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Wall Street suffers worst single-day point drop

Associated Press

NEW YORK
The Dow Jones industrial average suffered its worst single-day point drop Monday, tumbling 550 points in a \$600 billion selloff that prompted the stock market to shut down for the first time since the 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan.

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• "Wall Street drop sparks decline in Hong Kong market" p.2

The Dow, the market's best known barometer, fell 554.26 to 7,161.15, surpassing the 508-point Black Monday crash of 1987 as its biggest point drop ever.

But on a percentage basis, Monday's 7.18 percent drop by the Dow only ranked as the 12th biggest ever and didn't come close to the Dow's 22 percent

loss on Black Monday, which marked its 10th anniversary slightly more than a week ago.

Still, the selloff put the Dow's losses at about 900 points over the past four sessions and 1,100 points since it set a record high at 8,259.31 on Aug. 6.

"It's a bloodbath," said Arnold Kaufman, a market analyst at Standard & Poor's. "It scares you because when you get a decline this fast, there's a risk it will keep snowballing."

The stock market's drop amounted to a \$600.04 billion loss Monday, shrinking its value to \$8.537 trillion, as measured by Wilshire Associates.

The Dow's drop triggered two circuit breakers on the New York Stock Exchange that had never been set off since they were put in place after the 1987 selloff. The first circuit breaker, at 350 points, closed the market for 30 minutes. The second, at 550, halted trading for the day.

It remains to be seen how much of Monday's selling was fueled by mutual fund investors. Publicly, however, many individual investors portrayed an unflappable facade.

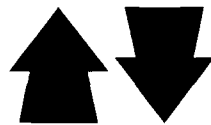
"I wish I had more money to invest," said Helen Ginty, 60, a secretary in New York, asserting that she plans no change in her retirement investment strategy. "I don't think people are as crazy as they used to be" during a downturn.

For many analysts, the drop was notable because the Dow has now fallen 13.3 percent, from its Aug. 6 record high of 8,259.31, its first downturn of at least 10 percent in seven years, the longest such streak since the 1960's.

"The market was very vulnerable prior to the Southeast Asian crisis, and after rising 110 percent since the beginning 1995, it

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NYSE circuit breakers



After the crash on Black Monday, Oct. 19, 1987, the New York Stock Exchange adopted safeguards designed to slow a market fall.

50-point gain or loss from previous day's close	Computer program trading limited
100-point drop	Trading orders set aside for five minutes
350-point drop	Trading stopped for 30 minutes
550-point drop	Trading stopped for one hour

Source: New York Stock Exchange

API/Amy Kranz

Phelps speaks of schools' needs

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Editor-in-Chief

FORT WAYNE, Ind.
If former Notre Dame basketball coach Digger Phelps had his way, a new program analogous to "Christmas in April" would be set up to help renovate inner-city schools every June.

Phelps, who was in Fort Wayne Oct. 21 to promote his book, "Basketball for Dummies," took the opportunity to tell an audience at a local bookstore his ideas for addressing some of the problems facing teenagers in urban areas.



Phelps

According to Phelps, now a basketball analyst for ESPN, the likelihood of inner-city youths getting involved with potential dangers such as drugs and gangs increases when reduced funding for after-school programs leaves the teenagers with fewer structured activities.

"In order to take out the bad elements, we need the education process," Phelps said. "Cutting out extracurricular activities doesn't help."

Policymakers have long noted that the decrepit status of some inner-city middle and high school buildings results from property tax revenues that are lower in the cities than in suburban areas. Phelps said that a "Christmas in June" program, in which volunteers would spend a weekend every June renovating schools, would be an ideal way to address that problem.

"I want to try this in June," he said. "This is something the country should do. It's pathetic what these kids go through."

Phelps said he plans to talk to Rotary clubs to push local businesses to provide funding for the program.

He also noted that the problems of drugs have spread from their urban origins. His schedule last week included visits to schools in several rural Indiana communities to talk about drug use.

Phelps coached at Notre Dame through the 1990-91 season and then served in former President Bush's administration as the head of Operation Weed and Seed, a grass-roots program aimed at weeding out the destructive elements in communities and then providing after-school activities and mentor programs. He now regularly speaks to students about the dangers of drugs.

Phelps was also on the Notre Dame campus last weekend to promote "Basketball for Dummies." The book includes chapters on setting up office pools for the NCAA tournament and some humorous advice for parents interested in coaching youth basketball teams.

"If your kid is playing basketball and you're interested in coaching, don't coach your kid," he said. "Trade your kid instead."

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Students propose transportation pool

By DEREK BETCHER
Associate News Editor

With a goal of aiding all campus extracurricular activities and service efforts, student government issued a formal proposal on Oct. 16 to the Board of Trustees calling for the creation of an independent University transportation pool.

In its bi-annual report to the board's Student Activities Committee, student government officials assessed the need, cost and demand for a transportation pool — all to build trustee support for creating a campus motor pool.

Despite a start-up cost approaching \$600,000, the "Transportation Needs" proposal enjoyed a favorable reception from the trustees, according to student government members who presented the report before fall break.

"They were very warm," said student body president Matt Griffin. "They were very receptive to it, but we expected them to be because this is such a cut-and-dried issue."

When selecting a focus for its report, the Griffin/Nass administration wanted a concrete issue it could both identify and offer concise solutions to.

Transportation met that billing and also has a timely nature as the current fleet of CSC vans deteriorates.

"I think [the trustees] were definitely troubled by the problem. A lot of them thought we already had a transportation pool," executive coordinator

"The way we presented the issue leaves no doubt to the need for this improvement."

Katie Beirne,
executive coordinator of reports

of reports Katie Beirne said. "There was no argument that this is a problem to be addressed."

The problem begins with the 200 clubs operating on campus. Member students need to travel to conventions, tournaments, meetings, service projects, and social events throughout St. Joseph's County and the greater Midwest, and the University has only 10 CSC vans to meet those needs.

These over-worked vans are not

meeting Notre Dame's needs, the report emphasizes. Circle K trips, off-campus men's volleyball trips, and student government's SafeRide program are among the many dozens of trips vans are repeatedly chartered for. The average van, for example, has 73,000 miles on it and is used 18 times a week. Because mileage on the vans is so high, in fact, the CSC no longer allows travel outside of St. Joseph's County in the vans.

The report also notes that the CSC is stretching its resources to maintain its aging fleet of vans and is "overwhelmingly" in favor of relinquishing control of its makeshift transportation program.

"The way we presented the issue leaves no doubt to the need for this improvement," Beirne said.

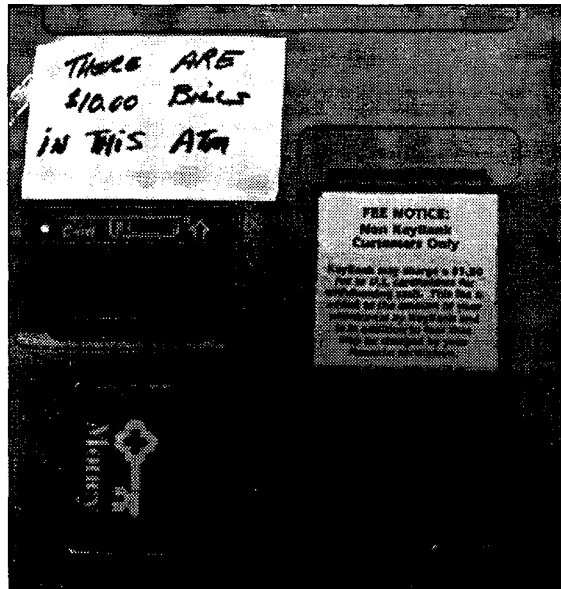
Specifically, the report calls for the creation of a small Transportation Services branch of the Office of Student Affairs based in the Security Building, where a staff member would coordinate use of 13-15 late-model 15-passenger vans and three to five minivans.

As another part of the report's

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KeyBank adjusts campus machines

By MICHELLE KRUPA
Associate News Editor



The Observer/Liz Lang

At the request of customers, KeyBank machines in the LaFortune basement now dispense \$10 bills.

deposit and transfer funds.

The changes may require more machine maintenance, according to Baierl. "When you go with the tens, it lowers the amount of transactions that you can get. It will mean that we will have to keep up with the stocking of the machines, but it shouldn't cause any interruption in service," Baierl said.

Overall, LaFortune merchants are pleased with the change. "I think it's a major improvement, and I'm really happy with it. With break and all, I haven't had the normal crowd so I'd need a week or so to see if the change really affects business that much,"

After receiving many complaints from students and merchants, KeyBank has implemented a system in which \$10 bills can be withdrawn from the company's ATM machines in LaFortune's basement. "As of right now, they [the ATM machines] are now dispensing tens and twenties," KeyBank public relations manager Ken Baierl said. The change required computer software changes as well as alterations in the physical structure of the machines. The renovated machines will also allow customers to buy postage stamps as well as check account balances and

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■ SECURITY BEAT

Security reports calm week

By MICHELLE KRUPA
Associate News Editor

No serious incidents were reported over fall break to Notre Dame Security/Police, according to the department's assistant director, C h u c k Hurley.



Hurley

"It was a fairly quiet break, thank God. We're still having some problems with bicycle thefts and such on campus, but for the

most part, it was a really nice, quiet break for those of us on campus," Hurley said.

He noted that crime was held to a minimum, even as two football weekends sandwiched the academic vacation. "Our staff got some paper work done, but as for new incidents, we didn't have a lot to deal with," Hurley said.

Off-campus crime was also held to a minimum, according to managers at Campus View and Turtle Creek Apartments, two facilities that house many Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students.

"We just didn't have any problems," Campus View man-

ager Claire Myers said.

"A lot of students left for the break, and they did their standard locking-up and securing of property before they left," she added. "We also have a South Bend police officer living on the property, and we hire a security company when there's a home football weekend."

Turtle Creek assistant manager Marina Roberts noted a similar situation at her complex.

"There were no crimes that we are aware of. We have a police officer who lives here and keeps an eye on things," she said.

■ CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Grant will fund two new CHEG courses

By HEATHER MACKENZIE
Assistant News Editor

Controlling pollution, cleaning up the environment and cutting-edge research will be highlighted in the undergraduate chemical engineering curriculum with the help of a \$350,000 grant from the National Science Foundation.

The grant will be instrumental in developing two new courses that incorporate environmental concerns into chemical engineering and will also introduce fresh technology and research into already existing courses.

"This new grant will support both research and teaching," said Joan Brennecke, a professor of chemical engineering and a developer of new environmental programs. "We will be able to teach undergraduates new and exciting stuff, bridging the gap between research and what is actually taught in the classroom."

Brennecke, along with chemical engineering professors Mark Stadtherr and Roger Schmitz and department head Mark McCready, will develop their program under the premise of understanding the impact of pollutant release on ecological systems and pollution prevention.

"The new program this grant will fund will solidify efforts in environmental research within the realm of chemical engineering," McCready said. "Previously, individuals had been working on individual projects. This is an experiment in collaborative efforts."

Part of the new program will be the introduction of new courses: Environmentally Conscious Chemical Process Design, which was offered last semester and will be taught again this upcoming spring, and Ecology and the Environment, which will be taught for the first time in the fall semester of 1998.

"The idea here is learning how to prevent pollution," Brennecke stressed. "Chemical engineers can make a big difference in cutting down the amount of pollution that is released into the natural world. They can make a big difference."

Along with the new courses, funding from the grant will help to update already existing courses and bring newer research into focus.

"We will introduce more modern and useful examples, but we can now also move outside traditional chemical engineering," McCready explained. "You could say our focus will be on 'saving the world' examples instead of merely textbook models."

"We want to integrate the new examples with the old ones," Brennecke added.

According to Brennecke, the grant will also help the department of chemical engineering at Notre Dame produce course materials for other universities who do not yet have environmental awareness programs.

"The broadest impact we can have is to touch the next generation of chemical engineers," McCready said. "We hope to make them more aware."

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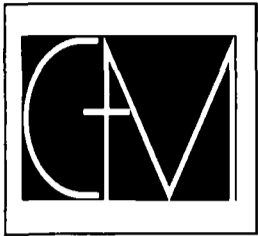
Night Prayer: SMC 10:00pm
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✚ Campus Ministry This Week ✚



Eucharistic Adoration

From 11:30 p.m. on every Monday through 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday, there will be Eucharistic Adoration in Fisher Hall Chapel. Adoration begins after celebration of the 11:00 p.m. Mass and end with Benediction.

Every Friday when the University is in session in the Basilica: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 12:00 pm until 5:00 pm.



Folk Choir Concert for the Missions

On Saturday, November 1st, the Folk Choir will offer its annual Concert for the Missions, "Song of the Saints," a program celebrating saints' lives through the year, at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. Proceeds from this concert will be given to Holy Cross orphanages in Santiago, Chile.



Freshmen Retreat #13, Nov.7-8

Application forms for the retreat for residents of Badin, Keenan, Lewis, O'Neill, Pasquerilla East, St. Ed's, Siegfried, Walsh and Zahm are available through the rectors and at Campus Ministry at 103 Hesburgh Library.

Deadline: October 30. Don't miss the sign-up!



Natural Family Planning

On Thursday, October 30, at 6:30-8:00 pm, at the Montgomery Theatre of LaFortune, the natural Family Planning Program of St. Joseph County is presenting a night of introductory information on the Ovulation and Sumpto-thermal Methods. This program is open to all staff and students.

Starting Thursday, November 13, NFP will conduct an instructional 6-part class series for engaged and married couples. The fee is \$125, including materials. Financial aid is available. To register: Call the NFP Office at 237-7405.



Small Faith Sharing Groups

At the beginning of the semester, many students signed-up to express their interest in belonging to a Small Faith-Sharing Group and/or to participate in a student-led Bible Study Group. We are now ready to gather together all interested students to talk about a Campus Ministry vision for Small Faith-Sharing/Bible Study Groups and to hear from you about what your hopes and needs are. Please join us for a pizza dinner and listening session on November 9 from 5:00-7:00P.M. in Walsh Hall's basement social space.

We need a head-count for dinner so please R.S.V.P. at 631-5242 and ask for Kate, John, or Sylvia.



University Village Volunteers

Campus Ministry is looking for two students who are interested in doing some volunteer work at University Village, the Married Student Housing Complex on campus. Students are needed to volunteer in a "Mother's Time-Out" program that meets in the community center on Wednesdays from 9:00A.M.-11:30 A.M. This ministry would entail working with two mother's to plan activities and games for children ages 1-4 and to assist in general child supervision. "Mother's Time-Out" will not meet during breaks or vacation periods. Please call John or Sylvia Dillon at 631-5242 if interested.

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COBA hosts family talk Board

Observer Staff Report

In honor of the 25th year of co-education at Notre Dame, the College of Business Administration Diversity Program is sponsoring a panel discussion about the pressures of balancing a family and career.

The talk, "Maintaining a Balance: Family, Career, and Community," is at 4:30 p.m. today in COBA's Jordan Auditorium.

Among the panelists are Muffet McGraw, head coach of the women's basketball team; Laura and Gabriel Radvansky,

professors of psychology; Stephanie Jones, a former corporate vice president; and Debera Wells, a first-year MBA student.

"With the increasing demands placed upon us by career, family, and community, it is sometimes difficult to maintain a balance," Jannifer Crittendon, a counselor in COBA, said. "While you may not be experiencing this tug of war on your time now, you definitely will once you enter the workforce."

The discussion is free and open to the public.

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emphasis on hard data, a sampling of peer institutions' services gave the trustees a comparative look at Notre Dame's transportation services. Duke University, for example, has a 68-vehicle transportation pool and the University of Michigan has 175 vehicles for student group use. In fact, of the 25 schools surveyed, only one shares Notre Dame's status in not having an organized motor pool.

Surveys of campus club leaders included in the trustees report

found that "on average, one-fourth of clubs' planned activities have had to be canceled because of lack of transportation." Also included in the report: 20 percent of clubs use the CSC vans, 38 percent instead use rental vehicles, and 86 percent resort to using private vehicles, a practice which raises liability concerns.

Despite the well-supported call for a transportation pool, improvements could still be a couple of years in the future. Because the trustees are largely an advisory body concerned with directional issues, they cannot immediately pioneer change.

"But they do have the influence

to tell the proper offices what they want to see happen," said student body vice president Erik Nass.

"They asked good questions concerning the logistics of our proposal, so I could tell they were paying attention," he added.

Student government's BOT Report Committee's next task, under the direction of the Board of Trustees, is to assemble specific costs for its proposal and assemble a "more substantial financial performance," Beirne said. The committee will then report to the Office of Student Affairs to work toward implementing improvements.

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was susceptible to anything negative," said S&P's Kaufman, asserting that a stream of weak earnings reports or a jump in interest rates could have set off a steep decline just as easily. "The Southeast Asia crisis is just a trigger. Something would have come along at some point. This is what came along."

Stocks started the day lower as another sharp selloff in Hong Kong triggered another wave of selling in financial markets around the globe, but the selling didn't pick up steam in the United States until Monday afternoon. The Dow, for example, was down just 115 points at midday.

Later in the day, Asian stock markets got off to another rocky start. Tokyo's Nikkei Stock Average tumbled 423.77 points, or 2.5 percent, to 16,614.59 points after the first hour of trading Tuesday. It was the lowest level so far this year for the benchmark indicator of 225

blue chip stocks.

The mounting financial crisis in Hong Kong has ignited fears about whether global business conditions will be undermined by Southeast Asia's shaky economics, where mounting trade deficits have sent interest rates soaring and local currencies plunging.

But with corporate profits still beating Wall Street forecasts and the U.S. outlook on inflation and interest rates remaining favorable, many analysts concluded that the stock market had taken a turn for the better with this sharp pullback.

"There was no margin for error" at the market's historically high valuations, said Larry Rice, chief investment officer at Josephthal, Lyon & Ross. "It's very healthy to shake some of this out. We have a very sound economy here. We're going to survive."

And once again, analysts stressed that although plenty of U.S. companies do business in Asia, this nation's financial health is only slightly dependent on the fortunes of Southeast Asia.

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said Rose Horak, owner of the Country Harvest.

University Hairstylist employee Diane Hixenbaugh agreed, but does not think it will affect her business drastically.

"It's going to help the process of making change. It's still not going to affect us so much though, because we make change in a lot of tens and ones," she said.

Baierl noted that the change ultimately came in response to bank customers' requests, and he hopes that the new service will fulfill their needs.

"They [customers] had some legitimate concerns, and we listened to them and got the problem fixed," he said.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Nobody's Laughing

Dear Mr. Caruso:
 I just finished reading your column in today's Observer and I must say I am shocked. What the Stanford Band did was by no stretch of the imagination "sophmoric humor," but outright racism and religious intolerance. You maintain those offended by Stanford's band calling the Irish "stinking drunks" and then mocking the potato famine are overreacting.

Imagine, if you will, if the University of Notre Dame played Illinois, who proudly calls their sports teams the Illini, after an Indian Tribe. The Notre Dame Band does a skit in which they call the Illini "stinking drunks" (American Indians have an alarmingly high rate of alcoholism) and then make fun of the "Trail of Tears," one of the worst incidents in the history of the American Indians.

Or what if Notre Dame played Grambling, an all black school, and called them "a bunch of crack heads" and then made fun of the slave trade, probably the worst incident in their history.

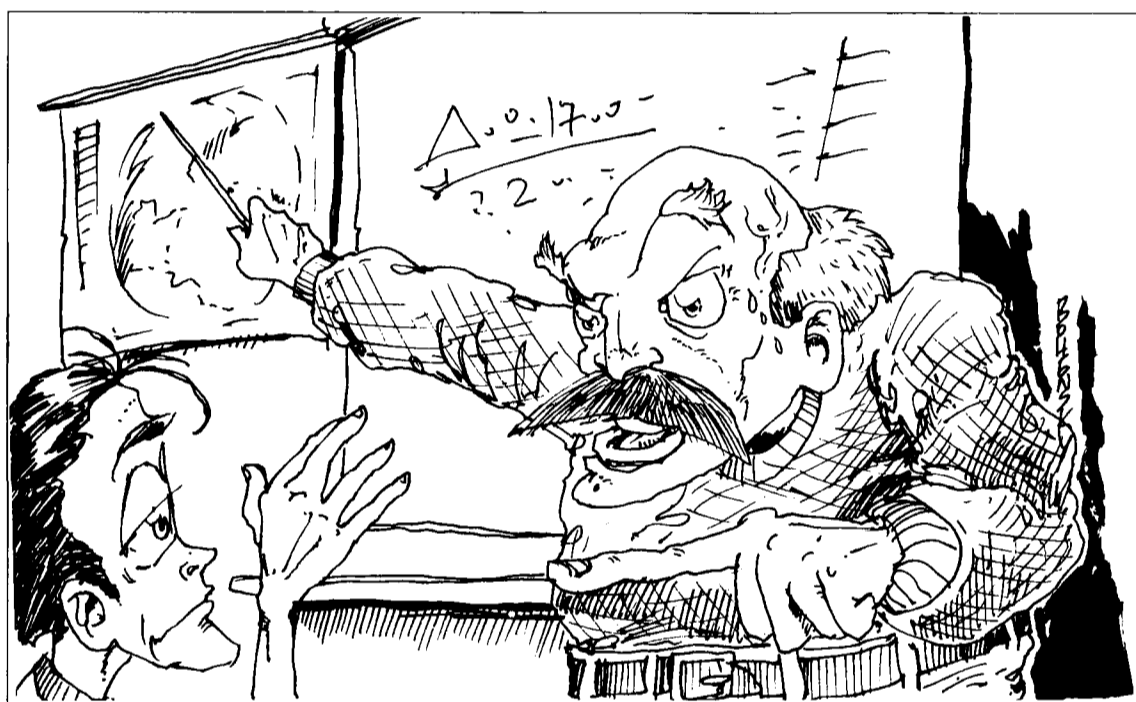
Or instead, what if we played a school from Long Island, known for their high Jewish population, and made fun of the Holocaust. Would you be defending the actions of the Notre Dame Band as "sophmoric antics"?

I highly doubt it. You, and every liberal in the country, would be denouncing the actions of the band as racist and typical of the tyrannical Catholic Church. The lead story on every national newscast would be about the actions of the oppressive University. Radio talk shows around the country would be flooded with calls about the incident.

The NAACP and the ACLU would be screaming bloody murder. But when the situation is turned around, when Notre Dame, Irish people, and Roman Catholics are the butt of others' hate and racism, we can laugh it off, right Mr. Caruso?

We can say that the Irish Catholics are "overly sensitive" and have "no sense of humor." In the eyes of you, Mr. Caruso, and people like you, it is only racism if it happens to someone who's origins are not European, and only religious hatred if it happens to someone who isn't Catholic. You should be ashamed.

Joseph F. A. Lombard
 Junior
 September 20, 1997



Surly Professors Cause Problems

Okay, I pay \$25,000 a year to attend one of the best universities in the nation. What do I expect for my \$25,000? Well, for starters, I expect professors who are not just knowledgeable in their fields of expertise. I expect professors who know how to handle themselves in society in general.

Well, I'm sure I'm not the only one to notice this, but too many professors at this university don't handle themselves well in public. Above all, they don't understand the fact that being highly intelligent is not an excuse for being as anti-social as Ted Bundy and as cold as Leona Helmsly. Please don't misunderstand me. I've had more good experiences with professors than bad, but that isn't good enough.

You see, this is the student's school. The classrooms are the student's classrooms. Class time is our class time. The time we are paying for is our time. And the professors work for us. They don't have to like it, but they should at least show the students some respect.

For the price I pay, I expect the best. The best, as far as professors go, includes helping a student with a problem rather than shrugging your shoulders and saying, "You should have learned

that in high school." It means saying "excuse me" when you bump against someone in the hallways instead of just brushing away your all-too-long gray hair and snarling something to the effect, "Bah hum bug." And it means not walking into some place of a student's employment, and giving everyone grief because a problem beyond their control keeps you from getting your precious copy of Mathematica.

Being a professor requires great people skills. If you are currently a professor and at the same time you despise students, others working at Notre Dame, zoo animals, Thursday night TV, small children, and any other facet of life in general, leave. You are in the wrong profession. There are still plenty of places to perform research. There is Silicon Valley, the Amazon, Mars. But don't stay here. You are wasting your time and mine.

For the 80 percent of the excellent faculty here at Notre Dame, thanks.

Maybe the others will take some notes.

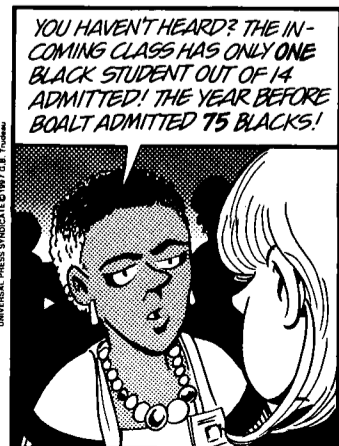
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QUOTE OF THE DAY



"It's like deja-vu all over again."

—Yogi Berra

■ ALL ABOUT YOU

Beanie Baby Addiction Strikes

Beanie babies. They are everywhere. For so long I had managed to escape the madness. I never owned one, or understood their appeal, until now.

I went to Disney World over fall break. I don't know what happened to me. I hopped onto the plane a sane person, but sometime between then and the plane ride home, I became obsessed. The day we checked into our hotel, my mom saw a beanie baby in the lobby gift shop.

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"That is so cute. Do you want it? I'll get it for you," she said to me. Of course I wanted it! I am not one to pass up anything for free.

And that was it. I got my first beanie baby. He is a leopard named Freckles and is quite adorable, but I wasn't hooked yet. I was still able to pass these things up.

The next day while wondering through MGM, my family and I spotted more beanie babies. But this time, they were Disney beanie babies. "Oh, we're getting this for you, Bridget. It is so you," my



mother told me as she paid the cashier. "Thanks," I said mumbling, as she handed me the beanie baby of the Seven Dwarfs that I can relate to — Grumpy. I was truly touched by her thoughtfulness.

However, the purchasing of beanie babies did not stop there. It turned into a vicious cycle. Anywhere we turned there were more and more beanie babies, and both my mom and I were ready to dish out cash for them.

I got an Eeyore beanie baby. But I couldn't just take home Eeyore and not his other friends from the Hundred Acre Woods. So Winnie the Pooh, Piglet, and Tigger made it home in my now stuffed shopping bag.

I got a sea turtle beanie baby from the Rainforest Cafe, but that one makes a little more sense. I actually like turtles. I collect turtle paraphernalia. What doesn't make any sense is why I ended up with a Flounder beanie baby. That was an impulse. When I saw it I just had to have it.

Now I am in trouble, though. Forever I had ripped on these crazy people who had to have beanie babies. They stand in line and try to beat other people to the racks first. They buy the beanie babies in bunches hoping they will become retired and worth money someday. Please! These are \$5 toys that can be worth up to \$2,000 in the case of the blue elephant beanie baby. Why would someone pay this much for something that is clearly only a fad and has very little potential for staying a high price item?

My good friend has about a hundred of these things. Although I love her dearly I had always ripped on her for having them. Last year she dragged me to every McDonald's within a twenty mile radius in order to collect all of the beanie babies that were included inside of the happy Meals. I ate so many cheeseburger Happy Meals that even today the thought of one makes me sick.

My aunt is obsessed with these things, too. She made my mom travel with her early one morning to meet with a McDonald's employee in the back of the parking lot, before the store even opened, in order to get the beanie babies she was missing from her collection for her three children. I guess you could say those beanie babies were hot and came from the black market.

Did you know that the beanie babies that are worth money, if their tag is bent or ripped in anyway, their value immediately decreases? They are worth anywhere from half price to nothing. How can you enjoy these objects if you have to worry about the tag being bent?

Or more importantly, how can you enjoy these toys if you keep them locked away so they don't get ripped, or dirty, in the hopes that one day it will be worth money?

Sure these things are cute. I might even check out what other ones are available. But I don't care if mine are ever economically worth money. I don't care because they are worth something to me.

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■ SHADES OF GRAY

A Call to (Affirmative) Action

America likes its movies loud and its food fast. It likes headlines and buzz-words.

Mostly, though, it likes itself. It likes to like itself. America likes results, and, at least superficially, it gets them.

But Americans are in denial. We've been unable to transcend racism and other shameful legacies because we're unwilling to confront them. We ignore unpleasant facts and glorify the "success" of shallow responses. Still, under layers of politically correct language, America remains a country where race matters.

Across the nation, affirmative action programs for blacks, Hispanics, Asians and American Indians are under attack. Last year, Hopwood became the longest four-letter word in Texas when the case by that name banned the race-based admissions process at the University of Texas law school. And the California radical initiative of the year award went to Proposition 209, which eliminated most forms of "preferential treatment" on the basis of race.

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The Hopwood court said that there is only one justification for racial classifications: remedying past wrongs (i.e., if you missed out on institutionalized segregation, you're out of luck).

The court was right—we must right the wrongs of yesterday. But the wrongs of today are equally compelling. The truth is that inner-city students and the children of migrant farmworkers don't get the same education that most white students get in public schools.

And if you think our country has rid itself of racism and discrimination, you are mistaken. In 1995, Pennsylvania documented 64 existing white supremacist groups in that state alone. In the same year, data showed that 96 percent of all government contracts went to white males.

For those who suffer from "reverse discrimination," my question is, how big a piece of the American pie do you want? The rest of us are hungry.

A study reported in The National Law Journal earlier this year found that if law schools around the country selected appli-

cants based on race-neutral LSAT scores and GPAs, only three percent of black applicants would be accepted (down from 26 percent). The percentage of successful white applications would remain at 26 percent.

So, how do we step out from under the shadow of Hopwood? At UT law school, the focus has shifted from race to the more palatable idea of socioeconomic status. The bad news is that like many things that are politically correct, this idea is strikingly incorrect.

People aren't black because they're poor. All too often, they're poor because they're black. We didn't hear secret recordings of Texaco executives demeaning poor people; we heard them demean minorities. Now, if discrimination based on race is what we're battling, why should our focus shift to socioeconomic status?

Besides, it's unclear whether this kind of affirmative action would achieve the desired results. Because the poorest minority candidates have the lowest combined GPA and LSAT scores, the group of minority students admitted this way would be "significantly" less qualified than under race-based affirmative action.

The numbers show that the old system of race-based preferences works. Minority law students pass the bar exam at credible rates, and a study published this month in the Journal of the American Medical Association found that students receiving admissions preferences graduated at the same high rates and had similar career paths as their white medical school counterparts.

Of course, affirmative action based on race is not a complete solution to America's racist legacy. Our goal should be to create inner-city and rural schools that our politicians would be willing to send their children to. Until then, race-based affirmative action won't be a necessary evil. It will just be necessary.

It is true that some white males have been hurt by affirmative action. This is acceptable, for now. Our nation isn't colorblind, and, in a sense, neither is our Constitution. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall once said, "There's not a white man in this country who can say, 'I never benefited by being white.' There's not a white man in the country who can say it."

I concur.

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■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Take a Lesson From Swift

I am writing, specifically, to Nora Meany's "Inside Column" of Wednesday, Oct. 15, urging her public not to do volunteer work. Presuming that, once again, this is her satiric wit coming at us, I'll offer a little "inside" tip: Satire does not merely involve saying the opposite of what you mean. If it were that easy to pull off, everyone would be writing that way.

The famous example, brought up in a previous letter, is that of Swift's "A Modest Proposal." The letter writer mentioned that in this essay Jonathan Swift was not actually urging the preparation of children as meals. (Get outta here!)

And so, in this clearly similar case, Ms. Meany is not actually urging us not to volunteer. What is it, then, that she could be saying? Why, that we should, indeed, volunteer!

Swift, however, was trying to say a little more than "don't eat children." He wanted to call attention to the wrongs against the Irish people, so he "satirized" the situation. If he were to write Meany-esque satire, his essay simply would say that the Irish deserve to be treated like the scum they really are and wouldn't mention the tasty toddlers at all.

I hate to single out one columnist because Nora Meany's attempt, as in her alcohol-free column, is noble, as are so many of the poorly constructed articles

which appear in The Observer, from the "Viewpoint" to the sports section to the breaking front page news.

Unfortunately, the majority of the topics for these articles are, to use this nouveau-satire, thought-provoking and always present a side of an issue never before heard. What's more, they are certainly of great interest to the vast majority of readers, and the content is not weak. On the contrary, it is quite informative.

I must apologize to the good writers on the staff, but being a good writer for The Observer is like being a good sailor on the Titanic. You're going down anyway. It must be rather enjoyable to work for a paper whose subscription success doesn't depend on its quality.

And sarcasm isn't satire either.

Matt Lally
Junior
Off-campus
October 18, 1997

Live and

The CSC's Appalachia Seminar gets started in the country. Through working, playing and learning, the people of Appalachia, students and

APPALACHIA SEMINAR: PROJECT SITE INFO

CHILDREN

Peace Place, Ky.

This is a four-acre farm and home founded in 1982 and run by two Franciscan sisters from Manotowoc, Wis., for foster children — usually abused children who have been taken from their families. They normally have two to eight children living with them year-round. During the summer months, 60-80 area children participate in their Live-Love-Learn camps on-site. There is also a petting farm with several small animals. This site is completely non-smoking.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Woodland Land Trust, Tenn.

The Woodland Community Land Trust is a community initiated organization whose mission is to purchase and hold lands for local residents who might otherwise be landless. This part of rural Appalachia has a majority of the land owned by out-of-state and out-of-country corporations. Through re-purchase of land, local residents have a secure base with which to begin holistic community development from a rural perspective. The vision is by building in partnership with the earth and its resources, we will have a viable self-sustaining economic climate.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH SERVICES

Catholic Community Services, West Va.

Catholic Community Services in Hinton and Alderson, West Va. will be organizing and supervising the activities and agenda of the week for students. CCS has years of experience in organizing and leading workcamps for high school and college students. The CCS offers various community services and programs throughout West Virginia. Various field trips may be scheduled, including the possibility of visiting a coal town and mine.

Catholic Worker Farm, West Va.

The John Filliger/Tyra Dunn Catholic Worker Farm is a beautiful farm in southeast West Virginia and is a unique experience of rural beauty combined with living and working with homeless people from Washington, DC. The farm has a horse, pigs, cow and calves, sheep, chickens, geese, ducks, dogs, and cats. A great opportunity to learn about homelessness and the Catholic Worker philosophy.

Camp Piedmont, Ohio

This site is a non-profit organization directed by the Ohio State Extension employees. Camp Piedmont is located in the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District. Various community related activities will be organized for the students, such as viewing and learning about deep mines and the unique Muskingum watershed and sharing in the everyday/spiritual life of those living in the area.

Charleston District Outreach Ministries, West Va.

The CDOM is a division of the United Methodist Church and provides outreach ministries to the city and surrounding rural areas of Charleston, West Va. CDOM has two community centers in the neighborhood on the outskirts of Charleston. The Coal Branch Community Center has been instrumental in their community needs analysis and has identified various projects and services needed for the people of the area. These services and projects include a children's daycare program and services for women. The Avesta Drive Community Center is a domestic violence recovery center for women and children. Avesta Drive also runs a daycare program for children. CDOM has a variety of other outreach initiatives.

Christian Appalachian Project, Ky.

CAP is a well-established, non-denominational volunteer organization and expansive core of long-term volunteers and paid staff. Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students have a long history of service with CAP. Students participate in a structured program of work and prayer with students from other colleges as well as other temporary and permanent volunteers. Notre Dame alums will also be co-participants at this site.

Glenmary Farm, Ky.

The program takes place in a small town mission area of the Appalachian Mountains near Vanceburg, Ky, where the volunteer farm is located. The farm covers 56 acres with two rustic farmhouses. This site emphasizes community

building within the group.

McClure River, Va.

The goal of this organization is to enable community members to become empowered — to feel capable and responsible for controlling their destiny and giving input into community decisions. McClure River recognizes that people's basic needs must be met before they feel they can become active in the community. The organization provides basic survival services as well as proactive issue-related activities.

McDowell Mission Project, West Va.

The McDowell Mission Project was started by Jim and Susan Nance to assist the Gary community in West Virginia. Gary is a former coal town which has been deserted and plagued by economic hardship. Although the MMP has only been in existence since 1991, it has established two main working locations in the area and hosts over 400 volunteers during the course of the year. There is an emphasis on spiritual reflection at this site. Jim Nance also organizes activities for students to interact with the community. Notre Dame alums will also be participants at this site.

Nazareth Farm, West Va.

Nazareth Farm was established in June of 1979 as a place for volunteers to experience a week of simple living, service to the poor, and the joy of a Christian community. Located in rural West Virginia, Nazareth Farm is a place of great beauty where volunteers can discover God's presence in nature, in the people of the mountains, in each other, and above all, in God's call to love each one of us.

EDUCATION

David School, Ky.

The David School, founded by director Daniel Greene, has been recognized nationwide for its success with disadvantaged youth. Greene, a lay volunteer with the Catholic Church, started the school more than 20 years ago to serve students who have "fallen through the cracks" of public education. David School provides a second chance for these students by giving one-on-one attention, encouragement, and a strong sense of community. Students interested in education should enjoy this challenging site. Volunteers from other colleges and universities may be there as well.

ENVIRONMENT

Appalachia Science in the Public Interest, Ky.

ASPI's focus is to find solutions for the increasing environmental problems through research, service projects to the community, and advocacy for public policies which favor the environment. ASPI's philosophy involves living simply in ways that are healthy for the earth and for ourselves. ASPI was founded and currently directed by Jesuit Father Albert Fritsch, who is trained as a chemist (Ph.D., Fordham) and is author of a number of books, including *Eco-Church*.

HOUSING REPAIR AND CONSTRUCTION

Christian Outreach with Appalachian People, Ky.

COAP is an ecumenical home building and home repair ministry. Volunteers work with natives of the land in order to provide adequate housing to the people of Harlan, Ky.

Chattanooga Habitat for Humanity, Tenn.

In collaboration with Chattanooga Notre Dame alums, students will be constructing houses. A great opportunity to work with local alums and to learn about Habitat for Humanity as an organization. Chattanooga is located near the Cumberland Plateau and attractions include many state parks and nature areas.

Appalachia Habitat for Humanity

Through Habitat International and the Habitat for Humanity Collegiate Program, Notre Dame's Student Chapter is sponsoring a site in the Appalachian region. A great opportunity to learn about Habitat for Humanity as an organization.

RURAL HEALTH CARE

Rivers and Bridges Consortium, West Va.

Rivers and Bridges Consortium: Rural Health Education Partnerships is the host organization for students. Rivers and Bridges partners with New River Health Association in Scarbro, West Va. R&B is community-oriented primary care and holistic care. This site presents an excellent opportunity for those with a pre-med or public health focus to view effective rural health care and related efforts.

Peace and a Darn

By MARY MARGARET NUSSBAUM
Assistant Accent Editor

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They [the homeless men] One night we played a game. Another night we had a little dance night we had a little dance them having a good time a

It really was a fantastic [Catholic Worker's Farm] helps one person it is worth everything into perspective we deal with here like honor son to the problems of the were really appreciative whole experience."

The Appalachia Seminar takes Required orientation classes and field nars goals. The seminar counts as

Get on the bus!

Healthy defense proves to be critical for Irish

By MIKE DAY
Sports Editor

The flip of the coin turned up just the way he wanted. And given the opportunity, head coach Bob Davie made a decision that helped set the tone for things to come on Saturday afternoon at Notre Dame Stadium.

Davie instructed captains Ron Powlus, Allen Rossum, and Melvin Dansby to defer and receive the football in the second half. He decided not to start the game on offense, opting instead to open up things with his defense going head to head against Boston College.

"We felt like we had improved on defense and wanted to go out there first for that reason," said Davie. "It was the first time since the Georgia Tech game that we have had all 11 players healthy. We also wanted to give ourselves more possessions in the second half."

The decision paid off. On the game's opening possession, safety Benny Guilbeaux intercepted the Irish get off on the right foot, helping a Matt Hasselbeck pass on just the third play of the game.

"We felt like we needed to go out there and kind of set the tone," said Guilbeaux. "The interception gave us momentum, and the offense took advantage. It's always nice to get off to a good start."

An opportunistic Notre Dame offense took advantage of the good field position and scored less than two minutes later.

"Every time we stopped them, it seemed the offense was there ready to capitalize," said linebacker Kory Minor.

With momentum on its side, the defense followed up its strong start by forcing four consecutive Boston College punts. In the first quarter, the Irish limited the Eagle offense to just 24 yards on 15 plays.

Meanwhile, for one of the few times

this season, the Notre Dame offense took advantage of the defensive effort, rolling up 28 points before the game was 20 minutes old.

"I think the defense going out and taking charge early was a key part of the game," said Davie.

A week ago against Miami, the Eagles rolled up a whopping 360 yards on the ground in a 42-41 loss to the Hurricanes. However, the Notre Dame defense prepared all week to stop the run and were successful, limiting BC to just 83 yards rushing.

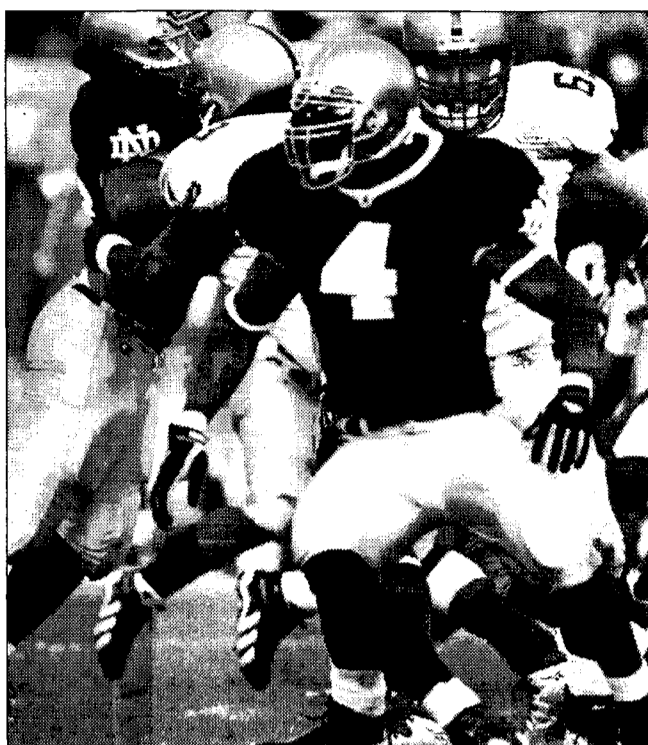
"We decided this week that we needed to stop the run to have the best chance of beating them," said defensive coordinator Greg Mattison. "We didn't play as well against the pass as we needed to, but our ability to stop the run played a big impact in the result of the game."

With a 28-0 lead against a Boston College unit trying desperately to pass itself off as an offense, the Irish defense could afford to let its guard down — and it did.

Boston College head coach Tom O'Brien decided to abandon an ineffective running game and allow the experienced Hasselbeck to take his chances with the Irish secondary.

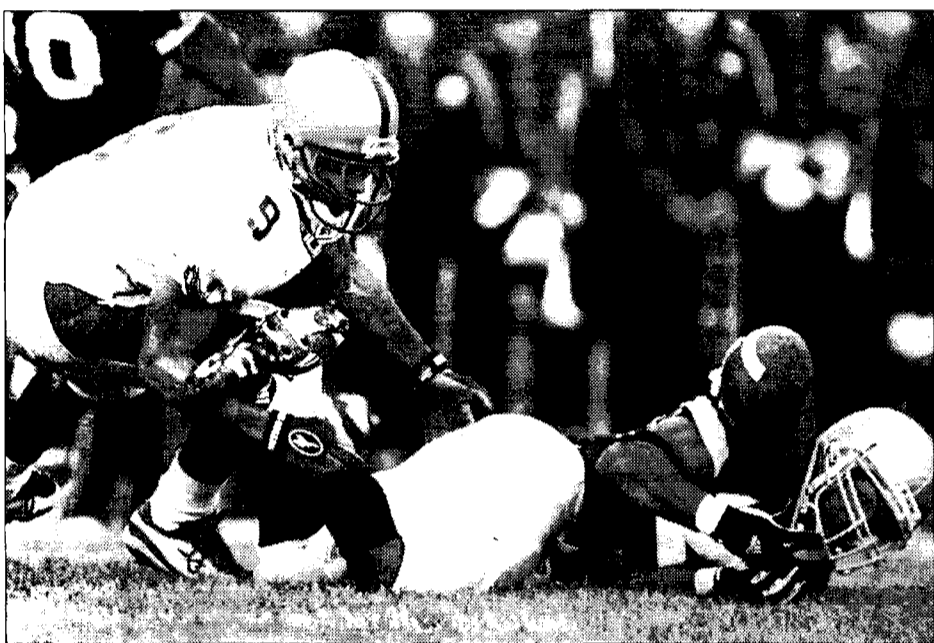
In the second half, Hasselbeck responded by completing 17 of 22 passes for 178 yards, including a school-record 14 in a row at one point.

"I thought he had a good game," said a dejected O'Brien. "Maybe we should have thrown the ball from the start."



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LB Kory Minor and the Irish put the clamps on the Eagle running attack, limiting them to 83 yards on the ground.



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Despite giving up 277 yards passing to Boston College quarterback Matt Hasselbeck, the Irish secondary did record three sacks and an interception on the afternoon.

AP TOP 25 AP

TEAM	RECORD	POINTS	PREVIOUS
1. Nebraska (35)	7-0	1704	1
2. Penn St. (25)	6-0	1665	2
3. Florida St. (8)	7-0	1629	3
4. Michigan	7-0	1514	5
5. North Carolina	7-0	1507	4
6. Florida	6-1	1400	6
7. Washington	6-1	1281	7
8. Tennessee	5-1	1245	8
9. Ohio St.	7-1	1233	9
10. Washington St.	7-0	1143	10
11. Auburn	7-1	1049	11
12. UCLA	6-2	942	13
13. Kansas St.	6-1	894	14
14. Georgia	6-1	789	16
15. Iowa	5-2	727	18
16. LSU	5-2	714	17
17. West Virginia	6-1	579	21
18. Purdue	6-1	522	22
19. Oklahoma St.	6-1	463	12
20. Arizona St.	5-2	444	23
21. Michigan St.	5-2	405	15
22. Toledo	7-0	290	24
23. Virginia Tech	5-2	124	19
24. So. Mississippi	5-2	64	NR
25. Texas A&M	5-2	55	20

Others Receiving Votes

Colorado 50, Wisconsin 48, Georgia Tech 47, Rice 42, Ohio St., BYU 26, Syracuse 23, Colorado St. 17, Missouri 14, Texas Tech 7, Cincinnati 6, Air Force 5, Miami (OH) 5, Alabama 4, Clemson 3, Southern Cal 2, Utah 2, Louisiana Tech 1, Mississippi 1.

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Boston College	0	7	10	3	20
Notre Dame	14	14	3	21	52

	BC	ND
First downs	19	29
Rushed-yards	32-83	48-203
Passing yards	277	323
Sacked-yards lost	3-20	2-14
Return yards	16	33
Passes	23-33-1	21-35-0
Punts	7-40.9	3-44.7
Penalties-yards	10-95	6-61
Time of possession	30:24	29:36

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Boston College- Cloud 8-39, O. Walker 12-33, Hemmert 3-12, Chamberlin 1-1, M. Hasselbeck 8-minus 2. Notre Dame- Denson 18-81, Stokes 13-50, Barry 5-41, Driver 4-24, Jackson 4-16, Spencer 1-1, Powlus 3-minus 10.

PASSING: Boston College- M Hasselbeck 23-33-1-277. Notre Dame- Powlus 18-31-0-267, Jackson 3-4-0-56.

RECEIVING: Boston College-Pollack 5-69, Dragos 4-42, DiCosmo 2-40, Crittenden 2-34, Guazzo 2-31, Hemmert 2-8, O. Walker 2-6, Tardio 1-24, J Walker 1-10, Chamberlin 1-7, Cloud 1-6. Notre Dame- Nelson 6-110, Getherall 3-46, Brown 3-31, Denson 3-5, Holloway 2-48, M. Johnson 2-40, J. Johnson 1-32, Barry 1-11.

Att: 80,225

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Quarter
Notre Dame-Driver 1 yard run (kick failed), 3:00
Notre Dame-M Johnson 4 yard pass from Powlus (Holloway reception for two-point conversion), 6:42

2nd Quarter
Notre Dame-Jackson 3 yard run (Cengia kick), 1:27
Notre Dame-Denson 8 yard run (Cengia kick), 4:51
Boston College-DiCosmo 27 yard pass from Hasselbeck (Match kick), 13:40

3rd Quarter
Boston College-FG Match 27 yards, 5:46
Notre Dame-FG Cengia 20 yards, 10:53
Boston College-Hemmert 1 yard run (Match kick), 12:59

4th Quarter
Notre Dame-Brown 10 yard pass from Powlus (Cengia kick), 1:16
Boston College-FG Match 37 yards, 4:46
Notre Dame-Rossum 80 yard kickoff return (Cengia kick), 5:04
Notre Dame-Jackson 2 yard run (Cengia kick), 14:27

Insight

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and a look of intensity that takes over the field, like the Irish did against Pittsburgh and Boston College.

However, with eight games behind them and only four left, the Irish seem to have found a balance in the team's split personality, and although its evil side is still able to peak out from time to time, the good side appears to be becoming stronger and stronger.

But then again, "two-faced" seems to be a widely-accepted theme of Notre Dame football this season. From its fans to the team itself, Notre Dame football seems to have been at war within itself throughout the season.

There have always existed two components to Notre Dame football in any given season — the actual team on the field and the aura that surrounds it. Within that aura lies the history that backs up the team and the fans that support the team.

This year, those two components have not been on the same plane. As Davie said after the USC game, "When you play at home, you would like to have your fans behind you. We would have liked to have had the momentum of the fans, especially when we were tied in the fourth quarter, behind us."

It's hard to tell among 80,000 fans exactly who is booing — whether they are students, alumni, or subway alumni — but one thing is for sure, there was definitely not enough noise elsewhere to drown it out.

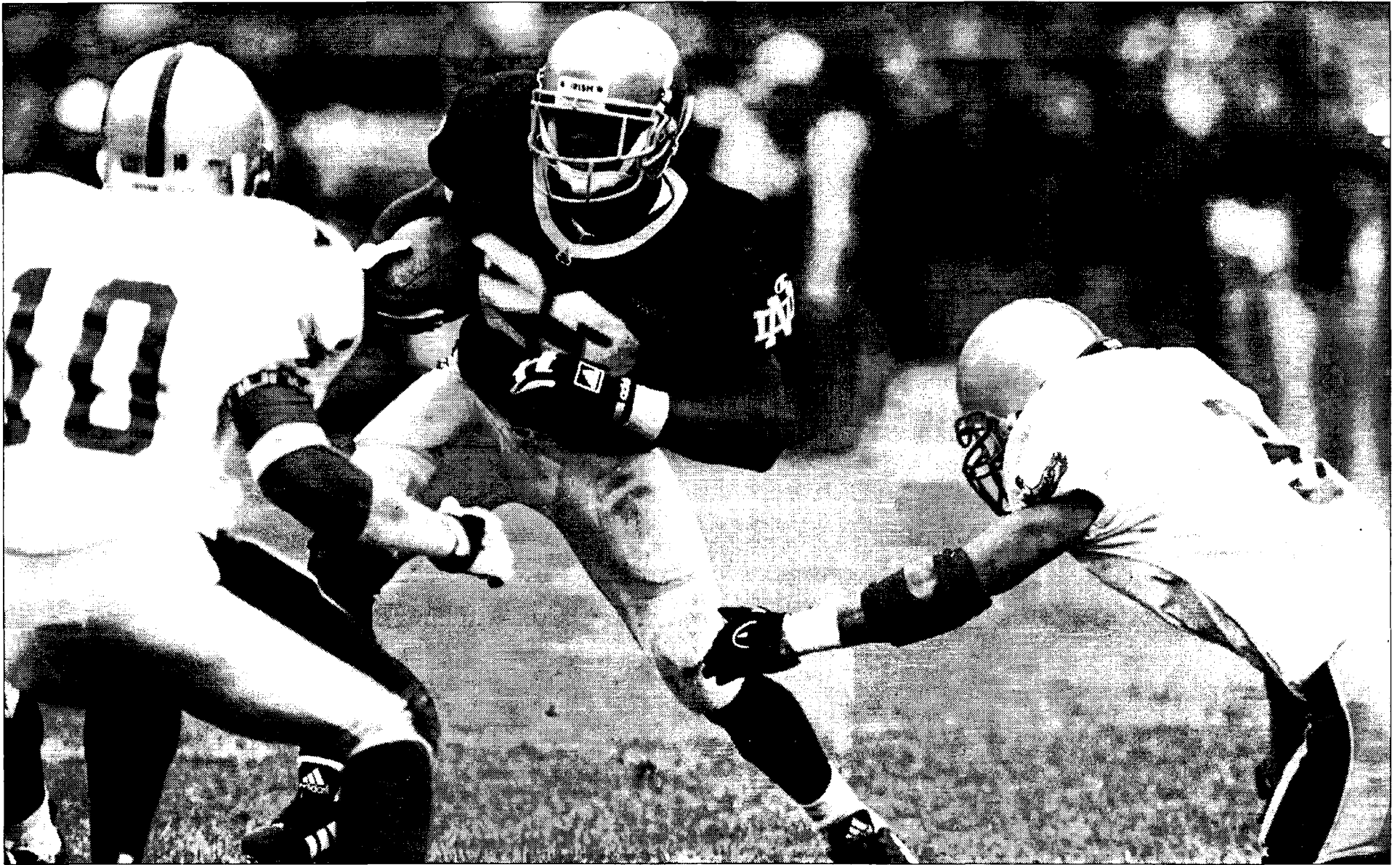
So I guess the team is left doing things on its own. But as shown by its performance after a week without dining hall insults and classroom criticism, it seems to be the way it likes it.

And if it can settle its own internal struggle and decide which face it's going to put on against Navy on Saturday, this season might not be as long as everybody thinks.

Next up for Notre Dame: Navy

The Midshipmen have not played since defeating Division I-AA Virginia Military 42-7 on Oct. 18. "It's definitely going to be an intense couple of weeks getting ready for Notre Dame," said quarterback Chris McCoy. "We should be really hyped up after spending so much time getting ready for them."

McCoy, a pre-season Heisman Trophy candidate, has completed 36 of 84 passes for 583 yards and four touchdowns this season. Meanwhile, the Midshipmen defense ranks eighth nationally in total defense, giving up just 277.5 yards per game.

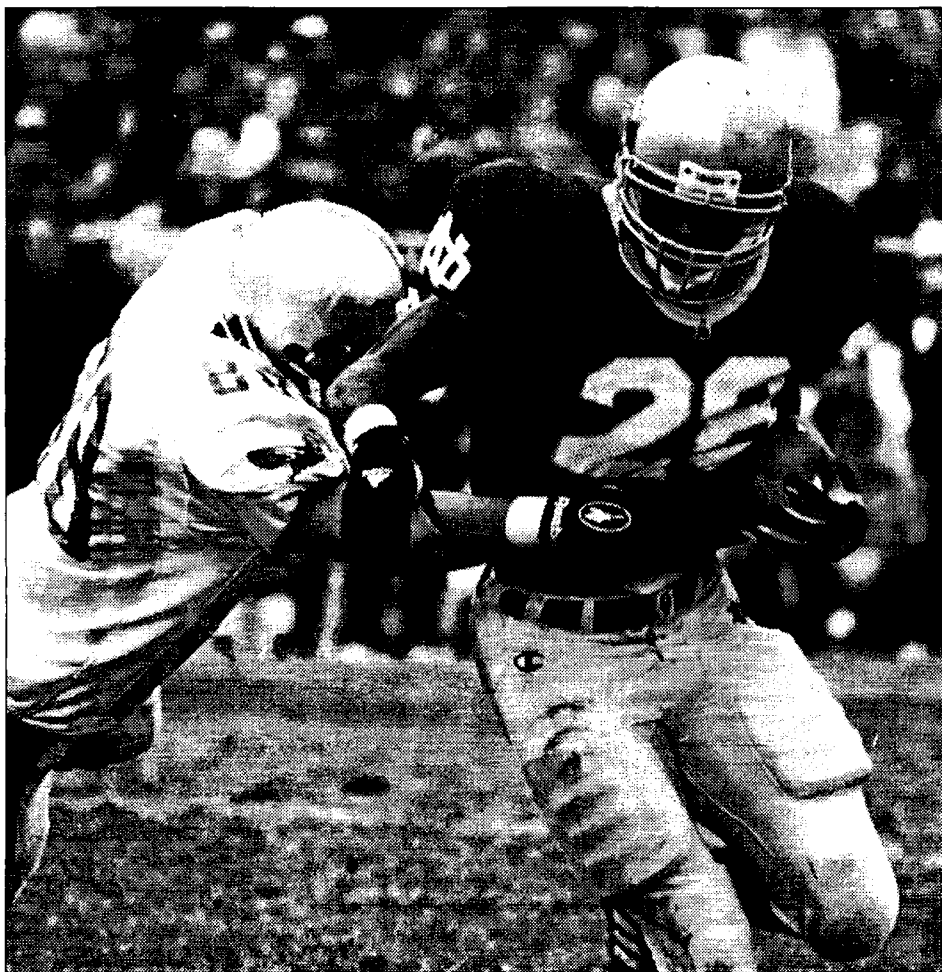


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Tailback Autry Denson failed to gain 100 yards on Saturday but still tallied 81 yards on 18 carries and extended the Irish lead to 28-0 on an 8-yard score in the second quarter.

Notre Dame 52 Boston College 20

Notre Dame Stadium
October 25, 1997



The Observer/Joe Stark

Fullback Ken Barry gained a career-high 41 yards on just five carries as the Irish rolled up 203 yards on the ground against the Eagles.

■ GAME NOTES & QUOTES

Game notes:

Unlikely unranked: Saturday's game was the first time in the nine-game series between Notre Dame and Boston College that both teams have entered the game unranked. The Irish have been ranked in the last five meetings, and seven of the previous eight.

Series streak: Notre Dame now leads the series 7-2, with a three-game winning streak.

Null and void: Up until Eagles' final drive of the first half, their offense totaled 67 yards and 65 yards in penalties.

Happy at halftime: The 28 points scored in the first half for the Irish are the most scored by halftime since last season's game against Rutgers in which they scored 35.

Action Jackson: Jarious Jackson's 17-yard completion to Joey Getherall in the first quarter was his first completed pass of the season.

Out of the blocks with a bang: The Irish have scored a touchdown in each of their first drives in the last three games. Against Pittsburgh, Allen Rossum returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown. Against USC, Rossum's 40-yard kickoff return set up a two-yard touchdown run by Autry Denson. Against Boston College, Benny Guilbeaux's interception set up a one-yard Tony Driver touchdown.

Awaited interception: Guilbeaux's interception on the first drive of the game was the first Irish interception in four games. The last one was by Kory Minor against Michigan State.

Upped average: The Irish offense entered Saturday's game averaging just over 11 points in the first half in its last seven games. It nearly tripled its average with 28 first-half points against the Eagles.

Primed passing: Notre Dame's 323 passing yards were the most since Rick Mirer, Kevin McDougal, and Paul Failla combined for 331 passing

yards against Michigan State in 1992.

Awesome Rossum: Allen Rossum's 80-yard kickoff return tied an NCAA record of eight for most career returns for touchdowns. Rossum has returned three punts, three kickoffs, and two interceptions for touchdowns.

Powerful Powlus: Ron Powlus' 153 completions through seven games leave him two short of Joe Theismann's single-season record for completions set in 1970. With 236 attempts, he is also very close to breaking Theismann's single-season attempts record of 268.

Driving Denson: Autry Denson is just 44 yards short of third place on the Irish career rushing list with 2,638 yards.

Game quotes:

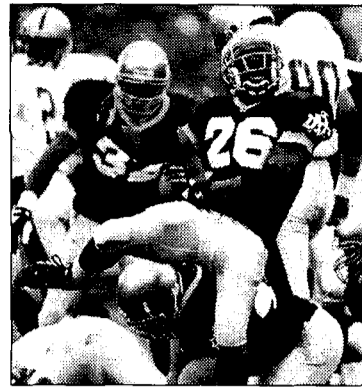
Jarious Jackson, on the execution of the quarterback draw for a touchdown in the second quarter, "I gave a couple of dummy calls to the receivers, took one step and turned it up the middle. I could've drove a Mack truck through the hole the line opened up."

Bob Davie on the emergence of Raki Nelson as a big-play receiver, "I think he's another guy that has a real good attitude. Bobby Brown, Malcolm Johnson and even Joey Getherall got a lot of attention early in the year. And it's kind of like Clem Stokes too. Those kids persevered through that, and I think because of it they are stronger."

Davie on Ron Powlus' response to Jarious Jackson's increase in playing time: "He's competitive. He came out with the fire in his eyes all week in practice, and he played good. He responded the way you're supposed to respond when you're challenged."

Ron Powlus on being taken out of the game: "I don't like to come out of a game, but it's a decision that was made. I have to deal with it. It's tough to be on the sidelines when the offense is on the field, but I'm happy for Jarious."

Notre Dame Boston College
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For the first time this year, the Irish earn high grades on offense, defense, and special teams.

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Key Stat

Eight different receivers caught passes on Saturday as the Irish rolled up a season-best 526 total yards.

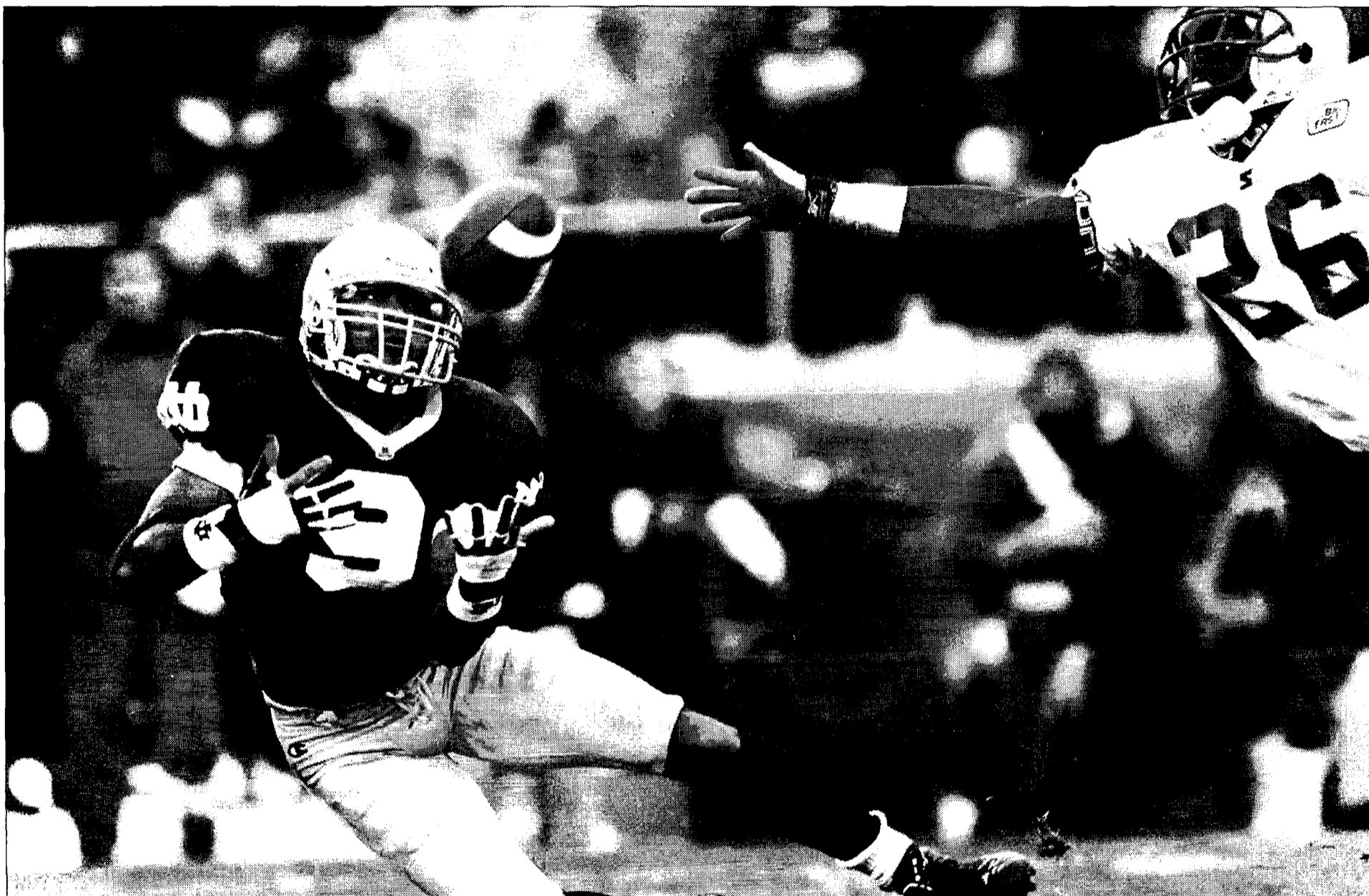
Player of the Game

Raki Nelson
In his first extensive action of the season, the sophomore receiver caught a career-high six passes for 110 yards.

Quote of the Game

"It's not up to me, it's up to Ron. But every time he seems to throw it to me, I seem to catch it."
— receiver Raki Nelson

Shooting down the Eagles



Notre Dame receiver Raki Nelson, shown here catching a pass in front of Boston College defensive back Shalom Tolefree, proved to be a key in the Irish's revitalized passing attack. Quarterbacks Ron Powlus and Jarious Jackson combined for 323 yards passing on the afternoon. The Observer/Brandon Candura

Powlus, Jackson lead 28-point sprint as Irish dominate Eagles

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Editor-in-Chief

As a 2-5 team coming off a loss to Southern Cal and facing a weeklong distraction over the question of who should play at quarterback, the Notre Dame Fighting Irish entered Saturday's game against the Boston College Eagles looking to regain some pride.

Consider mission accomplished.

The Irish, on the strength of Ron Powlus' passing, Jarious Jackson's rushing, and Raki Nelson's receiving, scored 28 straight points within the first 20 minutes of the game en route to a 52-20 victory at Notre Dame Stadium.

"This is a big, big win for us," Irish head coach Bob Davie said of his team, now 3-5. "This was all about pride."

Powlus, heavily criticized after the loss to Southern Cal, put to rest any questions that he might be replaced as the starting quarterback by turning in an 18-for-31, 267-yard performance.

The fifth-year senior was effective when rolling out of the pocket to complete short passes, and also found receivers on deep post patterns several times, including a season-best 44-yard completion to Nelson in the third quar-

ter.

Davie had high praise for Powlus after the game.

"I thought Ron Powlus played extremely well," Davie said. "Ron Powlus is a competitor. He wouldn't have played as well as he played today if he wasn't."

"He responded the way you're supposed to respond to a challenge."

Powlus downplayed any notion of a quarterback debate between him and Jackson.

"There's no controversy," Powlus said. "I was in a situation where I wanted to play a good game and I needed to play a good game."

"I don't like coming out of the game, but it's the coach's decision and you have to respect that."

Davie attributed the Irish passing attack's ability to go downfield more on Saturday than in previous games to advantages that Irish receivers had over the Eagles' cornerbacks.

"We matched up pretty well against BC's secondary," he said. "We were able to get into specific [routes] that worked out well for us."

But Jackson also strengthened his case

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INSIGHT

Fall break proves to be just what the doctor ordered

No one appreciated fall break more so than the Notre Dame students themselves. Except maybe the football team.

After a devastating 20-17 loss to USC last week, it would have been difficult for any member of the team to show his face on campus.

Not only because of the obvious disappointment seen in their faces after the loss to the Trojans, but also because of the anger and frustration that head coach Bob Davie expressed with the fourth-quarter booing that has become as omnipresent at Notre Dame football games as plaid pants and drunk freshmen.

However, by the hand of fate and a little bit of lucky planning by the University, the Irish were able to have a week of silence — aside from a few local and national jeers — to regroup.

And regroup they did.

Once again, it appears as though a dif-

ferent team showed up to face Boston College than the one we saw just a week before. It has been a continual mystery throughout the season — which Notre Dame team will show up?

Will it be the one who ran over the number one defense in the nation in the first half against Michigan or the one who single-handedly shot itself in the foot in the second half?

Will it be the one who allowed Stanford's offense to have two running backs collect over 100 yards each, or the one that turned around and did the same thing to Pittsburgh, with Autry Denson and Clement Stokes combining for 237 yards, the next week?

Maybe its not actually two teams. Maybe its just one team with two faces. On one face, there exist the insecure and tentative eyes of a team that has been desperately groping for some kind of rhythm and consistency in its play, and allows itself to be bullied by teams like Michigan State and Michigan. On the other face, there is a smirk of confidence



Betsy Baker
Associate Sports Editor

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New weapons add needed spark

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

All eyes were on the Notre Dame offense against the Eagles of Boston College on Saturday.

How would Ron Powlus and Jarious Jackson respond to Bob Davie's decision to give Jackson more playing time?

Would the team's third quarter scoring woes continue to haunt the Irish?

Davie's attempts to dismiss the quarterback platoon as "hype" were certainly right on target, as Powlus and Jackson accepted

the challenge to spark the offense, turning in their best performances of the year.

They combined for 323 passing yards, the highest total since 1992 when Kevin McDougal, Rick Mirer and Paul Failla combined for 331 yards in the air in a 52-31 Irish win over Michigan State.

Powlus completed 18 passes for 267 yards, distributing the ball to a wealth of receivers, including a spectacular 44-yard toss to rising star Raki Nelson and touchdown passes to Malcolm Johnson and Bobby

Brown. Powlus' single-season completion total now stands just two shy of the 155 Joe Theismann collected in 1970.

"I thought Ron Powlus played extremely well," said Davie following the game. "When we're able to get the ball down the field and make some big plays, we're a good offensive football team."

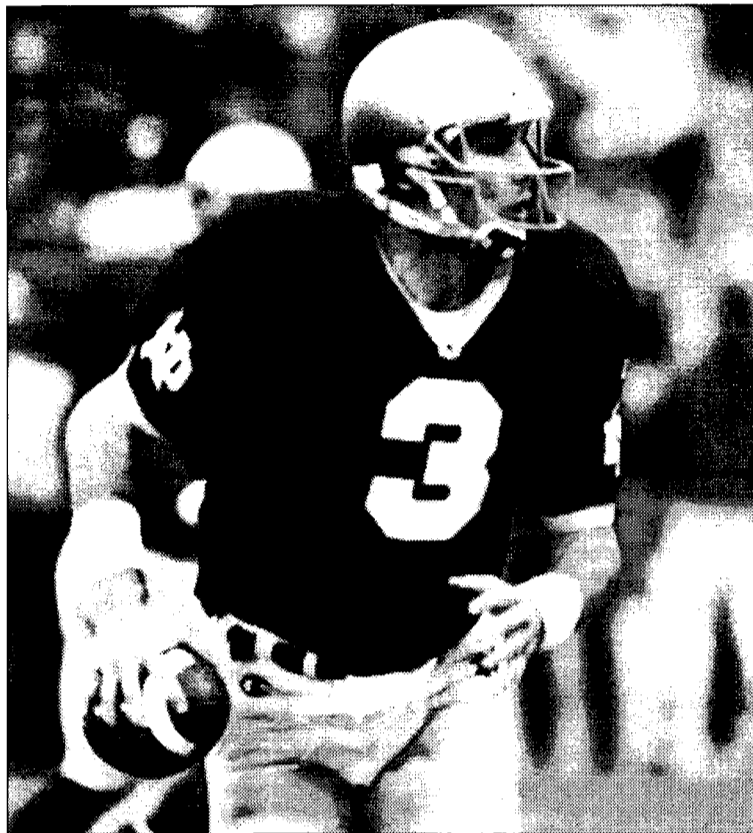
Nelson, who led the receiving corps with 110 yards, picked up the slack when Johnson went down with an ankle injury, and Brown, Getherall and even tight end Jabari Holloway consistently beat Boston College's coverage, making big plays after catching the ball.

"(The defense) was playing us man-to-man, and we'd been practicing all week that if they play us that way we should go deep, and Ron would throw the post," said Nelson.

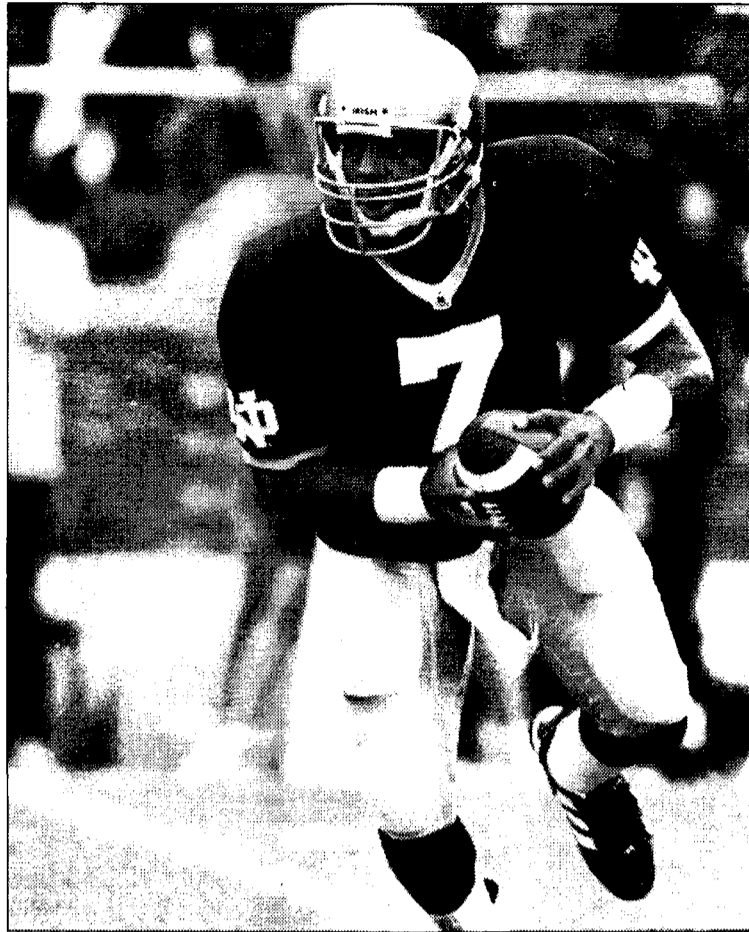
And just as planned, Jackson came in to provide another option when the offense became bogged down. Seeing his first extensive action of the year, the junior finished the day with four carries for 16 yards and two touchdowns, and he completed his first pass of the season en route to a 3-for-4, 56-yard performance.

"I just went out (on Saturday), and approached it like I was going to practice," said Jackson. "To be honest, I got more time than I thought I would get."

"We accomplished what we set out to accomplish by playing Jarious," said Davie. "When our offense bogs down, we wanted to see if Jarious provided us with an option to put him in the game. I think based on the way he played today, he provides us with that option."



Quarterback Ron Powlus, who completed 18 of 31 passes for 267 yards against BC, is still cemented as the team's starter.



Quarterback Jarious Jackson provided a spark off the bench, rushing for two touchdowns while completing 3 of 4 passes for 56 yards.

But Notre Dame's offense hardly got bogged down in the first half, putting 28 points on the board, nearly triple the 11-point average the team carried into the contest.

While Powlus and Jackson took charge of the aerial attack, Autry Denson led the well-balanced running game with 81 yards on the ground. But it was not only the stars that burned the Eagles for 233 rushing yards. Senior Clem Stokes, who has emerged as a powerful runner, picked up 50 yards on 13 car-

ries, and fullback Ken Barry ran for 41 yards, averaging 8.2 yards per carry.

"We've made improvements on offense," said Davie. "They may not be as noticeable to the fans, but we've been able to make more of the big plays."

With 526 yards of total offense, the Irish proved that they are capable of making the big plays when it counts. Even against a mediocre Boston College team, Notre Dame was in a battle for pride, and the offense was not about to give up without a fight.

Blowout

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for more playing time, engineering a drive of his own for a touchdown early in the second quarter.

As Powlus watched from the sideline, Jackson completed his first two passes of the season — one a bullet to Joey Getherall for 17 yards. Autry Denson added three rushes for 39 yards, including two runs of more than 15 yards in which he avoided would-be tacklers near the line of scrimmage.

The drive ended with Jackson running three yards on a draw play out of the shotgun for a touchdown, giving the Irish a 21-0 lead and effectively putting the game out of reach.

"I could have driven a Mack truck through that hole," Jackson said of his touchdown run. "The offensive line really played well today."

Jackson saw limited action after that drive until late in the fourth quarter, when he scored from one yard out to culminate a nine-play, 90-yard drive with under a minute to play. He finished the day with 3-of-4 passing for 56 yards.

Notre Dame went into the game planning to use Jackson at quarterback beginning with the fourth offensive series and then as needed thereafter. Jackson led the Irish to a touchdown in the fourth series, but the offense's performance throughout the day made it unnecessary for the coaching staff to play Jackson more often.

"We accomplished what we set out to accomplish by playing Jarious," Davie said. "When our offense bogs down, we wanted to see if Jarious provided us with an option to put him in the game. I think based on the way he played today, he provides us with that option."

Davie added that he expects both quarterbacks to play the same amount of time next week against Navy. "I think it'll be the same," he said. "We'll approach next week the same way we approached this week."

Boston College head coach Tom O'Brien said preparing strategies for two different quarterbacks was difficult.

"We had to prepare two game plans," O'Brien said. "That's not the easiest thing

to do."

Nelson paced the Irish receiving corps with six receptions for 110 yards. Powlus and Jackson spread the wealth, with four receivers catching three or more passes. Malcolm Johnson had a touchdown catch before leaving with a sprained ankle.

Notre Dame began the scoring with a 20-yard drive early in the first quarter when tailback Tony Driver punched the ball into the end zone from one yard out on a run off the left side. The touchdown drive was set up by an interception by Irish safety Benny Guilbeaux and was keyed by a 16-yard pass from Powlus to tight end Jabari Holloway to the four-yard line.

The Irish added another touchdown less than four minutes later when Johnson scored on a four-yard pass from Powlus on a fade route to the right side of the end zone. The drive began with a 36-yard pass on a post pattern from Powlus to Johnson.

On the ensuing two-point conversion attempt, Powlus dropped back to the left and then rolled right and found an isolated Holloway for the score. The Irish went for two after Scott Cengia's extra point kick on the previous drive was blocked.

Boston College finally got on the board late in the second quarter. Anthony DiCosmo caught a 27-yard pass from Eagle quarterback Matt Hasselbeck after beating Irish cornerback Deke Cooper near the goal line. The two teams entered halftime with a score of 28-7.

Hasselbeck ended the game with 277 yards and one touchdown on 23-of-33 passing, but most of the yardage came when the outcome had already been decided. Boston College was held to 83 yards rushing and was penalized 10 times for 95 yards.

The two teams traded touchdowns and field goals in the second half before Notre Dame's Allen Rossum returned a kickoff 80 yards for a touchdown. Rossum got caught in traffic around the 30-yard line, but squeezed through and raced to the end zone, making the score 45-20.

It was Rossum's eighth career return for a touchdown, tying the NCAA record of Erroll Tucker from the University of Utah in 1984-85. Rossum has returned three kickoffs, three punts, and two interceptions for touchdowns.

REPORT CARD

Quarterbacks: A-

The duo of Powlus and Jackson, despite Jackson's limited playing time, proved very effective. Powlus connected on only 58 percent of his passes, a marked decrease from his usual effort, but compensated by averaging over 14 yards per completion and tossing two touchdown passes. The only blemish on Jackson's performance was a badly overthrown ball to a wide open Tim Ridder in the end zone.

Running Backs: B+

The Irish racked up 200 yards on the once again, despite averaging just over four yards per carry. Denson found the end zone as usual and Barry turned in another impressive performance, rushing for 41 yards on only five carries.

Receivers: A

Despite some confusion regarding routes in the first half, the receivers allowed Powlus and Jackson to pick the Eagles apart. Eight players caught passes for Notre Dame and only Denson averaged less than 10 yards per catch. Nelson was outstanding with six catches for 110 yards, Getherall, Holloway, and Malcolm Johnson each caught two or more balls for over 15 yards per catch, and Brown caught three passes including one for a touchdown.

Offensive Line: B+

The line allowed two sacks, but got the job done when it counted. It certainly deserves some of the credit for the 29 first downs and 526 yards of total offense. The men in trenches also limited the penalties which have been plaguing them for most of the season.

Defensive Line: B+

In what may have been their best effort of the season, Dansby and company held the Eagles to just 83 yards on 32 carries. That forced the Eagles to look to the air and to take more risks than they otherwise would have. Dansby recorded seven tackles to lead the line.

Linebackers: B+

This unit also deserves praise for shutting down the rushing attack that rolled over Miami a week ago for more than 350 yards. Howard led the team in tackles with nine, including six unassisted take-downs. Two of Minor's four tackles went for Boston College losses.

Defensive Backs: C

The secondary brightened its otherwise dismal performance with sacks by Covington, Rossum and Guilbeaux, whose interception set up the first Irish score. Seven of the 11 Eagles who caught passes grabbed two or more, and quarterback Matt Hasselbeck used this wide array of targets to shred the Notre Dame secondary for 277 yards, while completing 23 of 33 passes.

Special Teams: B

Smith continued to show why he is one of the most valuable special teams players in the country. Rossum picked up where he left off in Pittsburgh by driving a dagger through the hearts of the comeback-minded Eagles on an 80-yard kickoff return for a touchdown following a BC field goal. Cengia and Sanson got off to shaky starts on place-kicks and kickoffs, respectively, but settled down as the game went on.

Coaching: B+

Many questioned why Davie did not bring Jackson back after watching him drive the team and score a touchdown early in the second quarter, but Powlus was solid and it appeared when all was said and done that Jackson was used just the right amount to keep the Boston College defense off-balance.

Overall: 3.25

The Irish responded well to the disappointment of the Southern Cal game and the offense finally performed up to expectations in all areas. It remains to be seen if Notre Dame can put together solid back-to-back performances. Navy should present a tougher challenge than the Eagles and Panthers.

-Brian Reinthaler

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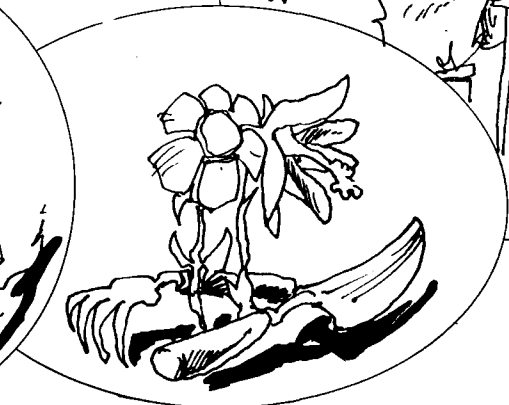
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URBAN PLUNGE

This program takes place over Christmas Break. Students spend two days in one of 50 cities and are immersed in the day-to-day realities of their community. Experiences may include a trip to the projects, a visit in an urban school, work at a soup kitchen, home visits to the elderly, and neighborhood centers, discussion with community organizers, Catholic charity services and grassroots social action groups. Urban Plunge requires academic preparation and follow-up.

The goals of the program are threefold: to allow students to experience and learn for themselves the problems of injustice and poverty in the urban areas of the United States, to increase awareness of and contact with persons who are working to improve situations, and to evaluate their strategies and, finally, to gain fresh insights into issues related to the University experience — curricular and extracurricular — and to future study, work and goals.

Approximately 15 percent of each graduating class participates in the Urban Plunge Seminar at least once during their years at Notre Dame.

SUMMER SERVICE PROJECTS

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WORLD SERIES

Notre Dame's Counsell leads Marlins over Indians

By DAVID KRAFT
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI

Craig Counsell looks like he should be playing American Legion ball in Dubuque for a team called Anderson Plumbing and Heating instead of second base in the World Series for the Florida Marlins.

But Sunday night, in Game 7 of the World Series, he became the baby-faced assassin — at least as far as the Cleveland Indians are concerned. Trailing 2-1 with one out in the bottom of the ninth, Counsell hit a fly ball to right field deep enough to score

Moises Alou with the tying run. Two innings later, Counsell hit a harmless ground ball to Cleveland second baseman Tony Fernandez that got by the four-time Gold Glove winner for an error. After an intentional walk and a force out at home, Counsell scored the game-winning run as Florida won its first World Series championship.

"You want to be there when the game is on the line" Counsell said. "I'm glad I got the opportunity."

Counsell, who played at Notre Dame from 1989 to 1992, is actually 27 years old, though he looks half that. On a team that

spent \$89 million on free agents during the offseason, he arrived without fanfare on July 27 from Colorado in exchange for right-handed pitcher Mark Hutton.

He played three games for Colorado in 1995 and one more this season before coming to the Marlins. Once in Florida, he began platooning with Kurt Abbott at second base. By the end of the season, the job was his.

Flitting eighth in a lineup of big hitters, Counsell had a big Division Series against the Giants, hitting .400. He had a big National League Championship Series against Atlanta, hitting .429. But through six games of the World Series, he had just four hits 19 at bats — a .211 average.

He made up for it in the ninth Sunday night. Moises Alou had singled to left to open the inning. After Bobby Bonilla struck out, Charles Johnson singled to right, sending Alou to third.

Up came Counsell, 0-for-2 with a walk against Cleveland starter Jaret Wright. He took a fastball low for ball one, then a strike. He lined Jose Mesa's third pitch into medium-deep right field, scoring Alou easily.

"I was just trying to put the ball in play," Counsell said. "A base hit would have been great, but I was really just trying to put the bat on the ball."

"I knew if we got something going (in the ninth), I'd have a chance to make a difference," he said.

Two innings later, Edgar Renteria won the World Series with his single — and Counsell scored the winning run.

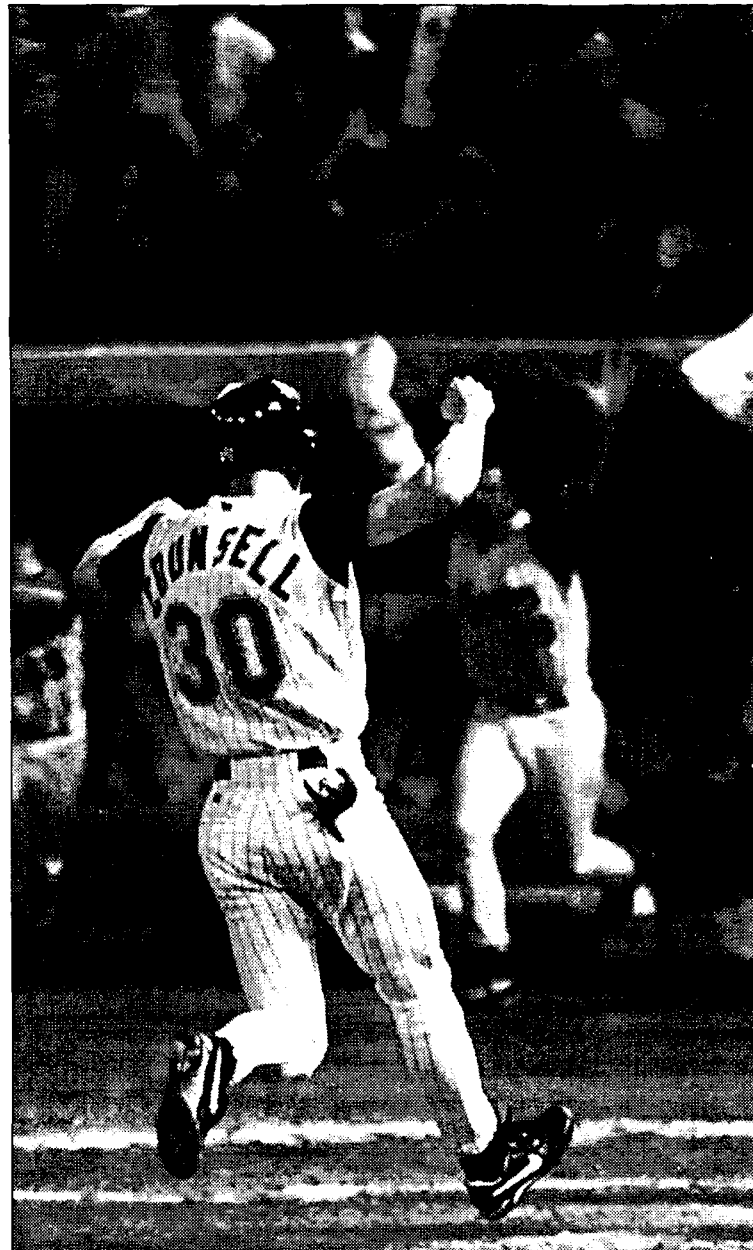


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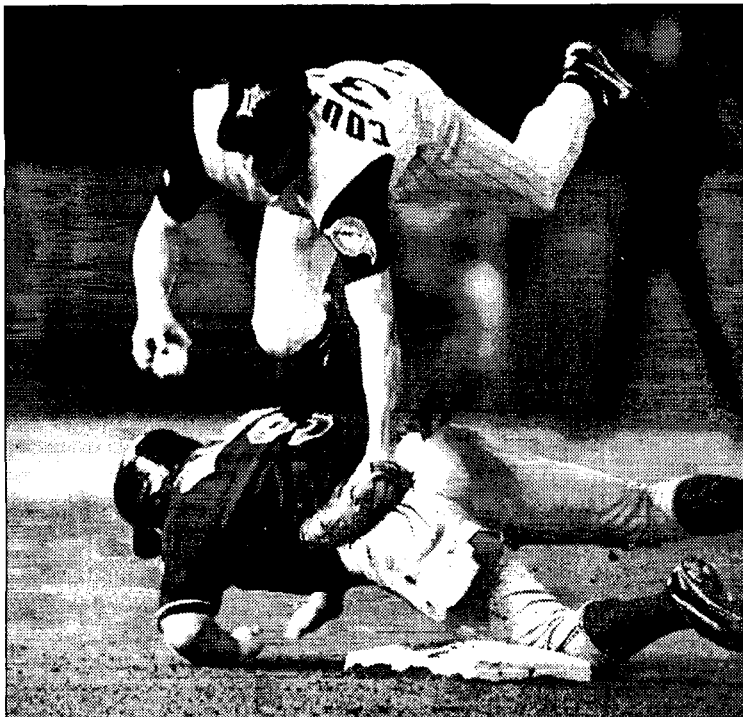


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Craig Counsell's fly ball in the ninth sent Game 7 into extra innings.

In the 11th, Counsell's heroics continued as he scored the winning run.

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■ SAINT MARY'S VOLLEYBALL

Belles find success after loss to Franklin College

By SHANNON RYAN
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's volleyball team delayed the start of its fall break and instead, played two matches.

The Belles fell 3-1 to Franklin College on Sunday, but rebounded the following day to defeat Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, 3-1. Head coach Jennie Joyce was hoping her players could postpone their desire to catch up on sleep and focus on winning.

"We played exactly like it was the end of midterms and the beginning of fall break," Joyce said of the game against Franklin. "We weren't focused and came in with no confidence."

Although a notoriously strong team, Franklin was in the midst of an off year. The Belles were hoping to prey on the 8-13 Grizzlies' weaknesses, but to no avail.

"They were playing scrappy," Joyce commented about her opponents. "But anytime we bothered to get the side-out, we couldn't take advantage of it."

Although the team strives for aggressive serving, it compiled a

total of 24 missed serves.

"The fact that our serves were falling apart really brought the team down," co-captain Betsy Connolly said. "We started getting really frustrated and hung our heads."

At times, it seemed the Belles had more than enough reason to jut their chins out with pride.

Despite their spurts of glory, Saint Mary's could not combine its individual efforts. The Belles fell as a team, 15-13, 10-15, 14-16, 13-15.

However, 24 hours later, the Belles redeemed themselves at Rose-Hulman. "We had a whole day together to regroup," Connolly said. "We were ready to win."

The squad then found a spark in its offense in Jardina. The 5-foot-4 freshman's 34 assists, 11 points, and two aces did not remain unnoticed as she led her team through long rallies.

"Jardina did a great job moving the sets around," Joyce stated. "It was really key to our victory."

With individual successes and improved serving, the Belles smoothly defeated the Engineers, 6-15, 15-9, 15-9, 15-9.



Sophomore Kara Brown has been a young contributor all year. The Observer/Brandon Candura

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game, a 10-0 win over Wisconsin for the Irish. Streiffer netted two goals to reach the milestone.

Notre Dame's defense, led by goalkeeper LaKeyesia Beene, has held opponents to 59 shots, while the Irish have scored 81 goals in 17 games.

Since the North Carolina game on Sept. 19, the Irish have outscored the opposition 69-2 and have outshot them by a margin of more than 225-20.

"Our goal is just to keep composure back there and try to play the feet of our midfielders and forwards and keep possession of the ball," said Lindsey.

Beene's shutout of Connecticut on Sunday marked her 13th of the season. With two regular season games remaining, Beene will have the opportunity to break the record in her first year as Notre Dame's starting goalie.

Beene also maintained her hold on the nation's best goals against average and set a new Big East single-season shutout record with eight in 10 conference games.

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■ HOCKEY

Irish begin season 3-0 before falling to Eagles

By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame hockey team had a productive fall break, winning two of three games against nationally-ranked opponents. On Oct. 17 and 18, the Boys of Winter traveled to perennial national powerhouse St. Cloud State for a pair of non-Central Collegiate Association Hockey games.

For the first time in 15 years, Notre Dame recorded its first two-game sweep, defeating the Huskies 4-3 in overtime on Friday night and trouncing them 4-1 on Saturday night.

"Those were some big wins for us," stated sophomore forward Joe Dusbabek. "They are ranked nationally, and their rink is probably one of the tougher places to play in the country, so it was amazing to get both victories."

On Oct. 24, Notre Dame host-

ed top-10 ranked Boston College. The Irish couldn't hold the 2-0 lead they had in the third period and ended up losing, 3-2.

"We should have won this game," lamented freshman forward Mark Eaton. "They will be one of the top teams in the country this year, and we were right with them the whole game."

The Boys' first victory against the Huskies demonstrated the resiliency the team has developed. Due to a St. Cloud State spurt during a 3:09 span early in the second period, the Huskies collected a 3-0 lead.

The Irish, however, recorded three power-play goals to erase the lead and knot the game. In the overtime period, junior forward Brian Urick set up the winning goal.

He emerged from a scramble with the puck behind the net

and sent a pass into the crease for sophomore center Ben Simon, who one-timed a shot that silenced the capacity crowd and gave the Irish their 4-3 victory.

"(Senior goal tender) Matt Eisler was amazing," recalled Dusbabek. "He really made some huge saves. We also had our power play clicking; I believe that we had three straight power play goals. It was a very big win for us."

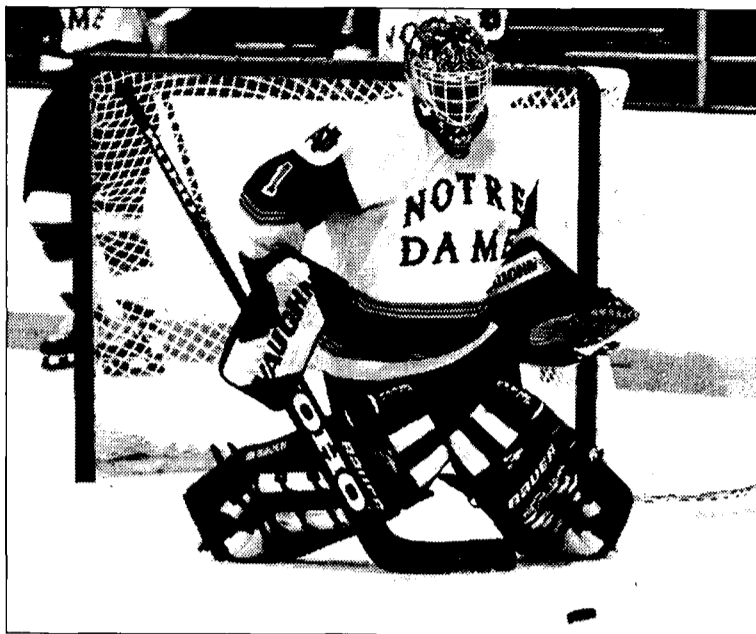
The following night's game was not nearly as close, much to the chagrin of the capacity crowd at the National Hockey Center. The Irish scored two goals early in the first period, and junior forward Aniket Dhadphale added two more in the third period to give the Irish the win.

Eisler again had a stellar night, making 36 saves to lower his season goals-against average to 1.65 and raise his season save percentage to 93.9 percent.

"Matt Eisler was the man," stated Simon. "He played very well. Sometimes it seems like we don't help him out, but he came up big for us."

The win put the Irish at 3-0, their first such start since 1983. "This was a big, big win," stated head coach Dave Poulin. "We had a good feeling right from the start, even when we fell behind 1-0. We played much better in terms of protecting the puck and making tape-to-tape passes."

The Irish's return to the Joyce Center proved ill-fated, as they dropped their first game of the season to Boston College, 3-2. Following goals



The Observer/Brandon Candura

Irish goalie Matt Eisler played a key roll in the victory over the Huskies.

by Dhadphale and Simon, the Irish carried a 2-0 lead into the third period and had chances to even increase that lead.

"We had opportunities that we should have capitalized on," lamented Dusbabek. "We could have made it 3-0 or 4-0, but we'll learn to do that. This game was very beneficial. We have to develop that killer instinct, and we will in time."

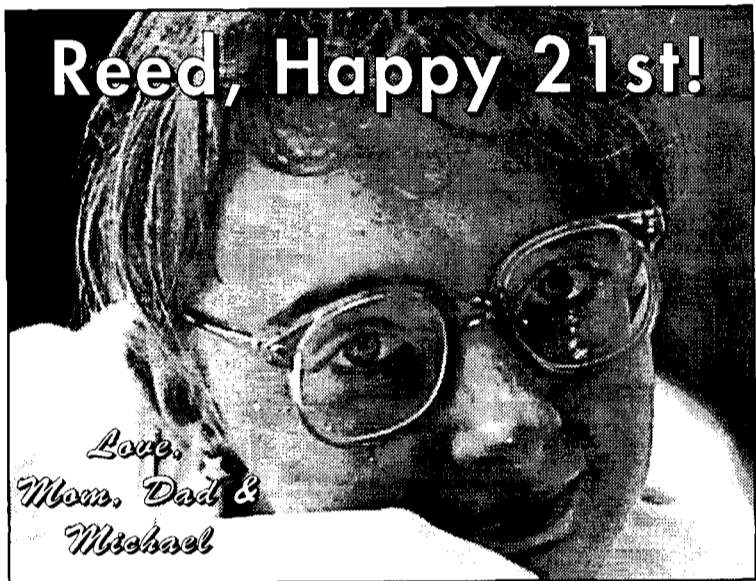
The Eagles' first goal occurred during a power-play, ending Notre Dame's perfect 17 for 17 penalty-killing streak. The other two goals were transition goals that caught the Irish short-handed because they had players coming off the ice.

"This game was different, very different" stated Poulin. "Last year, we had a lot of one-

goal losses, but this one does not compare. Boston College is the favorite in Hockey East this year, and we stuck in there with them the whole game. We had some great scoring chances, and we needed to capitalize on them."

These four pre-CCHA season games greatly benefited the freshmen, who have developed and contributed heavily during the past fortnight.

"We have all contributed a lot," said Eaton. "It's really good to get four games under your belt before you start league play; it gives us (the freshman) a chance to develop and get comfortable at this level. Now we've got to get ready for the CCHA season because the CCHA is probably the best league in the country."



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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Madness returns to JACC

By MIKE KOGGE
Sports Writer

Green, gold, and blue played at midnight on Oct. 17 before thousands of Irish eyes, who were judging if the fire from last year was still burning.

New faces appeared in the ranks of the old, as Notre Dame danced on the Joyce court with the inevitable anxiety of pre-season. In midst of the players' pre-season rustiness, however, a bright exuberance and optimism shined on the midnight Irish.

The optimism of a future and season untold and unwritten. A season still perfect. The romance of Irish basketball has begun.

And with that romance, questions lurk in the minds of all supporting the program: will this team surpass last season's success? Is there any hope that the energy of 1970s Irish basketball can be rekindled?

Last year's NIT quarterfinal against Michigan perhaps defined the crowning achievement of Notre Dame basketball in the late 90s.

After a brilliant NIT run and Big East honors for coach John MacLeod and Pat Garrity, people started to notice the Irish again. Fans crammed into the available areas of the Joyce Center or pleaded for tickets outside. Even the reluctant students came in numbers, many of who had never seen an Irish basketball game in their life.

"The Michigan game was incredible," said coach John MacLeod just prior to Midnight Madness. "It gave us an impetus — that we were making a move, with a big burst at the end. We created an excitement that hasn't been seen in quite some time."

Now, six months later, the season begins again. Admore

White, Pete Miller, and Marcus Young are gone. Only Garrity and Dereck Manner return as starting Irish seniors. To fill those gaps, MacLeod will have to rely on younger players, especially at the guard spots.

"We have a lot of young players in key spots," said MacLeod. "Right now, (Jimmy) Dillon and (Antoni) Wyche are starting as guards, backed up by (Martin) Inglesby and Keith Friel. Leviticus (Williams) will back up Manner."

The freshmen are not forgotten in MacLeod's scheme and will play a large role in supporting the starters.

"All of the freshman are going to play. Martin, Leviticus, Hans (Rasmussen), and Peter (Okwalinga) will all be involved. We have some inexperience, but we're counting on the freshmen and sophomores."

MacLeod's main goal, however, is not to relive the 96-97 season. Improvements away from home and in the Big East tournament are necessities if the Irish wish to go anywhere in March.

"We want to be better than last year. We won one road game last year (against Syracuse). In order for us to continue to grow, we must win on the road and advance in the Big East," said MacLeod.

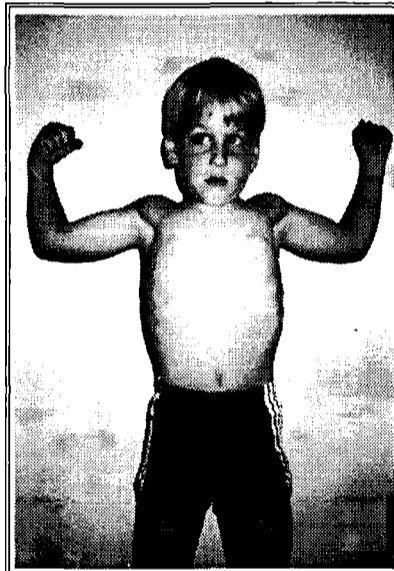
Notre Dame's trip through the Big East will be a difficult one. Although many sports analysts regard this year's Big East as yet another "Big Easy," especially with the departure of stand-outs like Page, Thomas, Croshere, and Shammgod, they forget that the Big East outlived their estimations in the last few NCAA tournaments, such as Providence's Elite Eight appearance last year and Syracuse's contention for the national championship in 1996.

"The Big East is still a strong conference," said MacLeod. "UConn will be tremendous as will Villanova and St. John's. Georgetown is always very good and so is Syracuse."

And as MacLeod has "high expectations" for his team, so does he for the fans, both student and adult, subway and alum.



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Big East player of the year Pat Garrity led the Irish onto the court during the recent Midnight Madness, which kicked off the new season.



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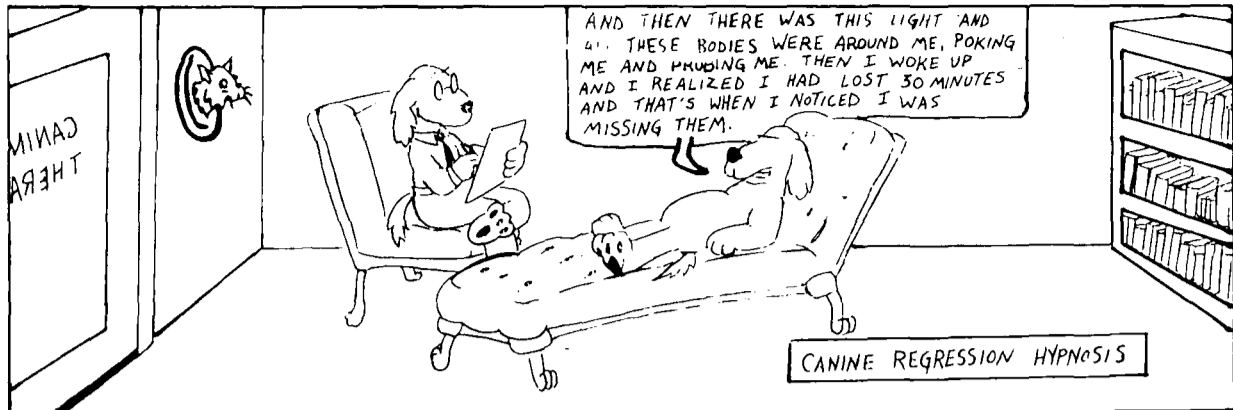
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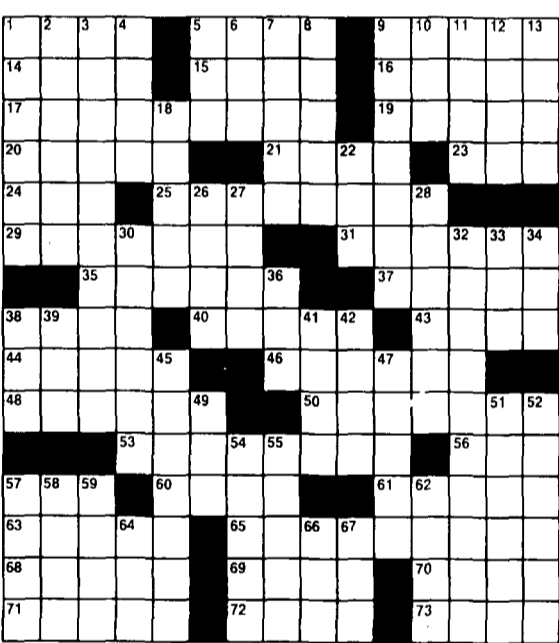


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- ACROSS**
- 1 "Holy mackerell!"
 - 5 Shady lady
 - 9 Landscaper's tool
 - 14 California wine valley
 - 15 1847 South Seas adventure
 - 16 Running bowline, e.g.
 - 17 Desert mount
 - 19 7-11 game
 - 20 Full up
 - 21 Aria, usually
 - 23 "j" topper
 - 24 "Yuck!"
 - 25 Place for marbles
 - 29 Baby blues
 - 31 Hillbilly TV fare
 - 35 Strait of Dover port
 - 37 Got some shuteye
 - 38 Hightail it
 - 40 New Zealand native
 - 43 Executive: Abbr.
 - 44 Bit of parsley
 - 46 "You've got my support!"
 - 48 Settles bills
 - 50 How many bouquets are made
 - 53 Desperation
 - 56 Native: Suffix
 - 57 Bad Ems, e.g.
 - 60 School sports org.
 - 61 Gave a ticket

- 63 Caterpillar, for one
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- 71 Kind of answer
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- 73 Humorist Bill and others

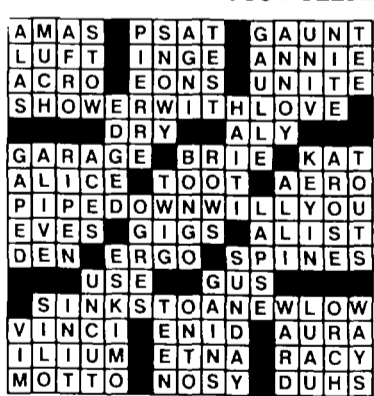
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 - 2 Home annex
 - 3 Rx purveyor
 - 4 Woman of distinction
 - 5 Physique, slangily
 - 6 Physicians' grp.
 - 7 "What's the — that could happen?"
 - 8 " — mind?"
 - 9 They follow standing ovations
 - 10 Golden, in France
 - 11 Spur
 - 12 Hockey great Phil, familiarly
 - 13 Take five
 - 18 1957 Ford debut
 - 22 — di-dah
 - 26 Bygone London transport
 - 27 Part of SEATO



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- 28 Barker
 - 30 Reverend's responsibility
 - 32 Like many titles
 - 33 "Tarzan" extra
 - 34 Lb. and kg.
 - 36 — disant (self-styled): Fr.
 - 38 Recipe amt.
 - 39 Emissions tester: Abbr.
 - 41 Pro —
 - 42 Operatic prince
 - 45 Camel's cousin
 - 47 Rolls's partner
 - 49 Paparazzo's prize
 - 51 Ev'rlasting
 - 52 Goes brunette this time
 - 54 "E pluribus unum", e.g.
 - 55 Bath's state
 - 57 Leave laughing
 - 58 Glazier's unit
 - 59 Theater, opera, etc.
 - 62 Tabriz's land
 - 64 Bordeaux, e.g.
 - 66 Educ. group
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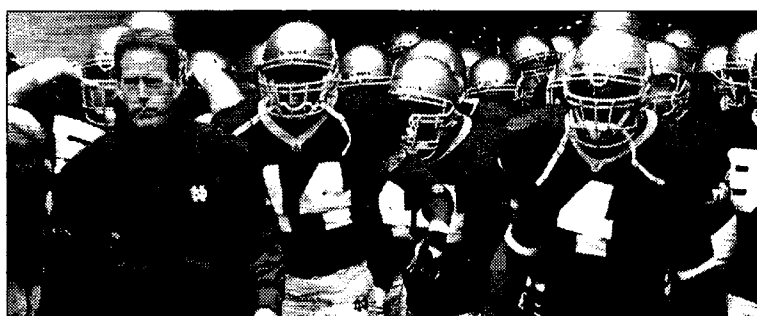
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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Erikson, Irish take top spot

By ALLISON KRILLA
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The Notre Dame women's soccer team took advantage of the mid-October break to capture its second consecutive Big East conference regular season title, overpowering conference foes Syracuse, Seton Hall, and fifth-ranked Connecticut.

Entering the weekend tied with the Pirates and Huskies atop the Big East standings, the Irish (16-0-1, 10-0-0) assured themselves of the No. 1 ranking for the Big East championships to be held Nov. 7-9 at Rutgers. Notre Dame will face fourth-seeded Villanova in the semifinal round, while Seton Hall and Connecticut will square off in the other semifinal game.

While the Irish displayed their depth and stingy defense by outscoring the opposition 16-1 over the three games, freshman forward Meotis Erikson made her presence felt with her first two career hat tricks against Syracuse and Seton Hall and the

lone goal in Sunday's 1-0 shutout of Connecticut under heavy rains and near freezing temperatures at Alumni Field. "We may not have won the game four or five to nothing,"

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Forward Meotis Erikson

said coach Chris Petrucelli, "but this was a pretty good win for us."

Erikson converted on a rebound off Connecticut goalkeeper Jen Traw's diving stop of a shot by Kelly Lindsey to

extend her scoring streak to nine games, matching former Irish standout Amy VanLaecke's 1995 record. During the nine-game span, Erikson has notched 15 goals and five assists, earning Big East rookie of the week honors twice in three weeks.

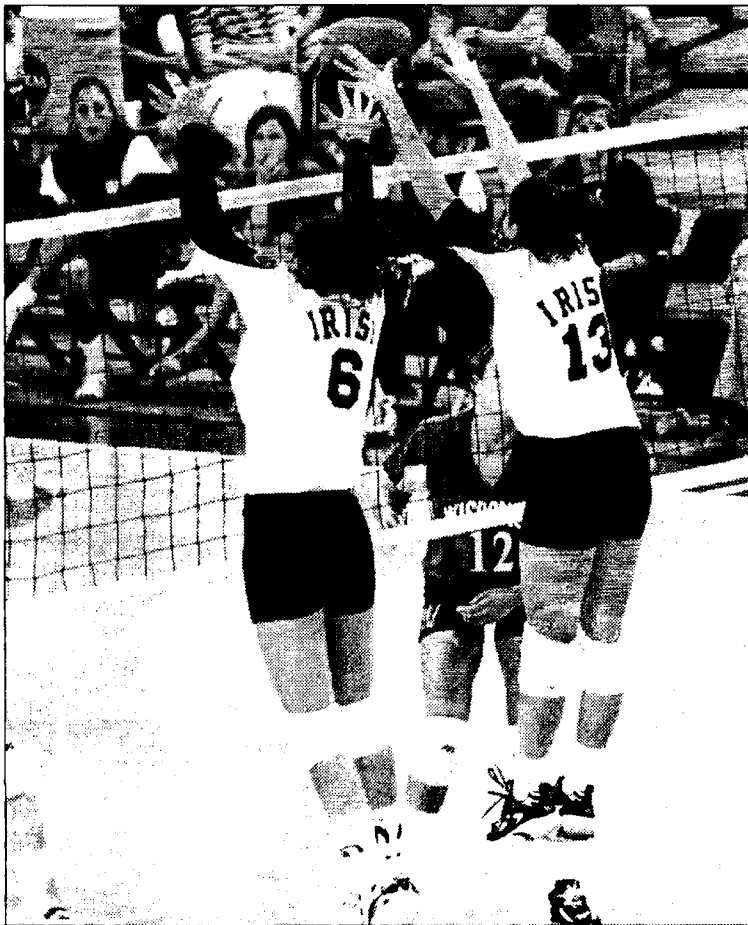
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The rest of the team is not content to remain in merely a supporting role, however. Notre Dame's evenly distributed scoring load has provided the team with seven 20-point scorers, including five with at least 30 points. Seven of the top 15 scorers in the Big East come from Notre Dame.

Among them is sophomore Jenny Streiffer, who became the fastest player in school history to reach the 100-point scoring plateau. In her 40th career

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VOLLEYBALL



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Angie Harris and Lindsay Treadwell, pictured above, have been two of the leaders for the Irish this year. Harris recorded 16 kills against UNC.

Irish win three over break, lose to Texas

By BILL HART
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While most students were taking advantage of a well-earned fall break, the members of Notre Dame's volleyball team continued on with their regular season, competing against four teams in one of the most difficult stretches of the year.

On Oct. 18, Notre Dame faced off against North Carolina in its final home match before a six-match road trip, its longest of the season. Despite a strong effort by the Tar Heels in the second game, the Irish prevailed in three games, 15-7, 15-13, 15-5.

The Irish were led by senior hitter Angie Harris, who totaled 16 kills, 12 digs and five aces. Notre Dame held a 10-1 service ace advantage while outhitting the Tar Heels 317-151. North Carolina led in the second game 13-12 before a UNC serving

error gave the Irish possession. Another Tar Heel error, followed by one kill each from Harris and freshman opposite Christi Girton, closed out the game. With the loss, the Tar Heels drop to 12-9 on the season.

The match held a special significance for assistant coach Elaina Oden, whose sister Kim is an assistant coach for North Carolina.

"It was kind of different for us this time around," Elaina Oden commented, "because we don't have the pressure of being competing players, or even coaches." "It's wonderful to finally see her," Kim Oden said about her sister. "It's good to see that she's doing well here, and I think that Notre Dame is very fortunate to have her."

Notre Dame began its longest road trip of the season with a

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The Irish dominated their competition all season and will enter the Big East tournament as the No. 1 seed.

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vs. Boston College,
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