Hutton, swimmer Jenny Thompson.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The signals you get in business are contradictory. Wait for further developments. Examine merchandise very carefully when sales are final. A friend's behavior may have you puzzled.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your business plans may be affected by uncertainty. Preparation and self-confidence will see you through. You know who you are and what you want from life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Someone may try to sell you a bill of goods. Refuse to be sweet-talked into doing something that is against your best interests. Intellectual endeavors are favored this afternoon.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The soft sell will work best now. Use charm when making a presentation but avoid giving away the store. The social scene looks lively tonight. Romance casts its lure. You could meet your ideal mate!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your enthusiasm for a trip may be misplaced. Try to accomplish your

goals with a conference call or e-mail. A shrewd business type requires careful handling.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Remain open to other points of view; they could give you valuable food for thought. Routine chores can be postponed for something much more challenging. Just stay on your toes when around higher-ups.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may be pushing too hard. Give some thought to pulling back. Although financial matters are on your mind, there are more important things. A child needs plenty of TLC to overcome a fear. Be patient.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You are moving in the right direction where work is concerned. Success stems from your engaging in a multitude of activities. You will have your pick of eligible romantic partners; choose wisely.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will accomplish much more today if you seek solitude. Pay careful attention to job-related research. Be as organized as possible. A clandestine romance could end in heartache.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Look at a problem in the light of a friend's experiences. Teamwork is the key to boosting productivity. A romantic relationship deserves top priority this evening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Continue to work on an ambitious project without revealing what it is all about. Profits are about to increase, making a promotion or new perks possible.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Keep moving. The people you meet now can help you achieve long-sought goals. An excellent day for writing letters and contacting former employers.

Of Interest

"Office Visits and Plant Trips," a workshop presented by Career and Placement Services takes place from 4 p.m.-5 p.m. today in the Foster Room of LaFortune. Planning ahead for the all-day second interview will be the focus of this workshop and topics will include trouble free business travel, the structure of a typical interview day, and expense reimbursement etiquette.

A Resume Development Workshop is being sponsored by Career and Placement Services today from 5 p.m.-6 p.m. in 136 DeBartolo. Olivia Williams, assistant director of Career and Placement Services, will instruct students on how write attention-getting resumes.

"The Drilling Field" will be shown tonight at 7 p.m. in 155 DeBartolo. The film will be followed by a panel discussion: "Multinational Corporations and Environment in the Third World: A Double Standard?" sponsored by the African Students' Association.

Visions of the 21st century Catholic Church: Searching For Common Ground will be the topic of a panel discussion on Thursday 7:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium. Four student panelists will be involved in this brainstorming session that draws its theme from the Common Ground effort initiated by the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. Panelists include Notre Dame seniors Macaire Carroll and Geno Fernandez, and Notre Dame graduate students Diane Steele and Paul Voelker.

Auditions for Latin Expressions, La Alianza's annual variety show, will be held March 2-5. This year's theme is "El Alma Latina." Call Karina Cardona at 4-1283 for more information or to set up an audition.

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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish end home season on a high note

Seniors bid farewell with a victory

By JOE VILLINSKI
Associate Sports Editor

As Pat Garrity stepped to the free throw line last night to seal a second consecutive Irish victory, he finally heard what he had been seeing.

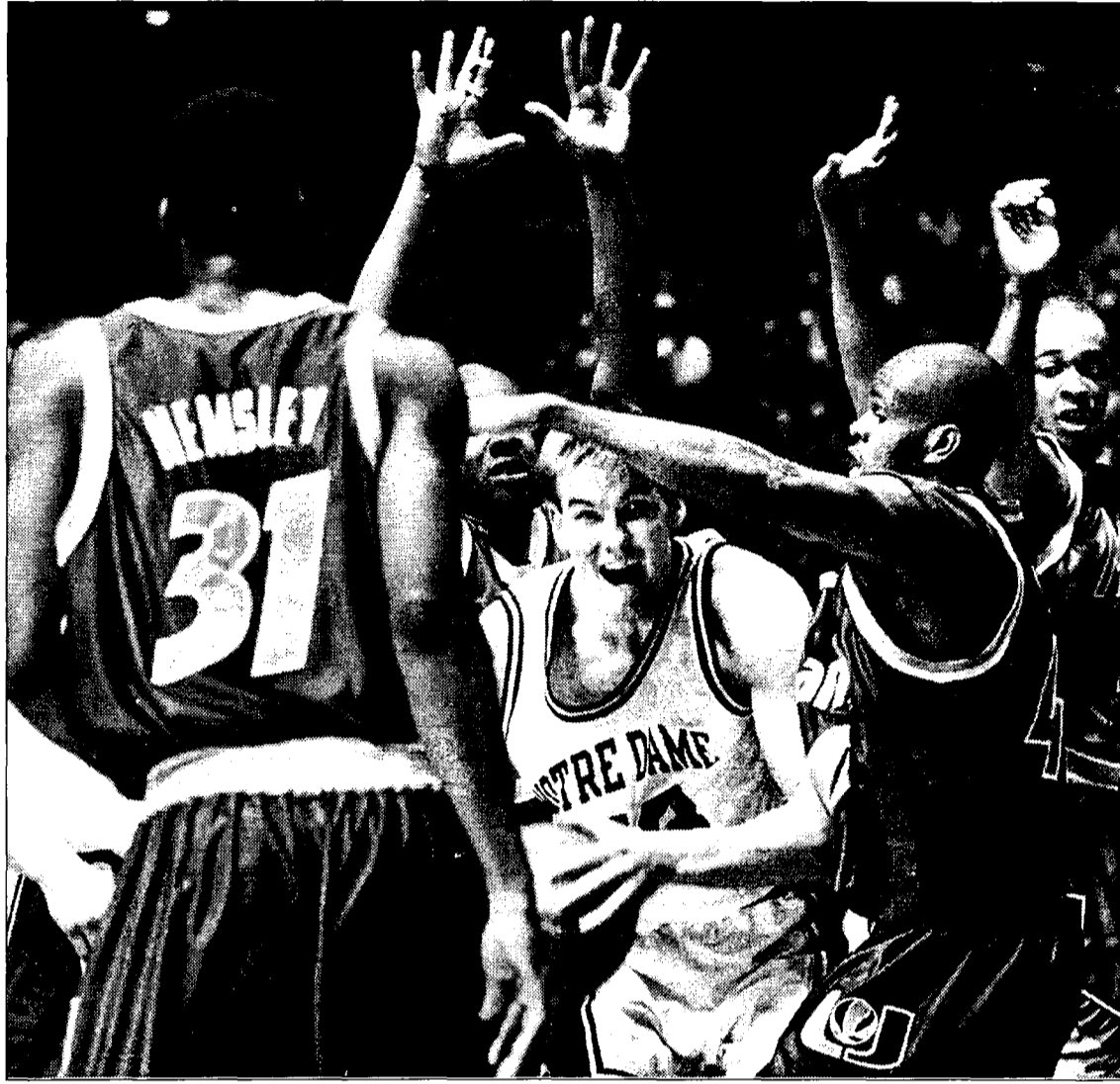
All night long, Joyce Center fans had shown Garrity their support by raising signs proclaiming the Notre Dame star this year's Big East MVP. Led by the student section, the crowd then chanted that refrain, while Garrity appeared calm and collected as always.

After the game, Garrity took time to reflect on the moment.

Still, calm and collected. But with a smile and a hope these fans are preaching the truth.

"That was nice," Garrity said. "First it was nice to see the student body is behind us because that is a big part of this. We're playing for Notre Dame, and the kids are who make this school what it is. That was special."

On what was senior night, those students had plenty to cheer about as the junior led



Junior Pat Garrity contributed 27 points in the Irish's victory last night against the Hurricanes. The victory ensured Notre Dame of a winning season.

The Observer/Rob Finch

Team takes baby steps toward goal

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

Notre Dame is a baby when it comes to the Big East.

But that baby is quickly learning to walk.

And like any other baby, it has been a step-by-step process.

"The first step is to defend your home court," said Irish coach John MacLeod. "We've done that."

"The next steps are to win some games on the road and make it into the top 50 in the country. We haven't done that yet but we're making progress."

But nowhere has the progress been more evident than at the Joyce Center.

With last night's 69-60 victory over Miami, Notre Dame ended its home slate with a 12-3 record, including an impressive 7-2 Big East mark.

"They have improved tremendously," offered Miami coach Leonard Hamilton. "They know Coach MacLeod's system very well."

And with knowledge, comes growth.

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■ BENGAL BOUTS

Veterans look to make debut in Bouts' semifinals

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

There was something missing from Sunday's first round of Bengal Bout action.

Actually, there were a few somethings missing.

For starters, there were no quarterfinal heavyweight fights, due to the fact that there are just four heavyweight contenders.

Perhaps more noticeable were the absences of two-time champions Mike Mantey (190 pounds) and Troy Phillips, as each advanced with a bye.

Beginning tonight, the rest of the field won't be lucky, as both Mantey, an officer of the Boxing Club, and Phillips, a top seed (like Mantey), make their 1997 debuts.

"It's going to be hard going in there cold," Mantey said. "But I'm really looking forward to it. Plus, I got to see my opponent."

That opponent, graduate student and first-time Bengal Bouter Craig Prins, will have his work cut out for him against the experienced and dangerous Mantey.

"The one thing about him is that he's a lefty," said Mantey. "And that will cause some problems. I just have to fight

my fight."

In the other 190 fight, Mike Velten will also see action for the first time. His first round was a walk-over. He will have to contend with the strong Todd Carcelli.

Probably the most competitive class of the heavier weights is the 180-pound class.

Defending champion Brian Gaffney is undefeated thus far in his two-year career and continues to gain valuable experience.

"He's a tough kid and a tough puncher," appraised second-seeded Mike DeBiasi.

Gaffney will be looking to advance against Mike Romanchek.

The second semifinal contest has the makings to be one of the better fights of the evening, as Aaron Yoder will square off against DeBiasi.

Yoder, a freshman who is seeded third in the division, showed good poise and savvy Sunday. With a long reach, Yoder had the patience to feel his opponent out before capitalizing on opportunities.


"In any other fight against a

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Sophomore Brian Gaffney provided a crowd pleasing fight on Sunday.

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