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Driver hits, injures three on St. Peter

By FINN PRESSLY
 Assistant News Editor

Two Notre Dame students and a recent graduate were injured in a hit-and-run accident Friday night on St. Peter Street.

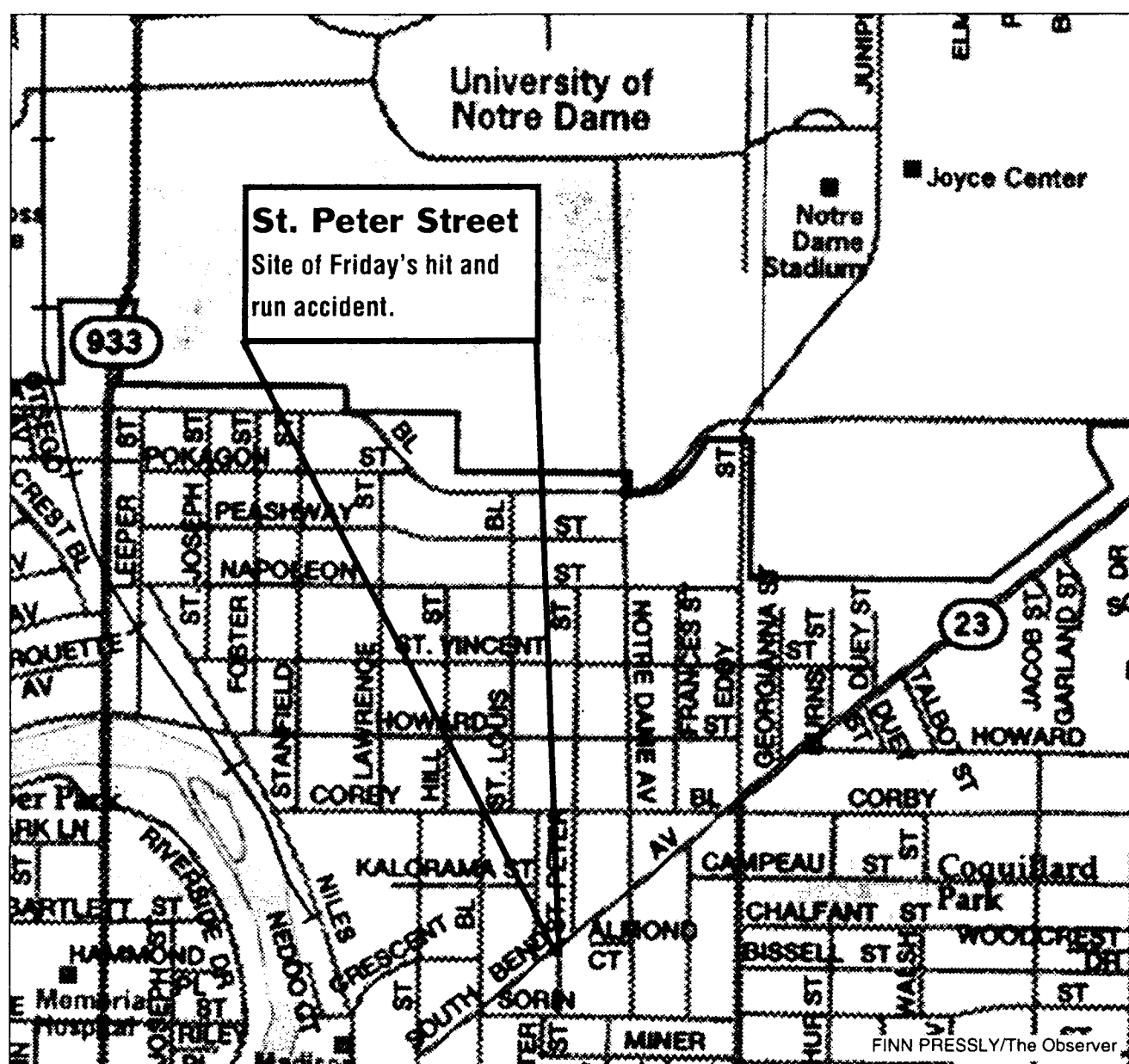
The accident occurred at approximately 10:50 p.m., in the neighborhood south of campus.

"I walked out of the taxicab, and I crossed the street, and I was hit by a car," said junior Lisa Pellegrino, who sustained injuries to her legs. "Basically it was mostly bruises and scrapes."

Greg Williams, a 1998 Notre Dame graduate from Chicago, arrived in South Bend earlier that evening for the Notre Dame-Michigan State game. Williams was knocked unconscious, and as a result, has no memory of the incident.

Williams is waiting the results of a CAT scan and X-rays.

All three victims of the accident were transported to Saint Joseph Medical Center and discharged later that night.



Saint Mary's Class of 2003 votes today

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
 News Writer

Saint Mary's freshmen will return to the polls today to vote in a run-off election for class president.

Presidential candidate Stephanie Pace and vice-presidential candidate Alison Joseph make up one of two tickets. Jeni Hackbush and Caroline Dixon are on the second ticket.

In the primary elections held last Wednesday, 11 tickets vied for the president and vice president positions. Because none of the 11 tickets received more than 50 percent of the vote, the elections committee called for a run-off.

Elections commissioner Cristine Renner was pleased with the interest in student government expressed by the Class of 2003.

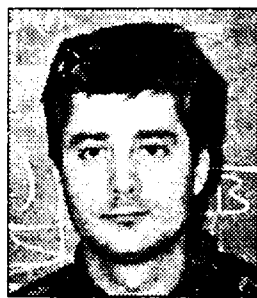
"We've never had a response like this before," Renner said. "In the initial mandatory informational meetings, I could tell right away the

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Researchers chart Web stats

By KYLE ANDREWS
 News Writer

The World Wide Web, lauded for its pivotal role in communications, still remains, in part, a mystery. Although the number of documents on the Web is accepted to be around 800 million, the actual topography of the Web has not been seriously charted.



Barabási

Two Notre Dame graduate students and one professor are working to change that.

"We are studying the properties of very large networks," said Associate Professor of Physics Albert-László Barabási, of his work with graduate students Réka Albert and Hawoong Jeong. "The scientific community has ignored this area of complexity. We don't have real data on these networks."

"We wanted to find examples of systems where we could find the topology," said Barabási. "The inhomogeneity of the Web has not been properly quantified yet."

"There are a finite number of Web pages," added Jeong. "If we know the topography, we can use that information to make a model of the entire Internet."

What they found was that the growth of the Web follows a power-law distribution, typical of social or biological systems. The power law is typically found in self-organizing systems like magnetic fields or plant growth, not what one would expect from a random network.

A typical mathematical model of a random network would be a bell curve. If this

were true, then it would follow that a majority of Web sites would have a moderate number of links, while there would be a few sites that would have either many or a few links. But this was found to be false.

"There is a very large number of sites with very many connections," said Barabási. Additionally, there are many sites that have a small number of links, thus making the bell curve inapplicable.

This allowed the researchers to develop a model of the Web that could be used to project the shape of the entire Web. What they found was that, although the Web is very large, any two randomly selected documents are separated by an average of 19 links.

This information regarding the "diameter" of the Web is important for many reasons. Most practically, it will help search engine developers make more efficient search engines.

Brute force, namely identifying information by matching strings, is inefficient in searching the entire Web. The search engine with the most coverage, Northern Light, is only able to search 38 percent of the published documents. A more discerning search engine would be able to make use of the interconnectedness of the Web, allowing for greater and quicker coverage.

In order to come to their findings, Jeong first developed a robot that analyzed web sites and their links. Using the Notre Dame Web site as an example, he found a relationship between the size of the web site and its connectedness.

Taking this information regarding link distribution, Albert was able to construct a model that reflected the actual Web.

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CLASH OF THE TITANS



Saturday's battle on the gridiron spilled onto the sidelines as the Notre Dame leprechaun and the Michigan State spartan stage an impromptu fight. Check out the Irish Insider for all the game stats.

JOB TURNER/The Observer

INSIDE COLUMN

Notre Dame Renaissance

Like most football fans at Notre Dame, last Saturday's performance brought my spirits down and left me sulking. Notre Dame football has been a part of my fall Saturdays since I was very young, and that won't change anytime soon.

But you'll read plenty of analyses, whining and disgust. So football will not be the emphasis of this column.

Instead, I want to center my attention on the neglected aspects of my being which have taken a backseat to football for so long. I want to explore my appreciation for the arts and help to improve the creative atmosphere on campus. In short, I want to start a Notre Dame Renaissance.

As a business major, such an endeavor might not excite the artsy folks on campus. I do not, however, have any less right to speak for the arts than the 7,000 or so football experts around here who have to tell us how much better they could coach the football team. And, like the high school heroes-turned-analysts running around, I too have many suggestions.

First of all such an endeavor on my part would have two central goals. The movement must typify everything that has made Notre Dame and America great.

Additionally, it must serve as a sense of pride for students, and must allow for a "hands-on" approach at times. And in this spirit, I formulated a few ideas that might be helpful, as we strive for a new era in Notre Dame culture.

If any single ingredient facilitates the entire movement, it is inspiration. We must have models to emulate, we already have the resources with movies at the Snite and the literary festivals and readings already popular on campus. The current showings do not inspire the unselfish devotion and patriotism so utterly lacking on campus. We must familiarize students with Stallone, Schwarzenegger, Eastwood, and the other artistic geniuses who receive very little fanfare from the more snooty folks around here. Taking a lesson from these legends counters the Ally McBeal-ites out there who already infested our sacred University.

These menaces have the theme song from "Party of Five." We have the masterpieces from "Conan the Destroyer" and "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly." Speaking of literature, it also might be a good idea to invite Tom Clancy back to campus every year for the Sophomore Literary Festival.

Now that we have the direction and the motivation, all we require is the opportunity to create. We have a wonderful art department, and I do not wish to take away from them. But this movement involves the mainstream, bringing a wide variety of artwork to campus. Every month we could allow a new student, preferably from engineering or business, to create a new sculpture-metal thingy to display in the quad.

Once we involve the entire community in this project, we will experience an artistic era like no other, resulting in a better Notre Dame.



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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
◆ Film: "Vertigo," Annenberg Auditorium, Snite Museum of Art, 7 p.m. ◆ Saint Mary's Freshman Class Election: Dining hall, 7 a.m. - 9 a.m., 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.	◆ Lecture: "The Custom of Foul Deed: The Effects of Violence on Peace Processes," Hesburgh Center, 4:15 p.m. ◆ Lecture: Lynn Martin, former Secretary of Labor, COBA, 7:30 p.m.	◆ Blood Drive: Rolfs Recreation and Sports Center, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. ◆ Lecture: "Contemplative Meditation," Stapleton Lounge, Le Mans Hall, 7:30 p.m.	◆ Blood Drive: Rolfs Recreation and Sports Center, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. ◆ Lecture: "Death Penalty: Choose Life," Stapleton Lounge, Le Mans Hall, 12:10 p.m.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

TCU mourns death of recent graduate

FORT WORTH, Texas
Every lifetime, a person comes along with a smile so brilliant and a purpose so clear she cannot help but make a positive impact on everyone she meets.

According to friends, Kim Jones was one of those people.

"She was just an all-around amazing person," one friend said. "She did everything she could to put God in people's lives."

Jones, who graduated from TCU last December with a speech communication degree, was one of seven victims shot down Wednesday at Wedgwood Baptist Church, where she worked with youth.

Her brother, Tim Jones, is a junior at TCU.

Kim Jones came to TCU in the fall of 1994 and pledged Delta Gamma. After her sophomore year, Jones

"She would tell you that if you knew her before, you wouldn't believe [the change]. Her enthusiasm for Jesus was just so evident in her life."

Joyce Allman
friend of Kim Jones

started a Bible study in her chapter and continued to lead weekly meetings even as a graduate this fall. Members said the group has grown from Jones and another Delta Gamma member to a weekly event that attracts about 20 women from several different sororities.

After graduating, she spent last spring in the Netherlands on a mission trip. She returned to the United States in May and enrolled at

Southwestern Theological Seminary in the fall to pursue a master's of divinity.

To those who knew her, Jones' life and sudden death have left a deep impression.

"It's hard to talk about her in the past tense," said former TCU faculty member Joyce Allman, now the assistant dean of arts and sciences at the University of Oklahoma. "She was very vivacious — absolutely joyful and not at all ashamed of her Christianity."

Allman, who taught Jones in an advanced public speaking course last fall, said Jones' life proved to her God's power to change people.

"She would tell you that if you knew her before, you wouldn't believe [the change]," she said. "Her enthusiasm for Jesus was just so evident in her life."

Tropical storm hits Princeton

PRINCETON, N.J.

Rain and heavy winds from Tropical Storm Floyd battered the campus Thursday, leaving flooded buildings and uprooted trees in its wake and prompting the University to close its offices. Vice President for Finance and Administration Richard Spies, who made the decision to send home all non-essential employees at 11 a.m., said the main reason for the closing was flooding on area roads. "It didn't make sense to make people go home in the worst of it," Spies said of Floyd, which was downgraded from a hurricane to a tropical storm before it hit Princeton. Spies explained that information received from government agencies also affected the University's decision. On Wednesday, New Jersey Gov. Christie Whitman declared a state of emergency, which remained in effect yesterday. She also advised yesterday morning that all non-emergency vehicles stay off the roads. Despite the weather, the academic schedule remained in place, and drenched students braved the elements to attend the semester's first day of classes.

Pair pleads not guilty in MIT death

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

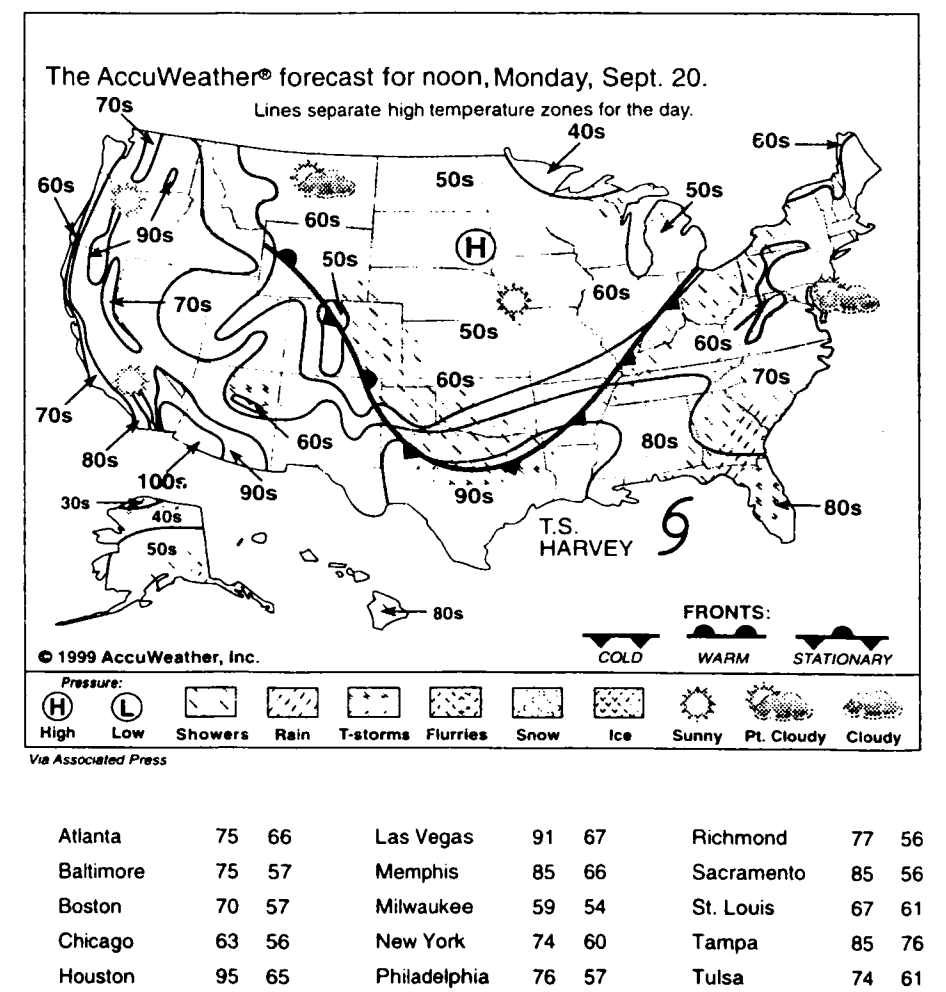
MIT senior Susan Mosher and Rene Ruiz, a recent graduate, have pled not guilty to several charges relating to the death of MIT junior Richard A. Guy III. Guy died on Aug. 31. Mosher and Ruiz were arraigned Sept. 10, charged with four counts of possession with intent to distribute psilocybin, amphetamines, marijuana and nitrous oxide. The two will appear in court on Oct. 15. Guy, a physics major, died as a result of asphyxiation from inhalation of nitrous oxide. His funeral was held Wednesday. "My brief earlier acquaintance with him makes this tragedy painfully real," said MIT president Charles M. Vest shortly after Guy's death. "And it is a grim reminder of so many other needless deaths throughout the country, every year, of young people how foolishly involve themselves with drugs." The investigation is ongoing, according to officials in the MIT police department. Guy's death has raised questions about MIT's ability to find and help students dealing with drug and alcohol issues. In the wake of Guy's death, many have recalled the alcohol-related death of first-year Scott M. Krueger in the fall of 1997.

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NATIONAL WEATHER



INDIA

Fourth generation of Gandhi dynasty wows citizens

Associated Press

AMETHI
She stood tall with her arms outstretched in the back of a Land Rover, then ignored her machinegun-toting guards and plunged into the crowd.

The people went wild. Campaigning in the parliamentary district that once belonged to her assassinated father, former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, Priyanka Vadra, 27, represents the fourth generation of India's Nehru-Gandhi political dynasty.

She was out solo Sunday, campaigning for her mother, Congress party president and de facto candidate for prime minister, Sonia Gandhi. But Mrs. Vadra made it clear for the first time that she would never join Indian politics herself.

"No never, I love my country, and I am sure I can do a lot for it without being a politician," she told reporters.

Under the circumstances, her reluctance doesn't seem surprising. Besides her father, India's rough-and-tumble politics also cost the life of her grandmother,

former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Contrary to her mother, still haunted by the deaths of her husband and mother-in-law, Mrs. Vadra campaigns with the exuberance of her great-grandfather, India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru and her grandmother, Indira.

Since India gained independence from Britain in 1947, the Nehru-Gandhi family has been regarded with the kind of reverence usually reserved for monarchs. It has become synonymous with India's Congress

party, now trying desperately to regain its place as the country's dominant political force.

Accompanied by her businessman husband, Mrs. Vadra walked briskly to the middle of a large crowd of poor villagers waiting for her at Amethi.

"What happened?" Mrs. Vadra asked in surprise as a young woman bowed and held her feet in a sign of deep reverence in this Hindu nation. The village woman was a widow, and her family told Mrs. Vadra the woman had little earning to support her.

"Let this election get over, we will certainly do something for you," she assured her.

"Six children? You have six children? I must do something for you," she told another woman who listened spellbound.

Mrs. Vadra, who joined her mother at several election rallies last month to prop up her campaign, fueled speculation of a political career last year when she joined Congress.

The personal touch in her campaign is giving nightmares to the elite commandos who guard her.

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Election Web site features ND prof

♦ American Studies chair offers critique of electoral system

Special to The Observer

An Internet political forum focusing on the 2000 presidential election will feature the work of a Notre Dame professor on its World Wide Web site this week.

PrimaryDiner.com, a nonpartisan online service fostering debate and discussion about the electoral process, has selected "Demanding Democracy" by Robert Schmuhl as its political book of the week.

Schmuhl, professor and chairman of the department of

American Studies and the director of the Notre Dame program in Journalism, Ethics and Democracy, also contributed an essay on reforming the presidential selection system to the Web site's political coverage.


Based in New Hampshire, where the first presidential primary takes place, PrimaryDiner.com provides news and analyses about the upcoming campaign and political issues in America. It offers links to candidates' Web sites and to other sources of political information and interpretation. Its Internet address is: <http://primarydiner.com>.

"Demanding Democracy," published by Notre Dame Press, is a study of the interac-

tion between contemporary political life and popular forms of communication. In the book, Schmuhl proposes a methodical, national process to select presidential nominees, rather than the every-state-for-itself approach that is currently in place and that overemphasizes the first contests, in Iowa and New Hampshire.

Schmuhl, a member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1980, is the author or editor of nine books, including "Statecraft and Stagecraft: American Political Life in the Age of Personality" and "Wounded Titans: American Presidents and the Perils of Power." His new book, "Indecent Liberties," will be published by Notre Dame Press in October.

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Artificial reef fosters growth

LOOE KEY NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY, Fla. Over thousands of years, coral species can build waving forests of sea whips or form boulders the size of an adult human.

But what takes nature centuries to create — coral grows as little as a centimeter a year — man can destroy in a span of hours.

A research ship ran aground in 1994, crushing a portion of Looe Key the size of a tennis court and killing or displacing sea fans, fish, sponges and other marine life.

After the accident, biologists, engineers and construction crews tried to give nature a head start in its healing process. They replaced the natural foundation of the reef with boulders, then cemented them in place to create a new

home for live coral.

Since the Looe Key restoration was completed last month, corals and other reef-dwelling animals have been returning to their reconstructed habitat.

Boaters, snorkelers and divers forced to stay away during nearly two months of construction also are returning to get a glimpse of the newly repaired reef along the shallow mile stretch of Looe Key.

"The average person is probably not going to notice the tiny transplanted coral for years and years," said Ed Lotkowitz, a boat captain from Underseas, a dive shop on Big Pine Key five miles from the site.

"It wouldn't be the same as walking into a house that was restored, and seeing new

paint, new walls and new carpet," he said.

The Florida reef tract is the most extensive living coral reef system in North American waters, stretching about 200 miles from Fowey Rocks off Miami's Biscayne Bay down to the Dry Tortugas. It's the third largest system in the world.

It's an environment protected by the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, which is visited by more than 1.68 million people a year, many of whom enjoy fishing and diving.

The Columbus Iselin from the University of Miami smashed into the reef in Looe Key while on a voyage to study the currents in the Florida Straits and gather information to help clean up oil spills.

Run-off

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enthusiasm of the class. Over 100 people showed up."

The Pace-Joseph ticket received 23 percent of the vote, while Hackbush and Dixon drew 13 percent. Last Wednesday, 260 freshmen voted, roughly 57 percent of the freshman class.

"[Those figures] are impressive for a freshman election," Renner said.

Both candidates were planning to do last-minute campaigning on Sunday night.

"We just really want more people voting," Hackbush said in response to the 43

percent of the class who did not vote last Wednesday.

Both tickets emphasize class unity as a part of their platforms. The Pace-Joseph ticket wants to organize class events such as dinners, trips, retreats and Masses. Hackbush and Dixon look to shortening quiet hours, improving bus schedules and food services and organizing more on-campus events.

"No matter what happens, it was worth it," Pace said. "We feel a step closer to our class."

The election run-off will be held today, outside Saint Mary's dining hall. Freshmen can vote from 7 a.m. - 9 a.m., 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., and from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Web

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"With the model, we can study the distance between two points in the Internet", says Albert. If the Web is taken as 800 million documents and plugged into the model, the shortest distance between two random points was found to be 18.59, or an average of 19 clicks.

Additionally, the determined logarithmic function of the Web increases slowly, which means that even the projected 1,000 percent increase in Web size over the next few years will not dramatically change the diameter. In fact, the number of clicks would only rise to 21 from 19.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Columbian rebels release kidnapped bishop

BOGOTA, Colombia

Leftist rebels freed a Roman Catholic bishop they had kidnapped a month ago, but demanded that he leave the war-torn northern Colombian region where he worked. Jose de Jesus Quintero, the bishop of Tibu, was released live on national television by masked gunmen from the Popular Liberation Army, or EPL, who handed him over to a joint commission from the church, the international Red Cross, and the state human rights office. Speaking to Caracol television, a rebel commander with his face hidden by a red bandana called on the church to transfer Quintero from the region of La Gabarra near the Venezuelan border. Quintero has been an outspoken critic of human rights abuses in the region long racked by violence.

Skydiving plane crashes, kills five

BRYAN, Texas

A skydiving plane crashed Saturday, killing all five passengers. Minutes after the Cessna 182 took off Saturday from the Aqs Over Texas skydiving club, it appeared to stall, then banked right and nosedived into a field, witnesses said. Pilot James Robert Puryear, 22, instructors Jonathan Wayne Warden, 25, and Mark Woodings, 28, and Rebecca Miller, 18, died on impact. Witnesses pulled 27-year-old Lela Futch from the wreckage. She died at a nearby hospital. Woodings' girlfriend, Allison Roderick, witnessed the crash. She was working in the offices of the skydiving school and waiting to see the jump. "Mark loved teaching people about skydiving and how to skydive, that was his favorite thing," she said Sunday. It was the first accident in the 17-year history of the club, Roderick said. She said the 1958 Cessna never had serious mechanical problems.

Inline skating collision injures 50 in tunnel

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands

Hundreds of in-line skaters racing through a tunnel in the Dutch capital collided Sunday, creating a huge human pileup. At least 50 competitors were injured. The collision happened in midafternoon just moments after the race began and took 4,000 skaters through the IJ tunnel. One skater fell, tripping up those around him, and the pileup grew as more skaters slammed into those on the ground, Dutch television reported. Those most seriously injured suffered broken arms and legs as well as cuts and abrasions and were taken to local hospitals. Witnesses described a scene of panic in the tunnel as screaming skaters pushed and shoved in frantic efforts to get out. The race was one of several road events held on a "car-free Sunday" in which automobiles were banned from the heart of Amsterdam and dozens of other Dutch cities.

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC



AFP Photo

A Central African soldier stands in front of a polling station Monday in Bangui as women wait to vote in the country's first presidential election since 1993. Voters chose from 10 candidates, including Ange-Felix Patasse, the current president.

Elections free from violence

Associated Press

BANGUI

Elections for a new president in the Central African Republic were largely trouble-free Sunday despite charges of voter fraud and fears of political bloodshed, a senior U.N. peacekeeper said.

Soldiers, police and U.N. peacekeepers had raised security on the eve of the ballot after violent threats by supporters of rival presidential candidates.

"All that could be expected on voting day was achieved here," said Oluymi Adeniji, the head of the 1,300-strong U.N. peacekeeping force in this nation of 3 million. "People

voted freely and peacefully."

Adeniji said only scattered problems of voter fraud were uncovered Sunday, but it remained to be seen whether the ballot counting would go as smoothly.

Central African Republic has remained an unstable and isolated country that at times appears to be teetering on anarchy since tyrannical rule in the 1960s and 70s by the late army Col. Jean-Bedel Bokassa.

Two ruling party supporters were killed and dozens injured in an attack Sept. 11 during a rally called by President Ange-Felix Patasse's Movement for the Liberation of the People of Centrafrique.

The attack was launched by about 100 stone-throwing supporters of former President Andre Kolingba, the most prominent of the nine candidates vying to oust Patasse.

The last presidential elections were in 1993.

Turnout in Sunday's elections was estimated by observers at around 60 percent.

If no candidate earns 50 percent of the vote, the top candidates will go on to the second round of voting on Oct. 10.

Even before voting began, opposition candidates accused Patasse of rigging the ballot, which has been delayed twice because of bureaucratic problems.

A senior Kolingba aide,

National Assembly member David Yakata, was arrested after he allegedly gave bribes to an elderly woman in Bangui, U.N. officials said.

Police were also searching for two men who allegedly destroyed ballots to prevent people from voting in a Bangui neighborhood where Patasse is highly favored to win, the United Nations confirmed.

During the past week, a number of political activists have been arrested on illegal weapons charges, including two men and a woman linked to Kolingba's organization, local newspapers reported.

Most voters seemed unconcerned by the threats of violence.

EAST TIMOR

Armed peacekeepers arrive in Dili

Associated Press

DILI, Indonesia
Heavily-armed international peacekeepers landed in East Timor at dawn Monday, clearing the way for a U.N. approved force charged with restoring order and helping usher the Indonesian province toward independence.

A camouflage-green

Hercules C-130 transport plane set down at Dili airport, the first in a wave of planes and ships expected by the end of the day. About a dozen elite Australian troops in full combat gear quickly took up defensive positions.

About two-dozen Indonesian troops greeted the Australians, and the first minutes of the arrival appeared cordial.

Indonesian troops had to chase a herd of goats off the runway shortly before the dawn touchdown as sirens wailed to warn several dozen onlookers.

A second plane arrived 30 minutes later, carrying vehicles and other equipment.

By Monday afternoon, 2,500 soldiers, helicopters and armored personnel carriers would be on the ground in Dili, East Timor's capital, Australian Defense Minister John Moore said from the peacekeepers staging area in Darwin, Australia.

Nine warships from Australia, Britain and New Zealand, were sailing toward East Timor with troops from more than a half-dozen nations.

Indonesian troops ringed the port, preparing for the first ship to dock and unload armored personnel carriers for the peacekeepers. A small contingent of U.S. Marines was providing logistical support in Darwin.

The announcement two weeks ago that 78.5 percent of East Timor's voters approved a break with Indonesia led to a murderous rampage by pro-Indonesia militias that drove more than 300,000 people from their homes and cost at least several hundred lives.

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TAIWAN

New assertions challenge China

Associated Press

TAIPEI
Taiwan's leader rankled Beijing and made Washington squirm by saying his government should be able to deal with China as a political equal. Although he's facing tremendous pressure to take back the statement, he'll probably stick to it.

President Lee Teng-hui relishes a good spat with China and has too much to lose by ditching his new claim that Taiwan is a sovereign state, not a local government that should be controlled by Beijing.

Taiwan has long been one of Beijing's biggest frustrations. Since 1949, the island 90 miles off China's eastern coast has resisted Communist rule. Beijing wants both sides to reunify now, but Taiwan wants to wait until China is more democratic and economically developed.

Two months ago, when Lee said the two sides should handle their affairs on a "special state-to-state basis," China thought it was part of a secret plan by the Taiwanese leader to break away permanently from the mainland — a move Beijing has repeatedly threatened to use force to block.

Trying to get Lee to scrap his claim, China has used fiery rhetoric and has staged massive mock invasions of the island with warplanes, ships and thousands of troops. Adding to the pressure, Taiwan's biggest ally, the United States, has blamed

Lee for needlessly stirring up trouble.

But chances are slim Lee will cave in to the pressure. With seven months left in his term, he seems to be focused on his historical legacy. Already, he's guaranteed a long chapter in Taiwan's history books for presiding over numerous reforms, including the first direct presidential election in 1996, which he won handily.

Now, Lee is standing up to China and demanding that Taiwan get the respect he thinks it deserves as an equal, sovereign state, not a breakaway province that should listen to Beijing. His position could carve out his final legacy as guardian of Taiwan's sovereignty.

Polls say Lee's statement has been immensely popular with Taiwan's 22 million people, who view it as a long overdue description of fact. Backing away from his policy — which he has publicly repeated over and over — would make Lee look like he's turning his back on reality.

Buckling to Chinese pressure would also likely create a fierce backlash for Lee's ruling Nationalist Party in the run-up to March presidential elections.

The party's candidate, Vice President Lien Chan, is trailing in the polls and has been

criticized as failing to show leadership on China issues. Backing down could cause an exodus of voters to other parties willing to take a bolder stand and it would also bolster the minority view that Lee acted rashly.

And, if past elections are any guide, the Chinese threats should help the party. When China tested missiles near Taiwan during the 1996 presidential election, many voters supported the Nationalists, viewing them as best able to protect the island. China might decide to keep up the pressure while waiting until after the March elections to reassess the situation. If that happens, Lee may succeed in raising a fuss without bringing serious consequences to Taiwan.

Part of the fallout from the recent tensions might be Beijing's cancellation of a historical trip to Taiwan by senior envoy Wang Daohan, tentatively scheduled to visit this fall. But the event was to be mostly symbolic and not a great loss to Taiwan if canceled.

Meanwhile, Lee seems to be enjoying the tension that has thrust attention-starved Taiwan into the world's headlines. Recently, a grinning Lee told a crowd of supporters, "Bring on the noise. The louder the noise the better."

Now, Lee is standing up to China and demanding that Taiwan get the respect he thinks it deserves as an equal, sovereign state.

SOMALIA

Mogadishu opens new international terminal

Associated Press

MOGADISHU
A privately financed airport capable of handling medium size air planes was inaugurated north of Mogadishu on Sunday after four months of construction to expand the airstrip.

Mogadishu's international airport and seaport have been closed for several years

because faction leaders have failed to agree on their management.

Issaley airport is about 10 miles north of Mogadishu and had two runways that are 8,250 feet long and 1,056 feet long. It can handle planes weighing up to 35 tons. Camel Trading and Transport Company spent \$700,000 to upgrade the old airstrip, Ali Rageh Shirar, the firm's chief executive, told journalists.


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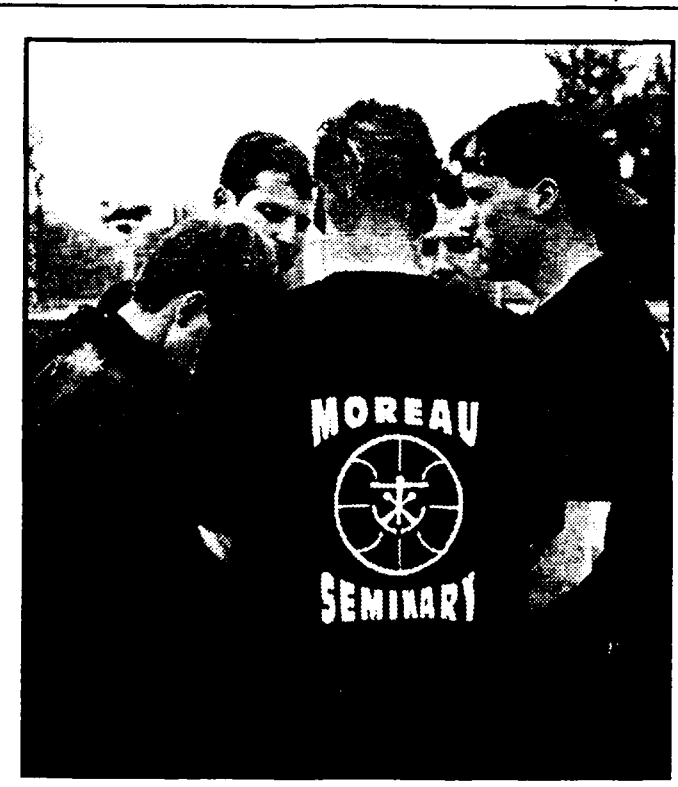
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Miss America vows to help disabled veterans

Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY

The new Miss America, whose father is a disabled Vietnam veteran, says she hopes to use her crown to spotlight homelessness among veterans.

Miss America 2000 Heather Renee French, 24, of Maysville, Ky., a graduate design student who has done volunteer work for the Veterans Administration, will campaign for increased government assistance for down-and-out veterans during her reign.

"We have over 250,000 homeless veterans, spread nationwide," she said Sunday. "A large population, of course, are in Washington, D.C., and in large cities. You find they congregate in the larger areas because that's where the facilities are that treat those needs."

Her father, Ron French, 52, served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam and was wounded in combat — he was shot in the wrist — early in his four-year hitch.

He said he believes his daughter will make a difference as a high-profile spokeswoman for veterans.

"I've already heard from six

or seven (veterans) just since last night. They said they're really grateful that someone like her can be a spokesperson for them. It's about time the veterans had a spokesperson."

French had dreamed of becoming Miss America since she was about nine years old, her mother said.

She pursued it doggedly, entering the Miss Ohio pageant once and competing in the Miss Kentucky pageant three times before winning it on her fourth

and qualifying for a shot at Miss America.

On Saturday, she sang "As If We Never Said Goodbye" for her talent offering during the nationally-televised 79th annual pageant. She won a \$40,000 scholarship and became the first Miss Kentucky ever to win the Miss America Pageant from that state.

The scholarship money, together with the pageant's decision to drop a 50-year-old ban on abortion and divorce, made for comic fodder during the telecast.

Prior to French's coronation, co-host Marie Osmond joked that the new Miss America would split the scholarship money.

"It's about time the veterans had a spokesperson."

**Heather Renee French
Miss America**

EAST TIMOR

Leader plans new government

Associated Press

DARWIN, Australia — East Timorese independence leader Jose Alexandre "Xanana" Gusmao is making plans for a transitional government and sending a delegation to the World Bank later this month, a spokesman said Sunday.

Voters in East Timor approved independence for the territory in an Aug. 30 referendum, after a quarter-century of brutal Indonesian rule.

Gusmao fled from Jakarta on Saturday night to set up the headquarters of his resistance movement in Darwin, Australia, after receiving

death threats.

Darwin, staging area for the multinational peacekeeping force heading into East Timor, is an hour's flight from the half-island territory. The peacekeeping troops were to start arriving in East Timor shortly after dawn on Monday.

"The main purpose of his trip is to discuss plans for the development of East Timor," spokesman Joao Carrascalao told The Associated Press. He said that included the formation of the government of the future nation.

Gusmao, head of the National Council for East Timor Resistance (CNRT), is widely expected to become the first president of independent East Timor, a process that could take 18 months or more and would include gen-

eral elections.

Carrascalao said Gusmao was sending a group of professionals to Washington on Sept. 29 to seek support from the World Bank. International lenders are believed to look positively on loans for the impoverished region.

Carrascalao also said Gusmao will begin setting up an administration to plan for East Timor's development, and will commute between Darwin and Dili, the capital of the former Portuguese colony.

Gusmao will lead a meeting in Darwin soon on East Timor's transition from a province of Indonesia to a sovereign nation, Indonesia's Antara news agency reported.

The spokesman said the 53-year-old Gusmao had left for Australia because of death threats.

See Also
"Armed peace-keepers arrive in Dili" page 5

ITALY

Man dies in cargo hold of airplane

Associated Press

MALPENSA — The body of a Cuban man was found Sunday in the wheel well of an Italian jetliner which last traveled to Cuba nine days ago, the ANSA news agency said.

The body was discovered the morning after the chartered Boeing 767 arrived at Malpensa airport near Milan from the Egyptian resort of Sharm el-Sheikh.

ANSA said investigators identified the man from documents as Roberto Garcia Quinta, 47. It said he was

wearing the uniform of an airport worker, but did not elaborate.

The chartered Boeing 767 had made several trips since it was last in Cuba on Sept. 10, ANSA said. It was operated by Eurofly, the charter division of Alitalia, the Italian national airline.

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Cubans endure harsh life in Peruvian exile

◆ After nearly 20 years, immigrants lose hope of return

Associated Press

LIMA
Luisa Toledano fled her tropical home in Cuba in search of a better life. Nearly 20 years later, she's stuck in a desert shantytown earning barely enough to feed herself and her four children.

In Pachacamac, on the outskirts of Lima, a coastal fog known as "garua" blots out the sun for much of the year. The odor of burning garbage hangs in the chill mist. There are no tall palm trees to break the wind, or to offer shade from the intense sun when it returns fleetingly each December for Lima's short summer.

"For Cubans, this weather is like death, slow death," says Toledano, bundled in a worn blue sweater.

Toledano was just out of high school when she, and nearly 11,000 other Cubans seeking asylum, invaded Peru's embassy compound in Havana in 1980.

The occupation convinced Cuban authorities to allow 742 to leave for Peru. And it prompted President Fidel Castro to open the gates for 125,000 Cubans to sail to Miami in a makeshift flotilla from the port of Mariel.

Political asylum for the Cubans who headed to Peru started in a tent city in a public park.

Their escape from Castro's communist regime landed them in one of the poorest countries in South America at the outset of Peru's bloody war with leftist Shining Path rebels.

In September 1984, after four years languishing in the park, the Cubans staged a five-day protest outside the Lima office of the United Nations Refugee Commission.

The agency responded by building 100 one-room, concrete-block houses in Pachacamac.

Since then, nearly two-thirds of the Cubans have left Peru for Canada, Brazil, Australia and the United States, using legal — and illegal — means.

Of the 266 Cubans remaining from the 1980 exodus, the largest concentration is in the now-deteriorated, crime-infested housing project on the coastal desert.

Poverty has kept most of them from moving. Running water is available once or twice a week and garbage is picked up every 15 days. Some of the houses are trash-strewn shells.

The residents' Cuban identity is still evident. Cuban flags adorn walls. A poster of Afro-Cuban salsa singer Celia Cruz hangs in a window.

One of the eldest of the refugees, known as Mama Rosa, practices the Caribbean religion Santeria, offering spiritual counsel to a mostly Peruvian clientele for about \$3 a session.

Mama Rosa's economic success is the exception.

Toledano ekes out a living cleaning homes in some of Lima's wealthier neighborhoods. Her clothes, and those of her children, are hand-me-downs from her employers.

"I'm very grateful to the Peruvian government" for political asylum, "but I'm not grateful for the way we live," says Toledano, whose husband was murdered eight years ago.

Ines Reyes, another Pachacamac resident, says the Cubans have been abandoned.

"The only good thing we have here is the liberty we wouldn't have in Cuba," she says. "But we live in inhumane conditions. There's no work. I'm a single mother with four children. Sometimes I can feed them, sometimes I can't."

Beatriz Roman, the U.N. Refugee Commission representative in Peru, says her agency has little left to offer the refugees

after helping them settle and trying to provide them the same opportunities as the rest of society.

The oldest among the refugees, and

those with medical problems, still get about \$40 to \$50 a month, and there are some small subsidies for the Cubans' children, Roman says.

As for the rest, she says, "they've been here 19 years. One would assume they would be working. They have residency permits that allow them to work like any Peruvian."

But employment is scarce in Peru, where half the labor force is without jobs or has only part-time or temporary work.

Reyes washes clothes and sells cookies in Lima's streets to make ends meet.

"We look for jobs and there are none," she says. "When we say we're Cubans, it's worse. We're told if there isn't enough work for Peruvians, there isn't work for Cubans."

Odalys Brito-Alvarez, a Cuban refugee, says her mother and two younger brothers entered the United States with forged Brazilian passports in the early 1990s. Asylum was automatically granted when her mother presented her Cuban passport to U.S. immigration officials.

Brito-Alvarez tried to follow her mother as a legal immigrant in 1992, when the United States granted asylum to about 200 Cuban refugees in Peru. U.S. immigration officials denied her application because she could not prove political persecution awaited her if she returned to her homeland.

"When I left Cuba I was 13 years old," she says. "I didn't do anything political in the sense that I didn't set off any bombs, I didn't march against Fidel, I didn't carry protest banners."

Some of the Cubans still dream of the United States, or returning to Cuba after Castro dies. Others are resigned to their existence in the lunar-like landscape of Peru's desert coast.

"I no longer have hope. All my hope is gone," says Reyes. "I'm just living, struggling until the very last for my children."

YUGOSLAVIA

McDonald's survives bombings

Associated Press

BELGRADE

McDonald's has not only survived the stones of angry Serb mobs, a 78-day bombing campaign, a tattered local economy and massive anti-American hysteria — it's become an unlikely success story in a country devastated by war.

While other Belgrade restaurants gape empty, only occasionally attracting rich Serbs in the evening, constant crowds at McDonald's keeps cashiers' tills ringing steadily at prewar levels and satisfied customers munching on burgers and cartons of fries.

"We are beyond politics, people come here for the unique McDonald's experience," says manager Dragoljub Jakic.

The 40-year-old Jakic is the driving force behind the concept that not only kept the

burger chain going despite heavy anti-American sentiment during NATO's 78-day bombing campaign against Yugoslavia, but made it the only Western venture that really works in today's internationally isolated and economically depressed Serbia.

"Our marketing strategy was to preserve the original American brand by giving it a local touch — temporarily making

McDonald's more international, if you like, rather than an exclusively American trademark," says Jakic. "We convinced the people we were sincere in sharing their destiny — they had no reason to hate us."

Zorica Serdarevic certainly doesn't. Gulping down spoonfuls of chocolate-covered vanilla ice cream at a Belgrade branch, she says McDonald's is simply "the best." Since the end of the war, the 12-year-old is a

"We convinced the people we were sincere in sharing their destiny — they had no reason to hate us."

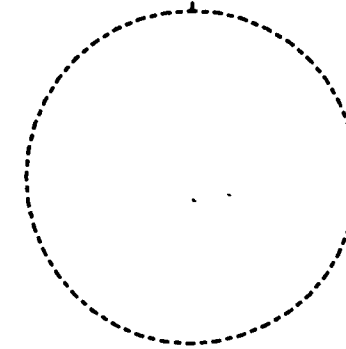
Dragoljub Jakic
McDonald's manager

twice weekly regular, usually accompanied by grandmother Jelena, 60.

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SLOVENIA

Pope denounces effects of extreme nationalism

Associated Press

MARIBOR

Pope John Paul II, journeying to the Balkans Sunday to honor a bishop who preached patriotism and tolerance, decried the dangers of nationalism gone extreme and prayed that horrors such as mass revenge killings never again occur.

Less than a year after his last trip to the Balkans, the pope was back, this time visiting a corner of Slovenia near the Austrian and Hungarian borders to beatify Anton Martin Slomsek, a 19th-century bishop who promoted the Slovenes' language and sense of identity during Austrian domination.

John Paul's last trip to the Balkans took him to Croatia in October, and he first came to Slovenia in 1996. Slomsek is a national hero in this former Yugoslav republic, where more than 80 percent of the people are Roman Catholic.

Although the 79-year-old pope has difficulty walking, and travel often tires him, Sunday's trip



John Paul II

"May such dramatic events never ever repeat themselves."

Pope John Paul II

underscored his desire to be with his flock when he can and to personally press his message of peace and reconciliation.

The pontiff left for Rome on his airplane Sunday evening, at the end of a visit that lasted less than a day.

Arriving from the Italian capital earlier in the day, he walked gingerly down the stairs of his aircraft, one hand on the railing, his cane in the other, and was driven to the Mass site on a grassy expanse near a 15th-century castle.

Sun burned through foggy skies, and a stiff breeze three times ripped off the pope's skullcap.

The pontiff lamented that the Balkans have been "marked unfortunately in these years by struggles and violence, by extreme nationalism, by savage ethnic cleansing and

wars among peoples and cultures."

Slomsek, who died in 1862, showed it was "possible to be sincere patriots and with equal sincerity live together and

work with peoples of other nationalities, of other cultures, of other religions," the pope said.

During World War II, Croats sided with occupying German Nazis and perhaps hundreds of thousands of Serbs, Jews, Gypsies and anti-fascist Croats were killed in Croat-run concentration camps.

YUGOSLAVIA

Anti-Milosevic protests gain crucial alliance

Associated Press

BELGRADE

A leading Serbian opposition leader now says his party will join protests against Slobodan Milosevic — but only if the

Yugoslav president rejects opposition demands for early elections.

"If the opposition manages to create an agreement about democratic, free and fair elections, and Milosevic refuses those demands, the Serbian Renewal Movement will participate in joint anti-government protests," the opposition leader, Vuk Draskovic, said in comments published Sunday.

Draskovic, who heads the Serbian Renewal Movement, has consistently resisted calls from other main opposition leaders to join in a united front against Milosevic.

He shares their demands for early elections before those scheduled in 2000. But unlike Draskovic, the other opposition leaders condition their call for early elections with a demand that they be held under international supervision and without being controlled by Milosevic. The other leaders say that with Milosevic in charge, the vote is sure to be flawed.

Other main opposition groups are united in the Alliance for Change, which is orchestrating daily demonstrations against Milosevic in Serbia, the dominant Yugoslav republic, to protest his policies. Many Serbs blame Milosevic both for a decade of growing economic hardship and for defying NATO, leading to the bombardment that left widespread destruction.

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MIAMI
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Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center expected to post a storm warning or watch for the northern and eastern Gulf Coast later Sunday with a tropical depression circulating off the Florida coast with 35

mph winds.

The system should come ashore north of Tampa, cross the Florida peninsula Tuesday and shoot into the Atlantic with 55-60 mph winds but won't pose much of a rain threat to flooded areas of the Carolinas, said hurricane specialist Brian Jarvinen.

The storm will "be moving fairly briskly, and they (the Carolinas) would be on the drier side of the system when it came by," he said. "I wouldn't be expecting a whole heck of a lot of rain from this system."

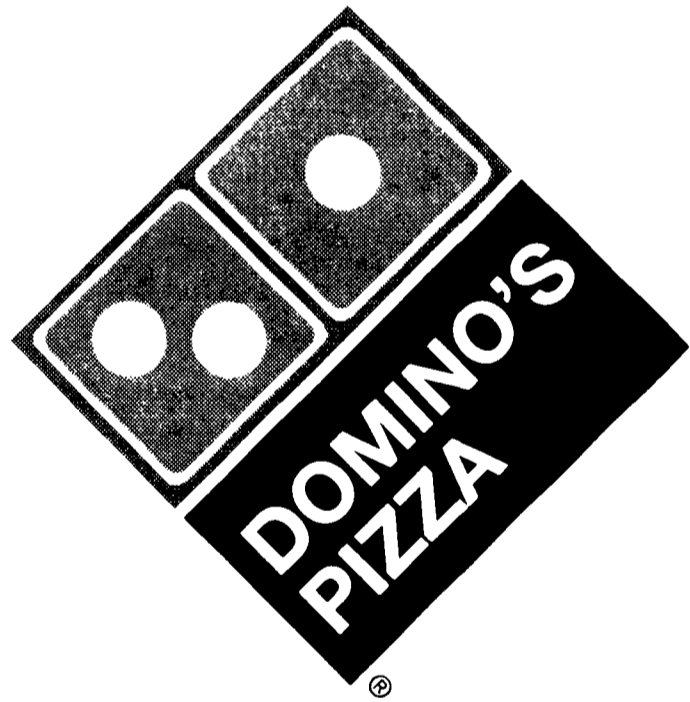
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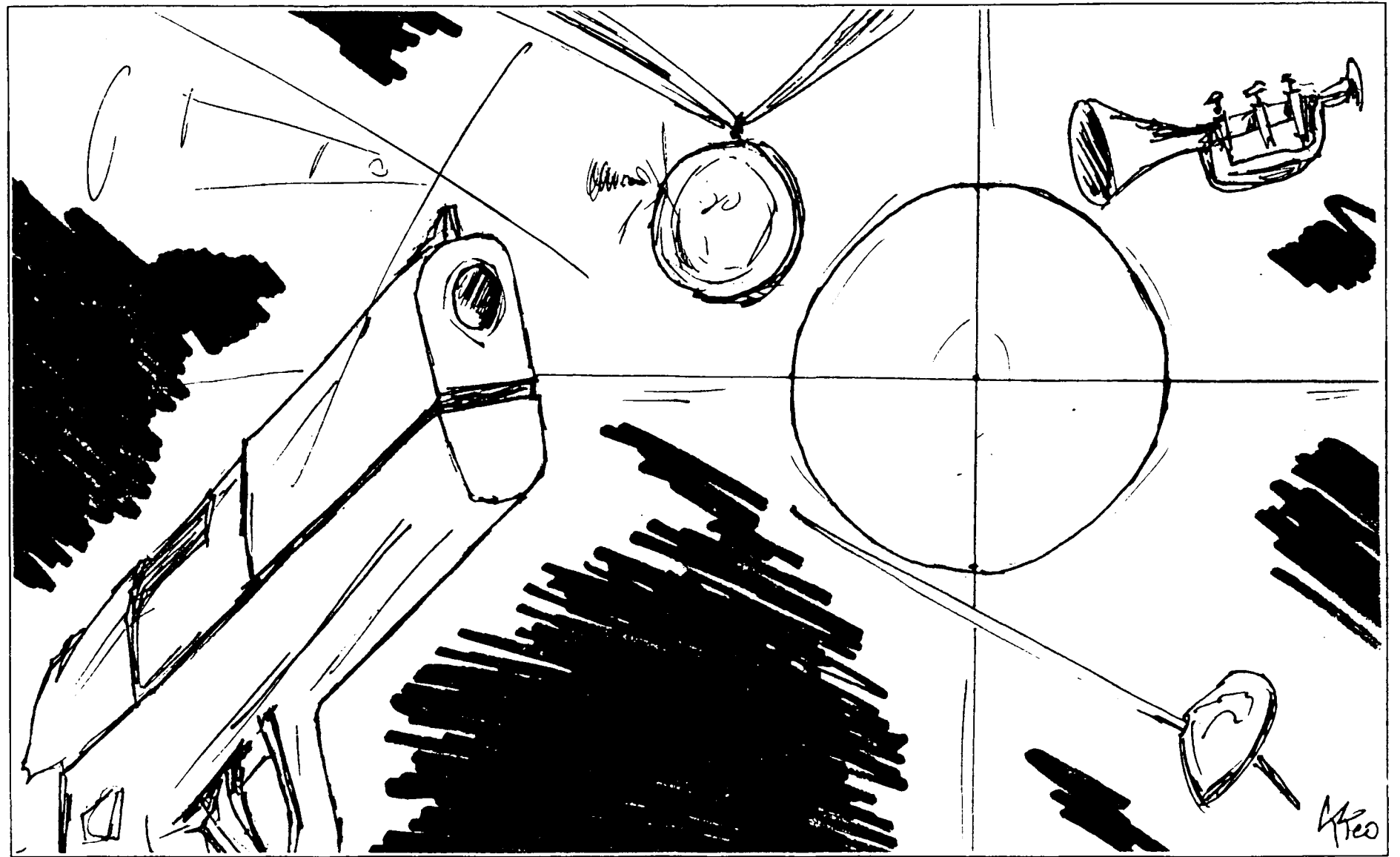
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Cappy Gagnon

Cappy's Corner

A few minutes later, Tes is downstairs in a garage under the Security Building practicing one of her many athletic talents. Tes would have been a good guest on "What's My Line" (a TV show that aired about a 1000 years ago — ask your grandparents about it). It is doubtful that any panelist would suspect that this soft-spoken, attractive young woman is one of the top pistol shooters in the country, firing her German-made Steyr, .177-caliber air pistol. I can personally attest to her shooting accuracy. We let Tes shoot in the same area we store bicycles for the semi-annual auctions, and in this very confined space. She hasn't hit one yet.

Tes has won many gold and silver championships, including the Junior Olympic National Championship in women's air pistol in April 1997. But that's not the end of her accomplishments. Tes is also a member of the greatest college marching band in America, the band of the Fighting Irish, where she plays in the first trumpet section. She has also fenced for the Irish, earning a monogram this past year. And, in case you think that jug-

gling an epee, a trumpet and a pistol is a difficult task, consider that we've barely scratched the surface of the talents of this remarkable athlete.

Tes competed as a swimmer in high school (Hobbs, N.M.), serving as captain of her swim team and qualifying for the state championship in one of her relay events. She also ran cross country for Hobbs High School. Despite her proficiency at the high school level, Tes found running and swimming to be her two weakest events of the modern pentathlon. She was stronger in the fencing and shooting, although she continues to be the strongest in the equestrian events. She has been riding since she was 5 years old. Tes has won age group equestrian competitions since she was barely 10 years old. In 1995, she won a first place equestrian in the Olympic Festival, U.S. Modern Pentathlon, women's competition and a 6th place overall. She won a 4th place in the 1995 Junior National Championships.

The old joke about versatile athletes used to be that "they took time out to sell popcorn at halftime," but that wouldn't even begin to convey the versatility of Tes Salb. She has been a featured dancer in ballet tap and jazz dance programs since she was 13 years old. She still does some part-time dance instructing. Somehow, Tes has also found time to pick up several science fair prizes, including first place in a couple of southwest science fairs in something called microbiology (I don't think they had this when I was a kid — our biology was bigger back then).

Tes won a first place at the National Camp in women's air pistol this past

summer. She is a member of the Olympic Development Team which trains at Colorado Springs, Colo. She was also featured in an ESPN film about the 1998 Atlanta World Cup. She has competed in air pistol competitions all over the country and in a few exotic foreign locations, such as the 1998 World Competition in Barcelona, Spain.

Competitors in women's air pistol have one hour and 15 minutes to take 40 shots. The target is 10 meters away, with the 10-ring being less than half an inch in diameter. When Tes qualified for the World Championships in 1998, she shot consecutive 373 scores, just a little below the standard to describe "World Class." Her shooting is even more remarkable because she has been shooting for only a few years.

If I had sons instead of daughters, I would be trying to match them up with Tes — but then I met her boyfriend last month. He's a good-looking guy, but I would not expect Tes Salb to settle for any old bronze-medal type of guy when she is an All-American and an Olympian in the making.

Cappy Gagnon, '66 coordinates the student employees for the Notre Dame Security/Police Department and has volunteered to carry Tes Salb's gun case to the Sydney Olympics.

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DILBERT



SCOTT ADAMS

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try."

Beverly Sills
American opera singer

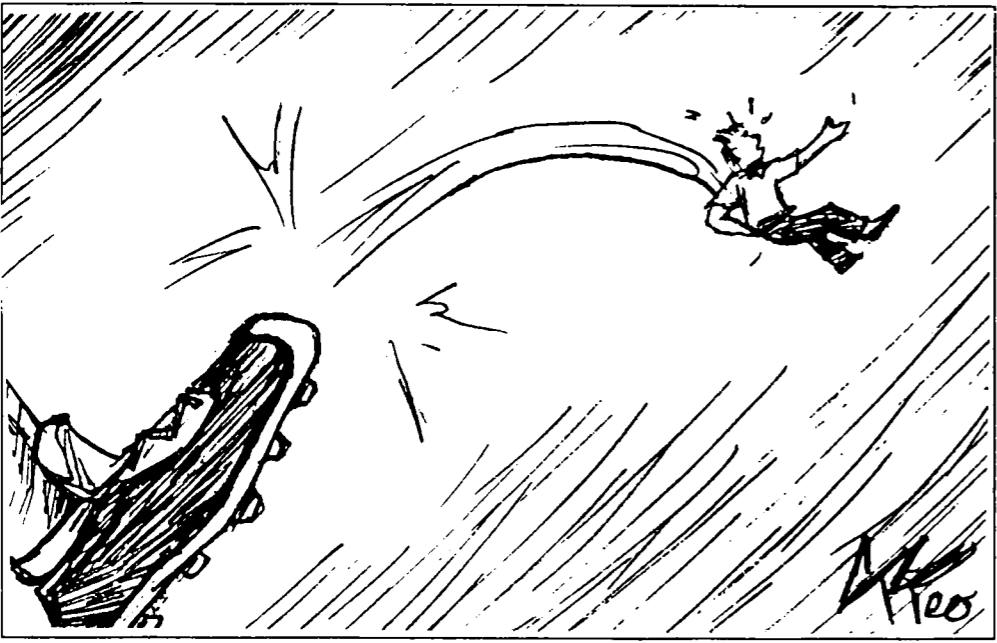
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Punt Davie!

He likes to punt so much that maybe we should do likewise to him. Thank you, Bob, for wasting two of my precious years at Notre Dame. Thank you to Jarious for wasting a year of your life for a dead-end season. Thank you, MSU, for providing yet another indelible example of why Bob Davie shouldn't be at the helm anymore. And thank you, God, for allowing me to go to Notre Dame during the tenure of Bob Faust ... err ... Davie. Wait, I take that slam back. Davie doesn't rate as good as Faust, who at least had respect as a wonderful man.

Davie may have class, as he often says, but a classy loss is still a loss. Nothing better than losing with class, that's what I always say. That was pretty classy when we decided to punt away the game against Michigan State. I especially liked it when the students, in honor of our classy coach, raised a single finger in salute during the 1812 overture — or better yet, raised an I!

There is nothing Bob can do to redeem himself now. 1-3, 0-3 officially since, by all rights, the pre-season game against KU shouldn't count on our record. I don't go to Akron; I go to Notre Dame! I think Davie has summed up how bad he is when he has repeatedly remarked, "These men are GREAT players." THEN WHY CAN'T WE WIN? Coaching?

Perhaps the student body can distribute a cup or a hat and gather contributions to buy out Davie's contract. Or saran wrap his car shut. Or bring back a Devine tradition and paint "5-minute parking" on the ground in the coach's parking spot. Bob has remarked at several pep rallies (well, all of them really, seeing as how he regurgitates the same crap every week) that we need to be true to our tradition, so I'm sure he'd understand that we were just following tradition.

In Green Bay, they got rid of Dan Devine by shooting his dog. Does Bob have a dog?

Ryan Moodie
Sophomore
St. Edward's Hall
September 19, 1999

If you've given up, don't come

I want to thank all of you who stayed in the stadium until after the playing of the Alma Mater. After that song I left the stadium with my head held high. The past 15 minutes just faded away.

For those of you who left early, I feel the deepest sympathy for you. You've missed something along the way. I agree that the football team is frustrating. I agree that something needs to be done. I agree that we are a far, far cry from a championship team.

However, I disagree with those of you who gave up. If you sat down at all while the teams were on the field then please, do the rest of us a favor and give up your tickets. If you gave up on the coaches or players, then please stop coming. I don't even want you to cheer with me any more. Stay home, give your tickets to someone who wants to watch the Fightin' Irish play football — whether it's championship football or losing football.

I won't pull out any cliches, I just want you all to read the words of the Alma Mater and think about what it really means to be a Domer.

Nate Nelson
Freshman
Zahm Hall
September 19, 1999

America needs more peasants

Student activists have recently raised concerns about sweatshops. Sweatshops, they tell us, are nothing but trouble. But if sweatshops are a problem, they only point to a deeper problem, capitalism. Progressives and liberals have shown themselves, for better or for worse, unable to break capitalism's grip on American life. Neither political party nor most of you opposing sweatshops are willing to buck the capitalist system, so sweatshops go on. The real solution is the resurgence of peasantry in America.

Jeff Langan

Lula's
Journal

Peasants, you will say, are ignorant. Our forefathers and mothers came here to get away from their lifestyle. Nevertheless, in the age of alternative lifestyles, the peasant lifestyle has often been overlooked. Peasants, you will say, are medieval, rude, dirty, stubborn and, worst of all evils, insensitive. They are all that, but they also own land. Their attachment to the land gives them a view on life, along with a certain liberty, that immunizes them from things like political correctness. It also keeps them independent of political parties who are on the dole. The peasant lifestyle is the real alternative to savage capitalism.

The real problem with capitalism is that it leads to the centralization of wealth and power. This leads to abuses akin to the ones our friendly protesters think occur in sweatshops. Of course, their solution, protesting, does nothing to actually make the lives of the oppressed any better. Once the sweatshops are closed down, the workers will go on to become migrant farmers, or some other under the table transitory cog in the capitalist machine. Meanwhile, wealth will continue to concentrate, power will further centralize and monopolies will continue to grow.

In fact, the solution of the sweatshop protesters would only further exacerbate the problem of the workers. They would probably be willing to advocate some form of socialist style government program to alleviate the situation of the workers, but this solution again fails to give the workers more liberty. The socialist alternative only further concentrates wealth and power into the hands of fewer people. Instead of being oppressed by the man, the worker becomes a puppet of the state.

At this point, politicians remain unwilling to really do anything about the workers in the sweatshops, and why should they? Who keeps the politicians in office? Besides the Chinese, Hollywood, Wall Street and big corporations seem to be doing a fine job of that. Do we need to do away with Hollywood, Wall Street and big corporations? Outside of our own refusal to buy products from Wal-Mart, I do not see a way out of the current problem.

Nevertheless, we could do much to encourage

a significant minority of the population to become peasants. Many of the people who end up working in sweatshops, for example, would be more than happy if they were given 10 or so acres in small town, U.S.A. They could use their little farm to grow food, raise chickens and sell homemade products in the local market. We could even offer the same option to many of the current slum dwellers in the big cities, and the homeless, too, for that matter.

Of course, this would have to be a voluntary program. Some of the larger landowners would have to agree to sell part of their land to those who are, at the moment, not so well off, but the banks are always able to work something out. Perhaps we could make yet another loophole in the tax law that would allow for significant tax write-offs for the wealthy who finance a small farm or two. There are so many loopholes for them as it is, what's one more.

So, what's the payoff? Peasants would provide this nation with a real cultural, political and economic alternative to the status quo. Peasants depend on the land, not capital. They will still grow their food in a recession. Money is not their only concern. Yes the peasant life is

a difficult one, but I fail to see how it is more difficult than the life of a homeless man sleeping on concrete every night, or the life of a migrant worker or a worker in a sweatshop, who never have the security that the house they live in, the land they live on, or the tools they work with are their own.

Moreover, a peasant class would offer political benefits. In every country that traditionally had a peasant class, the major parties or wealthier classes had to accommodate the peasant class to keep power or prevent revolutions. The peasant culture would also be an alternative to the current superficial sex-crazed culture that America is pushing all around the world. Peasants have their own traditions of song, dance and entertainment that would add to the cultural diversity in this country.

So perhaps the PSA should change its name. The progressive movement, which has really been in

action for a hundred years, is a zero. It has probably brought further centralization of power and wealth, and has left capitalism, its main foe, healthier and happier than ever. The progressive student alliance needs a new cause.

May I suggest the Peasant Student Alliance?

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HEALTH COLUMN

Lost in cyberspace

Do you know someone who goes online so frequently that they are in danger of becoming lost in cyberspace? How much is too much? Is excessive computer use unhealthy? There are plenty of anecdotes of people who appear to be "addicted" to online games, the Web and even instant messaging.

Wendy Settle

University Counseling Center

The term "internet addiction disorder" was first coined as a tongue-in-cheek parody of symptoms proposed by Dr. Ivan Goldberg on the Web in 1997.

Once discovered, his media-bite became front page news. The mental health community has continued to debate whether it actually exists as a disorder at all, and empirical research from truly representative samples, rather than

online studies :-)) has been slow to follow.

Is it a disorder, like pathological gambling? If so, why not talk about a TV addiction disorder? Or a telephone addiction disorder? How about a technology addiction disorder?

Should we only examine excessive use or should we examine what the use is for? Others are arguing that there is no "Internet addiction," but want to specify that it is defined by the activity that is addictive on the Internet, such as a "sex/pornography addiction" or a "Star Trek chat room addiction" (Holmes, 1998).

Others say that being hooked on the Internet is akin to a disorder of impulse control, similar to kleptomania or compulsive shopping (Shapira, 1998). So shall we call it "Internetomania"?

That is enough of the debate. Whatever you call it, I'll bet you do know a fellow roommate, friend or acquaintance whose time spent online is, shall we say, excessive if not close to pathological.

Notre Dame ranked 23rd on the 1999 Yahoo! Internet Life's list of the top 100 "most wired" campuses in the U.S because the internet is so easily accessible. Our technology includes 8,000 ResNet ports as well as "cybercafe" ports in LaFortune Student Center, Reckers and Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore.

College students are particularly susceptible to bite the lure and get hooked for hours online, some from midnight 'til dawn (Kandell, 1998). Percentages of college students whose computer use is considered to be dependent run about 10 to 13 percent (Anderson, in press; Scherer, 1997).

Another study conducted with college students found that "pathological" use of computers was correlated with loneliness, personal problems, withdrawal symptoms, and mood altering use (Morahan-Martin and Schumaker, 1997). The pathological users averaged 8.5 hours of internet use per week, students with limited symptoms averaged 3.2 hours per week and those with no symptoms averaged 2.4 hours per week. Scherer (1997) lists some of the critical warning signs of

Internet dependency: declining grades, failing to fulfill major responsibilities — academic, professional, or social —, health problems such as sleep deprivation and legal or financial problems.

There's no doubt about it — the computer can become a trusted friend who allows instant gratification, stimulation and reinforcement. Whether students are procrastinating to delay the anxiety of an assignment, or filling a social void via the excitement of meeting strangers online who quickly lose their inhibitions during numerous short exchanges, or immersing themselves into fantasy worlds through MUD games or pornographic sites, they hardly ever self-identify that these activities have become excessive or a problem.

If they do come for counseling, they tend to present a vague cluster of problems such as class absences, erratic sleep schedules, low-level depression, problems with interpersonal relationships or other addictions. Psychologists at many universities report that it is only after counseling is well under way that the number of hours spent online is shamefully revealed.

It must be said that using computers as a tool in one's life in a balanced manner can be a life-giving activity rather than a life-draining activity. Some students do report they have developed positive relationships with friends first met in cyberspace.

Perhaps most significantly, the computer can open up an instant library of information or a diversity of entertainment for the asking at 3 a.m. But if you're trying to decide if your own Internet use is problematic, you can take one of the self tests — available online, of course.

Better yet, you can ask yourself Holmes' (1998) simple question: Is my computer use getting in the way of the rest of my life?

The intent of this monthly series of articles is not to provide counseling but to provide information about a variety of mental health topics. To seek help with your individual concerns, please contact the University Counseling Center at 631-7336 to schedule an appointment.

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INTERNET SITE REVIEW

Web site swoons a

By LAURA GAINES
Scene Writer

Dating. Mating. Relating.

Swoon.com offers interesting insights into the world of male-female relationships with the promise of a little something for everyone. From the bright colored backdrops to

Swoon.com



out of five shamrocks

the funky, cartoonish graphics, the Web site is definitely female-oriented. However, that doesn't mean men can't find some entertaining information as well. The site is divided into five

main sections, where readers can peruse information regarding dreams and horoscopes, read and write personal ads, chat online and look at magazine pages.

Details, Glamour, Mademoiselle and GQ all have links on *Swoon.com*. The entire magazine is not published and little information is actually given on these pages besides previews of articles for the current issue. However, Details currently offers the enticing article entitled "Seduction 101" and a column on gift-giving advice. To find out more about oneself, Mademoiselle provides a multitude of self-discovery tests.

Horoscopes and quizzes are the main lure of *Swoon.com*. By typing in an astrological sign, and that of a hopeful mate, a reader can discover if love is written in the stars or destined to flop. There is a large section, called the Birthday Package, where curious astro-lovers can check out their daily horoscopes, love matches, astro-profile and even their sex scope. Readers can also test their mojo, Austin Powers-style, or discover their inner animal via Chinese astrology.

Another section, dedicated to dream interpretations, allows the reader to type in a keyword associated with a dream. Next, a small



explanation of the dream is given. However, most are just a few sentences, and lack any real detail. Dreamers can also print out a page of Dream-It notepaper to record the events of a previous night's sleep.

As an alternate to using newspapers or television, *Swoon.com* offers free personal ads online. After creating an alias and coughing up a few details about one's life, a personal ad may be posted. Those interested in finding a mate can select a location by area code and search through hundreds of ads.

The *Swoon* forum is a way to get advice and feedback on a variety of issues. Notes are posted in reference to dream interpretation, dating advice and family issues among other topics — topics which at times are off-the-wall and meaningless.

Ever heard of Mercury-retrograde? *Swoon* has a page dedicat-



Swoon.com includes features such as discerning a college student's most pe

I'll take College JEOPARDY!

College JEOPARDY! Online brings thrill of TV's toughest challenge to convenient home of Internet

By MIKE VANEGAS
Scene Writer

South Bend is a boring place, right? With this complaint registered in the minds of many Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, a short but often-referred-to list of activities has become standard throughout this college community. Activities include throwing a Frisbee, watching television, studying (studying? At a University?), drinking and talking among peers about the infinite sadness faced each day without the thriving, distraction-infested presence of a cool metropolis.

Those days are over, however. For Sony has created an Internet frenzy over the game show that makes the majority of Americans feel dumber than a vat of green jello — JEOPARDY! Well, really, the game was created last year, but this year there is a whole new crop of Internet-ready freshmen hoping to gain that elusive spot as Internet's

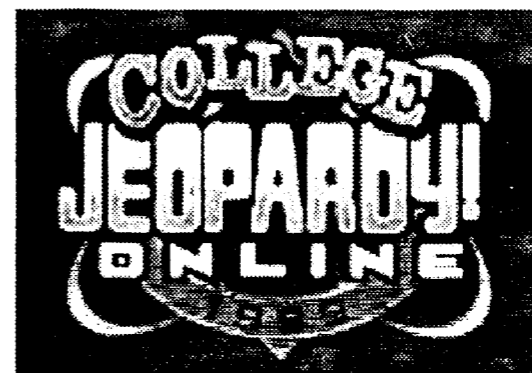


Image courtesy of Sony

Jeopardy king or queen.

The name of the game is College JEOPARDY! Online, and its second year hopes to build on the success of its first, as the incentive for playing has become a little more interesting — especially considering the state of boredom instilled on the Notre Dame community by the greater Michiana area.

Before the prize is revealed, though, it is important to understand the teamwork involved. The folks at Sony recognize students as the sometimes self-centered egos they are, and they are willing to award individuals based on their individual efforts. But Sony also understands the power of the mass, especially the youthfully motivated mass of college students that may compose any student body throughout the nation. One must merely witness home-field advantage at a college football game (um, alright ... maybe that's not the best example at good ol' Notre Dame) to fully comprehend the impact a student body can have on one single issue.

Thus, Sony and College JEOPARDY! Online have marked the grand prize for the fall competition as a grand prize for an entire student body. The prize is a sneak preview screening of a Sony Pictures Entertainment film, most likely next spring, for the three colleges or universities with the highest cumulative score

at college students



Image courtesy of Swoon.com

ed to informing its viewers on the dangers of this illusive phenomenon:

"We've probably all heard the planet Mercury blamed for miscellaneous mayhem: My computer crashed, Mercury must be retrograde. The car won't start, Mercury must be retrograde. That certain someone I've been lusting after didn't phone even though I was promised I'd get a call — Mercury MUST be in retrograde!"

Evidently, Mercury-retrograde occurs about four times a year, when the planet Mercury appears to be moving backward in the sky.

These two-week long periods of motion are called retrograde periods. Until Mercury appears on-course again, people can expect "delays, interferences, malfunctions in small appliances, mix-ups, mental confusion, missed appointments, misdeliveries, and misunderstandings."

Instead of blaming things on El Niño, or some other buzz phenomenon, blame it on Mercury. Thinking of ascribing the recent football failures to Mercury? Unfortunately, retrograde is not to blame. It's 45 days until the next Mercury-retrograde occurs. The site offers "proof" of numerous tragic events and unexpected circumstances that occurred during retrograde periods. Curious readers may even type in a particularly bad day and check to see if Mercury was in retrograde during that time.

Although *Swoon.com* has plenty of variety, the page is reminiscent of a woman's magazine gone bad. The page is well laid out, but the entertainment value is moderate. Many *Swoon* topics, especially the dream interpretations and Mercury-retrograde phenomenon, lack details and insight.

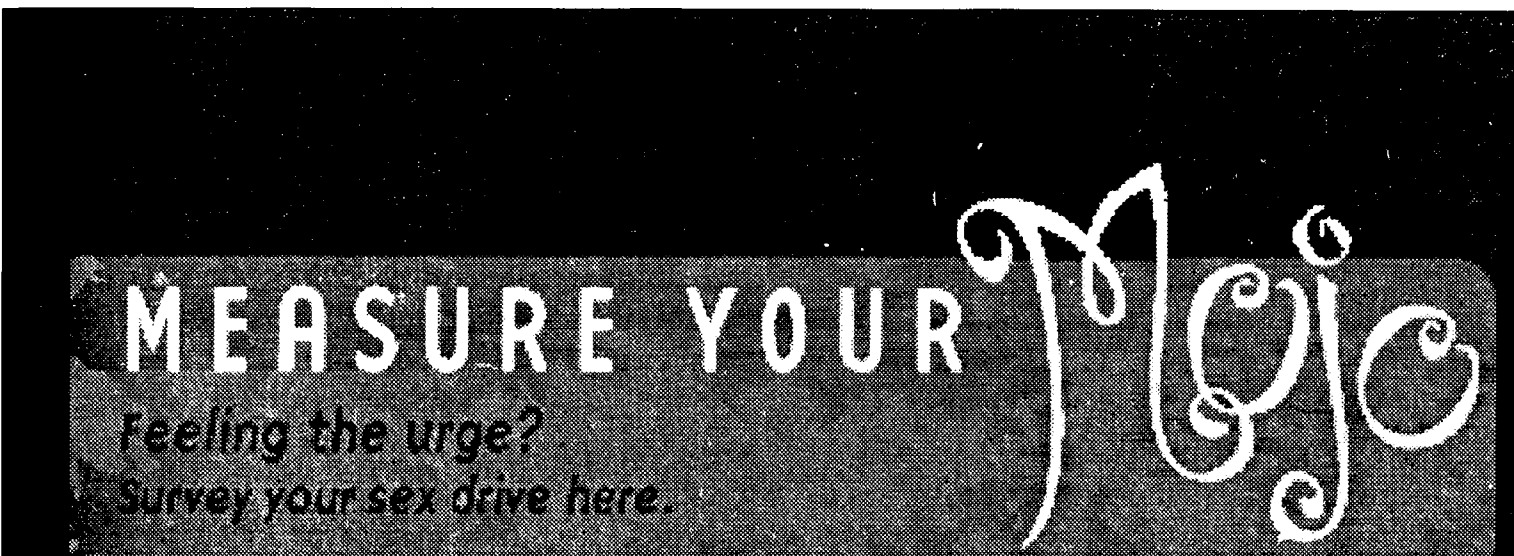


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as Measure Your Mojo, which follows the woman's magazine industry with self-help quizzes on personal issues.

ARDY! for \$200, Alex

at the end of the contest. Individual prizes include various Sony electronic devices — Discmans, Walkmans and CD clock radios —

Top Five Colleges in College JEOPARDY! Online

SCHOOL	\$ WON
Virginia Tech.....	\$58,796,908
Brown University.....	\$51,060,908
Indiana University-Bloomington.....	\$36,992,479
Boston University.....	\$34,819,402
Claremont McKenna College.....	\$31,036,524

Other notables:	
Boston College (18).....	\$6,739,796
Michigan(25).....	\$5,401,032

Unranked:	
Saint Mary's College.....	(N/A)
Notre Dame.....	\$275,500

(ranked eighth among Big East schools)

MIKE VANEGAS/The Observer

gift certificates and t-shirts.

Other incentives in playing the game is that one can connect with thousands of college students around the nation through the Web site's message boards. Here's an example of the conversation that can go on via the site:

Station member No. 1: "I just played two games against someone whose handle is 'Bran*****' — I'll keep him or her anonymous, but they are now telling players that I am a cheat.

How does one cheat at this? I don't want to be known as a cheat! I am a 'jack of all trades, master of none' in my mind. I love trivia."

A reply from station member No. 2, about two hours later:

"How many games have you played? If you are a multi gamer sometimes people call it 'cheating' if you have seen the answers before and 'have them memorized.' We have all put up with this at some time or another. Just let it roll off, it is only a game ... and a fun one at that."

Though the game can sometimes run a little slow, it certainly keeps competitive players on their feet, and allows, like the show, for a good test of knowledge.

The current contest began Sept. 13 and continues until Dec. 6, which means that Domers and Belles have enough time to win plenty of prizes for themselves and for their peers. Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are currently unranked in JEOPARDY!'s standings, with only \$275,500 in winner's dollars.

Visit www.station.sony.com to play College JEOPARDY! Online.

AP ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS



Photo courtesy of Twentieth Century Fox

Lauren Holly debuts in "Chicago Hope" Thursday on CBS.

Kelley woos Holly to 'Hope'

NEW YORK

Lauren Holly's new role is a combination of beauty and cutting wit. She tells TV Guide in its Sept. 25 issue that her plastic surgeon character on "Chicago Hope" is "the queen of collagen ... a little bit of a hippie and a tomboy with a biting sense of humor, who wears cargo pants and combat boots."

And it's all writer David E. Kelley's idea.

"When he phoned me and said 'I'd like you to be on 'Chicago Hope,' and I'll write you a great character, it was a done deal," Holly said.

McLachlan makes McCartney cry

LOS ANGELES

Sarah McLachlan's mournful ballad "Angel" reduced Paul McCartney to tears at an animal rights awards show.

McCartney, who was hosting the event sponsored by the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals Saturday night, returned teary-eyed to the stage after McLachlan's piano solo.

He explained that the song was brought to his attention after his wife, Linda McCartney, an active animal welfare crusader, died of breast cancer in April 1998.

It includes the lyrics: "You're in the arms of an angel. May you find some comfort there."

Plantation makes way for Gibson

McCONNELLS, S.C.

A popular historic site here is answering duty's call.

The Historic Brattonsville plantation has shut its doors until the middle of October so that preparations can be made for Mel Gibson's latest film, "The Patriot."

Crew members for the Revolutionary War movie are working around the clock painting and restoring buildings. Officials in charge of the site say the changes will make the plantation a more pleasant place to visit when it re-opens.

Gibson plays Benjamin Martin, a reluctant hero who is swept into battle when the war reaches his farm. In an effort to protect his family, he joins the American militia and fights beside his idealistic son.

'Blue Streak' tops box office

LOS ANGELES

Martin Lawrence's comedy "Blue Streak" struck out Kevin Costner's latest baseball flick at the weekend box office, taking in \$19.2 million to debut as the No. 1 movie, according to estimates Sunday.

Costner's "For Love of the Game," in which he plays an aging pitcher, took second place with \$14 million for its opening weekend.

Costner was a natural in his third baseball movie after "Bull Durham" and "Field of Dreams," but Lawrence's comedy held more appeal for younger audiences, said Ed Russell, executive vice president for publicity at Sony Pictures, which distributed "Blue Streak."

It was Lawrence's first solo triumph at the box office. He's previously had No. 1 openings as a co-star with Eddie Murphy in "Life" and Will Smith in "Bad Boys."

"This is a really great credit to Martin to open like this on his own," Russell said. "It shows there's real interest in Martin and that the timing was right for a really funny comedy."

"For Love of the Game" may have been hurt by Costner's reluctance to help publicize the film, said Robert Bucksbaum, a film analyst with Reel Source Inc. Costner did some interviews but devoted much of his time to criticizing Universal for editing scenes to get the movie down from an R rating to PG-13.

South Africa wins All Africa Games

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — South Africa won the most gold medals at the All Africa Games, boosting its chances of holding the World Cup, Olympics and other major international events.

Despite some organizational and crime problems, among those who gave high marks to

the host country's handling of the continent's premier sports event were International Olympic Committee President Juan Antonio Samaranch and Nigerian Sports Minister Damishi Sango.

Sango said South Africa has shown it is ready to host the 2006 soccer World Cup. South Africa is considered one of the favorites to hold the event.

South African Joshua Peterson won the men's marathon in 2:19:07 on Sunday, adding his gold to the 174 medals, including 67 gold, that South Africa had already won by Saturday night.

South Africa swept the 160-kilometer cycling race Sunday, with Tiaan Kannemeyer winning the gold in 3:50:42. Defending champion Malcom Lange took the silver and Jacques Fullard the bronze.

Nigeria was running second in gold medals with 64 out of its total of 128. Egypt was third with 52 golds out its 156 total.

Ethiopia swept the women's marathon, with Hiyot Gizaw taking the gold in 2:45:38, Meseret Kotu the silver in 2:46:29 and Kore Alemu the bronze in 2:48:31.

The South African team announced Sunday that one of its members has tested positive for a banned substance.

Otis Ntisame, a member of the karate squad, admitted to taking dietary supplements which contain the stimulant d-norpseudoephedrine, the team said in a statement. Ntisame did not win any medals during the Games.

BOXING

San Juan celebrates Trinidad's victory

Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Music pounded until dawn and cavalcades of honking cars wound through the streets.

Native son Felix Trinidad had beaten Oscar De La Hoya, triggering an all-night fiesta on the island.

The government planned a rally to welcome Trinidad on Monday, and San Juan Mayor Sila Calderon gave city employees the day off. Gov. Pedro Rossello praised Trinidad for "glorifying the name of Puerto Rico."

Cable television officials estimated nearly half of the 135,000 homes in San Juan capable of receiving the \$50 pay-per-view fight were tuned in.

When the majority decision was announced in Las Vegas early Sunday, a roar of "Tito! Tito!" carried over the roofs

of historic Old San Juan. The sounds reverberated on the streets where cars paraded and bands of youngsters waved Puerto Rico's lone-star flag.

"This is unbelievable for Puerto Rico!" shouted Carlos Colon at Coaches sports bar in San Juan, where young men mounted the bar and danced on tables.

His girlfriend sat glumly, possibly the only person in the bar who supported De La Hoya.

Like many, Colon viewed Trinidad's victory as a nationalist triumph for this U.S. territory.

"Pedro Rossello wants to make us Americans. But Tito shows we're Puerto Ricans," said an older man referring to the bid by the governor to make Puerto Rico the 51st state. "Trinidad won because he's Puerto Rican and Puerto Ricans are hungry."

Trinidad displayed his own nationalist bent, entering the ring before a sign that said "Navy, get out of Vieques," in reference to a controversial military training ground on the outlying island of Vieques. The Puerto Rican government is demanding the U.S. Navy leave the island.

Trinidad, little known outside Puerto Rico because he speaks only Spanish, is adored in his homeland as a churchgoing Christian who unabashedly sports religious pins declaring, "I love Jesus." He is a dedicated husband and the father of a 2-year-old girl, Ashley.

His reputation is untarnished by the abusive pursuits that have broken other Puerto Rican boxers: Edwin Rosario, who died of a drug overdose 21 months ago; Wilfredo Gomez, arrested in 1994 on charges of domestic violence and buying cocaine; Esteban DeJesus, another champion ravaged by drugs and AIDS.

Instead, Trinidad advertises freely for the Alliance for a Drug-Free Puerto Rico, his face on its posters outside bus stops and schools. On Saturday night across the island, thousands of people crowded into standing-room only bars that charged \$15 to watch the fight on big screens.

At the Capitol, the government paid \$72,000 to mount 16 giant screens and gave away tickets to 8,000 people who watched the welterweight title bout outdoors, cooled by breezes off the Atlantic Ocean.

The fervor for their 26-year-old hero diminished early in the fight. De La Hoya, the WBC champion, got in more and more jabs and seemed on his way to defeating the IBF champion.

Every time Trinidad landed a punch, people shouted and waved their flags.

"Give it to him! Give it to him hard!" shouted Trinidad's mother, Irma Doris Garcia, as she watched with the fighter's wife, Sharon in her home on the outskirts of San Juan.

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SENIOR PGA

Watson claims first Senior tour victory

Associated Press

DALLAS Tom Watson has 34 PGA Tour victories, has won eight major championships and is in the World Golf Hall of Fame. On Sunday, he made his first mark on the Senior PGA Tour, shooting a course-record, 10-under 62 in the final round of the Bank One Championship to win by five strokes in his second event as a senior.

The 62 broke Watson's career low of 63, which he had accomplished three times. His 20-under 196 total was a season-low on the senior tour and he

became the tour's 10th first-time winner this year, breaking the record set in 1989.

Bruce Summerhays started a shot behind the leaders and had a 66 to finish second. Summerhays had seven birdies in a span of nine holes and was within three strokes of the lead after a birdie on par-5 16th, but Watson, playing in the next group, answered with a two-putt birdie on the same hole.

Watson, who was tied for the lead with five others at 10 under after two rounds, birdied Nos. 2 and 3 and then took charge of the tournament with an eagle on the par-5, 530-yard sixth hole at the Bent Tree Country Club.

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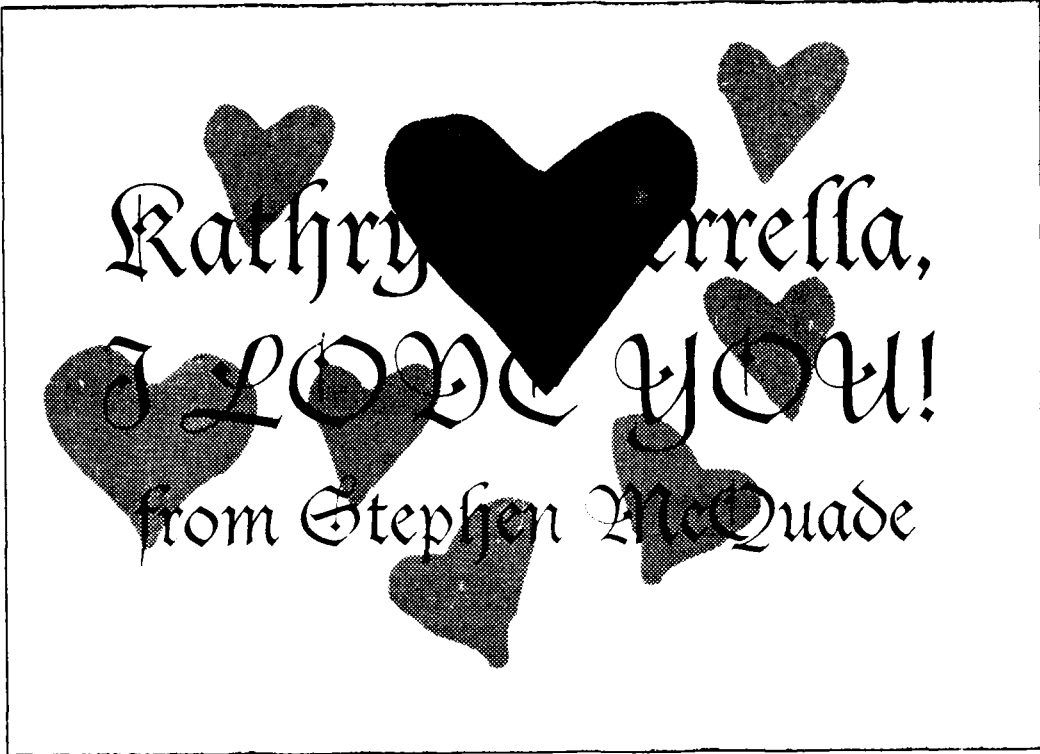
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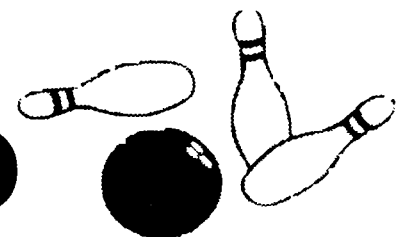
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NCAA

Bicknell coaches La. Tech to dramatic victory over 'Bama

Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. Jack Bicknell knows a thing or two about dramatic endings. His Louisiana Tech team shocked Alabama on Saturday, winning 29-28 on a last-second touchdown thrown by the backup quarterback.

For Bicknell, son of former Boston College coach Jack Bicknell, Jr., it was the second astounding finish of his career. In 1984, Bicknell was the Boston College center who snapped the ball to Doug Flutie in one of college football's great games. Flutie completed a desperation pass that beat Miami with no time remaining, sealing his Heisman Trophy.

Bicknell relived the moment Saturday, but as a coach. Backup quarterback Brian

Stallworth, in two plays earlier when star Tim Rattay left the game with an ankle injury, converted a fourth-and-26 with two seconds left, throwing a 28-yard touchdown pass to Sean Cangelosi.

"It's, like, exactly the same," Bicknell said. "I looked out into the end zone, and it's almost like disbelief. You just don't believe it."

"That's the same way it was with Flutie, except I was on my butt worried that I had held. Thank God it wasn't called or I'd be hiding out in Europe somewhere."

Against Alabama, it was deja vu for Bicknell.

"If a guy wrote this script for a movie, no one would believe it," he said.

Alabama (2-1) was knocked out of the Top 25 after

the loss.

Tech (2-2) was trailing 28-22 and backed against the wall. Rattay, the 1998 national leader in total offense, was on his way to the locker room.

In goes Stallworth, who didn't even get a chance to warm up. He gets sacked on his first play.

But on his next, Stallworth

throws into the end zone to the triple-covered Cangelosi, who pulls down the catch and ties the game 28-28.

"I couldn't hear the crowd," Stallworth said. "I knew in my heart I had to get the ball in the end zone. That's why I prepare all week, why Tim Rattay prepares me all week, why the coaches prepare me all week

... just for possibly one or two plays. That's why I have to be ready."

Kicker Kevin Pond, who had already missed two extra points, wobbled through the winning extra point.

"It wasn't the prettiest in the world," Pond said. "But if we got it in the end zone, I knew I was going to make it."

LPGA

Hjorth shoots course record for first win

Associated Press

KENT, Wash. Second-year pro Maria Hjorth shot an 8-under 64 Sunday, including a tournament record-tying 30 on the front nine, and won the \$650,000 Safeco Classic for her first career LPGA victory.

The 25-year-old Swede, whose best previous finish was a tie for fifth, didn't have a bogey over the final 26 holes and beat Scotland's Catriona Matthew by two strokes.

Matthew, in her fifth year on the tour, was also looking for her first victory. Her best previous best finish was a tie for second at last year's Edina Realty Classic.

Tina Barrett, third-round leader Rachel Hetherington and defending champion Anika Sorenstam all finished four strokes behind the leader. Hetherington had a closing 72, while Sorenstam had a 68 and Barrett a 67.

Hjorth's 72-hole total of 17-under 271 on the 6,198-yard Meridian Valley Country Club course south of Seattle earned her \$97,500 and was just one shot off the tournament record

set by Patty Sheehan in 1990.

Hjorth tied for fifth at last year's Friendly's Classic and again in February at the Valley of the Stars Championship. She started Sunday's round four shots behind Hetherington, who had a closing 72.

Hjorth had six birdies, including five straight on Nos. 3-7, for her 30, which tied the tournament record held by Judy Dickinson in 1986 and Hollis Stacy in 1992.

Matthew led briefly at one point after her fifth birdie of the day at No. 11 put her 17 under, while Hjorth, two groups ahead, was 15 under.

Hjorth took advantage of Matthew's mistakes with two birdies on the back nine.

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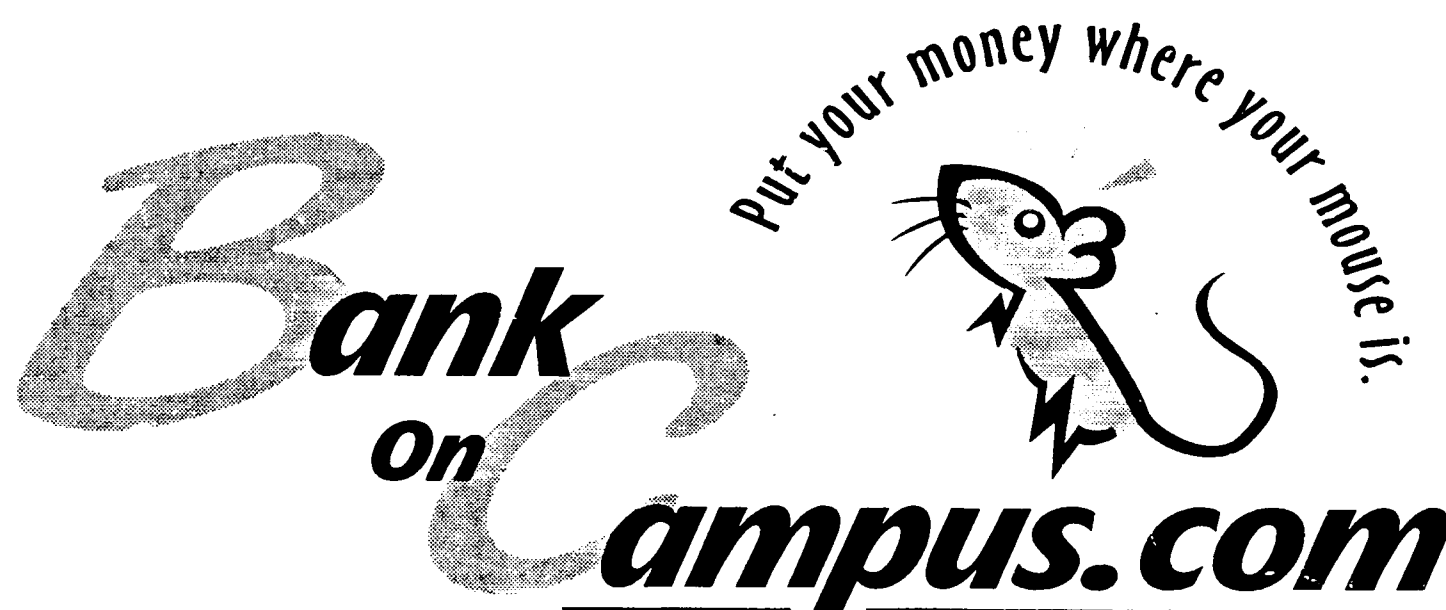
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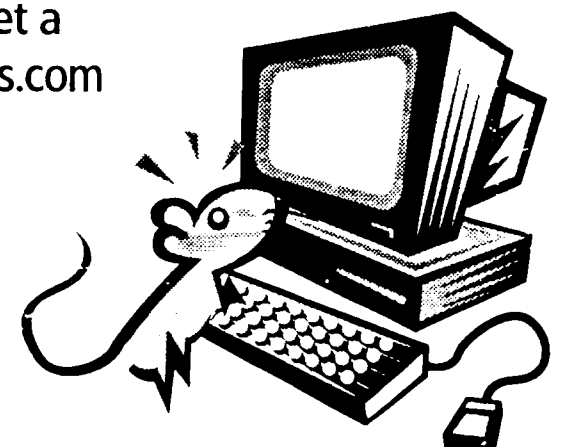
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PGA

Funk, Faxon remain even after playoff

Associated Press

ENDICOTT, N.Y. Fred Funk and Brad Faxon were tied after 72 holes of the B.C. Open on Sunday night and a one-hole playoff didn't decide a winner so they were to continue Monday.

Faxon, Funk and Rory Sabbatini started the final hole of regulation in a three-way tie, but both Funk and Faxon birdied the hole to knock the young South African out of the lead as the sun was setting and a half moon hung in the sky to force.

Both Faxon, who shot a fourth-round 67, and Funk, who had a 72, parred No. 18 and will play for the championship at 8:30 a.m. Monday. They finished regulation at 15-under 273.

Craig Spence, who had a closing 65, finished in a tie for fourth at 276 with Jonathan Kaye, Stephen Ames, Ronnie Black and Mark Carnevale. Peter Jacobsen was another stroke back, while Mike Weir and Deane Pappas were at 278.

The field was forced to play the final two rounds on Sunday because rain from Hurricane Floyd had postponed Thursday's opening round. A fog delay held up play for 45 minutes Saturday, making for a long Sunday that Funk struggled to survive.

Funk, who began the day with a five-shot lead over Faxon and Sabbatini, slowly watched it dwindle as the day wore on.

Clinging to a one-stroke lead over Sabbatini, Funk's second shot on the 432-yard par-4 15th hit about 15 feet on to the sloping green, tore up a big ball mark, and spun back down into a giant water hazard. Funk had to settle for a bogey while Faxon and Sabbatini had pars.

Faxon then forged a three-way tie for the lead when his second shot on the par-4 16th landed within a foot and he easily tapped in for birdie.

Funk, who shot an 11-under 61 to surge to the top of the leaderboard after Saturday's second round, couldn't come close to duplicating the best round of his 15 years on tour.

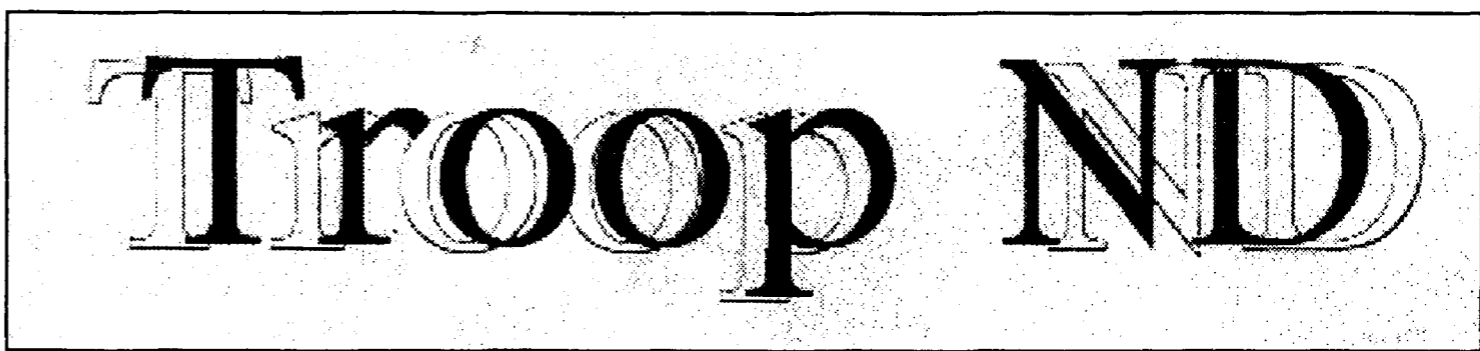
Funk had his troubles in the third round on the way to a 70. He landed in three sand traps on his way around the En-Joie Golf Club course and had two bogeys to go with four birdies.

Sabbatini shot an impressive 68 in the third round despite some erratic play. The highlight of his round was a terrific eagle on the 545-yard par-5 12th. He also had six birdies, two bogeys and one double bogey.

Funk's lead quickly dipped to one shot early in the fourth round when he bogeyed No. 3 and Sabbatini made his second straight birdie.

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NHL

Shorthanded goal lifts Oilers

Associated Press

KANATA, Ontario
Alex Selivanov scored a power-play goal and added an assist to lead the Edmonton Oilers to a 3-0 exhibition victory over the Ottawa Senators on Sunday night.

The loss was Ottawa's first in five preseason games.

Eric Houde and Brian Swanson also scored for the Oilers (3-2), while Tommy Salo made 29 saves for the shutout.

Selivanov opened the scoring 10:23 into the first period on a pass from Janne Niinimaa.

Selivanov had an assists as Houde beat Jani Hurme to give Edmonton a 2-0 lead at 7:23 of the second period. Swanson made it 3-0 with a backhand from close range 3:30 later.

Flames 3, Canadiens 2

Benoit Gratton's goal in the third period capped Calgary's rally from a two-goal deficit and the Flames beat the Montreal Canadiens in an exhibition game Sunday night.

Gratton, a native of Montreal, poked in Valeri Bure's rebound on a power play at 13:05 of the third period.

Rookie Travis Brigley scored the tying goal for the Flames early in the third period and also had an assist. Jeff Shantz also had a goal and an assist.

The Flames (2-3-0) outshot Montreal 28-24.

Martin Rucinsky and Arron Asham scored goals 96 seconds apart in the first period to

"If you would have asked me about the worst-case scenario, this would have to have been right up there."

Alain Vigneault
Montreal coach

giving the Canadiens (2-4-0) the early lead.

Jose Theodore, Montreal No. 2 goaltender behind Jeff Hackett, made 25 saves.

Brigley tied it 2-2 at 7:32 after taking a pass from Steve Begin in the slot.

Rucinsky, who had a team-leading 17 goals last season, has five goals in four preseason games to lead the Canadiens.

Canadiens defenseman Vladimir Malakhov will miss four months after tearing a ligament in his right knee Friday night against Edmonton. The team made the announcement about the seriousness of the injury Sunday night.

Malakhov, who led Montreal defensemen in scoring last season with 34 points in 62 games, is to have surgery Tuesday morning.

"If you would have asked me about the worst-case scenario, this would have to have been right up there," Montreal coach Alain Vigneault said. "At the beginning of the season, you know you're going to get injuries, but you just hope that they're not serious and that they are not to key people. It's an enormous loss. When

Vladimir is on his game, he's dominant."

Malakhov was hurt when Edmonton enforcer Georges Laraque fell on his knee.

The Canadiens are also missing veteran defenseman Patrice Brisebois, who has a back injury. Versatile forward Benoit Brunet is out of action for at least two months with a back injury and center Saku Koivu has only begun skating after undergoing knee surgery in the offseason.

"It will be hard to replace Vladimir," defenseman Igor Ulanov said. "He was a total player on the team. He can play both offensive and defensive. Not many players in the league can do that."

Thrashers 6, Devils 1

Ed Ward scored two goals and assisted on another Sunday as the expansion Atlanta Thrashers in an exhibition win of the New Jersey Devils.

Kelly Buchberger added a goal and two assists for the Thrashers (2-2-1), who won for the first time at their new home, the \$213 million Philips Arena.

The Devils (2-1) avoided a shutout when Lyle Odelein scored midway through the third period when his shot glanced off the glove of Atlanta goalie Norm Maracle and into the net.

The Thrashers lost 3-2 in overtime to the New York Rangers on Saturday night in the first event played in arena.

VOLLEYBALL

Bill leads Belles past Manchester

By KATIE McVOY
Sports Writer

Senior Agnes Bill led the Saint Mary's volleyball team to a 3-1 victory Friday night over Manchester College.

This is the second time these two teams have faced each other. The first match came last weekend in the Ohio Northern Tournament. The Belles won that match as well, 3-0.

The Belles took the first game 15-4.

"The first game we played we did very well," said Jolie LeBeau.

The Belles lost the second game due to errors in their playing, but came back to win the third and fourth game. They took Manchester 15-10

in the third game. With a 15-8 win, the Belles ended the match at four games.

Bill led the team with 20 kills and 11 digs. Jayne Ozbolt had a strong game as well with 14 kills, 15 digs, and two aces. Suzanne Martin had 26 assists. Ozbolt, LeBeau, and Emily Nihill led the defense with two blocks apiece.

Saint Mary's is excited about this win, but is looking ahead to their matches this week. The Belles face Olivet College Wednesday and Alma College and Adrian College on Saturday.

"We do have some improving to do," said LeBeau. "Our team has so much potential that sometimes we get tense and make mistakes. We'll work on that before our matches this week."

MEN'S GOLF

Irish place first at Air Force Invitational

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame men's golf team saw its lead shrink slightly but still held on for a wire-to-wire first-place finish and a team-record score in Sunday's final-round action at the Air Force Falcon-Cross Creek Invitational, held at the par-72, 7,301-yard Eisenhower Blue Golf Course.

Irish senior captain and local product Todd Vernon (Englewood, Colo./Cherry Creek High School) failed to hold onto his slim lead among the 120-player field, slipping to third place after a final-round 75. Vernon-whose opening-round 66 on Friday was the best round by an

Irish golfer in 37 years-posted a three-round total of four-under 212 to finish five shots behind Michigan's Michael Harris (67-71-69) and four strokes behind Grand Canyon's John Davis (69-72-67).

Vernon tied the Notre Dame record for best 54-hole tournament score (in relation to par), equaling the four-under total that has twice been posted by his classmate Jeff Connell: at the Marshall Invitational in the spring of 1998 (209, at the par-71 Guyan Country Club) and at the par-72 Kentucky Invitational in the spring of '99 (212). Vernon' 212 total also is tied with Connell's 212 for second in the Irish record book for overall score.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Sosa's first inning homer highlights extra frame victory

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Sammy Sosa hit home run No. 61 but it was his opposite field single to open the 10th inning that ignited the Chicago Cubs to victory.

After Glenallen Hill tied the game with a pinch two-run home run in the bottom of the ninth, Sosa scored from third on Benito's Santiago's single in the 10th as the Cubs posted an 8-7 triumph over the Milwaukee Brewers.

Sosa homered for the second time in two games, ripping a two-run shot off Hideo Nomo in the first inning. The ball traveled an estimated 485 feet, bounced down a side street and broke a window on a parked car.

"He really got into that ball," said Cubs manager Jim Riggleman. "And the combination of how good he hit it and the wind blowing out, it was a tape measure shot."

"It was a good pitch," Sosa said. "I went up there trying to make contact. I don't know how far the ball went, I know I got it pretty good. My main concern right now is not how far the ball is going to land, just to keep making contact and do the little things to win games."

The homer moved the reigning National League Most Valuable Player into a tie with Roger Maris for the third highest total in a single season.

Astros 4, Cardinals 3

McGwire moved closer in the home-run race by hitting his 57th and 58th, but Jeff Bagwell's two-run shot in the seventh helped the Houston Astros avoid a three-game sweep with a victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

On Monday night, McGwire and the Cardinals start a three-game series against Sosa and the Cubs at Wrigley Field.

Houston increased its lead in the NL Central to 3 1/2 games over Cincinnati, which lost to Pittsburgh 8-5.

After striking out in the first, McGwire hit a two-run homer off Chris Holt (5-13) in the fourth. He cleared the bullpen in left center on Holt's first pitch of the sixth, a drive estimated at 423 feet that put the Cardinals ahead 3-2.

McGwire got little chance to tie it in the eighth, walking off

Jose Cabrera on five pitches and then getting removed for a pinch-runner as hundreds of fans headed for the exits.

Braves 5, Expos 1

Kevin Millwood won his career-high 18th game, Freddy Garcia homered in his first at-bat for Atlanta and the Braves maintained their hold on first in the NL East with a victory over the Montreal Expos.

The Braves, who have won seven straight division titles, are still one game ahead of the second-place New York Mets. The two teams meet six times in the next nine games, beginning a three-game series Tuesday night at Turner Field.

Millwood (18-7) allowed just seven hits in his second complete game, the only run scoring on a fifth-inning homer by Geoff Blum. The Braves right-hander went 17-8 last season, his first full year as a member of the Braves rotation.

Garcia, acquired in a trade with the Pirates, played for the first time since reporting to Atlanta eight days earlier. He started in the outfield with Brian Jordan bothered by lingering soreness in his right hand.

Diamondbacks 8, Marlins 7

Matt Williams hit a sacrifice fly in the ninth inning Sunday to give Arizona victory over the Florida Marlins, reducing the Diamondbacks' magic number for clinching the NL West to seven.

Arizona took two of three from the Marlins and led second-place San Francisco by 7 1/2 games going into the Giants' game at San Diego on Sunday night.

The Diamondbacks now begin their final road trip, with three games beginning Monday at Colorado, followed by three games in San Francisco next weekend.

Andy Fox, who hadn't played since Aug. 27 because of a strained right rib cage, led off the ninth with a single. Jay Bell, who was 4-for-6 with a home run and three RBIs, advanced Fox to third with a one-out single up the middle.

Reliever Braden Loper (2-2), Florida's sixth pitcher, intentionally walked Luis Gonzalez to load the bases for Williams.

Williams fouled off three pitches, ran the count to 3-2 and hit a fly ball to center for

his 133rd RBI. Gregg Olson (7-4) pitched a scoreless ninth to get the victory.

Arizona left a club record 15 runners on base. The 3-hour, 50-minute game was the longest in the Diamondbacks' two-year history.

Mets 8, Phillies 6

John Olerud and Mike Piazza hit consecutive home runs and the New York Mets overcame a bad inning by Kenny Rogers to beat the Philadelphia Phillies.

The Mets remained one game behind Atlanta in the NL East. Both teams are off Monday, then the Mets and Braves begin a three-game series Tuesday night at Turner Field.

Olerud drove in four runs as the Mets won for the 11th time in 15 games. Piazza, forced to leave Friday night's game and sit out Saturday because of a bruised left hand, hit his 36th home run.

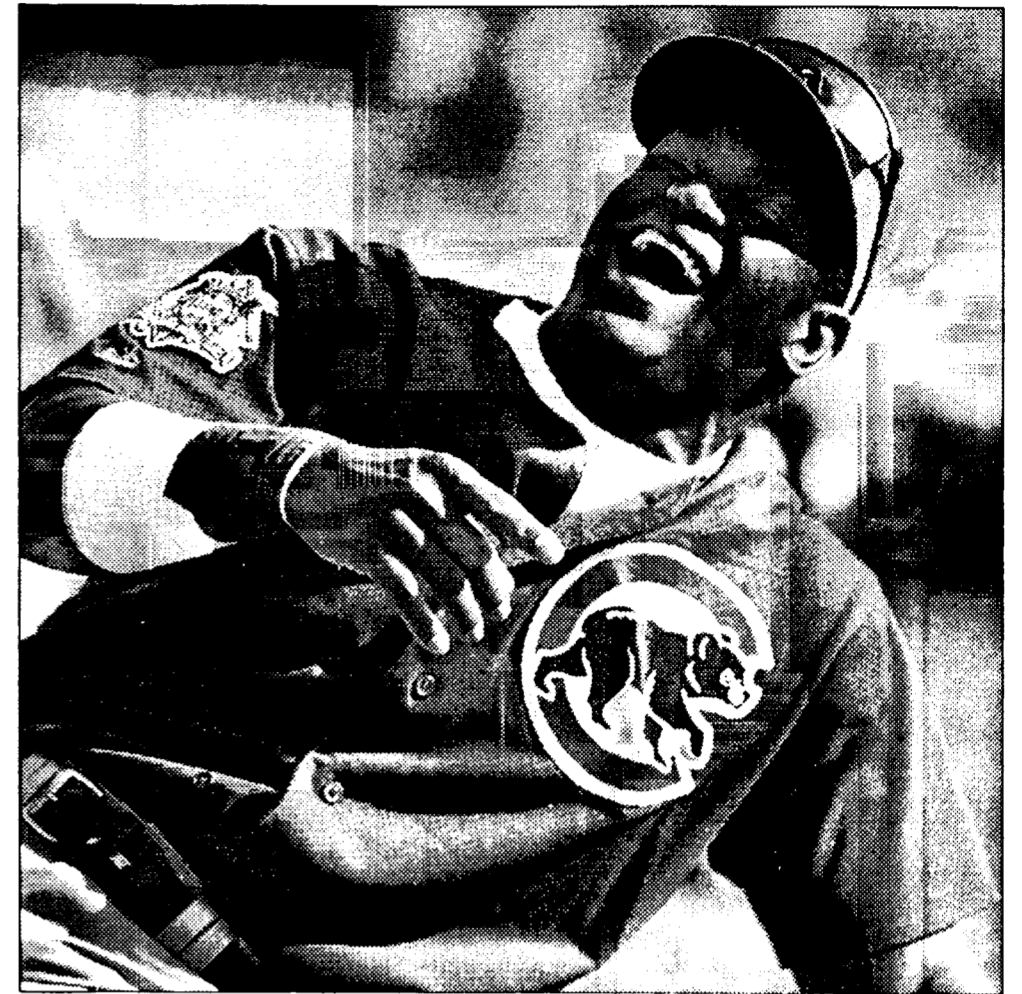
Roger Cedeno also homered for the Mets in going 3-for-4, scoring three times and stealing his 65th base.

After going 7-2 in 14 starts with the Mets, rookie Octavio Dotel (8-2) made his first appearance in relief and retired four batters to get the win.

Pirates 8, Reds 5

Brian Giles hit his 38th and 39th homers to drive in three runs and the Pittsburgh Pirates dealt Cincinnati's playoff hopes another setback, winning behind Jason Schmidt.

Greg Vaughn hit his 40th homer and the Reds' 40th in 19 September games, but the Reds' four pitchers constantly battled control problems in their second loss in the three-game series and fourth in six games.



Sammy Sosa, shown here during last year's home run race, hit his 61st home run Sunday.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Garciparra's homer leads Red Sox to fifth straight win

Associated Press

BOSTON

Nomar Garciparra homered to help stop Dave Mlicki's eight-game win streak and Trot Nixon also homered Sunday as the Red Sox beat Detroit 7-3 to complete a three-game sweep.

A fifth straight win helped Boston keep pace with the Yankees, who led the AL East by three games coming into the day. New York played the Cleveland Indians; the Oakland Athletics trailed the Red Sox by 4 1/2 games in the wild-card race entering the day.

Tim Wakefield (6-10) allowed just four hits in 5 2-3 innings, but three were solo homers. He walked one and struck out three for only his second win since May 28. Derek Lowe allowed one hit over the last 3 1-3 innings for his 14th save.

With victories in eight consecutive starts, Mlicki (13-11) matched Doyle Alexander's run in 1987. The Tigers' record for

victories in consecutive starts is 11, set by Earl Whitehill in 1930 and matched by Hal Newhouser in 1947.

Mlicki lasted just four innings, allowing six runs on eight hits and five walks while striking out three. Juan Encarnacion homered twice for the Tigers — the first multi-homer game of his career — giving him 18 for the season.

Garciparra went 9-for-12 in the series, including homers in the last two games, to raise his league-leading batting average to .360.

Yankees 11, Cleveland 7

Giving away a big lead to the Indians was bad enough. The Yankees weren't about to let their slim one over the Red Sox get smaller.

Joe Girardi's two-run single capped New York's four-run ninth inning and Bernie Williams went 4-for-5 as the Yankees showed why they are World Series champions in out-

lasting Cleveland. New York built a 6-0 lead after four innings against rookie Jim Brower, making his first start, before the Indians began knocking around Yankees starter David Cone.

But the Yankees recovered in time to take three of four games in the series and tie Cleveland for the best record in the AL with 13 games remaining.

Allen Watson (4-1) got the win in relief and Mariano Rivera pitched the ninth.

Athletics 12, Royals 3

Jason Giambi and Miguel Tejada both homered and drove in three runs Sunday as the Oakland Athletics defeated the Kansas City Royals 12-3.

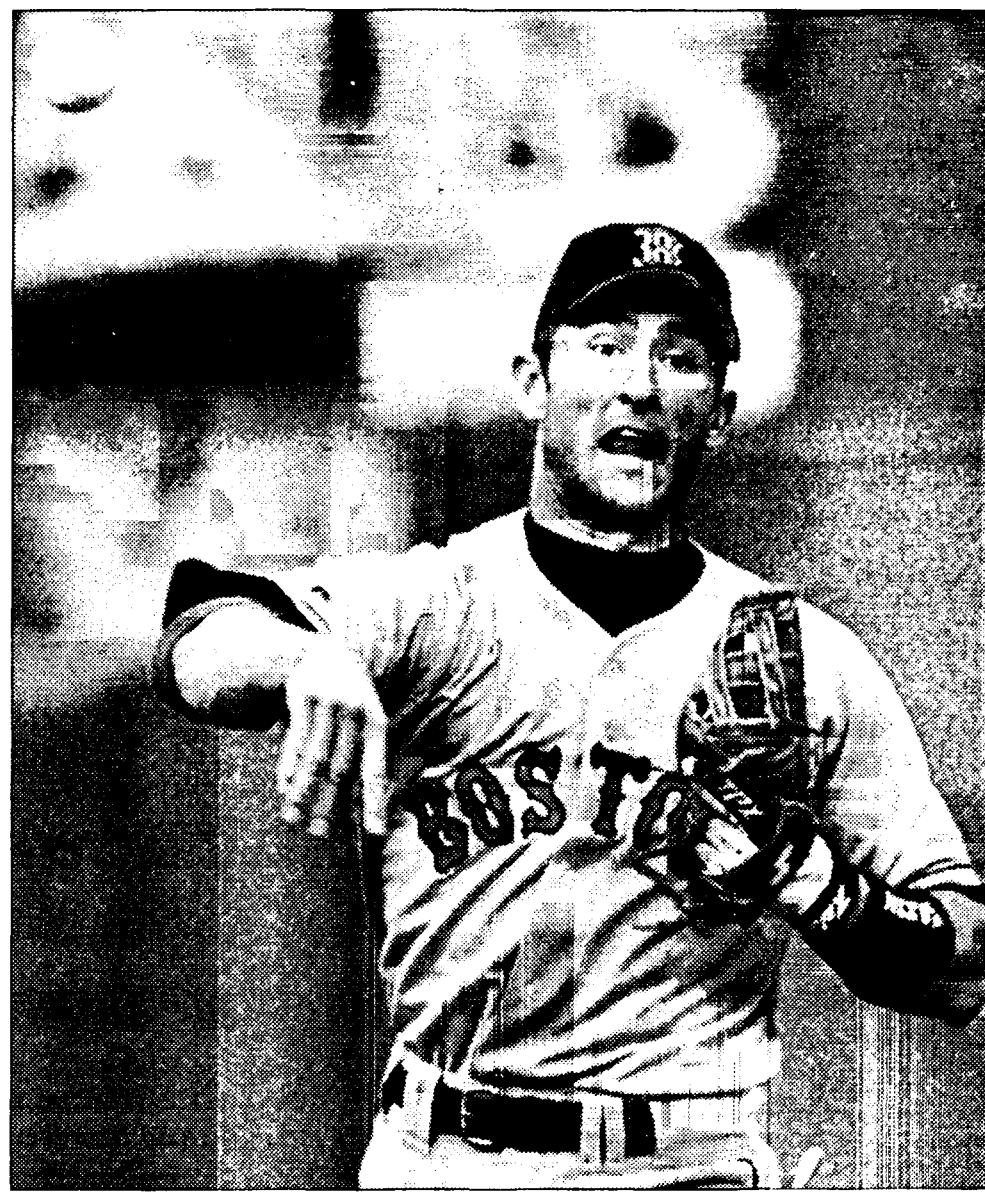
A sparse crowd of 13,914 saw the A's remain 4 1/2 games behind Boston for the wild card. Eric Chavez, in his first game back from the disabled list, drove in two runs to support Gil Heredia (13-7).

Sal Fasano and Mike Sweeney each homered for the Royals, who have lost five of the six games played in Oakland.

Heredia allowed three runs and six hits in 6 1/3 innings. He struck out five and extended his streak without a walk to 13 innings.

Kansas City starter Mac Suzuki lasted five innings, giving up three runs and five hits. He was hit in the right leg by Matt Stairs' line drive in the third — the ball ricocheted toward third base for a single — and stayed in the game.

Tejada's single in the second gave the A's a 1-0 lead. Fasano homered with Jeremy Giambi on base to put the Royals up 2-1.



KRT Photo

Red Sox shortstop Nomar Garciaparra went 9-for-12 this weekend, improving his league-leading batting average to .360.

Twins 2, Mariners 1

LaTroy Hawkins became Minnesota's second double-digit winner and the Twins used Cristian Guzman's sacrifice fly in the fifth inning to edge Seattle.

Hawkins (10-13) allowed five hits in 7 2/3 innings, walked two and struck out five in besting Jamie Moyer (14-7), who pitched his fourth complete game of the year.

Mike Trombley pitched a perfect ninth for his 23rd save in 28 chances.

Dan Wilson gave the Mariners a 1-0 lead with his sixth homer of the season in the second, but that was it against Hawkins, who ended a personal three-game losing streak.

Moyer, who won four straight decisions, gave up the tying run in the fourth when Marty Cordova walked, went to second on Chad Allen's single and scored on Terry Steinbach's single.

In the fifth, Moyer hit Torii Hunter with a pitch, Denny Hocking singled, and Hunter scored on Guzman's fly ball to center.

Allen had three of

Minnesota's six singles. The light-hitting Twins had 14 singles in the three-game series.

White Sox 3, Blue Jays 2

Brian Simmons hit a three-run homer Sunday as the Chicago White Sox beat the fading Toronto Blue Jays.

The Blue Jays lost their fifth in a row and fell 10 1/2 games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race.

The White Sox swept the three-game series and have won four straight.

Simmons, who hit a three-run homer in the second inning of Friday's 7-3 win, homered again in the second for a 3-0 lead.

Mike Sirotka (10-13) allowed two runs and four hits in seven innings. Bob Howry pitched the ninth for his 24th save.

After two walks in the ninth, Willis Otanez grounded into a double play with runners on first and second to end the game. He also bounced into a double play in the fourth.

The Blue Jays cut it to 3-2 in the third on Vernon Wells' RBI double and Homer Bush's run-scoring single.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Irish run to first-place finish

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

The Irish cross country squads claimed victory across the boards Friday in the National Catholic Invitational.

Both the men's and women's squads won first place, as a team. Irish junior Ryan Shay was the first runner across the line in the men's race, while senior All-American JoAnna Deeter took home her fourth straight title in the meet for the women.

Thirty-three teams competed in the meet; however, only 10 of the schools are in Division I.

The men dominated the field by winning their fourth consecutive team championship. Their total score was 20 points, far ahead of second-place Lewis, which had 66; and third-place Marist, which tallied 135. (The low score wins.)

"We were really pleased with the performance," sophomore runner-up Luke Watson said. "For a lot of us, it was the first time we had run this season. For us to do as well as we did, it was a good indicator. We still have a lot of room to improve, though."

Shay claimed his third straight title in an 8 kilometers (4.98 miles) time of 24:41. With the victory, he became only the second runner ever to win the National Catholic Invitational individual title three times since the men's race was created in 1980.

Five of the top 10 finishers in the men's field were from Notre Dame. The Irish had a 1-2-3 finish in Shay, Watson and senior Ryan Maxwell. Senior John Dudley was sixth in 25:26 and freshman Antonio Lopez



JOHN DAILY/The Observer

The Irish men's and women's cross-country teams took first place this weekend at the National Catholic Invitational.

took eighth. Other varsity finishers for the Irish were Sean Zanderson and Nathan Shay, both in the top 20.

Deeter led the women to victory with a winning time of 16:52 for the 5-kilometer race. No other runner has repeated as champion in the National Catholic Invitational on the women's side in its 15-year history, but Deeter claimed her fourth straight title.

The top three women's finishers in the race were all from Notre Dame. Senior Alison Klemmer placed second in 17:42, followed by freshman Jennifer Handley in 18:01, good for third place.

"We're pretty happy with how we ran. We still have a lot of work to do this year, but it was a good start for us," Klemmer said.

Senior Erin Luby was eighth, junior Erin Olson 16th, and freshman Muffy Schmidt was 18th. Junior Chrissy Kuenster would have been one of the top finishers, but collapsed just before crossing the finish line.

The women's squad scored 30 points overall, far ahead of the nearest competitor, St. Thomas, which had 130.

The Irish will take next weekend off before hosting the 44th annual Notre Dame Invitational Friday.



JOHN DAILY/The Observer

Jenny Streiffer (12) and the women's soccer team's loss to SMU marks the first time the team was shut out since 1996.

W. Soccer

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In front of 1,587 fans, Streiffer gave the Irish the lead in the 22nd minute. She blasted a shot into the right of the net from just inside the box. Streiffer's goal was her team-leading fourth of the year.

Jenny Heft assisted on the goal. Heft stole ball from a Texas A&M defender and found Streiffer open at the top of the box.

"Heft gave me a great pass," Streiffer said. "So basically I couldn't miss."

The Aggies fired 12 shots but Irish All-American goaltender LeKeyshia Beene did not allow any to reach the back of the net. Texas A&M's best scoring opportunity was stopped early in the second half by Beene. An Aggie forward had slipped past the

Irish defense but Beene came out and fell on the ball before the Aggie could shoot.

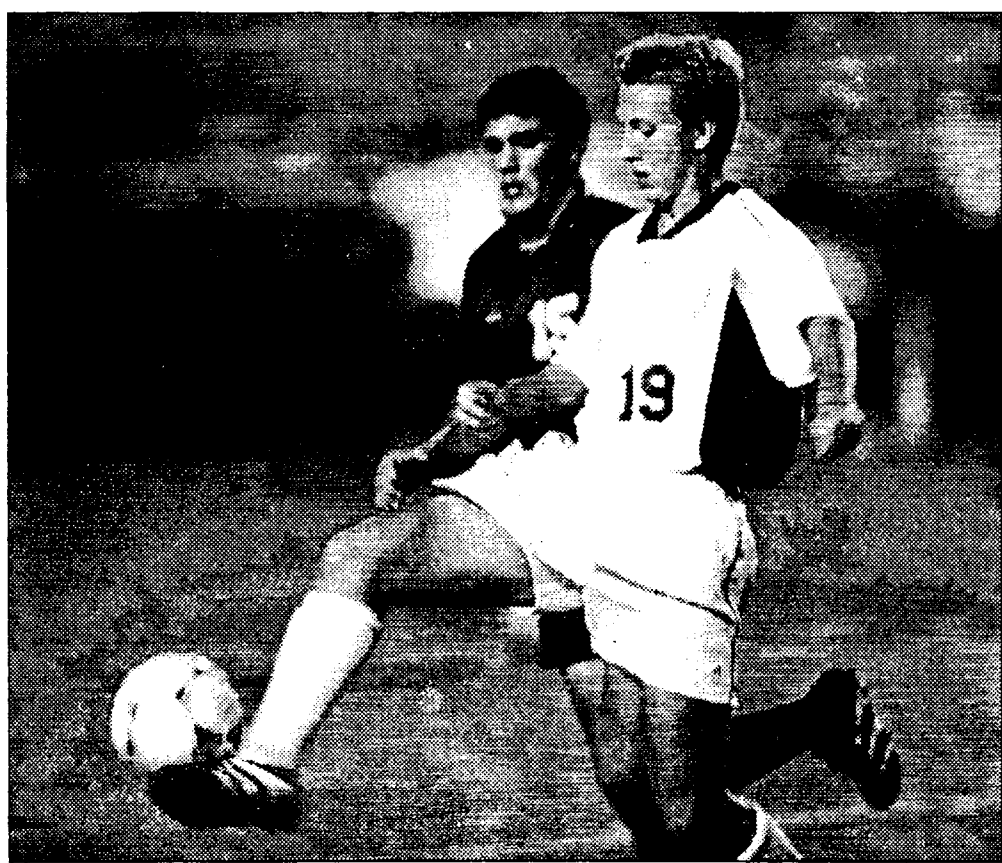
Irish captain Kelly Lindsey saw significant playing time for the first time since she injured her knee against North Carolina two weeks ago. Lindsey helps the team's confidence, Beene said.

"When she is in there, you feel a little more confident," she said.

Even without Lindsey, the Irish defense played well — giving up just one goal to the Duke Blue Devils and shutting out the Butler Bulldogs.

"Anybody can step in and play," Streiffer said. "It's nice to have Kelly back but we are still pretty solid."

Although Lindsey returned, the Irish roster was still incomplete. Junior midfielder Anne Makinen missed her fourth straight game while playing for the Finnish national team.



KEVIN DALUM/The Observer

The Irish men's soccer team was unable to pull off an upset of Connecticut this weekend, falling in overtime 2-1.

M. Soccer

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overall. This is Notre Dame's third-consecutive loss to the Huskies.

The overtime battle with Connecticut marks the third time in four games that Notre Dame has been forced into an overtime situation. The Irish have yet to be successful in an overtime game, with an 0-2-1 record on the season.

After the squad's 1-0 win over Cleveland State on Tuesday, the

Irish spent the remainder of the week preparing for a two-game road trip this weekend against Seton Hall on Friday and Connecticut on Sunday. Because of Hurricane Floyd, which hit the eastern seaboard early this weekend, the game against Seton Hall had to be cancelled and rescheduled for Nov. 3.

The Irish continue their road trip next weekend at the Saint Mary's Tournament in Moraga, Calif. The Irish open up the tournament against host St. Mary's on Friday and are back in action again Sunday against San Diego.

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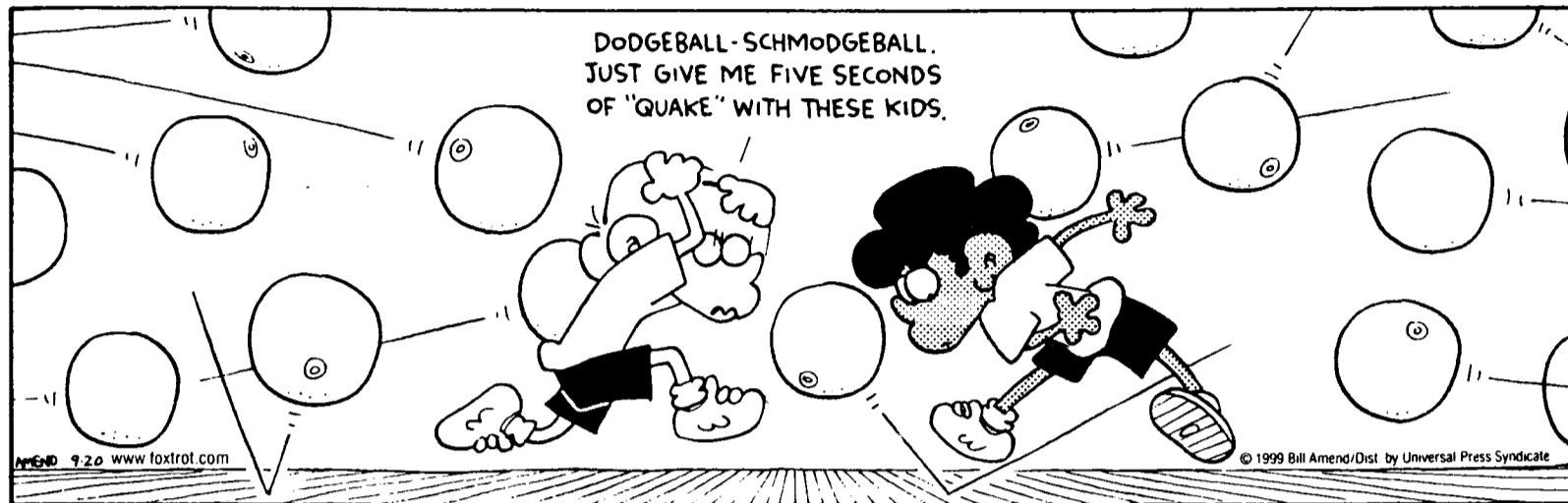
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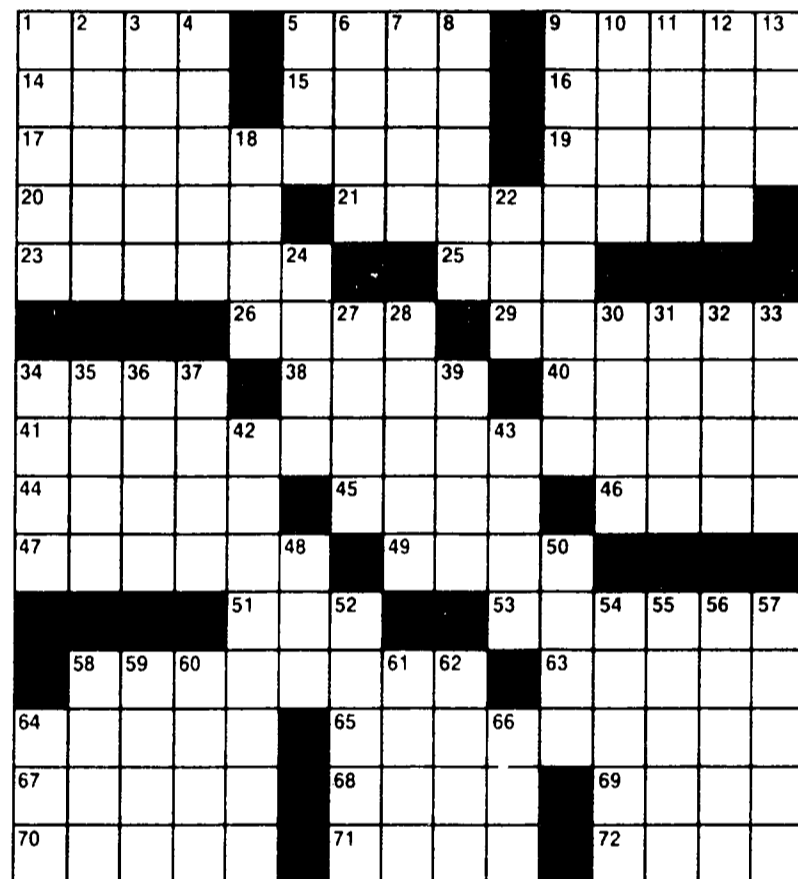
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Apparel
 - 5 Bowls over
 - 9 1945 Allied conference site
 - 14 It makes things gel
 - 15 Chowderhead
 - 16 Messages that can arrive at any time
 - 17 Start of a quote
 - 19 Move laterally
 - 20 Control
 - 21 With 53-Across, author of the quote
 - 23 Breadwinner
 - 25 Impeachment trier: Abbr.
 - 26 Small amounts, as of cream
 - 29 One who's "out"
 - 34 Restorative sites
 - 38 Verne captain
 - 40 Not a soul
 - 41 Part 2 of the quote
 - 44 Concerning
 - 45 Highlander
 - 46 Obscene
 - 47 Verboten
 - 49 Gambling game
 - 51 ----- judicata
 - 53 See 21-Across
 - 58 Abduct
 - 63 Baseball manager Joe
 - 64 Port-au-Prince's land
 - 65 End of the quote
 - 67 Hand out
 - 68 Part
 - 69 --- way, shape or form
- DOWN**
- 1 Faux pas
 - 2 Public square, in ancient Greece
 - 3 Less common
 - 4 80's-90's singer Adams
 - 5 Critic ----- Louise Huxtable
 - 6 Tequila bottle additive
 - 7 Noted socialite Maxwell
 - 8 Mixes up
 - 9 Noncommittal answer
 - 10 Gulf V.I.P.
 - 11 Put on board, as cargo
 - 12 Pinball problem
 - 13 Bass, for one
 - 18 Squeaked (out)
 - 22 Prefix with political or logical
 - 24 South African money
 - 27 "All --- are off"
 - 28 Artist's wear
 - 30 G.I. Joe, basically
 - 31 Fashion
 - 32 Once again
 - 33 Internet addict, perhaps
 - 70 Spring bloom
 - 71 Understanding words
 - 72 Breakfast staple



Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Gorski

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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- 34 Q-Tip, for one
- 35 Sunscreen additive
- 36 Shortly
- 37 Bowl over
- 39 Wind quintet member
- 42 Designer fragrance
- 43 Sicilian spewer
- 48 Ph.D., for example
- 50 Composer Luening
- 52 Puppeteer Lewis
- 54 "Gosh, will you look at that!"
- 55 Space shuttle part
- 56 Quite a swinger
- 57 Items sent to record companies
- 58 Real estate agent's goal
- 59 Hawaiian port
- 60 Huge amounts
- 61 Years in Havana
- 62 Not working
- 64 Accident
- 66 Born

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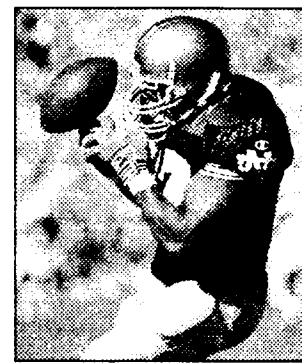
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SPORTS

Irish falter again
The Notre Dame football team fell to 1-3 over the weekend, losing to Michigan State 23-13.



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Monday, September 20, 1999

FOOTBALL

University reports three possible NCAA violations

◆ New allegations arise of additional NCAA violations

By TIM LOGAN
News Editor

More legal questions surround Notre Dame's athletic department after the University announced Friday that it reported three more potential violations to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

Coming while Notre Dame awaits an NCAA decision in the Kimberly Dunbar case, these latest allegations involve academic fraud and an athlete's receipt of extra benefits and misuse of complimentary football tickets.

Integrity in the classroom is at issue for the first time with the disclosure that a part-time tutor may have written a paper for a

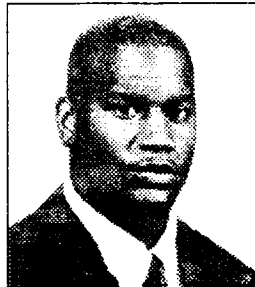
former student-athlete.

The athlete no longer attends Notre Dame, and the tutor has been fired from the position. The tutor began working at the Office of Academic Services for Student-Athletes while a University student and continued after graduating, reported University spokesman Dennis Moore.

Officials declined to name the player involved or what sport that person played.

This statement was coupled with another announcement of alleged violations by an athlete who accepted gifts and misused complimentary tickets.

Reserve quarterback Eric



Chappell

Chappell was allegedly dismissed from the football team last week for accepting gifts totaling \$5,000 and attempting to sell two free tickets to the Sept. 4 Michigan game for \$50 each.

Chappell has denied the incident repeatedly.

The University confirmed Thursday that it had been investigating this matter for several weeks.

Notre Dame officials declined to comment further on the reports.

"It's in the hands of the NCAA," said Dennis Brown, associate director of Public Relations. "We've made our report."

It is standard practice for the NCAA Enforcement Committee, upon learning of a potential violation, to conduct a preliminary investigation to determine if an official inquiry is warranted. It can also determine whether a

primary or secondary violation has occurred.

NCAA officials could not be reached for comment Sunday.

Notre Dame also has asked the NCAA Committee on Infractions to delay its final report on the Dunbar investigation, which has been underway since May.

Dunbar, a member of the now-defunct Quarterback Club, reportedly gave gifts totaling

\$18,000 to several former football players. Notre Dame officials appeared before a hearing with the Committee on Infractions June 4, and the University has been awaiting a decision since then.

The Committee on Infractions is meeting this weekend in

Tucson, Ariz., to discuss a punishment for Notre Dame in the Dunbar matter, ESPN reported.

The request for a delay at this point is intended to encourage the NCAA to factor all three incidents into its decision at once, rather than complete one investigation and then enter into another one, according to Moore.

"It's in the hands of the NCAA. We've made our report."

Dennis Brown
Associate director
of Public Relations

"We want to get everything into consideration at one time," he said.

The University self-reported the potential Dunbar violations in March, 1998 after conducting an internal investigation. Both the tutoring and ticket-selling incidents, which are unrelated, came to the attention of University officials in recent weeks, Moore said.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Irish split two in Lone Star state

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

The sixth-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team was shut out for the first time in 55 games when they fell 1-0 to Southern Methodist University Sunday at the College Women's Classic.

The Irish finished the Classic with a 1-1 record after defeating eighth-ranked Texas A&M 1-0 Friday to open the Classic in Klein, Texas.

The Mustangs took a 1-0 lead in the 59th minute off of a Laura Snyder goal. Snyder took a pass from Sarah Harvey, who split the Irish defense and allowed Snyder to dribble to the top of the box where she fired a shot into the top of the net.

The Mustangs managed six shots on the day and just two in the second half. The Irish got off 14 shots but only put two on net.

In the first half, SMU goalkeeper Becca Lief stopped Notre Dame's best scoring chance. Jenny Streiffer fired from 15 yards away but Lief came off the goal line to make the stop.

Before Sunday, the last time the Irish had been shut out was in the 1996 NCAA Championship against the Tarheels of North Carolina. The Tarheels won the title with a 1-0 victory in double overtime.



JOHN DAILY/The Observer

Senior forward Jenny Heft assists on the goal that put the Irish women's soccer team on top of Texas A&M this weekend.

The Irish enjoyed more success on Friday against the Aggies. Despite the stifling heat that hovered in the low 90s for most of the afternoon, the Irish dealt the Aggies their first loss of the season.

Texas A&M was used to the heat but playing in the high

temperatures took some adjustment for Notre Dame.

"Most of our team is from the North and isn't used to the heat so it played a big factor in the game," Irish senior captain Streiffer said after the game.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame men fall to Connecticut

By KERRY SMITH
Byline TitleSports Writer

The Notre Dame men's soccer team dropped its second game of the season Sunday, to nationally-ranked Big East rival Connecticut in a tough overtime decision.

Ranked at the 19th spot and last year's Big East champion, the Huskies outscored the Irish 2-1 to emerge the victor 16 minutes into the sudden-death overtime.

The loss drops Notre Dame to a 3-2-1 overall record and to 1-1-1 in Big East play.

The two teams played to a scoreless tie in a first half, but the Huskies, who outshot the Irish 17-11 on the afternoon, opened the scoring. Less than three minutes into the second half, sophomore back Chris Gbandi took control of the ball and put a powerful shot from 10 yards out past Irish goalkeeper Gerick Short.

Gbandi, one of Connecticut's most talented players and an anchor on the Husky defense, was the 1998 Big East rookie of the year and recently named to a short list of 1999 Hermann Trophy Award Finalists.

The Irish responded with 2:43 remaining in regulation

when freshman Erich Braun scored unassisted on a free kick for the equalizer. The goal marks Braun's second goal of the season. With the goal, Braun becomes the only player in the Irish lineup to score more than one goal this season.

Connecticut went on the offensive in the remaining minutes of the second half and had an opportunity to score with 40 seconds remaining in regulation. Sophomore back Sam Forko blasted a shot toward the net, but it hit off the goal post and was rejected.

The game-winner for the Huskies came at the 105:41 mark when senior forward Luis Arauz knocked a short shot into the net. Junior defender Max Zieky set up the play on a throw-in to freshman forward Mike Mordocco. Mordocco headed the ball to Arauz, who finished the play from five yards out.

Despite the loss, Short recorded a career-high seven saves in goal. Connecticut goalkeeper Matt Chavlovich finished the game with three stops.

With the win, Connecticut boosted its lead in its series with Notre Dame to 4-2-1

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Volley ball
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Notre Dame vs. Michigan State

Irish drop to 0-3 against Big Ten

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The Big Ten Conference again proved to be bad news for the Irish football team.

Notre Dame came away just shy of victory for the third straight week against a Big Ten team, giving up 16 points in the fourth quarter to lose 23-13 to Michigan State.

Despite near-stellar play by the defensive and special teams units, the offense's inability to hold onto the ball became a crucial factor late in the game. Five Notre Dame turnovers, lack of a rushing game and a questionable coaching call to punt on a fourth-and-one combined to hand Notre Dame its third loss.

"I was proud of this team all week in practice, but unfortunately there are no guarantees, especially when you're playing a good football team," Irish head coach Bob Davie said. "One thing you can guarantee is that when you have five turnovers, you're not going to win."

With 5:44 left in the game, Notre Dame senior Jim Sanson kicked a 34-yard field goal to tie the score. At that point, it appeared that the outcome might not be decided until the final play.

As Michigan State took over on offense, its first pass fell incomplete — nearly being intercepted by Notre Dame sophomore Tyreo Harrison. Spartan quarterback Bill Burke's next pass was broken up by sophomore cornerback Clifford Jefferson.

Then the tide turned in favor of Michigan State. Burke sent a straight shot to Gari Scott down the sideline. Notre Dame free safety Deke Cooper was unable to get the tackle and Scott ran the ball into the end zone for an 80-yard touchdown.

"We had gotten some momentum going," Davie said. "And then he takes the thing 80 yards. That kind of lets the air out of you."

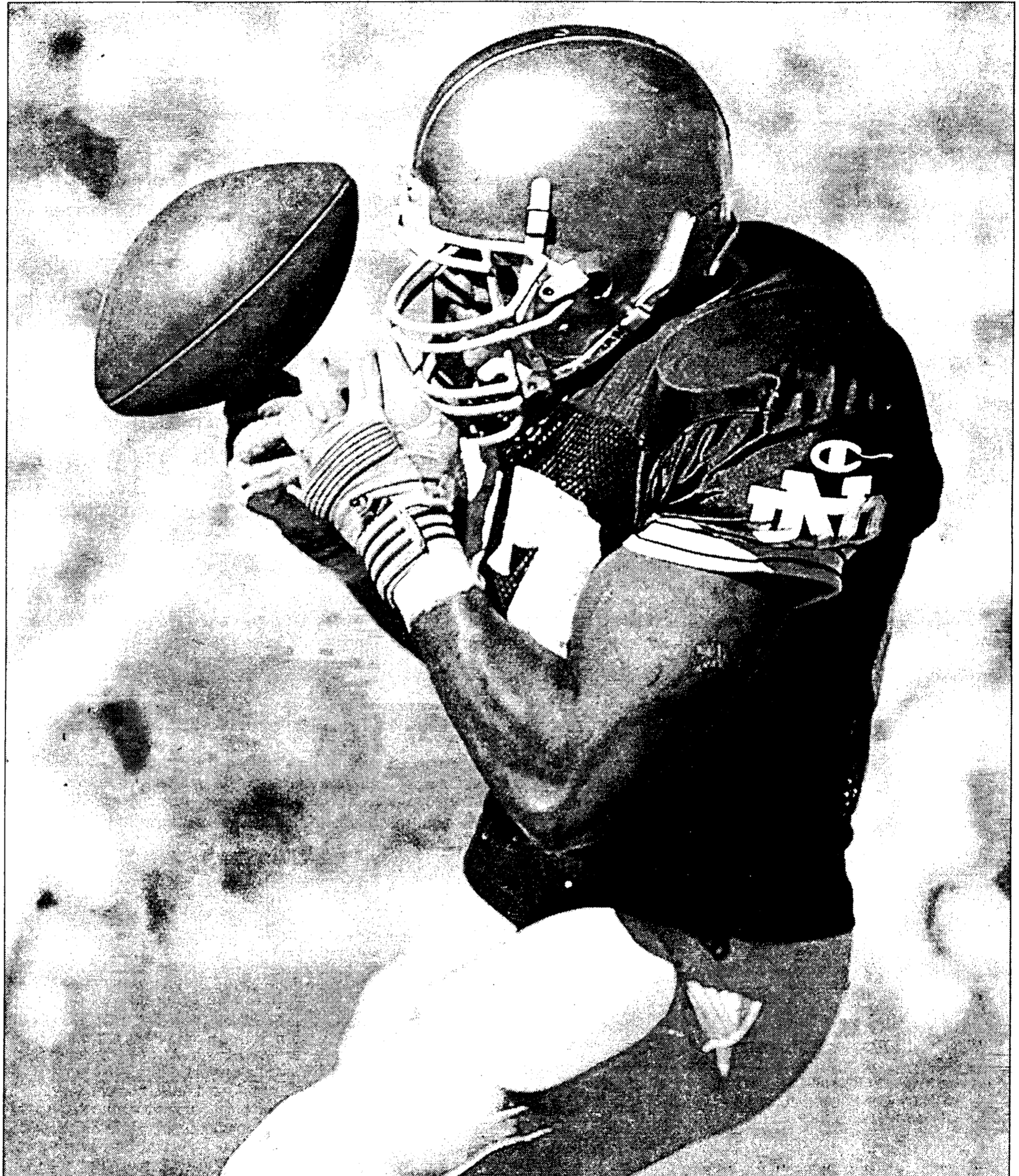
Now behind 20-13, the Irish got the ball. Tailback Terrance Howard returned the kickoff to the Notre Dame 19-yard line. Sophomore Tony Fisher then ran the ball six yards to the 25. Quarterback Jarious Jackson completed an 11-yard pass to senior Raki Nelson for a first down.

Nelson snagged another reception to make it second and three. Fisher carried the ball two yards, giving the Irish the ball at their own 41-yard line for a third-and-one. Davie chose to pass, but Jackson's throw was incomplete — bringing the decision of whether to punt the ball or go for it on fourth-and-one.

With 3:16 remaining in the game and the Spartans leading by a touchdown, Davie made the call to punt the ball away — an iffy decision at best in the eyes of many Irish fans.

"Whatever you do is the wrong thing to do if it doesn't work," Michigan State head coach Nick Saban said. "That's the life of a coach."

Notre Dame's defense — which had held fast most of the day — was unable to stop Michigan State's offense. Saban's squad brought the ball close enough to the end zone for kicker Paul Edinger to put three more points on the board, kicking a 31-yard field goal with 15 seconds remaining. Edinger's boot gave the Spartans a 23-13 advantage. It also sunk any lingering hopes of an Irish comeback



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With 8:50 remaining in the third quarter, Irish tight end Jabari Holloway runs out of bounds while juggling a pass from quarterback Jarious Jackson. The pass was ruled incomplete.

and a BCS berth at season's end.

"Anytime you lose a close game and you give everything that you have, it's tough," junior defensive end Grant Irons said. "We're going to stick together, and that's all we can do."

Neither team reached the end zone in the first quarter. The Spartans had the first score of the game with 14:49 remaining in the second quarter. An 80-yard drive on seven plays, it was capped off by a 23-yard reception by Burress and an 8-yard touchdown pass from Burke to Baker. Edinger's kick was good to make it 7-0 Spartans.

The Irish failed to capitalize on a big

special teams play by walk-on senior Johnathan Hebert. Hebert blocked Spartans' Craig Jarrett's punt, which was recovered by Irish junior Tony Driver at the Michigan State 28. Jackson, however, fumbled the ball several plays later and the Spartans recovered the ball at their own 23.

With 31 seconds left in the half, Irish linebacker Antony Denman hit tailback Lloyd Clemens, causing him to fumble. The ball was recovered by Irons at the Michigan State 28-yard line and returned the ball two yards before being tackled by Clemens.

"That was just a blitz," Denman said. "I

saw the backs coming through the middle and put my helmet on the ball. I was just trying to make something happen."

The Irish recovered from the clock management problems which they faced against Michigan and Purdue as they reached the end zone 22 seconds later. The three-play drive was keyed by an 11-yard pass from Jackson to senior Bobby Brown, and a 14-yard touchdown reception by Brown.

The rest of the points before Michigan State's 80-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter came on field goals. Edinger kicked two field goals for MSU, as did Jim Sanson for Notre Dame.



player of the game

Anthony Denman
The junior inside linebacker made nine tackles — including three for losses — plus added a sack and a forced fumble.

quote of the game

"We weren't confident that on third-and-one that we could make it."

Bob Davie
Irish head coach

stat of the game

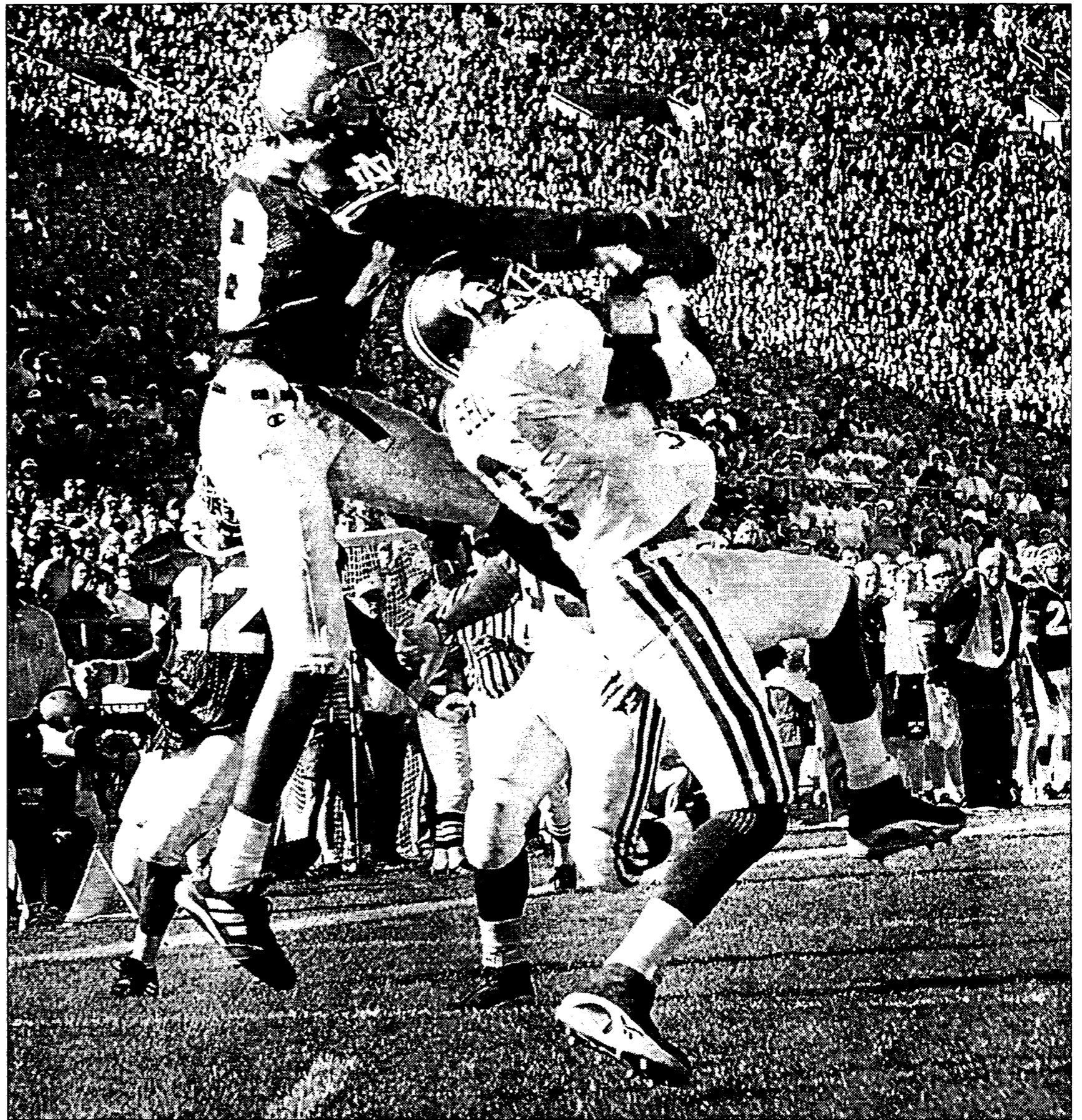
3 red-zone turnovers
Turnovers are bad enough. Turnovers in the red zone practically take points off the scoreboard.

report card

- B-** **quarterbacks:** Jackson had no trouble with pitches this week, but he did throw an interception and missed some open receivers.
- C** **running backs:** One hundred-eight yards rushing is unacceptable. Jones provided a little spark with his shifty running style, but overall, the backs didn't do much.
- B** **receivers:** Nelson, Brown and Hunter continued their excellent play. They could be Notre Dame's best trio of receivers ever.
- D** **offensive line:** When your coach doesn't think he can get 1 yard, you know your line needs to improve.
- A** **defensive line:** Burke was harassed all day by a strong pass rush. Williams played especially well.
- A** **linebackers:** Denman, Boiman and Harrison combined for 23 tackles — including six for a loss — forced one fumble, recorded a sack and broke up two passes.
- B** **defensive backs:** Sanders, Cooper, Jefferson and Harper shut down one of the best receiving cores in the country for most of the game.
- A** **special teams:** Good returns, long punts and made field goals are what you expect. The blocked punt was a bonus.
- C** **coaching:** The decision to punt the ball with three minutes left is debateable. If Davie had gone for it on fourth down and failed, he would have gotten even more criticism.

2.85 overall: The Irish were talented enough to win. They just weren't organized enough to win.

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Michigan State cornerback Amp Campbell and Notre Dame wide receiver Bobby Brown battle for the ball in the end zone. Campbell came away with the ball for the interception.

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Irish not about to give up

Hey, juniors and seniors, does this seem familiar?

That's right. Two years ago, the Irish were sitting at 1-3 and things were looking down.

So what do we do now? Ask for Davie's head? Question the play calling, yet again? Give up?

As much as you're down about the season, think about what the players are going through.

"This is probably one of the hardest experiences that myself and my teammates have ever gone through," junior Grant Irons said following Saturday's 23-13 loss to Michigan State. "Anytime you are in your home stadium and you give everything you have, it hurts."

For the second straight week, captain Jarious Jackson wouldn't talk to the media because he emotionally didn't know what to say after the game.

These guys put their hearts into every game and lay it all out on the field. And they're devastated when they come up short.

"It's disappointing, but if I'm going to go through something like this, I'd choose these men to go through it with," fifth-year senior Bobby Brown said. "They're going to fight back and I know I'm going to fight back. There's still a lot of games left to play."

This team could very easily pack it in, but they've invested too much time to do that.

"We're a young football team with a tough schedule," Davie said. "We're sitting here at 1-3. It's reality. You keep plugging along and try to see the light at the end of the tunnel and try to win some games."

They aren't giving up, but you guys started to. Chanting derogatory comments at Davie and leaving early. The players didn't leave early. They went hard until the very end.

"This team just wants to get a win," linebacker Anthony Denman said. "This team is out there playing hard every play, but things just aren't working out."

And despite a 1-3 start, the players are still confident they can turn the season around, just like they did in '97.

"We're a lot more confident than everybody thinks," Brown said. "In the game, we always think we're going to win. That's why it's so shocking and it hurts so bad when we don't."

And while the sentiment on campus may be different, the Irish players also still have faith in their coach.

"Just like I wouldn't want my teammates to lose confidence in me, we can't lose confidence in our coach," Brown said.

So you can question the call on third-and-one or the punt on fourth, but just like Michigan State head coach Nick Saban said, when it doesn't work, you're wrong. Had the Irish held the Spartans on the next series, no one would be second-guessing Davie.

Everyone now may look back at '99 as the season that could have been, rather than the season of destiny we were all hoping for.

"We're 1-3, but we can easily be 4-0 right now," Brown said. "It hurts to keep on saying that — we could be,

we could be — but people are going to cheer against Notre Dame until the Lord comes back to earth, but we have to deal with it."

The Irish will have two weeks to deal with the three-straight losses. It could prove to be the turning point of the season or it could be more painful to wait for Oklahoma.

"I feel like I'd rather lineup against anyone right now, just to prove to the whole country that we have a great team and we're capable of winning," Brown said. "But we're going to go through it the way we have the last two weeks. We have a week off, but the answer has to come soon. We have to keep on playing. We're not going to forfeit the rest of our games."

This Saturday's loss pushed the Irish out of the running for the Bowl Championship Series, but Notre Dame isn't focusing on that.

"The major issue is that we have been in position to win three games that we haven't won," Brown said. "The aspect of a bowl is something you worry about later. If you worry about that now, the next team will take advantage of it."

As for now, the Irish will turn their attention to Oklahoma and getting back on track.

"It's hard," he said. "I came here for a reason. When things go well, it's great. You're in the spotlight. But when things go poorly with a group of men that have the type of character to bounce back, you realize we have a lot of games left and you have to go play."

Despite the hardship of the past few weeks, the Irish still aren't giving up. Are you?

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adding up the numbers

- times Nick Saban cursed in his nationally televised halftime interview with Jim Gray **1**
- Irish turnovers **5**
- Irish players who raised their helmets to the student section after the game **0**
- minutes that Michigan State had the ball longer than Notre Dame **5:38**
- number of consecutive losses to the Spartans **3**
- years remaining on Davie's contract **4**
- times the Irish tackled a Spartan player for a loss **12**
- votes Notre Dame received in the AP and Coaches' polls **0**



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Irish receivers shine against Spartans

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Looking past poor clock management, turnovers and a 1-3 record, a shining jewel can be found in an otherwise dismal season.

Javin Hunter, Raki Nelson and Bobby Brown have emerged to become one of the best trios of Irish receivers in recent memory. Saturday, against a physical and talented Spartan secondary, the Irish receivers made several big plays to move the ball and keep drives alive.

In the first half, the Spartans tried to shut down the Irish offense by playing an aggressive man-to-man defense and bumping the receivers at the line. In past years, this attacking style might have stifled the Irish passing attack, but in 1999, the Irish receivers made the Spartans pay for their aggression with 103 yards receiving in the first half.

"They were playing bump-and-run at the line," Brown said. "And they were playing man a lot. But when they played man it seemed like every time someone was open."

In the second quarter, quarterback Jarious Jackson threw deep for the first time in the game and found Hunter wide open. The ball was slightly underthrown, however, and Hunter had to come back to make the catch. Hunter leaped for the ball along with Michigan State defender Renaldo Hill. Hunter made the initial 42-yard reception but Hill wrestled the ball from his grasp for a fumble recovery.

Following a fumble recovery by Irish defensive end Grant Irons at the Spartan 26-yard line, the offense took over with 31 seconds left. Jackson hit Brown for an 11-yard gain and a first down. After a 1-yard pass to Lopienski on the ensuing first down, Jackson found Brown in the end zone for his second touchdown of the season.

On the reception, it appeared that Brown pushed off on the Spartan defender before he fully extended backwards to make a great catch.

Brown acknowledged that there was contact on the play.

"I probably did [push off]," he said. "He had a little contact. I had a little contact. The referee could have called it either way. He decided to have a no call. We both had a chance on it. Luckily, Jarious put it up and I made a play."

In the second half, the Spartans switched to zone pass defense but they still couldn't stop the Irish receivers. Jackson found his targets for 142 more yards to give the Irish 245 yards receiving in a losing effort.

In Notre Dame's opening drive of the second half, Jackson found Nelson wide open for a 32-yard gain to advance the Irish to the Spartan 15-yard line. After



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Raki Nelson (9) and Bobby Brown (88) celebrate Nelson's third-quarter, 45-yard catch to move the ball to the Spartan 21-yard line. Notre Dame failed to get a touchdown on the drive and had to settle for a field goal.

two running plays failed to pick up the first down, Jackson lofted a pass to Brown in the end zone. The pass was underthrown, however, and despite Brown's best efforts to prevent an interception, Amp Campbell wrestled the ball away for a Spartan turnover.

Hunter again broke open deep down the middle in the fourth quarter. Jackson, however, underthrew the ball and Hunter had to wait for it at the 20-yard line. He made the reception but was immediately tackled at the 18-yard line.

After Hunter's reception, however, the offense stalled and had to settle for a field goal.

Hunter first showcased his talents as a deep-ball threat in last spring's Blue-Gold game. He caught a 67- and a 72-yard pass from Arnaz Battle in the scrimmage.

Brown has recovered from an injury-plagued 1998 season to catch two touchdowns in 1999 and 96 yards receiving.

Nelson, in particular, has distinguished himself as a great receiver.

"That's what's frustrating [about losing] you've got a guy like Raki who has stepped up and made some great plays," head coach Bob Davie said. "He made two terrific plays and almost made a third one for a touchdown. He's done it

every week. I am proud of him. He is a senior playing the best football of his career right now."

Nelson finished the 1998 season fifth on the team in receiving with just 217 yards. So far in 1999 he accumulated 300 yards through the air to become the leader of the Irish receiving core.

Nelson picked up his second career 100-yard receiving game with his 113 yards on Saturday.

Despite Notre Dame's losing record, opposing secondary must now take notice of the Irish receivers. Rather than one or two good receivers, the Irish force defenses to prepare for a triple threat.

AP Poll

team	record	points
1 Florida St.	3-0	1,738
2 Penn St.	4-0	1,658
3 Florida	3-0	1,628
4 Michigan	3-0	1,447
5 Texas A&M	2-0	1,426
6 Nebraska	3-0	1,412
7 Tennessee	1-1	1,396
8 Virginia Tech	2-0	1,157
9 Miami (Fla.)	2-1	1,130
10 Georgia Tech	2-1	1,101
11 Georgia	2-0	1,096
12 Ohio St.	2-1	960
13 Purdue	3-0	927
14 Arkansas	2-0	858
15 Kansas St.	2-0	778
16 Southern Cal	2-0	637
17 BYU	2-0	526
18 UCLA	2-1	452
19 Michigan St.	3-0	435
20 Wisconsin	2-1	390
21 Marshall	3-0	297
22 Texas	3-1	252
23 Mississippi	3-0	211
24 Air Force	2-0	145
25 NC State	3-1	142

other teams receiving votes: Syracuse 119, Auburn 60, Oklahoma 58, Southern Miss. 49, Maryland 31, Illinois 27, Arizona St. 25, East Carolina 22, Virginia 18, Louisville 15, Oregon 15, Arizona 14, Colorado 12

scoring summary & stats

scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Michigan State	0	7	0	16	23
Notre Dame	0	7	0	6	13

team statistics	ND	MSU
first downs	14	20
rushes-yards	36-108	39-142
passing-yards	245	291
aomp-att-int	15-27-1	22-37-1
return yards	218	51
punts-average	7-43.4	8-40.1
fumbles-lost	4-4	1-1
penalties-yards	4-18	4-34
time of possession	27:11	32:49

individual statistics
passing
ND — Jackson 15-26-1, Battle 0-1-0
MSU — Burke 22-37-1
rushing
ND — Fisher 13-57, Driver 6-24, Jones 4-11, Goodspeed 3-9, Battle 1-5, Lopienski 1-3, Jackson 8-(-1)
MSU — Clemons 22-126, Duckett 9-25, Flowers 2-1, Burke 5-(-2), Scott 1-(-8)
receiving
ND — Nelson 6-117, Brown 3-31, Hunter 2-84, Lopienski 2-6, Johnson 1-7, Goodspeed 1-0
MSU — Baker 8-51, Scott 4-110, Burress 4-53, McCoy 3-58, Clemons 2-18, Flowers 1-1

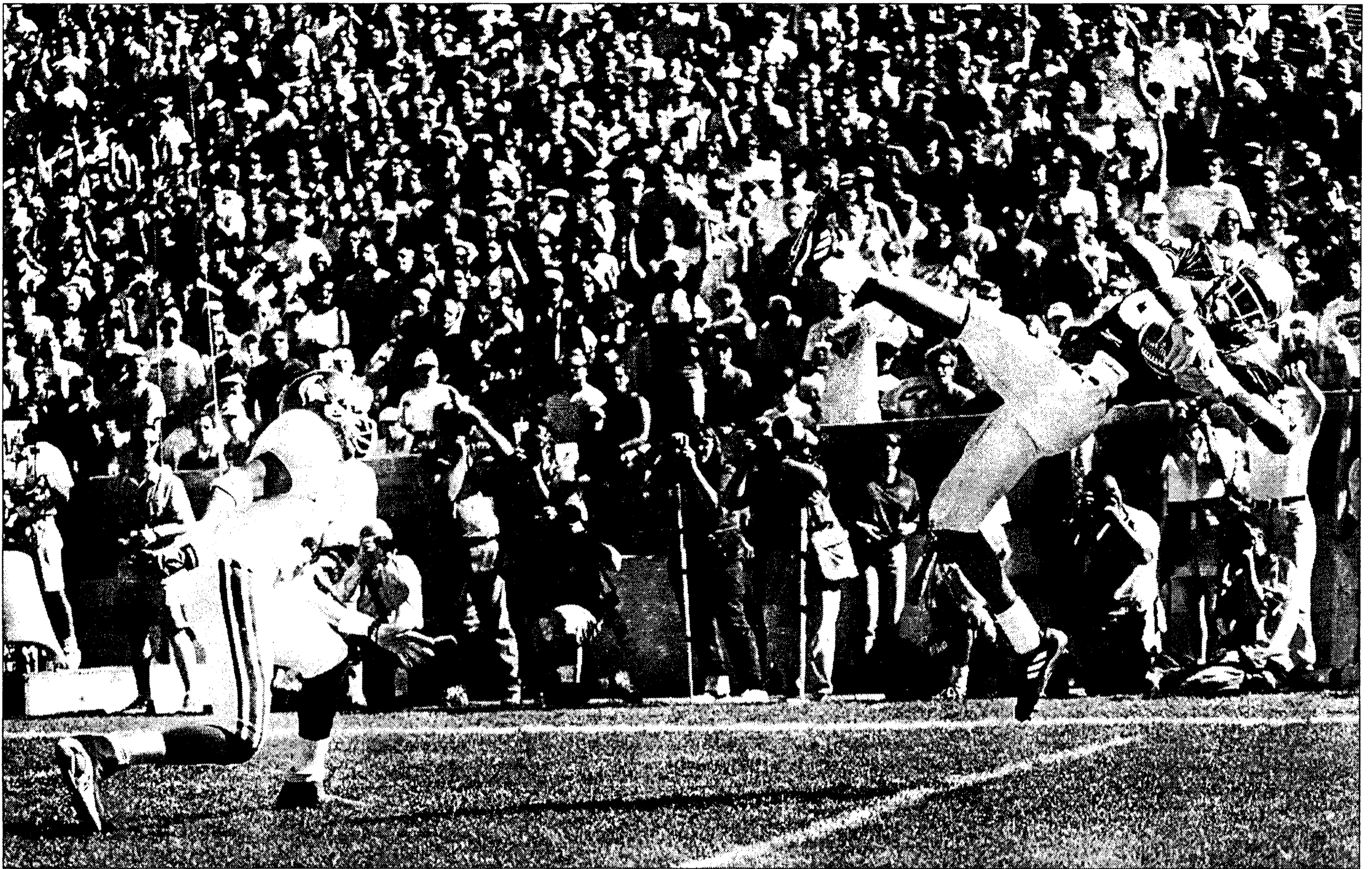
scoring summary

1st	none
2nd	MSU — 14:49 Baker 8-yd. pass from Burke, Edinger kick, 7-0
ND — :09	Brown 14-yd. pass from Jackson, Sanson kick, 7-7
3rd	none
4th	ND — 14:51 FG Sanson 33 yds., 10-7
MSU — 9:42	FG Edinger 24 yds., 10-10
MSU — 7:44	FG Edinger 33 yds., 13-10
ND — 5:44	FG Sanson 34 yds., 13-13
MSU — 5:11	Scott 8-yd. pass from Burke, Edinger kick, 20-13
MSU — :19	FG Edinger 31 yds., 23-13

ESPN/USA Today poll

team	record	points
1 Florida St.	3-0	1,466
2 Penn St.	4-0	1,393
3 Florida	3-0	1,366
4 Michigan	3-0	1,279
5 Nebraska	3-0	1,204
6 Texas A&M	2-0	1,162
7 Tennessee	1-1	1,127
8 Virginia Tech	2-0	1,019
9 Georgia	2-0	937
10 Ohio St.	2-1	880
11 Purdue	3-0	842
12 Georgia Tech	2-1	837
13 Miami (Fla.)	2-1	787
14 Arkansas	2-0	706
15 Kansas St.	2-0	672
16 USC	2-0	510
17 Wisconsin	2-1	476
18 UCLA	2-1	388
19 BYU	2-0	382
20 Texas	3-1	357
21 Michigan St.	3-0	308
22 Marshall	3-0	238
23 Mississippi St.	3-0	183
24 NC State	3-1	107
25 Air Force	2-0	95

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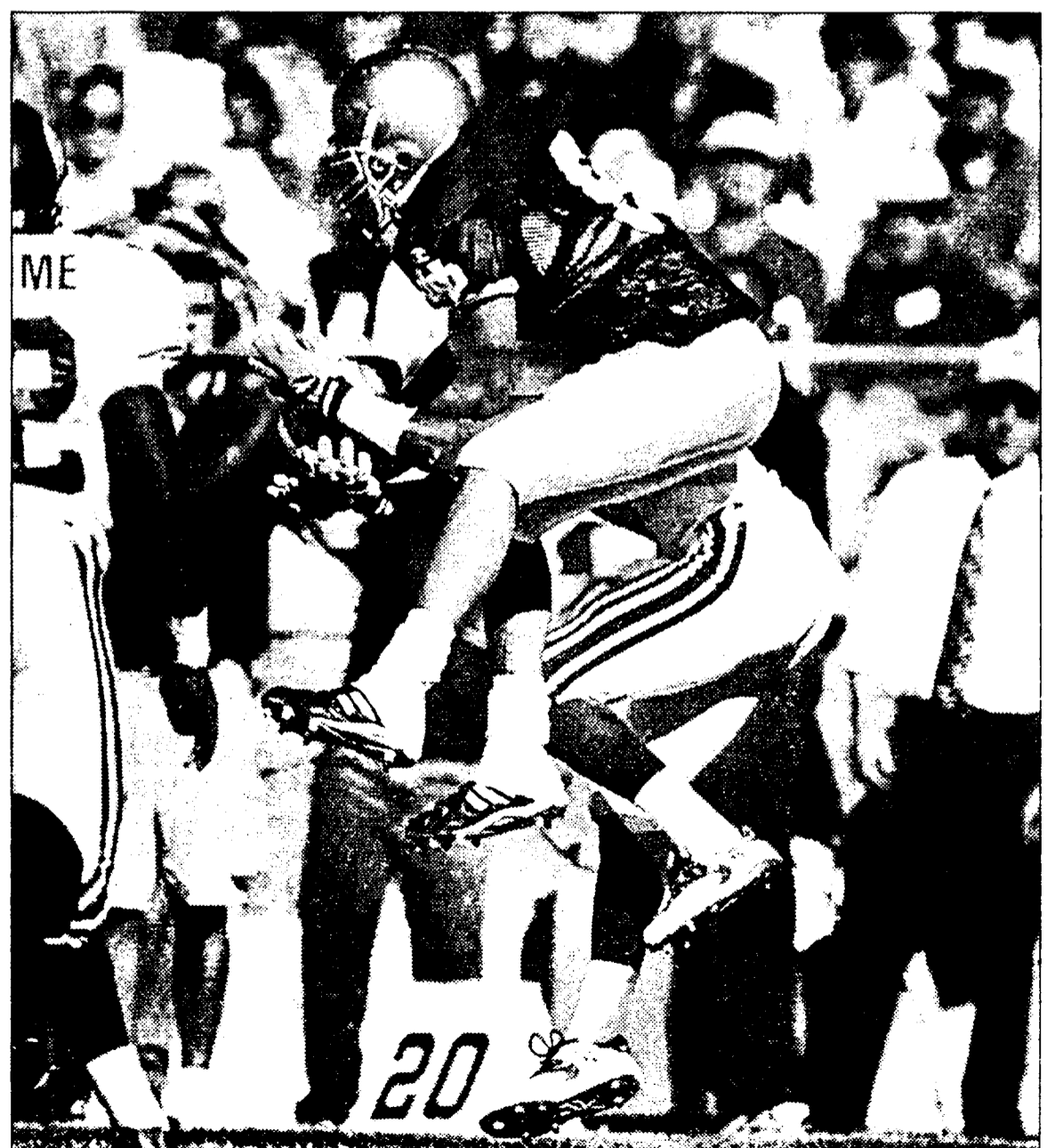
Wide receiver Bobby Brown makes an acrobatic touchdown catch in the second half to tie the game, 7-7. It was the only Irish touchdown of the game. Brown finished with three catches for 31 yards.

Irish can't catch Spartans



KEVIN DALUM/The Observer

Safety Deke Cooper tries to recover on defense as Michigan State flanker Gari Scott goes up for a catch. Scott dropped the pass from Bill Burke.



ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Senior Raki Nelson pulls down a 45-yard catch in the third quarter of Saturday's 23-13 loss to Michigan State.