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Committee forms to re-examine student rights



Jen Dovidio, judicial council president and Brendan Kelly, student representative to the Academic Council, discuss the accessibility of and limits to student rights at Notre Dame at an organizational meeting of the new student rights committee in the Dooley Room last night.

By DEREK BETCHER
Associate News Editor

A new student committee formed to address student rights in du Lac met last night for the first time and established an early goal of identifying existing rights on campus.

"This committee is developing a long-term strategy for creating a comprehensive student bill of rights," committee co-chair and founder Brendan Kelly said.

Academic rights, access to records and other privileges, residential rights and disciplinary rights will all fall under this committee's examination.

Kelly, a Dillon senior, emphasized that this effort to address all student rights will differ from previous efforts which focused

only on disciplinary rights.

This year's du Lac — which mentions rights in its preamble — is the first in recent years to specifically refer to student privileges. Committee co-chair Jen Dovidio noted at last night's meeting that "inherent rights" remain in the current du Lac, but the document's language evolved over time and altogether stopped using the word "rights."

Du Lac previously contained 14 formally identified rights for students in disciplinary proceedings, she said. This number was pared down to five in 1988 before a listing of rights was eliminated in 1993, Dovidio explained.

Members of the new student rights committee agreed to work towards clarifying these existing,

inherent rights. Kelly noted the committee may also recommend expanding rights.

"We may ask for things we don't have, and we want to clarify the things we've got," Kelly said.

Specifically, the committee's members hope to create a quick, accessible listing of all student rights in du Lac. Students could then easily consult this guide when necessary.

In recent years both the Faculty Senate and the Student Senate have considered student rights issues, eventually passing those concerns to the Academic Life Council and the Campus Life Council, respectively.

"In order to get a student bill

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Track runners intervene in fight Students rally to end parietals

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

Four members of the Notre Dame cross-country/track-and-field team intervened in a domestic dispute during a run yesterday afternoon down U.S. 31/33 in Roseland.

Mike Greiwe and Rob Lythgoe, both sophomores, were on a late-afternoon run north of campus with teammates Ryan Blaney and Nick Sehring when they saw the dispute.

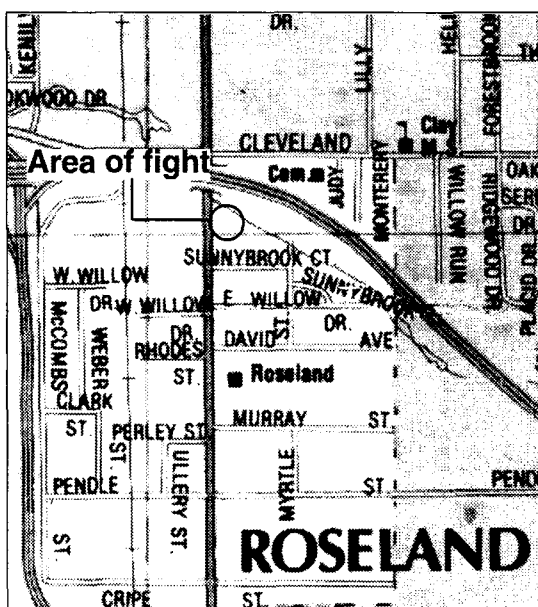
"We were on our way back to campus and turned left on [U.S. 31/33] from Cleveland Road," Greiwe said. "When we turned we saw this man and woman grabbing at each other to our left."

"The female started hitting the male in the face so Rob and I just stepped in the middle and tried to get the woman off of him. It was all kind of crazy."

Greiwe said by that time the owners of a nearby motel had called the police. All four runners were questioned as witnesses before being allowed to return to their run.

"It was kind of funny because the guy didn't fight back or anything," Greiwe recalled. "He just stood their and took it."

The Roseland Police did not have a report available at press time and would only confirm that the dispute took place in front of one of the motels on U.S. 31/33.



By LAURA PETELLE
News Writer

Carrying signs reading "End parietals!" and blasting loud music, a small number of students rallied on Fieldhouse Mall yesterday afternoon to protest University visitation policies.

"It's about time that we demand the University give us the respect we deserve," said Cavanaugh junior Erin Bliss. "Everyone on this campus is an adult. The administration demands we act like adults, but they don't treat us like adults."

"We need an explanation of parietals," said off-campus senior Ben Voigt. "[The administration] say[s] it has nothing to do with the opposite sex but with quieting down the dorms. Then quiet hours would do the same thing. Parietals jeopardizes gender relations."

The chilly afternoon air kept many students from staying long, but the protesters drew a sizable if fluid crowd, ranging from 20 to 40 students at a time.

"Oh yeah, we're cold," said Keough junior Adrian Cuellar, who had been outside for almost two hours. "But it's an unfair policy."

The students chanted "No more parietals!" and "End parietals!" to the sounds of bands such as The Notorious B.I.G. and Bush.

"The word parietals comes from the Latin parietus, meaning wall or barrier," shouted one woman over the loudspeaker. "Break down the wall!"

"Parietals serve to limit interaction between students. With the hours that it encompasses, you cannot study with anyone after midnight, or two on weekends, 'til 10 a.m., so you can't prepare for any early classes," said off-campus junior John Gilge. "If this is about bringing a dorm to rest, then a system of quiet hours should be able to accomplish that."

At the rally students were also collecting signatures on petitions aimed at banning parietals to present to the administration.

"We collected two to three hundred signatures before the rally," said Cuellar. "We're trying to match that at the rally."

While most students signed the petitions and briefly joined in the protest, some dismissed the subject matter as irrelevant.

"If you're going to raise issues, raise real ones: issues like racism and homophobia. This is a Catholic university. If you don't like it, don't come," said grad student Daniel Montiel. "This is a waste of student energy, and God knows we don't have enough of it as it is around here."

SMC begins technology expansion

By ALLISON KOENIG
Saint Mary's News Editor

The department of Information Technology at Saint Mary's has been extremely active in the past few months in implementing new technology, instructing the community on the use of the new computer programs, and proposing additional improvements and programs to better serve the College.

Saint Mary's students, unaccustomed to the presence of men in the campus' underground tunnels, have necessarily adjusted to this scenario over the past few weeks when the first steps to implementing a college-wide computer network began.

The work in the tunnels, part of the first stage in the plan to technologically update Saint Mary's College, began on Nov. 1. "Phase one," as Dan Mandell, director of Information Technology, calls it, involves the networking of the administration, faculty and staff.

Mandell stated that the tentative goal for the completion of the first phase is approximately Feb. 1, four months from the start date.

Mandell estimates that the second phase, which will involve the implementation of modem outlets in the residence halls, will begin as soon as possible. He was quick to add that a timetable for phase two has

not yet been established but assured that information regarding the process will be passed on when it becomes available.

In addition to his role as supervisor of the physical adjustments made to the College's technological availability, Mandell is also involved in the development of measures to help the Saint Mary's community learn to cope with the new additions.

"A lot of people are intimidated by information technology," he said. "We can build the network, but we can't necessarily make folks comfortable with it."

A main source of suggestions and innovation is the technology COLT (community leadership team), whose activities are funded by a federal grant for post-secondary education. Both students and faculty are active participants on the COLT teams. Main areas of concern right now involve an examination of the human issues related to the up and coming changes.

"In some respects, the students are more knowledgeable," Mandell said, referring to computer skills and internet usage alike.

"In this area, students can fill the leadership role on campus," he added.

Saint Mary's student Tracy



The Observer/Manuela Hernandez
A Saint Mary's student finishes a paper in the LeMans computer lab.

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This is the last issue of The Observer before Thanksgiving break. The Observer will resume publication Tuesday, Dec. 2. Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

INSIDE COLUMN

Live by the sword ...

A few weeks ago, as I'm sure you all noticed, Notre Dame received its first covering of snow this semester. For many students it was a time to recapture childish pleasures. Unfortunately, some students are more childish than others.

Dan McDonough
Assistant Viewpoint Editor

I am speaking of the ignorant fools who joined together in a pointless and malicious attack against the men of Zahm Hall.

For the men of Zahm Hall, the first snowfall is a cause for worry. You see, every guy on campus with a bad case of unresolved teen angst feels the need to attack Zahm when they know that they have the security of 300 or so others protecting them. Windows get broken, rooms are in disarray until maintenance can arrive the following week, and people get hurt, last year a female Notre Dame security officer sustained a serious injury that kept her out of work for a few months.

This year, the first snow fall coincided with Zahm's formal. The classy men of the other dorms decided that just because the men of Zahm had dates in evening wear with them that was no excuse to postpone the annual attack on Zahm. They didn't just throw snowballs, they also flung epitaphs not suitable to print in this paper. Way to be classy, gentleman.

We are all privileged enough to attend one of the finest universities in the nation, founded on ideals inspired by a man named Jesus Christ. Instead of uniting around the message of Jesus set forth in the gospels, these members of our community decide to rally around aggression and ignorance.

Have any of you, and you know who you are, ever questioned why you hate Zahm? I was once told that upperclassmen in many dorms simply tell their freshmen, "Oh yeah, learn to hate Zahm." While I understand that rivalries and the like are fun, learning to hate seems out of place at a school where Mary, the Mother of God, keeps her vigil over all of us.

My message to you spineless, want-to-be-tough guys, is if you have a problem with Zahm Hall, that's fine. Root against us, sing the oh-so-catchy "Zahm's gay" song (a stunning display of originality), you can even throw snowballs at the brick structure that houses the spirit of Zahm Hall.

What you fail to understand is that Zahm Hall does not care what you do.

While people will be bothered that you break windows, and curse at girls, we realize that you have serious self esteem and identity problems. Anyone who is so blind as to try to hurt people just because of where they reside, are people who would make great Nazis or Klansmen.

Of course I am getting a little worked up myself, but after three years of this, it does in fact get a little old. I understand that there were people out there that were not trying to be malicious, and that not everyone in Zahm is up for canonization.

However, at this school where we are supposed to expand our understanding of this life, and learn what it means to have Christian values, can't we put pettiness behind us?

Now, I have message for those individuals who showed up outside of my dorm in a spirit of maliciousness. I challenge those hundreds of people gathered on the quad to throw projectiles for an hour or so to come together to serve the less fortunate members of South Bend.

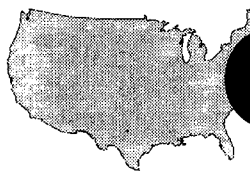
If you choose not to accept that challenge, and I hope you do, if only to prove me wrong, be warned, for as Jesus said, "I did not come to bring peace, but a sword." (Mark 10:34)

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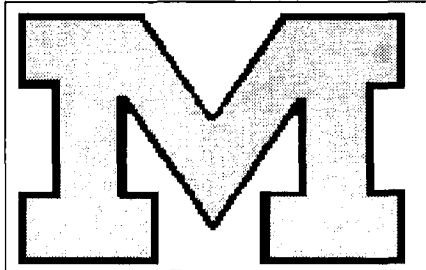


Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Police use pepper spray, force on Michigan football fans

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Although thousands of sports fans will remember Saturday as one of the finest days in Michigan football history, some also will remember the amount of force police used after students rushed the field.



Police released pepper spray into the crowd, tackled students to the ground and escorted others off the turf after euphoric fans rushed onto the field for a post-game celebration.

"I saw the cops kicking the legs right out from underneath students," said junior Jeff Tompson.

"Three (officers) would jump on them. One cop, right in front of me, grabbed some kid right by the collar by his shirt. He pinned him up against the wall and sprayed mace in his eyes. When kids were rushing the field, the cops were spraying indiscriminately."

Handfuls of students gradually trick-

led onto the field before thousands got past police barriers by jumping over the seven-foot wall and rushing down stairways.

DPS spokesperson Elizabeth Hall said about 8,000-10,000 students rushed the field, but said she did not know of any related serious injuries.

Hall said two officers suffered minor injuries, one from assault and the other from being hit with a whiskey bottle.

During the game, 120 people were ejected from the stadium for various

offenses, Hall said. First-year student Caroline Gregory, whose friend was tackled as he rushed onto the field, said police used pepper spray to intimidate the crowd to avoid a dangerous full-scale rush.

"You can understand that they didn't want anyone to get injured," Gregory said. "I definitely do not agree with the macing. It scared the students to not rush the field too quickly, but there was no reason to inflict pain on them."

Hall said the police's use of pepper spray was acceptable and that "there are guidelines for when (pepper spray is) used." She did not elaborate on the guidelines.

One first-year student said he was left screaming on the ground after officers sprayed pepper spray in his face. "To me, it was the most excruciating pain I've ever felt in my life," said the student.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Police charge running back with assault

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.

Virginia football player Antwoine Womack was arrested by Charlottesville Police Thursday for assault and battery of a female University student earlier this month. According to a police report, Womack, a first-year College student, allegedly struck fellow first-year College student Nefertiti Leach during a Nov. 9 party at the Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) fraternity house. Police sources said Womack's arrest followed a week-long investigation prompted by a complaint submitted by Leach after the incident. According to the police report, Leach sustained no serious physical injury from the alleged assault. Womack was released from custody on Thursday through a \$1,000 personal recognizance bond. He is set to appear at the General District Court for a Dec. 12 hearing. The misdemeanor charge carries a maximum penalty of 12 months in jail and/or a \$2,500 fine. University Athletic Director Terry Holland said officials have not yet decided how the incident will affect Womack's playing time. "Normally there have been penalties, but I don't see how we could try to determine that at this stage," Holland said.

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

Students live as homeless for one night

STATE COLLEGE, Penn.

Sometimes, the strongest lessons are learned by walking in someone else's shoes. Collegians Helping Aid Rescue Missions (CHARM) held a sleep-out Friday night in front of the Wesley Student Center, 256 E. College Ave., to raise awareness about homelessness in Centre County. "I think so many things in life have to be experienced to be understood, so here I am," said Lea Keal (sophomore-geography), who is not a member of CHARM but showed up to support the sleep-out. Keal had seen fliers about this event and felt drawn to it, she said. "I really have a heart for the homeless and this was something that just spoke to my soul," Keal said. When CHARM met at 8 p.m., it had just started to rain and the temperature hovered around 40 degrees.

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

Professor files lawsuit against police

PULLMAN, Wash.

Homework assignments for a WSU journalism class quickly resulted in a freedom of information lawsuit against local police. Journalism assistant professor David Demers filed the lawsuit last Friday in Whitman County Superior Court after Pullman Police refused to release daily report information to his Journalism 305 reporting students. "By withholding access to routine police data, Pullman police are violating the state's public records law," Demers said. "We can't have a public democracy with secrecy in our criminal justice system." Demers' 23 students were assigned to gather facts and information from Pullman police records to cover a basic crime story. Detailed reports of when a case occurred, what happened and the names of victims and offenders were to be obtained from the incident logs. "This was a routine assignment to write a crime story and looking at the police log just didn't provide enough information," said Sandra Wilson, a senior journalism student. "I asked if I could look at the incident report or get further information, but I was told to fill out a request form that would take five days to process."

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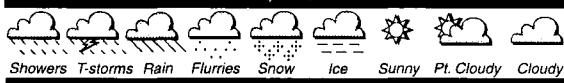
Dean suspends frat for racial threats

BURLINGTON, Vt.

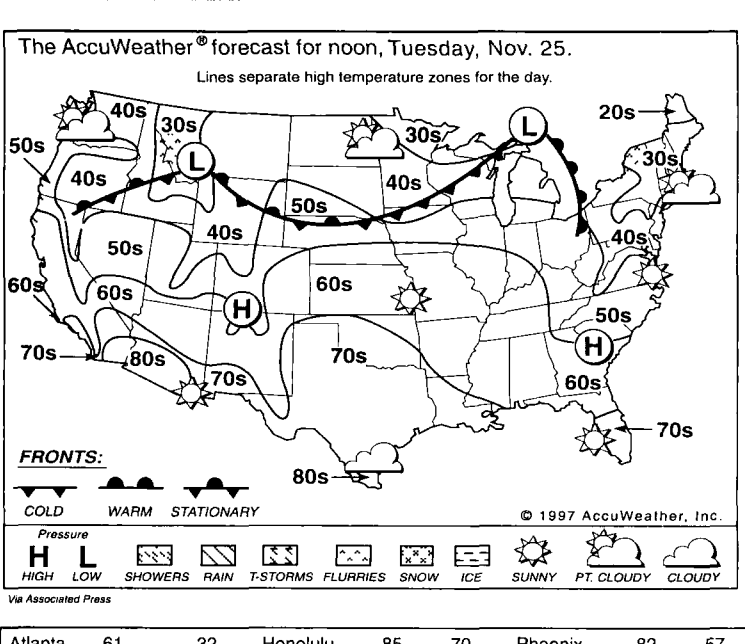
A Vermont fraternity faces possible expulsion from the University of Vermont after an alleged hazing incident last week that was racially motivated. Vice President for Student Affairs Dean Batt announced on Friday that the local Acacia fraternity has been placed under suspension for allegedly sending their pledges on a scavenger hunt in which they were asked to insult a student of color. Batt stated that the victim was woken in the middle of the night by a pledge and was asked to come meet the pledge at a campus location. The victim said a group of students met him there, one had a golf club and one had a camera. He said their intent was to hold the club up so it would look in the picture like they were threatening a "colored person."

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Friday	51	39
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NATIONAL WEATHER



■ SECURITY BEAT

Stadium ushers hurt in field rush on Saturday

By MICHELLE KRUPA
Associate News Editor

Eight stadium ushers complained of injuries sustained at Saturday afternoon's field rush after the Fighting Irish football team beat West Virginia.

"I went to the stadium infirmary with one usher from section 34 who was then taken for x-rays on his leg. It could be as simple as a strain and a bruise or as bad as a fracture. I'm not sure at this time," said Cappy Gagnon, coordinator of Stadium Personnel.

Other ushers, all from student sections, reported bumps and bruises. Most injuries were sustained before ushers were given orders to allow students and

fans to enter the field area.

"When it was obvious that we couldn't control it [the crowd], we tried to get out of the way. We try to take the blows rather than the students," Gagnon said.

He reiterated that ushers must change roles quickly, from trying to keep fans in their seats to aiding them in escaping the pressure of a crushing mass.

"We frankly don't like it when one minute we're trying to stop the surge, and in the next minute, we're trying to help the surge," he continued.

"We try to help so that everyone enjoys it," Gagnon said, noting that a field rush can be very exciting, but emphasizing that people can always be hurt and that ushers need to try to hinder that situation.

Rights

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of rights passed with these bodies, our best plan is to be very deliberate, to be sure that what we propose is so well-thought out that it has to be taken seriously," Kelly said.

Some of the committee's raw material has already been assembled. Last year, Dovidio and Ryan McNerney ('97) initiated a survey of 25 top universities and 50 other Catholic universities to prepare a comparative study. At last night's meeting, attendees learned there is ample precedent in higher education for Notre Dame to enumerate its student rights.

Last night's meeting ended with Kelly instructing the handful of attendees to begin fact-finding about the current state and campus sentiment regarding student rights.

The group's organizers plan to meet twice a month for the rest of the academic year. Students interested in participating in the committee's efforts are encouraged to contact either Kelly or Dovidio at: brendan.f.kelly.83@nd.edu or jennifer.a.dovidio.1@nd.edu.

Holy Cross adds three trustees

Special to The Observer

Holy Cross College has announced the appointment of three new members to its board of trustees: Michael Kiley, James Kennedy, and Richard (Digger) Phelps.

Kiley is a partner in the law firm of Kiley, Kiley, Harker, Michael & Co. in Marion, Ind. The firm specializes in corporate, administrative and probate law.

Kiley's wide range of legal experience includes past roles as Grant County public defender and municipal judge in Marion, Ind. He has served on the board of managers of the Indiana State Bar Association, the board of directors and executive committee of the Indiana Bar Foundation, and as president of the Grant County Bar Association.

Kiley has been a member of the Indiana Natural Resources Commission for 19 years and has held the office of chairman

since 1990. He is a recipient of the American Bar Association Award for Court Administration.

A 1956 graduate of the University of Notre Dame, Kiley continued his studies at Georgetown University, where he received his JD degree in 1959. He and his wife, Carol, reside in Marion, Ind. and have three children, Ann (Kiley) Schneider, Daniel Kiley and Matthew Kiley.

James Kennedy has a private law practice in Riverside, Conn. He was a tax partner and associate general counsel for KPMG Peat Marwick from 1969-1995, representing the firm in tax litigation and served on their board of directors from 1990-1994.

During the mid and late 60s, while working in the Chief Counsel's Office of the U.S. Treasury Department, Kennedy represented the Internal Revenue Service in the United States Tax Court.

Kennedy received a BBA in

1956 and a JD in 1960 from St. John's University. He is affiliated with Holy Cross College through his son's attendance there from 1989-1991, as well as through his niece, Kathleen, who attended Holy Cross from 1991-1993.

Digger Phelps served as head basketball coach for the Notre Dame from 1971-1991, leading the team to a record 393 overall victories. These wins included 14 appearances in the NCAA Tournament, an advance to the Final Four in 1977-78, and three trips to the National Invitational Tournament (NIT), where his teams finished in the runner-up position twice. Under his leadership, all 56 of his players received their degrees from the University.

Prior to his association with the Notre Dame team, Phelps was named "Coach of the Year" by Metropolitan Basketball Writers Association for his 1970-71 season as head coach of Fordham University.



Phelps



Kennedy



Kiley

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Patzner is currently filling one of these leadership roles.

Patzner, along with other students, is an active member of the COLT as well as a student worker in the Instructional Technology Resource Center.

The center, located in the basement of LeMans across from the computer labs, offers assistance to students, professors, and administrators who seek help with computer-related issues.

"The amount of information that's available and all the possibilities ... are intimidating," Patzner said. "People are just basically overwhelmed."

COLT's goals for the year, mostly aimed at helping the Saint Mary's community cope

with the new technology situations, include:

- Developing a model for an effective and ongoing task force to provide continued leadership in the effective use of institutional resources for the enhancement of teaching and learning environment.

- Locating institutional resources to support the innovative curriculum development and pedagogical uses of technology.

- Founding a collaborative leadership team to recommend appropriate instructional hardware and software tools and support.

- Identifying and providing training and funds for the employment of additional technologically skilled students capable of serving as student teaching assistants, student interns, or even student volunteers.

In the framework of programming possibilities, COLT foresees technology workshops, residence hall or social events, and brown bag lunches as channels through which to accommodate students.

Eventually, they hope to see a curriculum addition which will require students to take a computer class in order to graduate.

"I think it's stupid not to have a requirement already," Patzner said. "Anywhere you go, you need these skills; technology use is not going to ever decline."

Mandell expanded on Patzner's point, saying that a required computer course would help a Saint Mary's graduate be more prepared for life after college.

In the meantime, COLT and the department of Information Technology are focusing on what can be done with current resources and availability.

"What I hope, with the completion of phase one, is that there's an explosion with the use of technology in offices and in the classrooms," Patzner said. "I think it will be slow at first, but will eventually take off."

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SHADES OF GRAY

Football players are students first

College sports are fun, especially when your team is winning. Perhaps more importantly, though, college sports are profitable. According to a recent NCAA study, 67 percent of Division I-A football programs averaged \$3.9 million in annual profits. Basketball programs brought in about \$1.6 million each.

The NCAA holds as its objective to "maintain intercollegiate athletics as an integral part of the educational program and the athlete as a integral part of the student body."

This is a noble proposition, but in practice, the primary purpose of college sports is not to educate the athlete but to cultivate profits and publicity.

Last year, at the Big 12 football championship, the right catch at the right time gave the University of Texas a major bowl berth and a pay-off in the millions. After less than an exemplary season, Texas was rolling in the dough. With stakes this high, colleges naturally want the best athletes on their teams.

But the best athletes aren't always the best students. At the 1993 Nike summer basketball camp featuring some of the best high school players in the country, about half of the athletes tested below their reading grade level, and one-fifth of the athletes read somewhere between the third and fifth grade level.

Universities have responded with a special kind of affirmative action, lumping talented athletes in an applicant pool where athletic ability is emphasized over academics. This is understandable. As far as universities (and their alumni) are concerned, whether a college athlete can contribute to a classroom discussion isn't as important as whether he can catch a ball in the end zone.

This special admissions process has paid off at some schools. In 1989, the University of Washington led the nation in the number of "special admits" and, beginning the next year, made three consecutive appearances at the Rose Bowl.

Further, a study by sports economist Robert Brown showed that each special admit brings his major NCAA football program more than \$150,000 in additional revenue.

But as the trophies have added up, graduation rates for student athletes have lagged. In his book, "College Sports, Inc.," Murray Sperber reported that at one-

third of colleges and universities with a major basketball program, fewer than one in five players ever graduates.

Student athletes competing far from the spotlight and money (i.e., women's teams) fare much better. Recent NCAA data indicates that Division I female student-athletes entering college in 1990 graduated at a far higher rate than the general student body.

The news wasn't so good for football players. The graduation rate for Division I-A football players was down 4 percent from the previous year.

Schools which give special preferences to talented athletes during admissions have a special duty to assist and educate these athletes. But many colleges don't take this

duty seriously. Some go as far as to create courses of "minimal academic worth" so that their athletes can choose classes they can easily pass.

At Indiana University, Introduction to Sports Management (a popular class among athletes) was composed of one exam of 50 vocabulary words, an essay about what the student wanted to do with his life (1-3 pages), and attendance, which counted for half of the grade.

Of course, not all schools have fallen into this trap. Notre Dame graduates a high number of its athletes and, year after year, proves that a school can produce teams composed of stellar athletes and competent students.

As Harold Hilborn writes in the Northwestern University Law Review, intercollegiate sports have become a multi-million dollar industry. Sports like football bring in big bucks, especially at a place like Notre Dame. And if giving athletes special preferences during admissions is part of the equation, so be it.

Athletes work hard at practice and win big games. The NCAA should do more to see to it that schools keep their end of the bargain. After all, even a militant college football fan can't deny that the primary purpose of a university is to educate.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

God made ND football ... and it is good

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless wasteland and darkness covered the abyss. Then God said, "Let the earth take form." And it did. The land took the form of one huge football field. The earth was flat and covered with grass. And the grass was green. And God called it Notre Dame. And it was good — the first day.

Then God noticed that there was no light on the field. And he said, "Let there be light." And God created the stadium lights. And when the lights were on, it was game time. And when the lights were off, it was called darkness. And it was good — the second day.

Then God said: "I'm all alone up here. I'll make people." And God made people. First He made football players: He made quarterbacks and wide receivers and linebackers and a kicker! He called them the Irish — the Fighting Irish! Then He made assistant coaches and ball boys and the leprechaun. And they were all good — the third day.

Then God said: "These boys need something to do." And God created a ball, a football. And it was good. And the boys played football and God was their coach. And some of the boys referred to God as Coach Holtz, while others called him Coach Leahy or Coach Rockne. And it was all good. Then the Gipper said: "Coach we need some music down here." And God created the Notre Dame marching band, and the band wrote the fight song. And it was good — really good — the fourth day.

Then God said: "My defensive linemen aren't big enough. They need food." And God created fried chicken and steak and apple pie. And it was good. But then the boys got cold and God created clothes for them: big, blue jerseys, with shoulder pads, tight gold pants, and shiny gold helmets — the fifth day.

Then God said: "This game needs rules." And God made rules. He made touchdowns and field goals. But he also made interceptions and fourth downs — the sixth day.

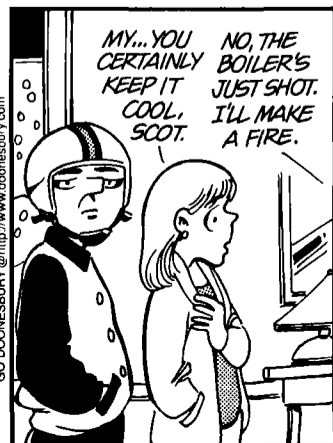
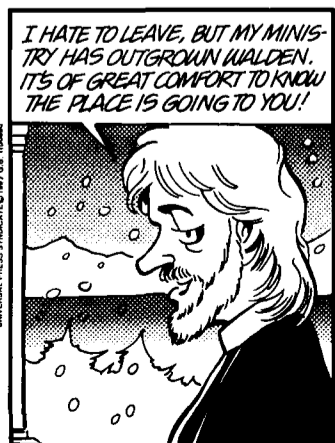
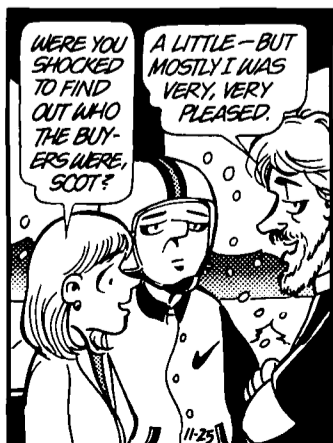
God made the seventh day holy. The seventh day was game day. On that day, God's children, the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame, ran onto their football field with their gold helmets shining in the light. They played teams from all over: teams like USC, Florida State, Michigan, BC, and Miami (these were all Satan's children). And every week, Notre Dame experienced a great victory — and it was definitely good.

Lindsay Westby
 Age 15
 Portland, Ore.
 November 21, 1997

DOONESBURY

GARRY TRUDEAU

QUOTE OF THE DAY



"As a white candle in a holy place, so is the beauty of an aged face."

—Joseph Campbell



Topic: Gender Relations
 Also known as: Oh God, That Topic Again
 OR Yet Another Excuse for Lectures and
 Panel Discussions and Whiny Observer
 Editorials

Courageous Personal Stance: For Gender
 Relations

Reason: I go to a
 women's college, genius.
 We only have one gender
 to relate to.

What I mean by that is:
 Of course men and
 women can be friends.

With or without hook-
 ing up: Without

Case in point: Myself
 Specific proof: Kevin
 and Sam and Flip and
 Brian and Jim and Rich and Tom and Matt
 and ...

And these people are: Friends of a gender
 other than my own.

With or without hooking up: Without. You
 only have one thing on your mind, don't
 you?

Reason columnist consorts with a person
 who refers to himself as "Flip": He has a
 car.

And this is a big deal because: I don't have
 a car.

Columnist will now actually address issue
 at hand in the following manner: In high
 school I didn't have any friends of a gender
 other than my own, largely because I
 attended a women's academy and I was
 focused on developing my identity within a
 same-gendered context and besides, boys
 were gross.

Columnist's views were changed via: A
 lobotomy.

No, seriously, columnist's views were
 changed via: Coming into actual collegiate
 contact with men by singing and learning
 and praying and writing and laughing with
 them, all, amazingly, without becoming
 infected with what the Center for Disease
 Control refers to as "cooties."

Reason why more men and women aren't
 friends: They fear each other.

Probable reason why men and women fear
 each other: Men and women communicate
 differently. Women, for example, tend to
 display concerned affection through eye con-
 tact and attentive posture, whereas men
 may declare the same sentiment by scratch-

ing themselves.

Example: A man and woman have just
 seen a film consisting of equal parts guns/
 car chases/ general gore and character
 development/ symbolism/ actual plot. They
 have the following conversation:

MAN: That was a good movie.

WOMAN: Yes.

What the participants
 in the conversation
 actually meant by what
 they said:

WOMAN: I identified
 with this film not only
 because the action was
 compelling, but it por-
 trayed man's struggle
 against incongruous
 paradigm shifts in soci-
 ety. I found the main characters to be arche-
 types portraying the universality of patriar-
 chal cultures.

MAN: That was a good movie.

Who: What to deal with all that? Better to
 stick with you own gender, some say, and
 know what the hell everybody's talking
 about.

Columnist thinks above sentiment is stupid
 because: Conversations in which you don't
 know what the hell everybody's talking
 about can be the most productive of all. How
 else do you think Congress gets bills passed?

What the columnist thinks about friend-
 ship within the context of a romantic rela-
 tionship: A successful friendship is the basis
 of a successful romantic relationship—
 would you lie to, abuse, or take advantage of
 a friend?

Type of above question: Rhetorical.

To quote scripture: "A romantic relation-
 ship not grounded in friendship is just crap-
 py." (Luke 12: 3-7)

Reason why columnist is extraordinarily
 proud of herself at this point: Has success-
 fully discussed the issue of men and women
 as friends for five hundred words without
 once mentioning "When Harry Met Sally" ...

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 come to be her friend.*

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counterpoint

Platonic love exists between all people

Mary Beth Ellis

Harry was right:

women and men can't be friends

point

Men and women cannot be friends due to the forces of sexual attraction. Admittedly, my initial idea of this notion was adapted from the movie, "When Harry met Sally," in which Billy Crystal gives a skeleton of my current theory. I have since taken Crystal's thoughts and drafted a more logical experience based on philosophy.

Without any further introduction, I'd like to present my theory based on informal observation. Friendship is defined by the New Expanded Webster's Dictionary as "intimacy resting on mutual esteem; kindness." The key word in that definition is mutual. Due to the actions of sexual attraction between the opposing sexes, there is never intimacy based on mutual respect, but rather, unequal motives. A "friendship" between two opposite-sex heterosexual people is the result of an unbalanced attraction of the women to the man or visa versa. In other words, the guy is interested in the girl, but the girl is not interested in the guy on those particular terms, or the other way around. Because friendship hinges on mutual intimacy, the fundamentally unbalanced relationship, due to sexual attraction, does not allow for a friendship to commence. Instead an awkward, superficial bond occurs, where confusion and anxiety rule.

Now, heterosexual woman can be friends

with other heterosexual woman and men with other men, because there exists no sexual attraction. So a close friendship among two same sex people can ensue, due to the equilibrium of intimacy that becomes the foundation of the kinship.

Ben Voigt

You may be asking yourself, "What about Jenny and Dick, who claim they are best friends, who have been dating for three years, and probably will get married?" Well, Jenny and Dick probably are best friends. When two opposite-sex people are equally sexually attracted, then the opposing forces of attraction cancel one another, and true intimacy can ensue. On the other hand, a man and a woman that are not sexually attracted in the abstract become friends, due to the complete absence of sexual attraction, but they will never meet, as nothing is pulling them together in the first place.

You ask, "What about Jane and John who were 'friends' for a year, but then started dating, and they are still dating after two years?" Simple. They were both attracted to each other from the beginning, but other things cluttered this realization, until something caused one or both of their feelings to shine through. Many times these feelings are buried deep within our unconscious so we are unaware they exist, until

something causes the specific feeling to manifest itself into the emotion of attraction.

Now, having laid out the basic groundwork of my theory, I have found this issue to be highly volatile among the women and men of Notre Dame with whom I have shared my initial thoughts on this subject. Understandably, if one considers himself or herself to have a few, if not a majority, of opposite-sex "friends," then this theory turns everything upside down. In women, more than men, I have noticed their immediate disgust and surprise at pondering the notion that the guy they considered a "friend" is actually attracted to them in a "more than a friend" manner, and the guy they would like to be more than a friend considers them just another good buddy. Mixed into this mess is the mysterious, intangible force of attraction to the opposite sex, which can be as overt as a drunken proclamation of love, or as covert as a subconscious thought or feeling that cannot be deciphered by the attractor. Whether these attracting forces are known or unknown to a person, they will always play an integral role in altering the course of an opposite-sex heterosexual person stands on unequal ground, unable to attain mutual intimacy.

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Notre Dame's Dirty Bathroom

■ ACCENT ASKS...

How often do you think people wash their hands after using the restroom?



"I don't think anyone ever does. Their parents must not have taught them proper hygiene."

Ayana Fakhir
Sophomore, McGlinn

"Half the time, and people assume they're clean most of the time."

Wendy Gebert
Sophomore, Cavanaugh



"Three out of four, but sometimes you just don't have time!"

Frank McDonald
Sophomore, Morrissey

"Obviously, it's not too many when we have to post signs to remind them."

Shana Jackson
Sophomore, LeMans



"Five percent and that is because I'm optimistic."

Monica Cernanec
Junior, LeMans

Bathroom

By NIKOLE HANNAH
Accent Writer

They say that cleanliness is next to Godliness, so one would think that at a prominent Catholic university like Notre Dame, good hygiene would be at the top of the list among students. After four years as a student, I beg to differ. For many of you readers, today's topic might appear to be rather gross, but this article is very factual and needs to be written. The topic today is the virtual non-existence of good hygiene among the student body, especially when it comes to using the restroom.

Bluntly speaking, the majority of students at Notre Dame do not wash their hands after they use the restroom. In an informal observation, only one student out of 17 in a certain dorm bathroom was witnessed to have washed after using the restroom in the past week.

An informal survey of some Notre Dame students correlated this finding, revealing that frighteningly small numbers of Notre Dame students are practicing the simplest acts of good hygiene. Obviously, the majority of the students do not feel that washing one's hands after using the restroom is important or necessary. They are gravely mistaken.

Everyone will admit that using the bathroom is not a clean act. One uses the bathroom to excrete those things that we have consumed and our body neither needs nor wants. These excrements are filled with bacteria and other nasty things. The bacteria and germs that thrive in these excrements can and will make you sick. Assuming that everyone wipes when they use the restroom, everyday we come in close (very close) proximity to the germs and bacteria that live in our excrements.

This is not a pretty thought. The odds that you have not made contact with any of these bacteria cannot be very high. Where women are concerned, there exists no nastiness greater than not washing ones hands during this certain week out of the month. How would one know if the toilet paper accidentally slipped, or if your hand brushed some bacteria? It is impossible to know. Notre Dame students might be smart, but bacteria have been around much longer than us, so why do some of us think we can out maneuver them?

Just because your hand does not stink or feel wet does not mean that you have not gotten anything on it. Yet for some odd reason, the majority of students do not appear to be concerned about this. Each day they walk right past the sinks after using the restroom. What do they think that sinks are put in the restroom for? I have never seen a restroom without a sink. This is not a phenomenon unique to Notre Dame, but most students seem to think that sinks are somehow foreign elements in the restroom setting. This may come to a surprise to some of you, but the sinks are not meant to be decoration. Their purpose is so that people may cleanse themselves after doing their dirty little deed.

Those of you who are perpetrators of these crimes of uncleanness may think, "Who cares if I do not wash my hands — I am the dirty one who will have to suffer for it." This is a selfish and untrue statement. The bad hygiene practiced in the restrooms is not isolated to the restroom, but affects hundreds of others each day. As you read the following case study, keep in mind that the hand one wipes with is the hand that one does everything else with.

Imagine the case of Jen. Jen uses the bathroom and unknowingly gets some fecal bacteria on her hand when wiping herself. She passes by the sinks without a glance; most likely she has never acknowledged their existence. She then touches the door handle with her contaminated hand.

Beth, who was in the restroom at the same time, does wash her hands, yet she has to touch the same door that was just contaminated. She opens the door and now she has washed in vain, as she is contaminated by someone else's fecal bacteria. (Now if that is not a grotesque thought, I do not know what is.) We now have two contaminated individuals on the loose, not to mention all the other people who will use the restroom and touch that door handle for the rest of the day.

Back to Jen. After Jen leaves the restroom she walks to her boyfriend's dorm and calls him for dinner from the campus phone using, of course, the contaminated hand. Now everyone who uses that phone will be exposed to

her bacteria. Jen meets in the dining hall.

As Matt grabs her coffee, she passes out nasty little particles that she has. As Jen walks into the dining hall, she is the center of attention, as she swipes the cards and the other students who get worse.

Jen then enters the dining hall. Jen reaches in to take



infesting the entire contents of the

On her way out of the restroom, she notices a number for a class project in Megan's notebook. After she finishes, she puts the tip of the pen biter, puts the tip of the pen in the rest.

From this case study, it is clear that the restroom is a serious issue. Noted in that small period of time, those who do not wash their hands are exposed to a lot of germs. After all of this, some of the students who do not wash their hands after using the restroom are still in the restroom.

However, a study executed at a restaurant showed that 80 percent of the restaurant counters had fecal matter on the minimum. A study of a basket of mints after using the restroom showed that you will think twice before using them. But then again, people who do not wash their hands in the restroom probably do not know.

This problem of bad hygiene is not just a problem that takes less than a minute to solve. It would encourage everyone to be more like it!

For those of you for whom it is done. After exiting the restroom, she washes dishes in. Turn it up to heavy pressure. Get the soap dispenser, which happens to be broken (that could be???) about the time you are between your hands and you have been thoroughly cleaned.

As I said above, the error will emerge from the restroom. Take a paper towel and use it to wipe up the contaminating waste basin. Do not be contaminated by the dirty ones.

Now that I have brought this to your attention, I hope that those who have the very least, shamed in the others. And for those of you who use the bathroom, keep up the good work. Any of your fellow classmates who do not wash themselves, call to them. Remember, Notre Dame is a safe place. Our brothers and sisters are safer, cleaner tomorrow.

Dirty Little Secrets

Blues

up with Matt and they hold hands as they walk to the contaminated hand. Jen never gives a thought to the dining hall, she gives her student ID to the nice, innocent hall lady. Little does the dining hall lady know that she is exposing herself to Jen's residue, along with all these cards she swipes. Bear with me, because it only

dining hall, where the potential to contaminate is infinite. She then disregards the fork that is intended for getting the deli meats and grabs a couple slices of turkey. She continues to spread her evil bacteria throughout her meal.



On the way out of the dining hall, Jen reaches her hand into the cereal container to grab a handful of Apple Jacks (an all too common occurrence that is disgusting within itself) thereby

liner with her fecal matter. In the dining hall she sees Megan, who needs her telephone. Borrowing Megan's pen, she writes her number. When she hands back the pen, Megan, who is a habitual pen-chewer, has the pen in her mouth and ... well you can figure out

It is obvious that washing one's hands after using the restroom is easily solved. It is to wash your hands after using the bathroom. I encourage you to try it after reading this article. You might even

From this will be a new experience I will explain how to pick your nose. Little, slimy, mushy monsters are now minuscule particles sleeping on the very keys I am touching. They are waiting to be picked up and carried to their next destination on the fingers or clothes of someone else. And this is none of my business?

Or if the perpetrator decides to fling the prize, do you want to be the accidental target? I think not. Or perhaps you enjoy wearing nasal particles from your classmates as a trophy or gift of some sort. Maybe I was mistaken. But I for one do not want to be the victim of the flicker. The flicker becomes my business when I become the victim. If I become the victim and I discover the unwanted present, I become irate. When I am irate, I am unhappy. I don't like to be unhappy because it is not good for my emotional well-being.

Now, the above two scenarios require physical contact with the little monster. The third and last scenario doesn't, but it is equally as detrimental. For example, let's say you are in the dining hall and as you approach the fries you see the infamous nose picker at work. Picking, rolling, eating. What do you think? A. I wonder if those fries are fresh? B. Will it take this person much longer in line? C. How disgusting is this person to pick their nose near the food, then eat it where everyone can see?

I, of course, think C. For those of you who also think C, don't you start to feel a little uneasy in the stomach? Perhaps do you lose the taste for french fries or maybe even food? You are not alone because I can assure you that others have also had this experience. Even if the picker/eater conducted this somewhere outside of a dining area, the effect is still similar: an uneasiness in the stomach or just utter disgust.

If none of these stories have made anybody think twice that nose picking is not such a cute habit or maybe it is a tad bit disgusting, then perhaps there is no hope for you. As for perpetrators of the picking, try not to be too offended by my comments. I was only articulating the opinion of myself and a few others. If you're looking for advice, then I have two solutions for you: Continue your habit, but try and be cognizant of others around you and the possible offense they may take to what you are doing. Or get some Kleenex.

ACCENT SPEAKS

No Picking Allowed



By ANDREA JORDAN
Assistant Accent Editor

"I see you and I have always seen you." Yes you, the one over there rolling your index finger and thumb together. I know what you just did because it is so apparently obvious. Through my constant observation, I have noticed that there is a method to the whole matter.

First, people feel that there is something in their nose. Second, they look around slyly, as a fox about to catch their prey. Third, realizing no one is paying much attention, they then set off on a hunting expedition into their nose, traveling through the tunnels and passageways and delving into the abyss of their nostril. From the exploration, if one is lucky, they find at least one prize. We all know what that prize is.

Here is the part where myself or others come in generally. Out of my peripheral vision I notice the rolling and rubbing together of the digits. I automatically know without further inspection what the nostril explorer has done. I try not to look, but I can't help it sometimes because my curiosity gets the best of me.

Now, the last stage of the method is what to do with the prize. Hmmm? Three options: wipe, fling, or eat. Yes, I have honestly seen all three options performed before. Some people like to wipe the prize on the nearest thing to rid their hands of it. The objects to become contaminated could be: clothes, desk, doors, friends, or whatever.

The second option is flinging; this one could be pretty disgusting. Unknowing classmates, peers, professors, rectors, roommates or friends could be the next victim. One minute they are sitting or standing with a smile, the next minute they have contracted the gift given to them without their knowledge. A gift not given out of love, but disgust.

The third option amazes me. A mature adult will take the prize and devour it like steak and potatoes. Question: Are people so hungry that they just cannot wait to put food in their bodies to curb their appetites? Or is the little green prize better tasting and filling than, perhaps, a light snack of fruit.

Here is a personal story that must be shared to validate the truthfulness of my scenario. As a sophomore, I took a Core class. In most Core classes, in order to facilitate a better discussion, the class forms a circle. Well, my Core class was no different. While in this formation it is not inevitable to be able to view everyone? Without fail, everyday in class this one guy would conduct a hunt in his nasal area, find a prize, and eat it. It was a ritual with him, a ritual that to this day I cannot understand. No amount of classes here at Notre Dame has brought me to an understanding of this ritual and I don't believe any will.

Now, many people are reading this not in disbelief of these little explorations conducted in the nasal area, but with a contempt for the writer. A contempt for noticing these acts, then writing about them. Many readers are thinking "Why doesn't she mind her own business?" or "She is disgusting me by writing about this subject." Guess what? This is my business and if someone thinks that I am disgusting, I ask, Are you not also affected by the perpetrators of these acts? Still not persuaded? Then read further and consider carefully what is written.

Let us contemplate what having a little green monster on our very fingers means. Forgive me for not knowing the technical terms, but I am not science-oriented in any way. The little monster or prize (whichever disgusts you less) contains things that helps fight bacteria and other things that can get in your nose and harm you. Thus, mucus in itself is not detestable because it is necessary, but the act of taking the somewhat hardened little forms of it from the nose with bare fingers and playing with it is.

Most people after committing this act do not wash their hands. Thus you shake hands with them, share food with them, and touch the same things that they do, all the while sharing the same nose particles as they do. For instance, imagine yourself sitting in the computer lab and looking across at your neighbor, who is having a great time hunting down their nasal game, rolling it and doing whatever else comes to mind.

Do you not sit there and become somewhat upset? Knowing that many people are like that, I myself begin to look at my keyboard and wonder whose hands have touched it before and what they had on them. Little, slimy, mushy monsters are now minuscule particles sleeping on the very keys I am touching. They are waiting to be picked up and carried to their next destination on the fingers or clothes of someone else. And this is none of my business?

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■ BASEBALL

Irish receive nine letters of intent for class of 2002

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame baseball team has signed nine high school seniors to national letters of intent, head coach Paul Mainieri announced today. The signees include righthanded pitchers Matt Buchmeier, Drew Duff and Jason Rodda, catchers J.P. Drevline and Paul O'Toole, infielders Andy Bushey and Ed Golom, outfielder Steve Stanley and infielder/outfielder Matt Strickroth.

"This was an important recruiting class because we had to replace the five seniors who will be graduating next May, in addition to losing two of last year's recruits to the professional draft," said fourth-year Irish head coach Paul Mainieri. "You also always run the possibility of losing some of your juniors to the pro draft, so the fact that we were able to sign a class of this quality and quantity is very significant."

Buchmeier is known for a fastball that can touch 90 miles per hour and his ability to con-

sistently throw strikes. The 6-foot-1, 170-pound righthander spent the summer of 1997 as a member of the Indiana Bulls state all-star team and earned a spot on the all-tournament team at the 1997 National Amateur Baseball Federation World Series.

Bushey, known for his natural left-handed swing and ability to hit to all fields, played summer-league ball with current Irish freshman infielder Ben Cooke on the Youngstown Astro Falcons. He hit .444 while leading the Astro Falcons to a 45-7 record in the summer of '97.

The 5-foot-11, 195-pound Drevline is expected to contend for time behind the plate due to his strong all-around ability, ability to hit from both sides of the plate and leadership skills. A former Norwood Blues teammate of current Irish freshman leftfielder Alec Porzel, Drevline most recently hit .459 on the Hersey high school summer league and .329 with the Rollins Meadows Royals semi-pro team.

Duff is noted for his competi-

tiveness, a tough curveball and a fastball that has touched 91 miles per hour. A four-year starting shortstop at Sevier County High School, the 5-foot-11, 160-pound Duff posted a 2.80 ERA, 28 strikeouts and just four walks in 25 innings last spring.

Golom attracted the Irish coaches due to his scrappy style, versatility and aggressiveness at the plate. The 5-foot-9, 160-pound righthander participated in the Team One Showcase. He was named all-conference and honorable mention all-area at Providence Catholic High School after batting .420.

O'Toole's versatility, hitting ability and strong throwing arm could help him make significant contributions for the Irish in '98. His 1997 summer highlights included leading the Mainstreet Muffins to the Connie Mack state championship and earning a spot in the Team One Showcase.

The 5-foot-11, 175-pound Rodda is known for his ability to consistently throw four pitches for strikes, as evidenced by his

Class of '02 Baseball Recruits				
PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Matt Buchmeier	RHP	6-1	170	Greenwood, IN
Andy Bushey	IF	6-0	185	Boardman, OH
J.P. Drevline	C	5-11	195	Arlington Hts., IL
Drew Duff	RHP	5-11	160	Sevierville, TN
Ed Golom	IF	5-9	160	Lockport, IL
Paul O'Toole	C	6-1	195	Lakewood, OH
Jason Rodda	RHP	5-11	175	Lakeland, FL
Steve Stanley	OF	5-7	140	Columbus, OH
Matt Strickroth	1B/OF	6-5	225	Mission Viejo, CA

combined 38-1 career record in high school and summer-league play.

Stanley, another Team One participant, should bring excellent speed and all-around athleticism to the Irish program as a prospective centerfielder. As a sophomore at Worthington Christian High School, Stanley led the Columbus area with a .595 batting average and 41-of-44 stolen bases en route to becoming the only sophomore to be named first team all-state.

The 6-foot-5, 225-pound Strickroth could prove to be the

surprise member of the signing class. A talented two-sport athlete who selected Notre Dame over college football scholarship offers, Strickroth could add power at the plate for the Irish. As a junior at Santa Margarita High School, he hit .398 with six home runs and 28 RBI in 88 at-bats, after hitting .329 with five home runs and 23 RBIs as a sophomore.

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I wanna go to Hawaii ...

■ MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Rexing leads Irish in nationals

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Sports Writer

Senior all-American Jason Rexing led the Notre Dame men's cross country team to a 12th place finish at the NCAA cross country championships in the final cross country meet of his college career.

Notre Dame ran to its sixth straight top-15 finish yesterday. The Irish scored 309 points in the meet. Stanford and Arkansas battled it out for first place, and defending champion Stanford made it two in a row, winning 53 to 56. Colorado and Michigan ran for third and fourth places, with 108 and 116 points, respectively.

Rexing placed 40th overall in the 10,000 meter race with a time of 30:34. This was his second straight year as the top finisher for the Irish. Last year, he attained all-American status.

"Cross country has always been my favorite sport. Cross country is the ultimate team sport, and track tends to get a little individualized," said Rexing about his last cross country race for Notre Dame. "There's never been any feeling like running for Notre Dame."

Junior Ryan Maxwell turned in an impressive performance, finishing in 50th place with a time of 30:57.

Freshman Ryan Shay finished just after Maxwell in a time of 30:58, which was good for 51st place. For both Maxwell and Shay, this was only the second 10,000 meter race of their careers. Maxwell was shooting to be in the top-60 going into yesterday.

Maxwell really came on strong this year.

"It's exciting. He's a wonderful kid and so upbeat. He struggled with injuries his first two seasons," said Coach Piane. "This is exactly what you want to see as a coach — when a kid puts in the work and then gets the results."

The final four runners for Notre Dame stayed in a fairly close pack, with only a 16-second difference between their times. Junior Antonio Arce, the top Notre Dame finisher in two meets this year, placed 80th overall and fourth for the team with a time of 31:28.

Seniors Mike Conway and Scott Grace stuck together, racing to 88th and 89th in the meet in 31:35 and 31:36. Freshman Anthony Alt was 96th (31:42).

"It was a solid day," said coach Joe Piane. "We would have liked to finish four places higher, but we had some kids run well so that is exciting. Ryan Maxwell and Ryan Shay ran particularly well for us."

Going into the meet, Notre Dame was hoping to finish somewhere between fifth and 10th place. Prior to the meet Piane said, "If we can reproduce what we've done every time out, we can be in the top 10."

However, each runner on the team improved his time from the Great Lakes Region meet to the Nationals, but the team still could not finish in the top 10.

Notre Dame was one of 22 Division I teams that qualified to run in yesterday's championships.

They were held at Furman University in Greenville, S.C. The Irish were ranked ninth last week.

This meet capped off a successful season for the Irish, which won its first-ever Big East championship, the Scarlet/Gray Invitational, and the adidas/Notre Dame Invitational this season. It also concluded the cross country careers of Rexing, Conway, and Grace.



Courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information
Jason Rexing raced for the last time for the Irish cross country squad in the NCAA championships. He placed 40th in the 10,000 meters.

■ WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Irish swim to third place finish

By LAURA PETELLE
Sports Writer

The Big East defending champion women's swimming finished third out of five teams at the Minnesota Invitational this weekend, landing a score of 765.

Minnesota won the meet with 1174 points. Wisconsin, with a score of 770, barely edged out Notre Dame for a second place

finish.

Senior standout Linda Gallo led the Irish, winning the 1650-meter freestyle in 16:34.43. Sophomore all-American Alison Newell finished second in the 200-meter butterfly. Sophomore Liz Barger took sixth in the same race.

Freshman phenom Carrie Nixon took a solid second place in the 100-meter freestyle, and

sophomore all-American Shannon Suddarth won second in the 200-meter breaststroke. Freshman Tiffany O'Brien came in fourth place in the 200-meter backstroke, and freshman Kristen Van Saun was sixth in the 100-meter freestyle.

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paigns to points.

"I'm extremely proud," said Lewis linebacker Sarah Boblick. "All around we were really good. P.E.'s been to the stadium before and came ready to win, but we gave them a good run."

To start the game, P.E. had possession but four downs later was still five yards short. Deciding not to punt, Plummer passed to Searle, but the play was broken up by tackle Kelli Donohue and the Chickens took over on downs.

Lewis's possession started out strong with two consecutive passes, but on third down, Pyro cornerback Donata Parillo intercepted the pass.

The Pyros then started their longest drive of the game, made possible by excellent receiving on the part of tight end Molly Rost and fullback Melissa Goreman. On first down, Plummer threw to Rost for a gain of 12, then to Goreman for a first down. Two plays later, Rost caught an 11-yard pass for a second first down.

Deep in Chicken territory, the Pyros appeared to be on fire, but Lewis defense held them tightly, only allowing Plummer a gain of three yards on first down and five yards on an option run second down.

Brick then made a big play for the Chickens, covering Goreman on third down and breaking up Plummer's pass. Plummer then slipped on fourth down to bring up the Lewis offense once more.

Another interception, this time by Pyro linebacker Sofia Barbato on second down, gave P.E. a quick turnaround and excellent field position. Again, Lewis prevented the touchdown, even after a pass interference call against the defense moved P.E. 10 yards closer. Three tackles behind the line of scrimmage pushed the Pyros back a total of 14 yards, and Lewis took over on downs for the third time.

Three passes to wide receiver Kelly Dillon, only one of which was successful, and a short yardage passing play were not enough for the Chickens to put together a successful run

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SOFIA BARBATO

before the end of the half. Forced to punt, P.E. attempted a quick run for the goal with just 38 seconds remaining. The first play, a 14-yard pass to Rost, was enough for a first down, but the Pyros could not complete any more plays before the clock expired. At the half, the game stood scoreless.

"We had trouble putting the ball in the end zone, but we were clearly dominating during the first half," said Plummer of her team's performance.

After halftime, Lewis had the first possession. A completed pass from quarterback Liz Talarico to wide receiver Carrie Upp resulted in a first down. The P.E. defense, however, prevented further yardage and Leigh-Ann West was sent in to punt the ball back.

Plummer ran for a total of 12 yards in two plays, bringing up fourth down and one at midfield. Attempting the conver-

sion, Plummer made a quick slide across the 40-yard line for a first down. A five yard pass to Rost, followed by a quarterback keeper up the middle, was good for another first.

Just 20 yards away from the goal line, the offense was set back by a 10-yard penalty. They quickly rebounded, however, with a 15-yard pass to Rost, who ran the ball into the end zone. On the extra point, however, Brick broke up a pass to Searle and the score remained at 6-0.

"It was good to score," said Rost after the game, "but we knew there was still five minutes left. We knew the game wasn't over yet."

Lewis took over at its own 35, and Talarico threw a completed pass to Leigh-Ann West. The Chickens further profited from

offenses. The smothering defense is led by middle linebacker Joe Klopp and senior captain and strong safety Hartman.

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P.E. finally got its chance to celebrate in the stadium, after losing the last two championship games.

up with a huge play by tackling Plummer behind the line of scrimmage. The Lewis offense then had one more opportunity, but the distance and shortage of time proved too great an obstacle. The clock ran out, and P.E. was declared champion.

The Pyros' celebration immediately erupted as the team was awarded the championship trophy and T-shirts. Team members spoke glowingly of their victory.

Said Barbato, "This win is incredible. It's an incredible feeling to play in the stadium. Defense played its best game of the season."

Searle commented, "We're all so happy and really proud. We've been trying for this for the past two years. It's great to finally win."

Although it was early in the game, Keenan opted to go for two.

"We didn't want to take a chance with the wind, and we have been going for two all season," commented Hartman.

Venvertloh ran a play action pass and after scrambling a bit, found Klopp out of the backfield for a successful conversion.

The Knights took an 8-0 lead at the half and never looked back.

"We were confident once we got some points on the board," said Hartman.

After all, the Knights had every reason to. Keenan had dictated its opponents' play all season, stifling opposing

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Keenan had been practicing all week, as late as midnight on Thursday, and it paid off as the Knights played probably their best physical game of the year.

"We had been working toward this since day one," commented Hartman. "We achieved our goals one at a time. We got better each practice, went undefeated and unscored upon, and got to play in the stadium and won."

Keenan's season of dominance was a total team effort. There were no superstars on the team. They played as a team, executed as a team, and won as a team. The younger players made key contributions all season, and it looks like Keenan will be a dominating force in men's interhall football for years to come.

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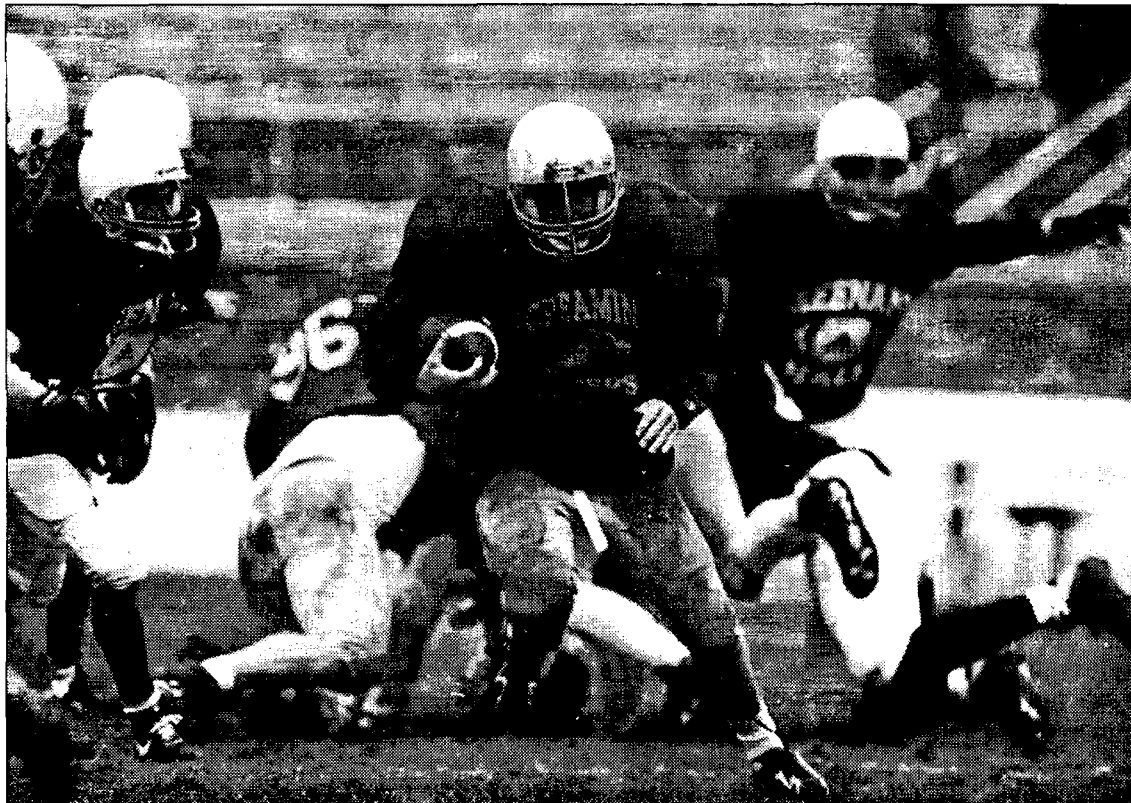
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game as a result."

Keenan had been able to throw the ball successfully all season, but with the swirling winds inside the stadium, it was risky for the Knights to air it out.

"We weren't able to run the deep fade route as often as we like to, so we had to stick to short passes," commented Klopp.

However, it was the fade route that provided the Knights' only points. In the second quarter, Sorin was in a punting situation, facing a

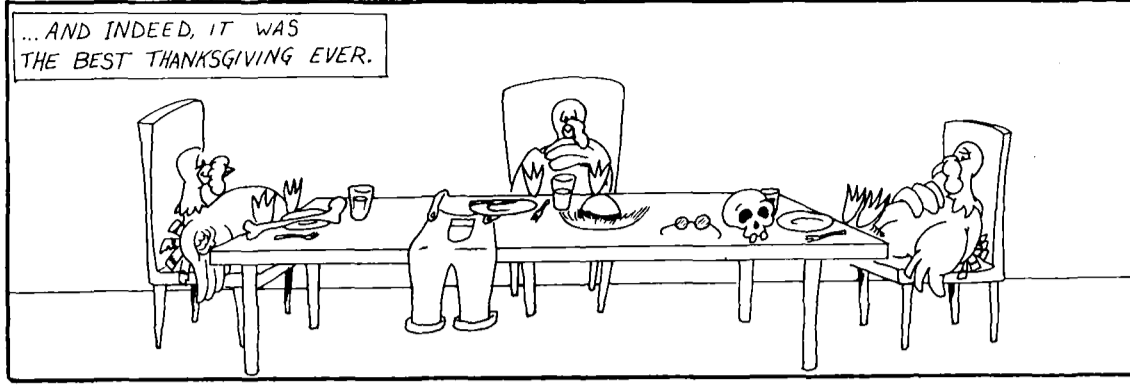


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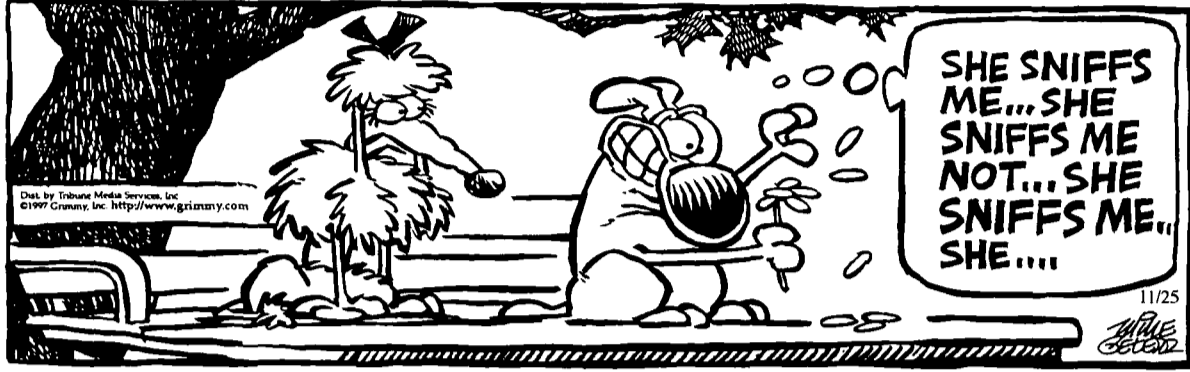
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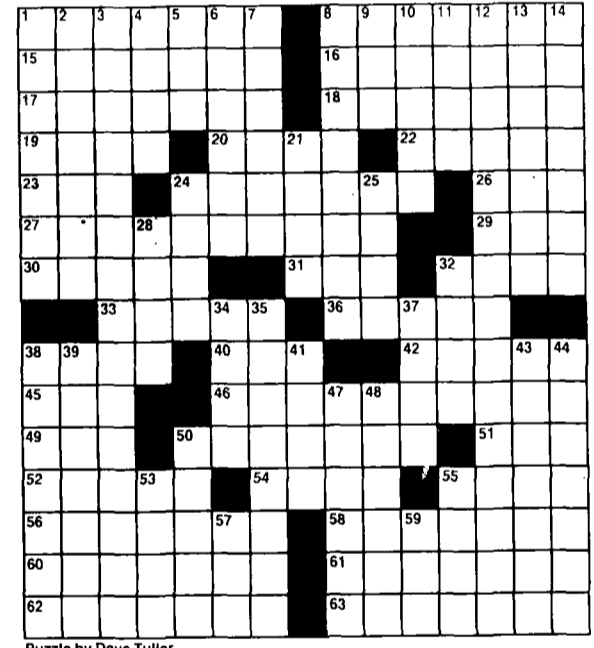
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 - Signal in a courtroom
 - 48-Down, in poetry
 - First name in exploration
 - "— tu"
 - Commit
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 - Bee: Prefix
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 - Bigger than med.
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 - Time of the month
 - Cousin of "Well ..."
 - Imagined
 - 's Wells (renowned London theater)
 - Like most aluminum ore
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 - Beginning, informally
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 - 1971 #1 hit
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 - Zippo
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 - Commander at Shiloh
 - "Aha!"
 - Go over
 - 1996 campaign issue
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 - Little one
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- Scorpio:** Delay responses as long as possible today. Words slip out sideways, taking on unintended meaning as they fall heavily on the listener's ears. This is not a good day to show someone how smart or cool you really are.
- Sagittarius:** This is a good day to make your hopes and wishes known to someone with the power to grant them. Be frank with clients or employers. Open your heart to friends and loved ones. You have nothing to lose.
- Capricorn:** Your first milestone comes into sight, but there is still a long way to go. If you stop completely, it may be hard to get moving again. Take small steps until you find the energy to resume your stride.
- Aquarius:** Words are your currency today, or perhaps an electric current. People look to you for energetic answers to their questions. The last person you would have expected to see is first in line for your free advice.
- Pisces:** Today finds you in the satisfying role of care-giver. Before making major financial commitments, be sure to consult with everyone involved. Take risks only if you feel absolutely lucky.

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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish look to return to winning ways tonight

By MIKE DAY
Sports Editor

The best way to judge a team's character is to see how it bounces back from defeat. And last Friday's 72-48 loss to Marquette was no normal defeat — it was a complete and thorough thrashing. So when Notre Dame hosts Northeastern tonight, the character of 15 young men will certainly be put to the test.

"Marquette pretty much dominated us on both ends of the court," said Notre Dame head coach John MacLeod. "Now, it's up to us to put that loss behind us and bounce back. We cannot afford to let that loss haunt us."

Fortunately for the Irish, they will not face a team of Marquette's caliber for quite awhile. Instead, the squad will have the opportunity to improve its record to 2-1 when Northeastern makes its way from Boston to the Joyce Center.

This marks the first time the two teams have met, but Notre Dame has compiled a 12-0 record against the America East Conference. A year ago, the Irish defeated AEC power New Hampshire, 68-47.

"We don't know a lot about them, but they've already won their first game — so we can't afford to take them lightly," said forward Pat Garrity.

On Friday, the Irish shot just 33 per-

cent from the floor, and Garrity received little help at the offensive end. In fact, guards Martin Ingelsby, Antoni Whyche, and Keith Friel shot a combined 4-for-20.

"We can't afford to shoot that badly again," said Ingelsby. "Their (Marquette's) defense did a great job, but we have to be ready for that. We can't let Northeastern take us out of our game plan the way Marquette did."

After Garrity received ample support in last Tuesday's season opener, the 1996 Big East player of the year didn't see much help from his teammates against the Eagles.

"We have got to have guys step up and take some of the load off Pat," said MacLeod. "We will not be successful if he's forced to carry us by himself."

Following tonight's matchup with Northeastern, the Irish will host Sam Houston State on Friday. With the light schedule, this is the perfect time for Notre Dame to start racking up wins that may help them when the NCAA and NIT determine tournament brackets following the season.

"We know from last year that the won-loss record is critical to getting into post-season tournaments," said Garrity. "We know it's too early to worry about that kind of thing (making a tournament), but it's never too early to worry about improving your record."



Coach John MacLeod, last year's Big East coach of the year, looks for his second win tonight. The Observer/John Daily

Interhall Championships

Keenan 8

Sorin 0

P.E. 6

Lewis 0

Knights defeat Otters for title

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Writer

The Keenan Knights' interhall football season can be summed up in a single word — dominance. They dominated opponents all season on their way to posting a perfect 7-0 record.

Their defense dominated opposing offenses, not allowing a single point all season. And they marched into Notre Dame Stadium this past Sunday and dominated an underrated Sorin Otter football team, defeating them 8-0 en route to the 1997 men's interhall championship.

The players from both teams were fired up as they took the field.

"It was a thrill to tap the 'Play Like a Champion' sign and run onto the field from the tunnel," commented Keenan fullback/linebacker Joe Klopp.

The skies were overcast, and the weather turned out to be a major factor in the contest.

"The wind definitely played a factor in today's game," said Keenan captain D.J. Hartman. "We had to rely more on our ground



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Keenan's defense consistently stopped Sorin from reaching the endzone.

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Lewis topped by P.E. in finals

By ALISON WELTNER
Sports Writer

After three years of leaving the championship game empty-handed, Pasquerilla East finally achieved its goal. Defeating Lewis 6-0 on Sunday, the Pyros emerged from Notre Dame Stadium as the 1997 women's interhall football champions.

"This is what it's all about," said Pyro coach Tom Ascii. "We have worked hard all season, and we deserve this."

For the Chickens, the game brought an exciting season to a rather disappointing close. Still, Lewis team members remained proud of their accomplishments as a sixth-ranked team that made it to the stadium.

"P.E. is really tough, but we played our best, and I'm very proud," said Lewis cornerback Dina Brick. "We played with a lot of heart."

For proof, one need look no further than the final score. Although P.E. dominated the game with regard to time of possession, Lewis's defense did an excellent job of defending the goal line in key situations, making it difficult for the Pyros to convert their offensive cam-



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November 29, 1 p.m.

at UCSB,
November 28, 5:30 p.m.



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Men's Basketball,
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Tomorrow, 7:30 p.m.

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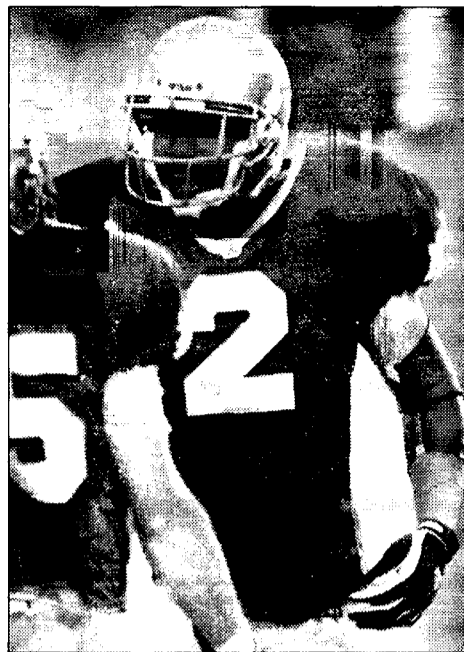


With expectations and pressures at his back

Ron Powlus has survived five years in one of the highest pressure positions in college football. The Irish Insider examines his take on the job.

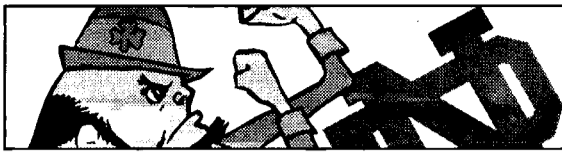
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Safety Benny Guilbeau leads the Irish with five interceptions.



FIGHTIN' IRISH

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total	Fumbles-Lost	12-5	10-4	Kick Returns	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long						
Notre Dame	83	64	27	76	250	Penalties-Yards	61-567	79-710	Rossum	17	516	30.4	2	93						
Opponents	49	54	58	55	216	3rd Down Conversion	68/148	65/153	Driver	10	186	18.6	0	49						
						4th Down Conversion	5/17	5/15	Harper	6	84	14.0	0	23						
Team Statistics									Denson	5	93	18.6	0	33						
Points Per Game		ND			Opp	Individual Statistics			Sanders	3	39	13.0	0	20						
First Downs	22.7				19.6	Rushing	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G	Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long		
Rushing	233				226	Denson	236	1125	4.8	10	50	102.3	Rossum	10	44	4.4	0	12		
Passing	104				111	Stokes	66	314	4.8	3	20	31.4	Denson	5	51	10.2	0	20		
Penalty	108				101	Barry	31	168	5.4	0	23	15.3								
Rushing Yardage	21				14	Driver	34	119	3.5	3	12	10.8	Field Goals	FGM-FGA	Long	Blk				
Attempts	1903				2063	Spencer	24	105	4.4	1	23	9.5	Sanson	5-10	45	0				
Avg Per Rush	4.1				4.5								Cengia	2-4	29	0				
Avg Per Game	173.0				187.5	Passing	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Avg/G	Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20
TD's Rushing	20				20	Powlus	127.4	280-175-7	62.5	1978	9	179.8	Smith	43	1822	42.4	64	6	2	12
Passing Yardage	2124				2028	Jackson	143.7	15-8-1	53.3	146	1	24.3								
Att-Cmp-Int	297-183-8				306-178-13								Defense	UT	AT	Total	ForLoss	Sacks	Int	
Avg Per Pass	7.2				6.6	Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G	Friday	49	54	103	2-10	0	2	
Avg Per Catch	11.6				11.4	Brown	43	517	12.0	6	39	47.0	Dansby	51	44	95	10-30	1.5-26	0	
Avg Per Game	193.1				184.4	Johnson	40	567	14.2	2	45	51.5	Minor	53	24	77	9-23	3.5-32	3-50	
TD's Passing	10				5	Denson	29	183	6.3	1	47	16.6	Howard	46	30	76	6-13	1-7	0	
Total Offense	4027				4091	Nelson	22	294	13.4	0	44	26.7	Bryant	39	36	75	5-8	3-17	0	
Total Plays	761				763	Getherall	9	103	11.4	0	20	17.2								
Avg Per Play	5.3				5.4															
Avg Per Game	366.1				371.9															

RAINBOW WARRIORS

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total	Individual Statistics							
Hawaii	23	55	49	37	167	Rushing							
Opponents	68	116	40	55	285	No	Yds	Avg	Yds/G	TD	Long		
						Tharp	169	682	4.0	62.0	5	55	
Team Statistics						Mims	42	209	5.0	19.0	1	29	
Total First Downs	189				188	Jacobs	45	120	2.7	30.0	2	15	
First Downs Rushing	62				86	Weaver	13	40	3.1	3.6	0	11	
First Downs Passing	107				89	Charles	6	18	3.0	2.0	1	7	
First Downs Penalty	20				13	Passing	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	Yds/GEff	TD		
Rushing Yards	931				1480	Robinson	4-2-0	.500	30	30.0	113.0		
Attempts	422				438	Skinner	193-109-12	.565	1416	157.3	110.8		
Passing Yards	2333				2088	Carey	145-83-9	.572	887	177.4	100.8		
Cmp-Att-Int	194-345-21				182-299-29	Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	Yds/G	C/G	TD	Long
Total Offense	3264				3568	Tharp	37	395	10.7	35.9	3.4	1	29
Punting Yards	3100				2700	Kalama	31	305	9.8	27.7	2.3	0	23
No-Avg	75-41.3				65-41.5	Macon	25	348	13.9	31.6	2.3	1	35
Fumbles-Lost	30-12				30-12	Ellison	23	342	14.9	31.1	2.1	2	37
Penalties-Yards	79-653				79-634	Mims	18	164	9.1	14.9	1.6	0	58
Sacks By-Yards Lost	29-168				44-288	Punting	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blk		
3rd Down Conversions	43-170				66-161	Shrout	61	2814	46.1	71	5		
3rd Down Conversion Pct	.253				.410								
4th Down Conversions	12-20				6-18	Field Goals	FGM-FGA	Pct	Long				
4th Down Conversion Pct	.600				.333	Hannum	12-21	.57	46				



Courtesy of Hawaii Sports Information
Safety Eddie Klaneski leads the Rainbows with 71 tackles.

Season's Greetings from



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IRISH ON THE OFFENSIVE...

Hawaii is 3-8. The wins have come against powerhouses such as California State Northridge and Fresno State. Hawaii is in the WAC and has a WAC defense so if the Irish are hoping to continue their win streak and travel to a bowl, it appears to be in their own hands.

After knocking off two top 25 teams in consecutive weeks, Notre Dame has the momentum and is more likely to be slowed by jet lag or a surfing accident than it is by the tenacious Rainbow defense.

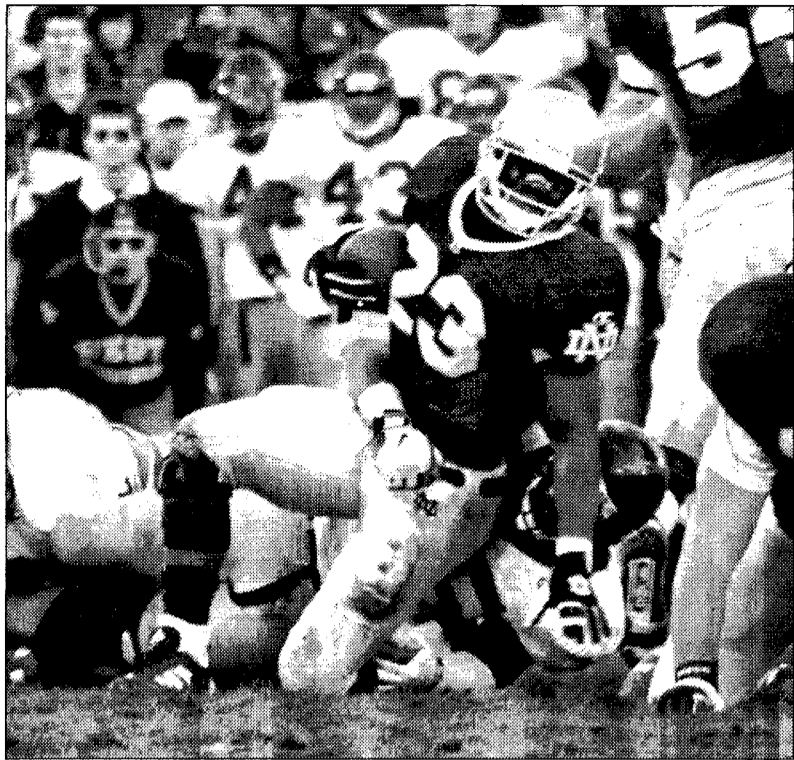
Last season Hawaii finished 14th out of the 16 WAC teams in scoring defense and 14th in rushing defense. The defense has improved some this year only surrendering 26 points a game compared to last year's 36, but it still gives up more than four and a half yards per play.

Over the last two games the Notre Dame rushing attack has returned, averaging 4.6 yards per carry against LSU and West Virginia. The ground attack should continue in Aloha land as its top two tacklers are safeties Chris Schinnick and Eddie Kalenski.

In Saturday's win over the Mountaineers, tailback Autry Denson accumulated 144 yards but the running attack was not as consistent as head coach Bob Davie would have liked.

"They [West Virginia] were able to have some negative plays against us," Davie said. "I think our backs need to block better, more consistently. So, we've got to get more consistent running the football."

With the re-emergence of the rushing attack, the passing game has flourished as the Irish are not passing out of necessity on third and eight anymore. Freshman tight end Jabari Holloway is coming off two solid outings in which he came up with big plays in critical situations for the Irish.



The Observer/John Daily
Tailback Autry Denson has reached the 1000-yard mark for the second straight year, becoming just the third player at ND to accomplish the feat.

Senior wide receiver Malcolm Johnson is coming off probably the best game by an Irish receiver this year as he caught six passes for 125 yards and a touchdown.

However, the corps of receivers continually to be plagued by several drops in each game.

"I thought the negatives on offense, once again, we had three dropped passes," Davie said of the West Virginia game. "We seem to have that just about every week. We make some big catches, but we have some big drops and they're in critical situations."

Another area of improvement in the Notre Dame offense has been the play on third downs. Earlier in the season, it appeared that the Irish couldn't buy a critical third down conversion. But in recent games Ron Powlus has

been able to spot the open man in critical situations to sustain drives.

"I think we can throw the football at a pretty high level right now," Davie said. "We had six big third down pass completions that led to first downs in the West Virginia game."

That trend could continue on the islands as opponents have converted 41 percent of third down plays.

"I think things are a lot more smooth right now," Davie said. "But, we still have a lot of problems and some of them we're not going to be able to solve them right now."

But playing against the Hawaii defense will likely allow Davie to work on those problems, and the Irish offense should have no trouble in paradise.

—Joe Cavato

... RAINBOWS ON THE OFFENSIVE

The Rainbow Warriors are in the midst of stormy weather with their current record of 3-8 and are looking to break free from the clouds in this weekend's game against the Irish. Currently, the team rests at the bottom of the Western Athletic Conference, chalking up only a single win in the conference.

The team's three wins came against the likes of Minnesota, Cal State Northridge, and Fresno State.

The team is under the tutelage of second-year head coach Fred vonAppen. Last year, the team finished with a record of 2-10. Heading into the season, the Rainbow Warriors entered with confidence about securing a winning season, the first since 1993.

Hawaii is coming off a tough overtime loss against Northeast Louisiana, 23-20. The Rainbow Warriors headed into the locker room with a 10 point lead at half but managed to let the lead slip away in overtime.

Hawaii's quarterback situation this season is a bit questionable with two players sharing a majority of the time. Sophomore Josh Skinner has seen a majority of the action because of senior quarterback Tim Carey's shoulder separation. Both share similar stats. Skinner has three touchdowns for the season while chalking up 12 interceptions. Carey also has a measly two touchdowns to nine interceptions. The ineffective passing attack has forced the team to rely heavily on a running attack.

Freshman Charles Tharp finds himself at the tailback slot for the Rainbow Warriors. The true



The Observer/Katie Kroener
Cornerback Ivory Covington has stepped up his play over the last few weeks and is a chief reason for the defense's improvement.

freshman averages four yards per carry. He chose Hawaii over a football powerhouse, Texas, and emerging Washington State. Tharp has chalked up as many points as the quarterbacks combined with five touchdowns.

He is their go-to guy. Tharp leads the team in receptions with 37 for 395 yards. He averages around 10 yards per catch and has a single receiving touchdown.

Gary Ellison leads the team in rushing, averaging 5.5 yards per carry. However, he has yet to find the end zone.

Head coach Bob Davie assured people that the team still means business and that obtaining a bowl bid is the main thing on its mind.

"We are going to travel on

Thursday and we are going to practice over there on Friday," Davie said. "We're not going to go to the beach, we're not going to get on a surfboard, we're not going to snorkel, we're not going get sunburnt, and we're gonna play that game on Saturday."

"Then we are going to enjoy it Saturday night and Sunday. Then we are going to come back Sunday evening."

If the truth lies in numbers, then the Irish should have no problem handing the Rainbow Warriors their ninth and final loss of the season. Too many fruity drinks or bad poi are the only things which could stop the Irish from returning home with a victory.

—Kathleen Lopez

RAINBOWS ON THE OFFENSIVE



Quarterbacks

Quarterbacks Dan Robinson and Josh Skinner have combined to

throw just five touchdown passes and a whopping 21 interceptions. With Powlus at the top of his game, this a no brainer.



Running Backs

Freshman Charles Tharp has been a rare bright spot for the

Rainbows this year. However, Denson is rock solid for the Irish.



Receivers

It's hard to judge the Rainbow unit without a quarterback to throw to it. With Johnson,

Brown and Nelson, the Irish have a clear-cut advantage here.



Offensive Line

Hawaii has been anemic offensively, averaging 15.3 points per

game. Meanwhile, the Irish line continues to improve after a slow start and should control the line of scrim-



Defensive Line

Sam Collins, the leading tackler up front for the Rainbows, has just

28 tackles on the year. The rest of the line can't hold a candle to Dansby, Williams and Bennett.



Linebackers

Rosevold, Chapman, and Cobb-Adams are considered "below

average" at best. The group lacks size and speed. With Minor and Howard all over the field, Hawaii will struggle to move the ball.

Secondary

Clearly the strength of the Rainbow defense, safeties Chris Chinnick and Eddie Klaneski



have nearly 150 tackles between them. However, the Irish continue to get better.



Special Teams

Like the Irish, the Rainbows are solid at

punter in Chad Shroud. Both teams have struggled covering kicks. However, they don't have an answer for the electrifying Rossum.



Coaching

Believe it or not, Davie will face a coach with less experience and

fewer victories than him. The Irish general continues to learn and improve.



Overall

Hawaii is simply awful. The Irish could get more out of a scrimmage with St. Joseph's high school.

This one should be over by halftime.

—Mike Day

Facing the Pressure

What it has taken to overcome four years of adversity

By BETSY BAKER
Associate Sports Editor

Trying to live up to the expectations set for him is a losing battle for Ron Powlus.

Coming into Notre Dame, the Berwick, Pa., native was labeled as the "Messiah," deemed the savior of Notre Dame football, and basically assumed to have a national championship in one pocket and the Heisman trophy in the other.

His first letdown came when he broke his collarbone only hours after a team meeting in which Lou Holtz announced that the true freshman had beaten out senior Kevin McDougal for the job of starting quarterback for the first game of the '93 season. He

had an opportunity to come back and prove his immortality, but rebroke the same bone during a non-contact part of practice on Oct. 17 of that same season. Already, a situation that was out of his hands had caused disappointment for those who expected him to go into Notre Dame as a freshman and deliver a national championship on a silver platter.

But he came back the next year, and as a sophomore, tied an Irish record by throwing four touchdown passes in his first collegiate game against Northwestern at Soldier Field in Chicago. Powlus amassed 1,729 yards passing and 19 touchdowns in his first season with the Irish, ranked 20th nationally in passing efficiency, third among sophomores behind Florida's Danny Wuerffel and Bowling Green's Ryan Henry. The Powlus - Derrick Mayes connection dazzled fans throughout the season and finally, Ron Powlus began to fulfill the inhuman role created for him when he came to the Irish.

However, the first season he led the Irish was a 6-5-1 season, and after being voted out of a national championship the year before, Irish fans quickly found their scapegoat for the '94 season.

Still, Powlus continued to fight. He

ignored the hate e-mail, death threats, and discouraging phone calls, and came back as a sophomore and through 10 games, threw for 1,853 yards and 12 touchdowns. He had four straight 200-yard plus games that marked the first time an Irish quarterback had done that since John Huarte in 1964. Injury struck again, however, and Powlus sustained a broken arm against Navy. Powlus' efforts were once again thwarted, and he was left being fed to the criticism of those who were waiting for their silver platter.

Powlus returned as a junior and continued to improve his numbers, throwing for 1,942 yards, 12 touchdowns, and only four interceptions the whole season. Still, another disappointing year, added to the controversy of Lou Holtz's resignation, left Powlus' career incomplete.

Powlus decided to return for a fifth year under new head coach Bob Davie. Ironically, while many felt Holtz was the coach who coddled Powlus, he stated that he would not have come back if Holtz had stayed around. Many people speculate that much of the underlying motivation behind Powlus' return is the opportunity to play in a new system, that under new offensive coordinator Jim Colletto would hopefully give him the opportunity to throw the ball more than in Holtz' system — and of course, the hope of the elusive national championship and Heisman trophy.

"Obviously, I wanted Ron Powlus to come back, but I wanted to him to come back for the right reasons," Davie said. "I wanted him to make that decision, though, I didn't want to talk him into it. But I think he made the right decision coming back."

However, Powlus' fifth year has not gone exactly as planned. Powlus is not a Heisman candidate, and the Irish national championship hopes were dashed after their first loss to unranked Purdue. A 1-4 start caused many fair-weather fans to turn on the Irish, and Powlus has received the brunt of the adversity. Powlus was booed at the end of the losses to Michigan State, USC and Boston College all in his own stadium. In fact, the situation got so bad in the Boston College game that his dad and uncle had to leave the stadium and go somewhere they could watch the game in peace. Many have called for Powlus to be replaced by junior Jarious Jackson, and Jackson has come into the last four games and made some big plays.

Still, Powlus, seasoned by criticism and adversity, learned to shake off the booing and go on with the season. Although he does not deny that the criticism, especially within his own stadium, bothered him, if the last four years have taught Powlus anything, it has been to put his emotions aside and stay focused

on football. Regardless of how bad the situation got for Powlus, he did not hide from reporters or shy away from the next opportunity to go out and face the Notre Dame community. In fact, following last weekend's 21-14 win over West Virginia, Powlus was one of the first players to go over and salute the student section, with his helmet in one hand and grasping the game ball with the other.

"There's been a lot happen over the last four years," Powlus said. "A lot of cheers. A lot of boos, a lot of wins and losses, injuries and touchdowns, and a lot of things have happened. I'll never forget the cheer, and I'll never forget the boos. But it's a time for me to reflect on that and to show some appreciation for the supporters who have stuck by me all this time."

Davie compliments his senior quarterback for getting through the adversity that he has faced this year and coming out on top like he has with the recovery the team has made.

"It was unfair at the time [for him to be booed]," Davie said. "People were giving him a lot of advice. He got a lot of advice from me. I'm sure he got a lot of advice from his wife and his parents, but at some point it came down to him, and he did it. He responded. I give him credit because he had to dig down and do it himself, and he's done a lot of phenomenal things here his senior year."

Overall, no one can deny that Powlus had done exactly that. He has broken nearly every passing record that exists at Notre Dame, and his name now stands in front of names like Steve Beurlein, Joe Montana, Joe Theismann, and Rick Mirer. Although he has not won a national championship and is not even in the running for the Heisman, he has no regrets about coming to Notre Dame or returning for a fifth year.

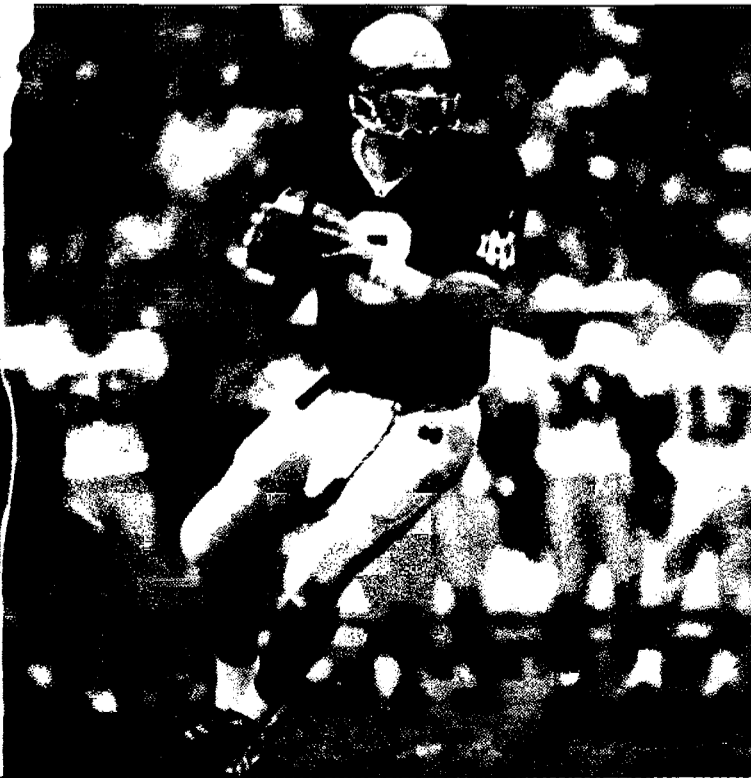
"I've never regretted my decision to come here. I still don't," Powlus said. "I'm thrilled with what Notre Dame has had to offer me, and what I could do with Notre Dame. I've enjoyed my four years. As far as the fifth year, I would certainly do it again because you just grow as a person in tough times. You get to show some character, and you build yourself up. I've continued to make improvements. I haven't given up on the season. And I'm thrilled that I've had the chance to be part of turning Notre Dame around."

Powlus has possibly two games left (pending a bowl bid) left in his career at Notre Dame, and that means two more chances to show his resilience, tenacity, and to hear the sound of his supporters one last time. He will be eligible for the NFL draft in February, but it is still questionable how high he will be drafted. Davie has full confidence in Powlus and feels this season will make him more attractive to professional teams.

"I know if I was an NFL coach, based on the way Ron Powlus has responded this year, I would be even more convinced that he has a fine future in the NFL," Davie said. "Because he's a competitor and was able to bounce back from a pretty sensitive situation and take control."

For Powlus, the last five years have not been perfect. He has faced much adversity, both on a personal and a universal level, but it seems like even he realized that he could never fulfill the expectations created for him. No matter how good he has been, people always seem to want more out of Ron Powlus. But they cannot argue the record books, and no one can question his loyalty to the Notre Dame.

"I came to Notre Dame with many high hopes, and dreams have been realized here," Powlus said. "I'm thrilled with my career here. I've worked hard, day in and day out, to win as many games as we can and to be as prepared as I can, and play as best I can. I have a way that I'll remember Notre Dame and the fans and everything that has happened to me, but how people remember me, that's certainly not up to me."



IRISH INSIGHT

Seniors provide spark for improbable turnaround

It's common. It's cliché. It's even a little tired.

To attribute success to the leadership of its seniors is often just lip service to the players who have paid their dues and will soon arrive at their final moments on the field of play.

For the 1997 Notre Dame football team though, nothing could be further from the truth. The fourth- and fifth-year players have been an essential part of one of the most improbable turnarounds in college football history.

Now some may say that the Irish lost early on because the level of the competition was higher and there is certainly some merit to that claim. After all, look at where our favorite team from Ann Arbor is heading now.

But that is really my point. After a crushing defeat at the hands of Purdue and a flat-out stomping by Michigan State, a big loss at Michigan would have been surprisingly understandable by Notre Dame standards. And what happened?

Ron Powlus stepped up and completed 20 passes on 27 attempts, including a perfectly placed touchdown pass to Bobby Brown to open the scoring. Malcom Johnson hauled in seven of Powlus' 20 completions, converting them into 106 yards of total offense. All of this came against one of the best secondaries in the nation. In fact, Notre Dame has been the only team to give Charles Woodson any serious problems all year.

Sure, the adversity, the losing streak, and the mental strain of the middle game of the three-game road stretch was too much for the entire Irish team when it arrived in Stanford. But the team continued to persevere, led by its seniors.

The contest at Pittsburgh did not only present Notre Dame with a shot at a comeback. It challenged the Irish with the possibility of a loss that would be the icing on the cake for critics of the Blue and Gold everywhere. It may have meant that the skid the team was experiencing would not be reversed.

Senior cornerback Allen Rossum would have none of it. He grabbed the opening kickoff and sped downfield 93 yards for a touchdown which took the Panthers out of the game before it had even gotten under way.

There was plenty of action throughout the remainder of the game, but the captain's kick return made it all seem like a formality. Those are the kind of plays that a team needs from its veteran players in order to succeed.

Again, the Irish were hit with a disappointing setback, getting nipped by rival Southern California for the second consecutive season.

Instead of letting the team get down on itself, the seniors rose to the occasion once again against Boston College. Powlus, Johnson, and Rossum all made big plays, while getting help from classmates Ken Barry (41 yards on five carries), Melvin Dansby (seven tackles; Eagles rushed for only 83 yards on 32 carries), and Scott Cengia, who despite missing his first PAT attempt of the game (and the season), went on to hit four extra points and two field goals.

We all know how the story has gone from there.

Rossum averted a titanic disaster with his hustle against Navy, Powlus avoided mistakes and thereby accentuated those made by Herb Tyler in Baton Rouge, and the unlikely combination of Ivory Covington and Ty Goode turned away the attempts of the Mountaineers to scale the mystique of Notre Dame.

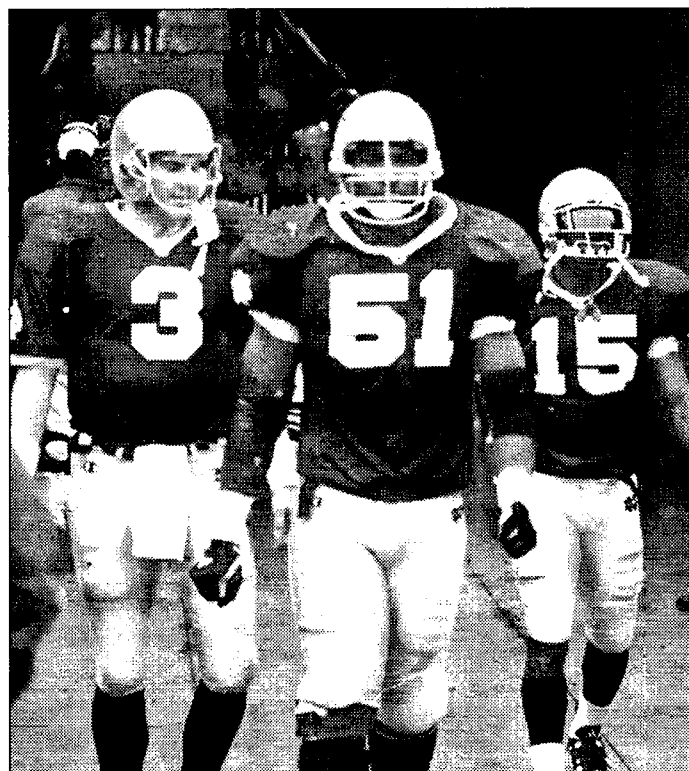
These seniors led the way into Death Valley and left its inhabitants high and dry before returning to the House that Rockne Built, and defending it (in their

final appearance there) like it was always meant to be defended.

Notre Dame now hops on a plane for the middle of the Pacific Ocean, carrying a four-game winning streak and the ability to determine their own post-season fate. What's more, the Irish seniors have helped to re-establish a program that many observers had assumed was on its death bed, while restoring hope to the hearts of Irish faithful whose faith had begun to waver.

If the departing members of the 1997 Fighting Irish football team are to "go out in style," as senior center Rick Kaczinski (who is scheduled to start his 34th consecutive game for Notre Dame on Saturday) declared after beating West Virginia, they must do what they have done all along. They must dig deep inside themselves and reach for just a little more heart, a little more grit, and a little more pride.

If they are able to do so, and the rest of the team responds in kind by beating Hawaii and advancing to a bowl game, then these outgoing players will be remembered for much more than their win-loss percentage over the last four or five years. They will go down in Blue and Gold history as the class that refused to let Notre Dame football fade into the mediocrity and who set the tone for the next generation of Irish champions.



Senior captains Ron Powlus, Melvin Dansby and Allen Rossum and the rest of the seniors have been critical to Notre Dame's turnaround this season.



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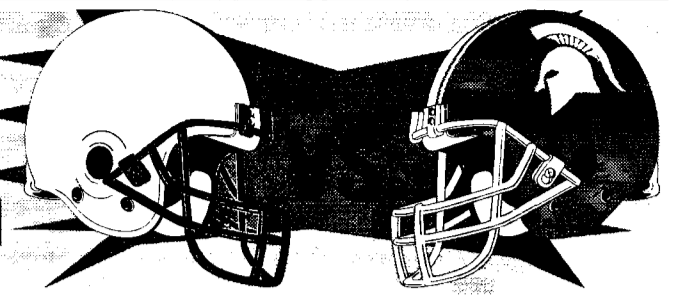
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Spartans search for possible bowl bid

*Pac-10, ACC
rivals battle
for state pride*

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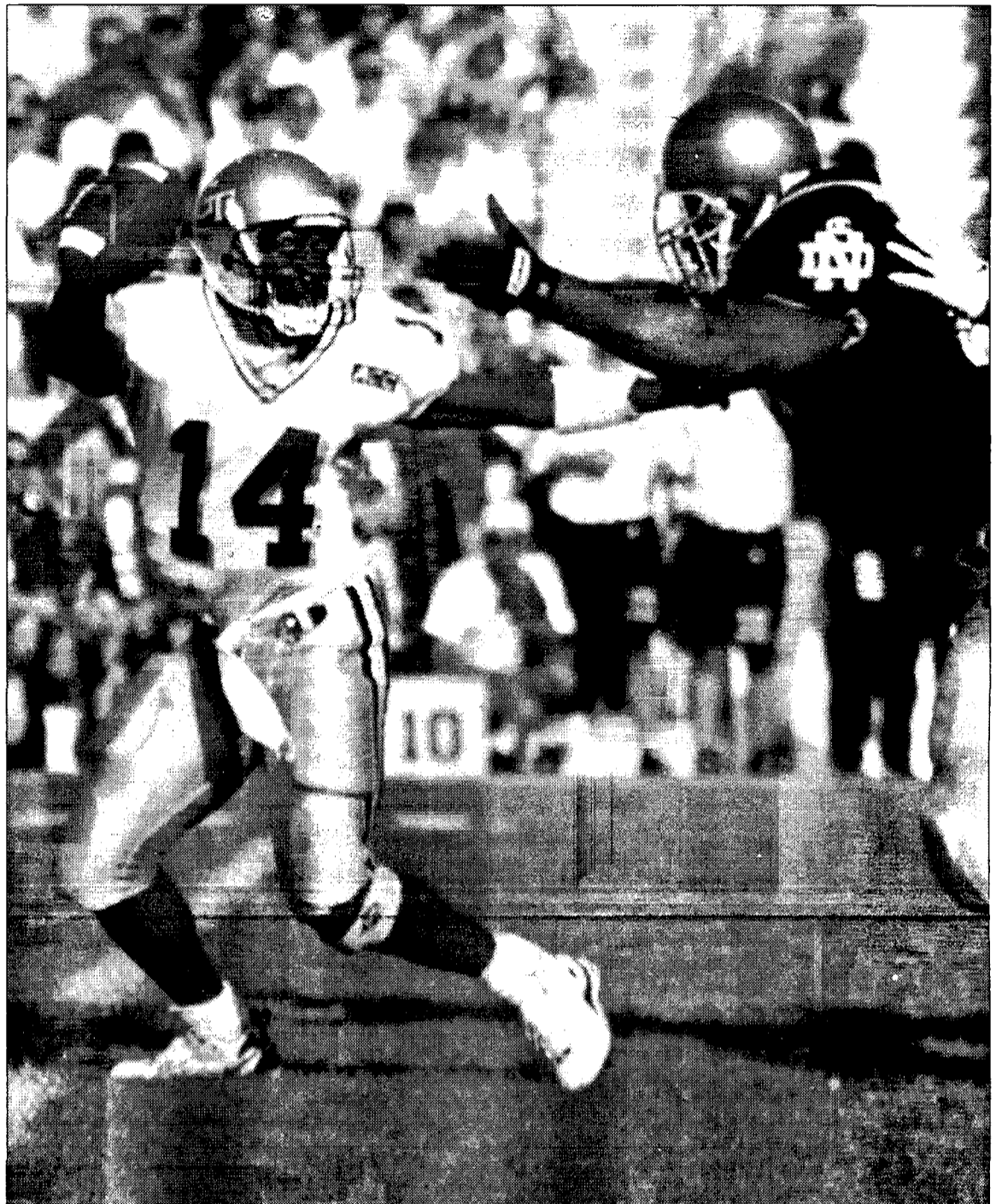
**No. 4 Penn State
at Michigan State**

Their Rose Bowl hopes dashed, and their thoughts of a possible title all but crushed by the Wolverines, the Nittany Lions will attempt to earn a bid to an alliance bowl by taking on the intra-state rivals of their 1997 nemesis. The Spartans, who have fallen from grace in many respects, hope to salvage their season and a shot at a bowl by playing the role of spoiler when they host Penn State on Saturday.

Michigan State defeated Illinois last Saturday to end a four-game losing streak which began back on Oct. 18 when upset-minded Northwestern ambushed the undefeated Spartans.

From that point, until last weekend, the schedule was not kind, as Nick Saban's team received visits from national championship favorite Michigan and powerful Ohio State before travelling to West Lafayette, Ind., where only this week's opponents have prevailed in 1997.

Paterno and company must not let their guard down as they travel to East Lansing. The Spartans, who have not won at home since Oct. 4, are aching for a home victory to close out the season. The Lions should be headed for a showdown with a top 10 team on New Year's Day.



This Saturday, Georgia Tech, led by quarterback Joe Hamilton (above), hopes to avenge last year's loss to state rival Georgia.



**No. 14 Georgia
at Georgia Tech**

Georgia enters this week's match-up with its biggest rival as another team who has missed opportunities in 1997. Having lost just once, a defeat at the hands of the Volunteers in Knoxville, the Bulldogs hosted Auburn in a game that could have all but assured a berth in the SEC championship game. However, the Tigers upset Georgia between the hedges to earn their own shot at the title by virtue of their win over LSU earlier in the year.

Once again, the host team would love nothing more than a victory over its archrival in front of its home crowd to close out the season. The Yellow Jackets owe the Bulldogs one because Georgia salvaged its losing season in 1996 by knocking off Georgia Tech in the annual Peach State battle.



**Arizona
at No. 12 Arizona State**

Its only loss of the season came at the hands of the Huskies in Seattle, so a win here would give the Sun Devils a fitting sequel to its 1996 run for the Roses. Arizona State was eliminated from contention for a second consecutive Rose Bowl berth when Washington State did what the Sun Devils could not and beat Washington on the road. The Cougars will represent the Pac-10 instead of Arizona State, despite the fact that Washington State suffered its only loss at the hands of the Devils.

The Wildcats are also looking to make their year by beating their in-state enemies. State embarrassed Arizona in 1996 on their way to an undefeated regular season, so keeping the Sun Devils out of an alliance Bowl would be the perfect revenge for the Wildcats.

AP TOP 25 AP

TEAM	RECORD	POINTS	PREV
1. Michigan(69)	11-0	1749	1
2. Nebraska (1)	10-0	1679	3
3. Tennessee	9-1	1570	5
4. Penn State	9-1	1497	6
5. Florida State	10-1	1470	2
6. UCLA	9-2	1311	7
7. Florida	9-2	1285	10
8. North Carolina	10-1	1236	8
9. Ohio State	10-2	1206	4
10. Washington St.	10-1	1178	11
11. Kansas State	10-1	1163	9
12. Arizona State	8-2	978	12
13. Auburn	9-2	907	13
14. Georgia	8-2	865	14
15. Texas A&M	8-2	727	16
16. Syracuse	8-3	648	18
17. LSU	7-3	589	20
18. Purdue	8-3	473	23
19. Missouri	7-4	433	21
19. Colorado State	9-2	359	25
21. Washington	7-4	270	17
22. Mississippi St.	7-3	257	15
23. So Mississippi	8-3	192	--
24. Air Force	10-2	148	--
25. Oklahoma St.	8-3	118	--

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Virginia Tech 112, Iowa 70, Virginia 60, Wisconsin 44, New Mexico 41, Louisiana Tech 30, Marshall 30, Notre Dame 20, Virginia 6, USC 4, North Carolina State 2.

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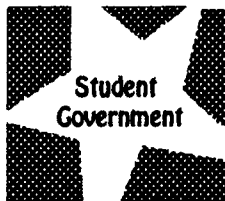
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* The growth in the number of working poor grew by 400,000 between 1980 and 1990, all of which were accounted for by the growth of female working poor.

* In 1992, 21% of all children were poor, with 46% of African-American children and 39% of Hispanic youngsters living in poverty.

* In 1993 the bottom 20% of households received only 3.6% of U.S. income while the top 20% amassed 48.2%, the widest gap since the Census Bureau started keeping track in 1947. The top 5% of households earn 21% of the income.



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