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resolutions in other parts of the world, according to Congressman Peter King. Americans have a "moral

influence, diplomatic influence and the power of persuasion by being the most powerful democracy in the world," and this influence can be used to bring about peace in troubled situations, King said.

U.S. influence has brought about the Good Friday Peace Accord and a temporary cease fire on both sides in the ongoing Northern Ireland conflict. All these breakthroughs came without troops, bombings or extra money spent by the gov-ernment. This is the kind of role the U.S. should play in future negations in areas of conflict, King said.

U.S. holds critical

role in solving crisis

The United States' role as a mediator in the conflict in

Northern Ireland can serve as

the model for future diplomatic

in Northern Ireland

By MIKE CONNOLLY

Associate Sports Editor

He said that Clinton is the perfect kind of person for resolving the conflict in Northern Ireland.

"When you have the most dysfunctional political system in Western Europe, who better to understand it than Bill Clinton?" he said.

active role in the conflict in Northern Ireland. Before Clinton, most presidents were unwilling to go against the United Kingdom, a major U.S. ally, and therefore could not effectively work for peace in Northern Ireland, King said. Past administrations had been so concerned with offending the United Kingdom that they did not allow the congressional ad hoc committee on Irish affairs which King co-chairs - into the White House.

the United States has taken an

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Congressman reflects

on violence in Ireland

Peter King U.S. Congressman

Due to the more active role that the U.S. has played in North Ireland, peace accords and cease fires been have reached. When the U.S. became involved, the British gov-

ernment changed its position toward Northern Ireland.

The British could no longer say that the troubles were a law and order issue," King said. 'It became an international issue because the U.S. got involved."

King has been involved with Irish affairs ever since he first held public office. He was compelled to speak out when he realized the extent to which the American government has staved out of the conflict. For example, Irish nationalist leaders such as Gerry Adams were refused American visas, he said.

"If you hold a public office, if you hold a title, people listen to

Notre Dame legend Ara Parseghian joined the Siegfried Hall marching band Sunday in their matchup against Zahm. Parseghian coached the Irish from 1964 to 1974.

Building on tradition: Legacies thrive at Notre Dame

By SAM DERHEIMER News Writer

An alumnus tosses a football down South Quad to his 6-yearold son on a sunny fall afternoon.

It's a Notre Dame sight alltoo-familiar to every student. It's a Notre Dame tradition students know will one day become a reality for them as well.

Many students dream of the time when it will be their turn to bring their kids back to Notre Dame for their chance to play a little pre-game catch.

The unusual thing is, for an

exceptionally large percentage of students, it is a dream already achieved — only from the other perspective.

As applications from the Class of 2004 start arriving, the admissions office will undoubtedly receive many applications from students already well aware of the traditions inherent in the name Notre Dame. And a lot of them will be accepted.

Twenty-three percent of the current undergraduate are not the first from their families to attend Notre Dame. The Irish, in fact, boast one of the largest legacy tallies in the nation. Only schools such as Stanford,

Princeton, Yale and Harvard have legacy numbers that are on the same level as Notre Dame.

And these legacies have a very significant role in the Notre Dame community.

"So much of our school spirit comes from the legacies,

said sophomore Luke Ratke, a second-generation legacy. "These kids come in already knowing what it means to be a part of the Notre Dame family. From experience, we've already

learned to love Notre Dame, "I was always attracted and it kind of to that family aspect of like becomes our job to teach Notre Dame I had always those who don't understand yet."

> Such an atmosphere growing up can not help but breed excep

know other people, basically programmed since birth, came in with expectations so unbelievably high, nothing could have met them. "Personally, I think it's a good

thing," said sophomore Dane Rodriguez, who is not a legacy, "I knew there would be a lot of

tradition coming in, and I was attracted to that family aspect of Notre Dame I had always heard about."

Some students have a slightly more negative view. An O'Neill Hall freshman, who wished to keep his anonymity, questioned

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tionally high expectations.

heard about."

Dane Rodriguez

sophomore

"For me, all my expectations were met," Ratke said, "but I

INSIDE COLUMN

A 'friend'ly reminder

Friends are complicated things to have. They make you laugh, they make you cry, they make you crazy. And when they really do their job well, they make you think.

It is one of life's amazing miracles to sit down with a friend and talk. Just talk, about anything, everything. When it happens, it's magic.

A human connection is made that is almost unexplainable (but I'll try anyway).

This connection is not



Christine Kraly

Associate

News Editor

made easily. It only occurs with those people you look forward to seeing, miss when they're gone and share inside jokes with. They're the people you pay hardearned money to fly to see

on breaks and the ones you pay big phone bills to talk to. They're the ones you just "click" with.

We had these people in our lives during high school. We may still have them from days long gone. They are the links to our past and the great memories that can never be replicated or replaced and we should never forget them. They're forming these new, important bonds too. We think of them, they think of us and sometimes that's just enough.

What's important is that we appreciate these people while we have them. And I suppose I don't want to feel guilty that I haven't talked to my best friend from high school in nearly a month because I've been trying to spend as much time having a life here as I can. She's having fun; I'm having fun — what's the big deal?

We need our friends all the time. It's not just the late-night talks or the beer runs that make memories. It's all the time. Studying together, crying together or eating in the dining hall. These are all precious moments. (After all, the dining hall is where you get those great "Did-you-see-Friend-X-drop-her-drink on-that-guy?-He-wasso-mad" stories.)

But we need to remember that a friend is more than the person you see on the quad and offer the trite "Hey, how are ya?" and "Good, you?" They are shoulders to lean on, hands bearing tissues and sources of more laughter than you can imagine. Who else would kneel with you and hold your hair back with pride than a true friend?

A friend:

•is a therapist.

•knows your favrite candy.

·leaves you random cards for inspiration or just for a good laugh.

apologizes.

•knows your fears.

- •can't wait to see you.
- •is your mother, father, brother, sister.

•makes you smile, even when you don't want

- to.
- •wakes you up at 4:15 for practice.
- •knows they don't need an invitation.
- •goes to Mass with you.
- loans you \$20.
- •leaves the light on for you at 5 a.m.
- •doesn't insult you.
- •lets things go. •makes you comfortable.
- doesn't send "win money by forwarding this"

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday Art Show Opening: Original ND/SMC student artwork, Reckers, 7 p.m. ◆ Film: "Grease," Annenberg Auditorium, 7 p.m.

D'Arcy, Basilica, 5 p.m.

Tuesday Latin American Night: Keenan-Stanford Chapel,

◆ Lecture: Rev. John America," McKenna Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday International Movie

Festival: Montgomery Theatre, 8 p.m. ◆ Lecture: Jocie Antonelli, "The Controversial 'Protein Diets," LaFortune, 12:10 p.m.

Thursday

- ◆ AcoustiCafe: LaFortune,
- 9 p.m.
- ◆ FASO's Lumpia Night :
- **Center for Social**
- Concerns, 7:30 p.m.
- ◆ Pre-Law Fair: Joyce

Center, 11 a.m.

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OUTSIDE THE DOME

Nike releases locations of college apparel factories

WASHINGTON, D.C. Nike released a partial list of its college apparel production facilities for five universities. The list came in response Thursday to protests on college campuses across the nation last year. Nike released faclists for Georgetown tory University, the University of Arizona, Duke University, the University of Michigan and the University of North Carolina.

Nike released the locations of 39 factories that produce Georgetown apparel in Bangladesh, China, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Taiwan, Thailand and the United States.

Georgetown Solidarity Committee president senior Laura McSpedon said that the group is "really excited about [the disclosure] ... it's a

"Now the hard part is to go about correcting the problems in these factories."

Laura McSpedon president, Georgetown Solidarity Committee

really good first step, but there is a lot more to do.'

"Now the hard part is to go about correcting the problems in these factories," she said.

Nike also released profiles of selected factories in North Carolina, Bangladesh and China. For example, in the profile of a factory headwear where Georgetown apparel is produced in Dada, Bangladesh, Nike said that

Dada "has earned its name and fame as the provider of most congenial working conditions for the workers. Dada is simply a model of a good factory - others should follow it."

McSpedon said that this is only a partial list of Nike's factories and that Nike probably picked "its cleanest and strongest factories [for the profiles].

'We need a complete list," said McSpedon.

GSC Chief Organizer junior Milmore Andrew echoed McSpedon's skepticism about Nike's motivations for the release of the list. "They are using [the release] to make themselves look better in comparison to other companies, and they only picked the ones they were comfortable exposing," Milmore said.

Police arrest NYU library thief

NEW YORK

A man accused of hoarding 570 overdue books from New York University's Bobst Library, incurring \$31,000 in fines, was arrested Monday and charged with grand larceny and criminal possession of stolen property, police said. George Szamuely, 44, was arrested at a SoHo gym. Police also raided his Stanton Street apartment Monday and recovered the mostly history and political science books that were checked out in 1997, offcials said. The figure of \$31,000 was calculated by adding up fines of a 25 cents per day, \$1 per day for recalled books, and \$20 in processing and fines plus the cost of each book after fifty days, New York University spokesman John Beckman said. The university made several attempts over the last two years to retrieve the books from Szamuely, a freelance writer for the New York Press, who was a continuing education student at the university from 1993 to 1997. "We made many attempts here to ask for the books but he either spurned us or ignored us," Beckman said. After the matter was referred to the university's general counsel, the police were called to resolve the situation.

Princeton profs visit White House

PRINCETON, N.J.

Three Nobel Prize winners in the Princeton University physics department — Dean of the Faculty Joseph Taylor, professor Philip Anderson and professor emeritus Val Fitch - were among nine scientists who met with President Clinton Wednesday to express support for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. The president hopes to see the treaty ratified by the Senate sometime this term. According to Fitch, the treaty would prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons worldwide and provide for an increase in the number of censors around the globe used to identify and classify nuclear activity. Both Anderson and Fitch said they were impressed with the president's understanding of the issues at stake. The three men said they spent about two hours in the White House, including an hour-and-ahalf in the company of the president, who addressed the group for about 20 minutes. "He spoke extemporaneously and touched on issues not previously mentioned," Anderson said. "Clearly he had thought some on the issue for himself." Both Fitch and Anderson said they had visited the White House on previous occasions.

NATIONAL WEATHER

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8 p.m.

forwards.

 doesn't want to say "goodbye." •wants to hear "I love you." So tell them. You know you're thinking of them. Go. tell them. Now.

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Marchers 'take back the woods'

By NICOLE HADDAD News Writer

With dances, chants and poetry, students and professors gathered last night in support of survivors of violence at 'Take Back the Woods.'

Sponsored by the Saint Mary's Feminist Collective and Campus Alliance for Rape Elimination (CARE), the march was held to empower all members of the community to feel secure in their right to have safe access to all areas of the community.

A march through the Saint Mary's Woods was followed by a bonfire, poetry readings, chants, drums and ritual dances.

You should never have to feel afraid of going into the woods," said senior Sara Salazar, president of C.A.R.E.

Reasons for holding this march are to "help empower women and men who have had some kind of assault as well as concerns about being out and no being protected,' said psychology professor Catherine Pittman. "We are trying to give people a chance

to feel safe."

The march was dedicated to victims of sexual assault and violence.

'To all people who have felt violated, that they are able to forgive and go on with their lives and be happy," said senior Kate Ryan.

"To past and future residents, to bring their land back to them," added Amy Collins.

"To feeling empowered and to Saint Mary's pride week that makes me proud to be here every day and every week," said junior Emily Koelsch.

Gospel as the light and strength.

Education, is an introduction to

humanity, to social interactions,

and to life in the Church, he

Karlic also explained that the

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Applied mathematics names new director

Special to The Observer

Panos Antsaklis in the Department of Electrical Engineering has been named the Director of the Center for Applied Mathematics (CAM).

The Center's aim is to enhance interdisciplinary use and teaching of applied mathematics - mathematics used to solve practical problems in áreas such as industrial, transportation, communication and business applications.

Established more than a decade ago, CAM fosters University-wide interaction and collaboration and provides support for faculty researchers using mathematics in a variety of disciplines spanning engineering, physical sciences, social sciences and business. CAM also provides graduate student fellowships, as well as support for workshops, seminar series and faculty visitors in interdisciplinary research areas.

"I am very excited about this opportunity," said Antsaklis. 'Society is imposing everincreasing demands on engineers and scientists for better understanding of physical and man-made processes and for better designed and less expensive products." The problems that need to be solved are very complex, and many of them call for the expertise of multiple researchers across several disciplines. Mathematics provides a common language, and mathematical models are often used to describe processes and design new products. In fact, mathematics has been an important part of society since ancient times. Examples

include predicting lunar and solar eclipses, calculating the timing of annual floods of the Nile or designing the Parthenon. Today mathematical relations are used to describe not only Newton's law, the electric and magnetic fields in Maxwell's equations and Einstein's relativity theory, but also phenomena in economic and social sciences.

"The most familiar statistical interpretations of data might be those gathered by political organizations during election campaigns or by the entertainment industry to determine the appeal of certain television shows," said Antsaklis.

Currently a faculty member in the College of Engineering, Antsaklis has also held regular and visiting appointments at Brown University, Rice University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Imperial College of the University of London, the National Technical University of Athens and the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

With more than 240 technical publications to his credit, Antsaklis has also authored the graduate textbook "Linear Systems," a research monograph on Ptri nets and has edited four books on hybrid systems and intelligent control. He serves as editor and guest editor for several leading international journals.

Antsaklis received his doctoral and master's degrees from Brown University and his undergraduate degree from the National Technical University of Athens, Greece. He joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1980.

Bishop hopes for united world tional institutions with the

By ERIN PIROUTEK News Writer

When astronauts view the Earth from space, they see not a conglomeration of countries, but one unified world. archbishop Argentinean Estanislao Karlic called for an extension of this vision to America, with all people living as one mankind, speaking through a translator in his lecture "Principal themes of Ecclesia in America."

"The Pope wants to strengthen and recognize the idea of a real unity for the continent," said Karlic, emphasizing the use of America in the single, not the plural to describe the Western Hemisphere

"The will of the Pope is that we live and work not just like Jesus ... but as one America." said Karlic while explaining the Pope's call for a new evangelization in America.

"In reality the Christian religion in the third millennium is the religion of remaining inti-

mate with God," Karlic said, noting how Jesus has drawn closer to mankind ever since the Resurrection.

"Christianity is just the personal encounter of the Father, Son and Spirit with each one of us," Karlic said.

Karlic emphasized the universal nature of

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that we can

this encounter. "The Pope wants to "All persons strengthen and recognize are a symbol the idea of a real unity. and instrument of the for the continent." that draws closer to **Estanislao Karlic** us." he said. "It is Christ Argentinean archbishop

use as the measuring ruler for all cultures.

"Evangelization has marked America," said Karlic, noting the prevalence of Christian character in America compared with Africa and Asia.

Karlic emphasized, however, that changes are necessary. He addressed the role of education as a pastoral instrument, stating the need for Catholic educa-

The rights of the poor must not be ignored. From Canada to the United States, to Chile to Argentinathe goal is to help the poor live in dignity, said Karlic. Karlic's address is part of the

conference "Building a Culture of Solidarity: Challenges and Promises of Ecclesia in America," sponsored by the University of Notre Dame Theology Department.

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CUBA

Castro allows 400 Jews to emigrate to southern Israel

Associated Press

LONDON **Cuban President Fidel Castro** agreed to a secret deal that allowed 400 Jews to emigrate to Israel, The Sunday Telegraph reported.

An Israeli official confirmed the report. Speaking on condition of anonymity, the official said 400 immigrants arrived more than a year ago and have been living in the southern coastal city of Ashkelon. Most are students and hope their parents still in Cuba will be allowed to emigrate as well.

Cuba has no formal ties with Israel, having broken off relations after Israel's victory in the Yom Kippur War in 1973, so the exit visas were granted through Canada, the Londonbased newspaper said, citing unnamed sources in Israel. There has been no mention of the Jewish immigration in Cuba's government-controlled

news media. Officials with Cuba's Foreign Ministry were not available for comment on Sunday. Castro is known to want to

improve Cuba's image abroad and encourage Washington to consider lifting the nearly 40year-old economic embargo wrecking the nation's econo-

The official said he expected that other Jews who want to leave Cuba would be allowed out by next June.

Castro, accused of supplying arms to Palestinian terror groups, has long been hostile. to Israel. While he never cracked down on Jews, the country officially embraced atheism in 1962, forcing many to shy away from public worship.

In the early 1990s, however, the constitution was changed to make the

government secular. For first the time, believers of all faiths were accepted in h е Communist

Party. Still, the Cuban gov-

ernment is desperate for new trading partners. The fall of communism cut off \$6 billion in annual aid from the Soviet Union, Margalit Bejarano, of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, was quoted as telling The Sunday Telegraph. 'Castro is seeking out new economic ties, including ones

with Israel," Bejarano was quoted as saying. "He has no choice but to

change policy "Castro is seeking out to survive ... The people new economic ties, need dollars, including ones with and believe that letting Jews g0 make a good

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Margalit Bejerano professor, Hebrew University

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Most Cuban Jews are descendants of Polish and Russian Jews who fled pogroms at the turn of the century. While most in the Jewish community initially supported Castro after his 1959 revolution, many left Cuba after he turned toward socialism and their businesses were expropriated or shut down.

In the four decades since Castro's revolution, the Jewish community in Cuba has shrunk from 15,000 to 1,500. There is no rabbi or Jewish school. There are just three synagogues in Havana and one kosher butcher.

The original contact between the Cubans and the quasi-governmental Jewish Agency in Israel, which brings Jews to the country, was made through the World Union of Jewish Students, the Israeli official said.

A spokesman for the Jewish Agency, Michael Jankelowitz, declined to comment on the newspaper report.

King

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you," he said. "It's an opportunity but it is also a responsibility to speak out on issues.

King has traveled to Ireland over 20 times and has gained an understanding of the Irish people that one cannot get from behind a desk in congress, he said.

"It's easy to talk about names and numbers," he said. "But unless you've been there, it loses its human dimension.'

The human dimension in the conflict would be enhanced if Irish-Americans were more vocal on the issue, he said.

"lf afflicted groups do not

speak out," he said. "Others will not get involved.' King expressed disappoint-

ment that Notre Dame and other Catholic universities with strong Irish-American enrollments like Boston College and Georgetown did not invite Adams to speak on campus when he was denied a visa by the United States government.

King said that if the universities had demand that Adams be granted a visa, the government would have granted him one. When Clinton finally did grant Adams a visa, the peace accords were finally taken seriously because the British government realized that the U.S. was going to take an active role in the peace conflict, he said.

Legacy

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"It just seems that this heightened school spirit comes at the expense of denving qualified students admittance to the University," he said. "Is school spirit that much more important than academic standards?

For their part, the admissions office ardently denies that standards are lowered in order to offer admittance to legacy applicants.

While the office openly admits that like athletes and faculty children, legacies are considered special cases, the office said they are not judged any differently than other applicants.

Still, many students, including legacies themselves, remain unconvinced.

"I figure being a legacy had a huge part in my being admitted," said sophomore Ryan Flanagan. "I mean, I'm a smart guy, I can handle myself here, but sometimes I wonder, how did I get in?

But this may just be another case of overly high expectations. Influenced almost since birth, legacies come to Notre Dame feeling almost unworthy, like they've been blessed. And maybe they have.

"It's why we sell out pep rallies, it's why we can meet someone, anywhere in the country, and when we find out they're from Notre Dame. there is an instant bond," said Ratke. "It's all those things other colleges don't have."





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World News Briefs

Hillary Clinton calls for end to trafficking of women

REYKJAVIK, Iceland

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton issued a call to end the international trade in prostitution on Sunday during her last stop in a weeklong European tour. Speaking at a conference on women and democracy in Iceland's capital, she decried a system that allows girls to be lured from home with the promise of jobs, "trafficked like drugs across state lines and sold into prostitution." "We are working to stop trafficking of women and girls in this region and around the world," she said. "No government and no citizen can rest until we stop this modern form of slavery, protect its victims and prosecute those who are responsible." The speech was her most outspoken of the tour, which also took her to Italy, Slovakia and Poland.

Dalai Lama supports Tibet's autonomy, not indpendence

NARITA, Japan

Tibet's exiled spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama, drew contrasts between East Timor and Tibet on Sunday to reiterate that he is seeking autonomy for his homeland, not inde-pendence from China. "There are similarities between East Timor and Tibet. But there are bigger differences," the Dalai Lama said at a suburban Tokyo hotel. Dressed in a traditional orange robe, the Dalai Lama also bemoaned the "human suffering and violence" in East Timor since the Aug. 30 referendum in which residents voted overwhelmingly for independence from Indonesia. "East Timor has had the opportunity to express its feelings, which is good," he told reporters. "What I want for Tibet is autonomy, not independence, and nonviolence. Always no violence."

California wildfires almost under control

BIG SUR, Calif.

Firefighters were gaining on two wildfires in the Los Padres National Forest that were started by a lightning storm a month ago along the central California coast. One fire had burned nearly 34,850 acres and was 75 percent contained Sunday. The other had burned about 48,815 acres, and firefighters expected to have it contained by Monday. The fires have forced the evacuations of dozens of people, including the monks of the New Camaldoli Hermitage monastery, and cost an estimated \$56 million to fight. Two thousand firefighters have been battling the blazes, which started Sept. 8. In the Trinity Alps Wilderness in Northern California, lightningsparked lires had consumed 108,363 acres by Sunday.

EU, Serb opposition meeting doubtful

Associated Press

YUGOSLAVIA

BELGRADE A planned meeting between European Union ministers and Serbian opposition leaders was in doubt Sunday due to EU demands that the Serbs extradite Yugoslav leaders to face war crimes charges if President Slobodan Milosevic is ousted.

More than two dozen top opposition leaders, Serbian Orthodox Church heads and the premier of Serbia's junior partner, Montenegro, had been invited to the meeting of EU ministers Monday in Luxembourg.

They were to discuss democracy in Serb-led Yugoslavia, possible selective shipments of heating oil to municipalities run by opposition parties, and a proposed lifting of an air embargo against Yugoslavia.

But the private Beta news agency reported that the trip was in question because EU officials want the opposition to pledge that, if they come to power, they would extradite Milosevic and four of his aides to the international war crimes tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands.

Top opposition leader Zoran Djindjic confirmed to The Associated Press that the EU insistence on an extradition pledge has raised questions about the wisdom of attending the meeting.

"Our main priority is the coming winter and the possible humanitarian catastrophe," Djindjic said. "The cooperation with the tribunal is absolutely needed ... but the winter is what we are facing now."

Ile said the opposition would decide Monday whether to travel to Luxembourg.

The opposition is reluctant to make such a public promise to extradite Milosevic and other leaders because it could tarnish its image among Serbs and



A father and son carry a sign that reads "Changes" in support of the Serbian opposition coalition, Alliance for Change, and a flag of the opposition Citizens Union Party. They were part of an anti-regime protest in Belgrade on Sunday.

reinforce Milosevic's accusations that they are Western "traitors" in the service of the same nations that recently bombed Yugoslavia.

Beta said EU ministers had intended to approve shipments of heating oil to two southern Serbian towns, Nis and Pirot, as a pilot project to help ordinary people and boost the opposition's popularity locally. Beta quoted British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook as saying Britain "remains firmly resolved not to make Milosevic's position easier."

"Serbia should not expect any significant help in reconstruction as long as Milosevic ... is in power." Cook was quoted as saying. In a commentary Sunday

In a commentary Sunday, the pro-Milosevic newspaper Politika claimed the opposition has already received \$100 million from foreign sources to organize daily protests in major Serbian cities designed to make Milosevic resign.

A few thousand people gathered Sunday in downtown Belgrade for a protest rally against Milosevic. It was the 20th consecutive day of protests. Similar crowds also formed in several provincial towns, despite recent beatings of protesters by police.

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Mexico

Government upsets flooding victims

Associated Press

VILLAHERMOSA Angry over sandbagging that has swamped their neighborhoods and furious that the government hasn't done more to help, hundreds of people in Tabasco's flooded capital clashed Sunday with police, who beat and arrested many of them.

President Ernesto Zedillo, who has called the flooding Mexico's worst disaster in a decade, toured the stricken areas on Friday and Saturday and pledged to send more civilian and military personnel to help the victims throughout states along the Gulf of Mexico.

"We won't fail you," he promised Saturday.

But in Villahermosa, a city of 465,000 people that is 400 miles east of Mexico City, many weren't willing to accept promises. Much of the city has been under water for a week, and the water was rising on Sunday.

The death toll, according to officials in the affected

states, stood at 333. But hundreds more were missing, and unofficial counts by local newspapers based in part on witness accounts — put the death toll as high as 600.

As the rain continued to fall, authorities in the town of Tenango worked into the night to prevent another disaster after a footwide crack appeared in the face of a turn-of-the-century, U.S.-built dam, which towers above the town.

Dump trucks brought 300 loads of gravel and rock, dumping it in front of the dam. Three thousand residents of Tenango were evacuated to nearby Nuevo Necaxa.

"The water was beginning to come over the top of the dike. The engineers thought it was going to break," said evacuee Jose Luis Gonzalez, 40.

Soldiers dug into mountains of mud that covered villages and towns across the region, searching for the smell of decaying flesh that would signal a victim nearby. Their work was made harder by fresh storms on Sunday.

Republicans: Bush's attacks could hurt his chances

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Republican lawmakers said Sunday that continued attacks by George W. Bush could hurt him on Capitol Hill should the GOP front-runner become president.

"I hope that he doesn't get in a mode of attacking those of us in the majority party who are working very hard to do the people's business and then expect to come to Washington as the president and work with us," Rep. Ray LaHood, R-III., said on CBS's "Face the Nation."

"Jimmy Carter tried that when

he was elected president, running against the Congress and couldn't get anything done."

Bush, in what was widely seen as an opportunity to move to the political middle, recently criticized the House Republicans' plan to alter a tax credit for the working poor in order to help balance the budget.

Shortly after that, a second GOP presidential contender, Sen. John McCain, joined in, saying lawmakers were picking on the working poor rather than special interest groups that contribute money to the party.

LaHood, who has endorsed Bush and helped raise campaign funds, said such comments would not lay the groundwork for positive relations between Congress and a Bush White House.

"Those of us who support George Bush want him to do well," LaHood said. "But we also want to be part of that winning team. You don't do it by knocking those of us

who are working 12 to 14 hours a day trying to do the people's business in Washington. If he has differences with us as the majority party, we ought to sit down in a closed door room and talk about them. We are not trying to balance

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Kennedy or the Democratic Party?" Bauer said on CBS' "Face the Nation.

"It looks to me like he's trying to get the nomination of the Democratic party, devoting his energy to attacking good Republican conservatives. He's the front-runner in the party. If he has a problem with something going on in Congress, pick up the phone and say something about it, but don't provide fodder for the Democrats to use in 2000 to defeat our party," Bauer said.

The Bush campaign did not immediately respond Sunday to a request for comment.

Clinton seeks to delay nuclear test treaty

Associated Press

WASHINGTON The White House dispatched Cabinet members Sunday to press the Senate to put off voting on a nuclear test ban treaty headed for rejection, saying a defeat would endanger nonproliferation efforts.

One Republican opponent, Sen. Jon Kyl of Arizona, voicing widespread GOP concerns about verification, said he welcomed a chance "to go back to the drawing board." He predicted certain defeat of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty if the expected vote Tuesday goes forward.

Three Cabinet members and the president's top military officer, pleading the administration's case on the Sunday talk shows, said rejecting the treaty would prevent the United States from taking the lead in halting the global spread of nuclear weapons.

"We are in a situation right now where we're about to send a signal to the rest of the world that we are not as serious about controlling the spread of nuclear weapons as we should be," Defense Secretary William Cohen said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said on ABC's "This Week" that the United States needs "a tool that will prevent the other countries from testing. We believe that we have a reliable stockpile [of nuclear weapons]. We don't need to test more and we want others not to test."

At Cohen's side was Gen. Henry H. Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who sought to assure the public that the treaty would not handicap the United States militarily.

"If the national security were in any way going to be damaged, the joint chiefs would never recommend that we ratify this treaty," Shelton said.

And Energy Secretary Bill Richardson joined Cohen and Albright in saying the Senate should not act on the treaty without benefit of full hearings.

ings. "What we have now is the need to explain it to the Senate, to the Congress," he said on Fox.

Senate opponents led by Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., have said the vote will proceed unless President Clinton withdraws the treaty and promises not to resubmit it.

Kyl contended a defeat would strengthen the United States' hand in negotiations with other countries.



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Kashmir half-widows fight poverty

Associated Press

SRINAGAR

They're pushed aside by their in-laws, shunned by neighbors, exploited by employers and harassed by security officers.

They are Kashmir's "halfwidows," some 2,000 women whose husbands never returned home after security forces took them away for questioning as suspected separatists.

Only hope keeps the women going. Hope that their husbands — and also sons — will come back one day.

Under Islamic law, a woman can remarry four years after her husband disappears if sustained efforts have been made to find him. In practice, the women don't want to remarry.

'They keep hoping that their husbands will come back. says Bashir Ahmad Dabla, a sociology professor who surveyed Kashmir's half-widows earlier this year.

Parveen Angher, a human rights activist, has helped poor Muslim women file lawsuits seeking help from India's government.

'They have no source of income. Their children usually don't go to school. The women are in poor health. They most-ly wait and weep," she says.

Angher founded the Association of Parents of **Disappeared Persons after** police picked up her 15-yearold son nine years ago. He never came home.

In 1989, an insurrection erupted in the Kashmir Valley, a Muslim-majority area that Islamic militants want to break

away from India, which is predominantly Hindu. The guerrilla war has killed thousands of civilians, militants, police, army and paramilitary officers. Security forces have special powers to detain anyone without giving reasons.

Hundreds of civilians have disappeared, some of them killed by guerrillas who suspected them of being police informers. Allegations of torture and human rights abuses are numer-

ous against "They have no source of both sides. income. Their children Zainam, a

half-widow who like othschool. The women are in ers asked to be identified only by her. first name. says she hasn't seen her husband

since soldiers stormed her house one night three years ago

"They beat my husband for two hours. He was screaming all the time. Then we didn't hear anything. The soldiers left. We went upstairs. He was not there. ... We never saw him again," she says.

The illiterate mother of three children says she has visited dozens of army camps and police stations looking for her husband, who was a government gardener.

"We used to hear from villagers that he is here or there. We could never find him," says Zainam, who looks far older than her 30 years.

She never went to school. like most women in this maledominated Muslim region. She lives in her husband's extended family.

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She is weak from anemia and suffers from high blood pressure. Her eldest daughter has leucoderma, a skin condition marked by white irregular patches. Zainam has no money for medicine.

Rafigua, another of the halfwidows, says her in-laws sent her back to her parents a few months ago after complaining about the \$230 they spent looking for her husband. He

was picked up by security forces in 1996.

Rafiqua says she worked from dawn to dusk for her in-laws. "They wouldn't even buy me soap,' she says. Now they want her

back again. "I'm like a servant in their

house. But what can I do? I can't go on living with my parents.

They have other children to look after," says Rafiqua, a mother of four at age 25.

Her son, Faisal, 5, sits beside her quietly through the interview. "He is always quiet," she says. "The doctor said, 'Don't let him see people crying.' He is always depressed.'

The half-widows and their children all show symptoms of depression. In addition, most of the women have heart ailments, says Dabla, the sociologist.

"The condition of the halfwidows is worse than that of widows. They don't know if their husbands are dead or alive," Dabla says.

Pontiff explains why he forgave gunman

Associated Press

ITALY

Pope John Paul II, speaking to children at a Rome parish on Sunday, said the Christian



Pope John Paul II session,

the pope took several questions from local children.

As pope, John Paul also is the bishop of Rome. It is this additional responsibility that counted Sunday's trip to the church of St. Catherine of Sienna as his 286th parish visit since becoming pontiff, and he has said he would like to go to all 320 of the city's parishes.

Walking slowly and leaning heavily on his cane, John Paul shook hands with people gathered at the parish grounds on a cool, sunny Roman morning. Despite his slow movements his voice was strong as he answered questions from children he was surounded by.

"What was your happiest

memory as a child?" one child asked. "Do you have a best friend?" another wondered. "Why did you forgive your would-be assassin? one wanted to know.

"I forgave him because that is what Jesus teaches us," the pontiff replied. "He teaches us to forgive.'

The pope was seriously wounded on May 13, 1981, when he was shot by Mehmet Ali Agca in St. Peter's Square in Rome. Amid public concern and outcry, the pontiff publicly forgave Agca only a few days after the attack. Agca is now serving a life sentence in jail.

As for the other queries, John Paul said his first communion was his happiest childhood memory. "I don't remember my baptism," he quipped. And his best friend, he said, "is Christ."

"He sowed a seed in me at my baptism, then during my education in school and in the family ... and, lastly, in my priestly vocation," John Paul explained, then smiled. "Now you have my autobiography," he said.

The children appeared interested and responded to the Pope's answers.

The pope celebrated Mass on the parish soccer field for about 500 parishioners.





ROME

message taught him to forgive the man who tried to kill him 18 years ago. In a questionandanswer

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Hit and run kills six students, injures two

Associated Press

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COLLEGE STATION, Texas Six college students getting outof their cars or walking along a highway on their way to a fraternity party were killed early Sunday by a pickup truck whose driver who had fallen asleep, police said.

The accident happened just after midnight

about two miles west of Texas the & Α Μ University main campus, said police Mike Maj. Patterson. The victims

– four students from

Baylor University, one from Texas A&M and one from Southwest Texas State — were among a group of people who were going to a party at the Tau Kappa Epsilon house along a four-lane highway. Some had just parked on the road shoulder and the pickup sideswiped two parked cars and struck a third.

Witnesses said parties at the fraternity often draw large crowds of people who must park on the shoulder of the highway, which has a 65-mph speed limit

The man driving the pickup, also a Texas A&M student, had just taken his girlfriend home

and was returning to campus for the night when he fell asleep and veered off the road, Patterson said.

'We could hear screaming and stuff but at first we didn't have any idea he was running over people," said Daniel Lara, a 22-year-old student who lives next door to the fraternity. "We walked out and saw bodies all over the place." "Their

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Daniel Lara **Texas A&M student**

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The driver, 18-year-old Texas A&M student Brandon Kallmeyer, was not injured and apparently had not been drinking, police said.

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Patterson said investigators will present evidence to Brazos County prosecutors without recommending charges.

The victims were identified as Emily Hollister, 18, Tricia Calp, 18, Dolan Wostal, 22, and Erika Lanham, 18, all Baylor students; William Flores, 22, of Southwest Texas, and Ted Bruton, 21, of Texas A&M.

Two other people were hospitalized, but their injuries are not life-threatening.

Candid cameras catch crafty cars

Associated Press

BALTIMORE Drivers who floor it when the light turns red may soon be opening the mail to find themselves caught in the act on film.

About 250 cameras are trained on intersections from Baltimore to San Diego and that number is expected to double annually, suppliers say.

Police love the ever-vigilant cameras, which they say reduce red-light running and relieve officers from intersection stakeouts. Local governments love them because they bring in millions of dollars in traffic fines. But privacy advocates worry about the introduction of yet another piece of technology to monitor the everyday activities of Americans.

The cameras, long used in Europe and other countries, were slow to catch on in the United States. But in the five years since cameras went up in New York City, they have spread to nearly 50 cities and 10 states. They have generated an estimated \$90 million in gross revenues, according to Lockheed Martin IMS, a major supplier.

Few states have embraced the cameras as enthusiastically as Maryland, where experienced drivers know a green light means wait for the redlight runners to clear the intersection.

Baltimore has a dozen cameras and has signed up for 48 more, which will make it one of the largest users in the nation. The number of red light cameras elsewhere in Maryland is expected to grow from 75 to 200 by year's end.

Traffic safety advocates say it's about time. Each year, redlight running accounts for about 260,000 crashes, 121,000 injuries and more than 800 deaths nationwide, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Fatal crashes at intersections with traffic signals have risen 24 percent, from 1,888 in 1992 to 2,344 in 1997.

"Red-light running is an extension of the kind of aggression we're seeing more and more in everyday life," said Richard Retting, a traffic safety engineer at the Insurance Institute.

"People in a hurry tend to not to want to stop if they have the choice. The tradeoff is somebody saves a few seconds, but increasingly puts someone else at risk.'

An Insurance Institute study found that red-light violations dropped 40 percent in Fairfax, Va., and Oxford, Calif., after cameras were introduced in 1996 and 1997, respectively.

Police in Howard County, a wealthy suburb of Baltimore and Washington, D.C., found the number of red lights run at four intersections dropped 57 percent five months after cameras were introduced last year. At one intersection, collisions dropped from 15 in 1997 to eight last year.

'lt's a very effective, sustained program for changing driving behavior to make roads safer," said Lt. Glenn Hansen, who runs the county's program. "It frees up officers to handle other needs.

A camera snapped 75-yearold John Lobell's picture as he drove to a church meeting in Howard County last year. He thought the light was yellow, until he opened the mail two weeks later.

"There's no questioning it," he said. "There's nobody to argue with.

'I think it's a wake-up call to all of us to slow down and pay more attention to traffic," he said.

Cities and counties using cameras allow firms, such as Electronic Data Systems of Plano, Texas, and Lockheed Martin IMS, a subsidiary of the Bethesda-based defense giant, to do a job once done exclusively by police.

When a car speeds through a red light at any of 20 intersections in Howard County, a magnetic relay beneath the pavement sends a signal and the shutter on a \$50,000 Germanmade camera pops open twice. A computer notes the time, date, vehicle speed and amount of time the light was red.

Each day, a company technician retrieves the film, scans the negatives into a computer, looks up the license plate number and draws up a ticket. The ticket is verified by a civilian police employee and sent to the registered car owner.

What if a lead-footed friend borrows the car and runs a red light? In Maryland, as in most states, drivers can go to court and testify they weren't behind the wheel.

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Gaza Strip to open for Palestinians

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said Sunday.

JERUSALEM A safe passage route for Palestinian travel between Gaza and the West Bank should be opened in a week, Palestinian and Israeli officials

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revived last month by Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

Palestinian Civilian Affairs Minister Jamil Tarifi said Sunday that there was only one minor detail — the location of Palestinian andIsraeli liaison offices - that needed to be resolved.

"The route will open on October 17," Tarifi told The Associated Press.

The spokesman for the Israeli army's coordinator of activities

in the territories, Shlomo Dror, agreed that the passage could open as early as Sunday, saying the sides needed to work out 'technical details.

The Palestinian Authority will publicize details on the application process for permits to use the route in coming days, Tarifi said.

The safe passage was outlined in the peace agreement signed last month between Israel and the Palestinians in the Egyptian resort of Sharm el-Sheikh. That accord marked a resumption of the peace process after it was frozen for much of the three-year rule of Barak's predecessor, Benjamin Netanyahu.

In a further sign the agreement was being implemented, the Israeli army has begun evacuating bases in the West Bank to prepare for the next withdrawal in November allowing the expansion of Palestinian self-rule.

On Thursday and Sunday, reporters witnessed several tractor trailer trucks hauling away prefabricated buildings from two bases in the West Bank, one near the village of Tarkumiya and the other six miles south of the city of Jenin.

When asked to comment, the Israeli army spokesman would only say, "the army is prepar-ing for the completion of the second phase of the Sharm agreement."

The accord's second phase outlines a full Israeli withdrawal from 2 percent of the West Bank by November 15.

TURKEY

Farm plan threatens archaeological town

Associated Press

HASANKEYF A medieval stone minaret rises beside the dusty, limestone hills of Turkey's southeast.

It is a relic of a kingdom that once ruled the region, but it has become a flashpoint between the government and ethnic Kurds struggling to preserve their heritage

After surviving for hundreds of years, the minaret and parts of the nearby fortress of Hasankeyf may end up underwater as Turkey builds a series of dams to irrigate parched cotton and tobacco fields.

The irrigation plan is one of the largest development projects in the world. But it has enraged many in the overwhelmingly Kurdish southeast. They say a state that spends billions to battle Kurdish guerrillas in the barren mountains surrounding Hasankeyf is not willing to revise its plans to save one of the area's archaeological treasures. "The battle to save

Hasankeyf has become a political battle," says archae-ologist Jale Velibcyoglu. "Like Jerusalem in Israel, Hasankeyf has become a sacred symbol in the region.'

Turkey has refused to recognize Kurds as a distinct group and does not grant its 12 million Kurds the minority rights it extends to non-Muslims like Jews, Greeks and Armenians. It is illegal for Kurds to broadcast or teach in their language. Speaking Kurdish was legalized in 1991.

It is that sense of cultural alienation that has fueled Kurdish anger over the impending loss of Hasankeyf.

Much of Hasankeyf's charm comes from its location, perched on white limestone hills above the Tigris River.

The citadel — a row of collapsed stone houses - overlooks the river and a deep gorge that cuts through the white rock. The remains of an arched stone bridge span part of the river.

Lining the gorge are dozens of caves where people lived until recently, carving shelves and alcoves into the soft stone.

A reddish-brown stone minaret rises from a mosque below the citadel. The minaret's side is marked by Koranic engravings in the shape of a teardrop; on its top, perched like a cap, sits a large stork's nest.

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The Educational Rewards of Cable

Shortly after I moved away to college, my family made several concessions to life in the modern world. They put screens in the windows. They got rid of the washboard and bought a washing machine. They got cable.

That's right. I was 19 years old before I saw my first inhome MTV video. I realize that for many of you this in unconceivable. You were cable babies. You were watching

Kate Rowland

Read This. It May Save Your Life.

Nickelodeon in utero. You remember all the words to the Fraggle Rock theme song while I am still trying to figure out what, exactly, the hell a Fraggle is. People who explain to me that they are the magical creatures inhabiting the land of Fraggle do not help.

My family did not get cable in time for my little brother Patrick, now 13, to be a cable baby - he was reared on the same healthy Sesame Street and Mister Rogers that I was - but he is a cable brat. He has seen more episodes of Growing Pains than I have, thanks to reruns on the Disney channel. He one day informed me that Growing Pains is a "very '80's show." This from a child who turned four in 1990 and whose memories of the '80's are clear as crystal. I believe his entire knowledge of the '80's comes from cable, thanks to syndication of Punky Brewster, that show with Tony Danza and The Golden Girls. He claims not to like The Golden Girls, but will watch it if there's nothing else

I tell him that normal people get up and find something to read instead of watching 12-year-old reruns of The Golden Girls.

show after show, he finds himself in precarious situations involving a tickedoff rattlesnake or a ferocious alligator. You'd think that after of working with these animals, this guy would figure out how to walk quickly and quietly away from kangaroos who are pounding their tails on the ground in the way that even I have figured out means they are about to attack.

But no. He keeps putting himself through these ordeals in the name of science. He always survives, usually by the skin of his teeth, to the wild applause of Patrick and his collected friends. No one ever stops to wonder how the camera crew, which must be extensive, based on the number of camera angles from which we see the fight between our hero and the emu, pulls through

I don't think cable is all bad. My household now receives three Spanish channels, compared with the one we used to get. One of my favorite shows on Spanish TV is the Univisión news that not only recounts the day's past events but also offers predictions for tomorrow based on your horoscope sign. By far my favorite Spanish show is Los Simpson. I think I like this show because my brothers always fly into the room when they hear the opening music and then erupt into protest when Milhouse comes on saying, "No lo hagas, Bart!" or when we see El Señor Smithers waiting on El Señor Burns. They whine even if it is the episode where Bart, Milhouse and Martin buy the first Radioactive Man comic book which they have seen 800 million times and already know all the English words.

Thanks to cable, I have also had the chance --- this was fun --- to get the entire male population of the house deeply invested in a particularly engrossing episode of Chicago Hope, only to reveal at the end that they were watching Lifetime, the channel whose

slogan is "Television for Women." Imagine the horror.

Monday, October 11, 1999

Over the summer, I sublet a house with cable. I also worked the evening shift at a hospital, and sometimes I would get home around two in the morning and watch a little TV before going to sleep. One night, 10 of the 40 stations, not even counting QVC, were broadcasting infomercials.

My favorite is Natural Beauty Bust Enhancers. This product is advertised by showing "without" pictures of pathetically bust-less people who are clearly men in bikini tops and then showing "with" pictures of people who are obviously extremely well-endowed women wearing nothing more than small triangles of fabric that a Natural Beauty Bust Enhancer, even a size small, would not fit in.

Another great moment of late night cable is when ESPN changes over to broadcast We Know These Aren't Real Sports. One night I watched professional pool (men's, women's and mixed doubles), followed by professional bowling and darts, and then rounding out with Bass Challenge! A Fishing Show for All Skill Levels.

Our cable went out one night in June and stayed that way for the rest of the summer, and I have to say that after that we missed it. We missed professional fishing and we missed the infomercials and we missed Nickelodeon.

And just when I was beginning to learn the words to Fraggle Rock.

Kate Rowland has never purchased anything from an infomercial. Certainly not Natural Beauty Bust Enhancers. Her column appears every other Monday and she can be reached at rowland.6@nd.edu. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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To his credit, he does enjoy educational cable. He taped the Discovery **Channel's Provoking Dangerous** Reptiles Week, with that Australian guy who also hosts the program where,



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Movies have always been a form of popular culture that altered the way women looked at the world and reflected how men intended to keep it."

Marjorie Rosen

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On the other end of the eating disorder scale

^{*} I've seen the letters to the editor over the last couple of weeks asking for help from eating disorders, and I was happy to hear that those people are not alone

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Mike Marchand

Questionable Freedoms

silently waiting for a similar call from those on the opposite end of the eating disorder scale. Since no one stepped up, l will.

Many people are unable to control their impulse to eat. I am one of them. As a result, I am one of the 40 million Americans who weigh at least 20 percent more than their personal desired weight. Above the 20 percent mark, the risks for coronary artery disease, strokes, and diabetes increase, rising more sharply as the percentage increases more. For example, in men ages 15 to 39 whose weight is 40 percent above desired, there is a 55 percent increase in death from any cause, 70 percent from coronary artery disease, 75 percent from stroke, and 400 percent from diabetes. Contrast this with anorexia and bulimia, which only 8 million people suffer from, and estimates state that only 6 percent of serious cases result in death. As if that weren't enough, overweight people are big targets for insult. I don't remember seeing a character named "Bulimic Bastard" in the new "Austin Powers" movie. When was the last time you heard a joke that started with "Your mama's so anorexic ..."?

I share my own personal story to draw attention. On June 29, I went to my doctor's office to get my Notre Damemandated physical examination. Whenever I get a physical, 1 dread three things: stepping on a scale, and, well, ask any guy about the other two. Anyway, the scale said that I weighed ... uh, the number's not important, but it was a lot. And even though the rest of the results stated that I was in great shape for a person of "my stature," I decided that I needed to lower that number.

get my food specially stir-fried with no oil. It sucks that when I go grocery shopping and I buy boneless skinless chicken and a garden's worth of fruits and vegetables, I get funny looks from some cashiers who apparently expect me to get pork hocks and buckets of lard. It sucks that no matter how sophisticated I appear, I'm always compared to Chris Farley, who died at 33. And it sucks that I can pretty much consider about three-quarters of the available single female population off-limits, since I probably find them much more attractive than they find me.

In a sense, I'm alone in my quest, since I don't have one of the aforementioned support groups. But I don't really want one. After all, I can only blame myself for my weight (although based on the multimillion-dollar tobacco settlements, I could probably strike up a classaction lawsuit against Frito-Lay, Hershey and McDonald's).

Indirectly, though, Notre Dame is helping me out. I have to walk to get anywhere on campus. (I tried to crank that exercise up a notch by buying a bicycle, but the left pedal snapped off after a week and half.) Notre Dame Security gave me a parking area designation cleverly designed so that I have to park at least six miles away from wherever I need to go. Technically, I'm in the C1/Joyce South lot. I'm usually closer to Eck Baseball Stadium. I refuse to ride the elevator in O'Shaughnessy Hall — I'm afraid I'll break it. Even other people are helping me out: When my truck was towed from Turtle Creek because of a parking violation, the security guy that had it hauled made me walk about a mile to the nearest ATM because I had to pay in cash. I would have thanked him for the extra exercise had I not been fuming over a \$95 fee. I could have bought another bike for that.

I guess I'm winning: I've lost 54 pounds as of Friday. This brings my weight to ... uh, well, I'll get back to you.

EDITORIAL Observer supports Cárdenas

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Today, one in 10 Americans is foreign-born, and those who immigrate to the U.S. are more likely to arrive from Latin America than from anywhere else in the world.

Åmerica's 10.7 million Hispanics comprise its largest group of foreign-born residents, and the population continues to grow. In fact, the number of foreign-born Hispanics rose 34 percent from 1990 to 1998.

As the demographics of our country change, we are faced with challenges of communication that surpass language barriers. We must endeavor to understand the cultural differences our neighbors from Latin America bring to the U.S. as they arrive from many countries, each with its own unique heritage.

By hiring Gilberto Cárdenas, establishing the Institute for Latino Studies and hosting the Inter-University Program for Latino Research, Notre Dame has taken a commendable step toward increasing students' awareness of our nation's changing composition.

By dedicating financial and physical resources to this study, the University has provided an avenue for students and teachers to further understand the relationship between

Latinos and American Catholicism, social work, family life and capitalism.

We applaud these efforts.

Cárdenas, in a guest column in The Observer. invited students to help develop programs and courses the Institute will offer. He stressed that the Institute exists for everyone, not just for Latino students.

We support Cárdenas in this invitation and further extend the call to the University community. The Latino influence in America is not limited to one sphere of society but has an impact on every facet of U.S. culture.

Thus, we encourage students and teachers of business, physical sciences, architecture, law, languages, literature and social sciences to explore how their fields are touched — directly and indirectly - by Latino influences.

We ask them to meet with representatives of the Institute to discuss how to create and implement programs that will match educational needs they discover within their disciplines.

We encourage Notre Dame students, faculty and administrators to use the resources at hand to broaden fields of study across the entire University. In doing so, this community's members will be better equipped to serve and live in a diverse and ever-changing world.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Dangers of overpopulation must be heeded for survival

This is in response to Gabriel Martinez's column. "Don't be afraid to let our children grow" (10/7/99).

Contrary to what Martinez believes, expressing concern and fear about the effects that Brind massive deaths from starvahuman overpopulation has on^{blo-}tion. the world does not make a one a misanthrope. In fact, it makes one a concerned and informed world citizen. Human overpopulation is a very real and dangerous problem that must be dealt with if the human race is to have any chance for survival in the next millenium Advances in agriculture are mainly to blame for the problem of overpopulation. As technology advances, humans are able to yield more food per acre. When large countries like the United States grow extra grain and give it to Third World countries, it appears that we are doing these countries a favor: Saving their citizens' lives by providing them with food. In reality, though, we are making their situations worse. The food that they receive allows more

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of their citizens to grow up healthy and bear many children, creating more mouths to feed. Eventually, the excess grain that we have now will turn into a shortage, resulting

When our natural resources are tapped dry and billions are dying from starvation, it will be too late to remedy the over-population problem. The time to look for solutions is now. I would like people to think about the effects that

I should have decided that much sooner because being overweight sucks.

It sucks that when I buy a meal at South Dining Hall, the only places I allow myself to go are the salad bar, the fruit bar and the Oriental area, where I

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In an attempt to prevent this tradgedy, humans will continue to convert natural ecosystems into agricultural ecosystems in order to grow more food. When this happens, native plants and animals are destroyed to make room for species that are useful to humans. The desertificaton of Africa, the dust bowl of North America, and the destruction of tropical rainforests are all examples of this. If this trend continues, the adverse effects on non-human species will be dangerously wide-spread. Aside from the food issue, the earth does not have

enough natural resources to continue to support a growing population. Conservative estimates predict that the world's oil reserves contain only enough oil to fuel the world for about 43 more years.

overpopulation is already having and will continue to have on the Earth.

I am not suggesting that the U.S. resort to anything as drastic as China's policy on overpopulation. I'm simply asking that each of you think about the consequences of having a large family. Is it worth the strain that you will be putting on the Earth and her resources?

If anyone is interested in learning more about this problem, PLEASE read Daniel Quinn's "Ishmael," which shows the correlation between overpopulation and the problems that the human race faces today.

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Notre Dame alumnus Ryan Ver Berkmoes offers a humorous reflection on the u

By MIKE VANEGAS Scene Editor

They did not match. Those purple socks did not match.

But seemingly without a care in the world, 1983 Notre Dame alumnus Ryan Ver Berkmoes pulled off the mismatch with his vibrant personality and expansive memory. This energy allows him to tell stories with prideful ease, knowing full well that the tales he shares are sunken treasures, waiting to be discovered by lonely contemporaries who want only to smile, and maybe laugh out loud.

While speaking with Ver Berkmoes, and subsequently while transcribing his words, the value of his entertaining chatter rose exponentially. Born in Santa Cruz, Calif., Ver Berkmoes was able to learn early the diversity in peoples and ideas which presents itself throughout the world, a world he would eventually conquer as a modern-day Magellan - he is currently a travel writer for Lonely Planet Publications. In retrospect, he also realized through Santa Cruz a universal motif for the concept of home.

"[It's a] strange little town. Beautiful place, absolutely gorgeous," he said. "And growing up there, you don't really realize it's beautiful. It's like wherever you grow up; it's your home. I go back now, and it's sort of jaw-droppingly beautiful, and at the time it was just: 'It was neat, and the beach was across the street.' Really, it was where you were a kid. You didn't go to some suburb in Iowa and say, 'Ooh, this isn't very nice here.' But you weren't really aware of it.'

Ver Berkmoes noted, though, that the allure of Santa Cruz ultimately was not his personal connection to the city as home, but that socially and politically, it was perhaps the most happening place in America.

"It's possibly the most liberal city in the U.S., where if you're a liberal democrat, you're considered a Fascist," he said. "The free weekly paper my poor mom has never gotten over this - in the mid-'70s did a big cover story ... very graphically illustrating how lesbians could get pregnant using turkey basters. When you're 15 and you grow up in that kind of environment, it broadens your mind in ways. It was a town filled with gay people and radicals and freaks and hippies and you name it, and I'm very happy it was.'

While at Notre Dame, he discovered the opposite of what he had grown up knowing. He recalled a situation in which two members of the underground group of gay students at Notre Dame went on PBS for an interview, apparently discussing their homosexuality.

"People just went nuts ... the incredible fear and anger that there could be even one gay student at Notre Dame caused people to go berserk," he said. "And I was like, 'Hey, man, where I grew up, you know ...' sitting there wearing Birkenstocks, and to me it was like, 'Well, whatever.' People just went berserk, like throwing rocks at Howard, going and putting graffiti on everything: 'Faggots out

the dorm weren't too pleasant. He said that back in the late '70s, Fisher was made up of only singles, "cells" he called them. And the residents were mainly football and basketball players. The lesson he learned, basically, was that "It's a lot more fun living off campus."

But living off campus didn't mean that Ver Berkmoes was separated from the typical Notre Dame experience. In explaining his hatred for bowling, he uncovered an SYR story for the ages.

My one great bowling experience was on some wretched screw-your-roommate here with this woman who lived in Breen-Phillips," he said. "We hadn't known each other that long ... Her roommate called — 'Oh, you wanna go on a bowling date with Lynn?' — and I was like, 'OK' [a very drawn-out 'OK,' as if he were agreeing to complete an unwanted chore]. I went and it turned out my bowling was very inferior. She like blew up and was screaming.

"At this damn screw-your-roommate, this woman is screaming at me because my bowling skills are terrible. I haven't gone bowling since. To me, bowl-

ing means bad tempers and being harangued by crazed women who value their bowling skills. She was from some cold-weather place, so I guess they bowled there. There are no bowling alleys in Santa Cruz. That was one of several romances that didn't blossom."

Now married, Ver Berkmoes cannot credit his marriage to the any college romances that did blossom. Instead, it was a chance encounter at The Observer's 25th anniversary reunion in 1991 that gave the Notre Dame family marriage stereotype some more fuel one sign that in many respects, Notre Dame is unchanging.

So with Ver Berkmoes visiting South Bend and Notre Dame often (his parents live here), he has firsthand knowledge of the unchanging nature of Notre Dame, something he noted as he read Friday's issue of The Observer.

"You see the same stories," he said. "The student senate and student politicians are up to some sort of nonsense and having secret meetings. And all that stuff never really amounts to anything, because the administration has always been really smart. They know that in the rare cases, somebody's here, at most, five years. As long as you can put off any student that gets upset for a couple of years, they're gone.

There was this big thing — they were announcing they were gonna build the first dorms in about 20 years. Since they finished Grace and Flanner, no dorms were built in the '70s. So they were gonna build the first of those two low-rise cheap things over by Grace and Flanner — the Pasquerillas — so there was this big movement to have one of The administration just them he coed humored it all along and announced a 25-month study project, knowing that all the people behind it would be long out in the real world before [construction was completed]. The same thing always goes: no matter how upset the students get about anything in particular, they're gonna go.'

class action suits had yet to come to the forefront then.'

But not everything Ver Berkmoes noticed was so controversial. The recent addition of franchise restaurants to the campus also sparked some interest in the writer, as he sipped on his jumbo coffee from Starbucks.

"The burgers at the Huddle were so bad when I was a student. They were so wretched, they were so pitiful, that

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'cause the Huddle ones were just, you could not eat them, they were just crap," he said.

"It's the franchising of America, and you can't get



think the guys had to leave.'

Clearly a liberal thinker brought up in a liberal town, Ver Berkmoes still chose Notre Dame, a decision he can't regret in the wake of the happiness he's found as a Domer. And though he won't deny that some of his classes under the Dome were helpful, he openly admits it was his work at The Observer and WNDU, along with the social environment at the University, that guided his future most effectively.

"I learned 90 percent of what I use today [at Notre Dame]," said Ver Berkmoes. "And 90 percent of what I look back on my college years having provided was outside of class - it was working at The Observer, it was working at the TV station, it was being just very involved with a lot of different groups of people ... Interpersonal skills and broadening your mind and think[ing] a lot of different things. It all comes from that.'

In learning the wisdom of college life, Ver Berkmoes never shied away from assuring his stories under the Dome would be captivatingly fleshy. With his laid back attitude, yesterday and today, he proved that Notre Dame could fit any personality.

For three semesters of his five-year stay at Notre Dame, Ver Berkmoes lived in Fisher Hall, a place he now refuses to visit — not because it is the bane of his existence, but because the years he spent in

But Ver Berkmoes also noted that some things have changed drastically as well, for better or worse.

"When I was a student, the ratio was two-and-a-half men to one woman. That was governed in part by the dorms," he said. "Now they have open admissions ... which I think is a great thing ... It's so stupid — it was artificial quotas and all that kind of stuff, which was nonsense. And you do notice now, it seems a little more like a normal population in that sense.

"Because I'd have classes where even though the ratio was two-and-a-half to one, it was just sort of luck of the draw; there'd be 100 guys and three women. And there was definitely a whole lot of institutional sexism going on. You had teachers that were openly sexist ...

Notre Dame alumnus Ryan Ver Berkmoes recently visited Notre Dame t recounted humorous stories about his experiences and spoke of the eff

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Notre Dame vs. Arizona State



JOE STARK/The Observer

Notre Dame quarterback Jarious Jackson races 48 yards into the end zone as eight Sun Devils chase him in Saturday's 48-17 thrasing of Arizona State. Jackson's touchdown run was the longest run of his career. He finished with 93 yards on nine carries.

Irish scorch Sun Devils, 48-17

Notre Dame capitalizes on Arizona State's six turnovers

By BRIAN KESSLER Sports Editor

Before the game with Arizona State, Notre Dame offensive coordinator Kevin Rogers was kidding around with two of the Irish safeties.

'I was joking with A'Jani [Sanders] and Deke [Cooper] before the game and they said, 'Are you going to put up 40 [points] today,'" Rogers said. "I said, 'You turn it over five times

This is the second week in a row without a turnover. I think that open date really helped us."

Arizona State got off to a quick start early, but two turnovers and a missed field goal by Stephen Baker in the opening quarter took away its momentum. The Irish responded by scoring 41 points in a span of 17 minutes to put the game out of reach early in the third.

"I thought we moved the ball well," Arizona State head coach Bruce Synder said. "We playedgood football, so when the avalanche started, that's a sense of frustration you deal with.

The avalanche started early in he secon Jarious Jackson (10-of-17 for 223 vards) found Bobby Brown on a 23-yard fade. On the next play, Brown beat Arizona State's Kevin Williams once again, resulting a 42-yard score and a 7-0 lead.

of placing the ball all day."

ASU quarterback Ryan Kealy, on the other hand, had some difficulty. On the Sun Devils first play following the Irish touchdown, Kealy was intercepted by Sanders, who returned it for a 28-yard touchdown.

"I made my drop in the cover three zone to the flat," said Sanders, who also returned an interception for a touchdown against ASU last year. "I went out there with the receiver and he [Flowers] turned up field and [Kealy] just threw it out there. I was like thanks. I picked it and took it home.'

Trailing 14-0, Kealy and the Sun Devils tried to mount a comeback, but another turnover halted heir efforts. With ASU driving, tight end Todd Heap was stripped by Grant Irons and Cooper came up with his second fumble recovery of the game. "We were just trying to make things happen all day," Irons said. "I think the defense is really playing well together and we just try to make turnovers for the offense. A 25-yard run by Tony Fisher and a 44-yard rush by Jackson put the Irish in scoring position once again. Two plays later, Jackson found tight end Dan O'Leary for a 6-yard touchdown pass.

"It was pretty exciting," O'Leary said. "I told Jarious I could smell it before he even called it. I knew it was coming. They were playing man defense and the guy who was covering me slipped and luckily Jarious saw and threw it on a bee-line to me. It was a great play to call from the 6-yard line on second down. I don't think the defense was expecting it."

Cooper intercepted Kealy on the next ASU possession and on the next play Jackson found Joey Getherall for a touchdown on a 25-yard post pattern to give the Irish a 27-0 halftime lead.

ne half, the Irish offense only had one more yard than the Sun Devils, but turnovers proved to be the difference. Arizona State turned it over five times, including three interceptions.

the biggest factor in a football game.

Jackson, on the other hand, countered Kealy's three firsthalf interceptions had three touchdown passes.

'Jarious steps up and makes big plays," Davie said. "He's playing the best football of his career and that's a pretty big statement. He's back healthy and he's confident in his teammates, especially those guys up front.'

Jackson opened the thirdquarter scoring with a 48-yard touchdown run, the longest of his career. Freshman tailback Julius Jones then pushed the lead to 41-0 with a 13-yard touchdown run, the first of his

and I'll put up 40.1

Rogers didn't know it at the time, but that's exactly what would happen Saturday.

The Sun Devils turned the ball over six times and watched a scoreless first quarter turn into a 48-17 Irish victory.

"This is a great example of what happens when you don't turn the football over and when you make big plays," said head coach Bob Davie, whose team improved to 3-3 on the season. "I give our football team credit.

"Jarious and I were just trying to stress that if they are going to bring everybody, we have to make them pay," said Brown, who had three catches for 84 yards. "And making them pay is not a 10 yarder. We're going to go deep. Jarious did a good job

"[Turnovers are] the bottom line," Rogers said. "One team turns it over six times. I'm not sure how good we were on offense, but we got the ball on the short side of the field a couple times. Every time we turned it over, except for Kansas, we lost, so it's huge. It's probably

ASU finally got on the board late in the third with a 1-yard touchdown run by Gerald Green, but Jackson still wasn't finished.

With 11:31 remaining in the game, Jackson evaded a tackler in the backfield and went up top to Jay Johnson for a 31-yard touchdown. Jackson's fourth touchdown pass of the day tied a school record. He also had 93 rush yards on nine carries.

ASU added 10 points in the closing minutes of the game.



player of the game

Jarious Jackson The Irish captain set new career highs for longest run from scrimmage with a 48-yard run and touchdown passes in a game with four.

quote of the game

"We are not a .500 team. We just had a couple of games that didn't go our way.

Bobby Brown Irish receiver

stat of the game

+6 Irish turnover margin Notre Dame held onto the ball and capitalized on Arizona State's turnovers to capture its most convincing win under Bob Davie.

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quarterbacks: Jackson continued his great play and tied the Notre Dame record for touchdown passes in a game with four.

running backs: Jones and Fisher ran well to the outside but the power running game up the middle is still suffering.



receivers: The Sun Devils kept blitzing and the Irish kept throwing deep and punishing them.

offensive line: Jackson was sacked twice and there wasn't much room to run up the middle.



defensive line: Irons forced a fumble and the unit combined for three tackles for a loss and a sack.

linebackers: Denman led the team with eight tackles and also forced a fumble. Nicks played well in his first game back as a starter.

defensive backs: The secondary played its best game of the year. Three interceptions, two fumble recoveries and 30 tackles is amazing.

special teams: A blocked punt, a blocked extra point and a missed field goal will hurt the Irish against a better team.

coaching: Davie had the guts to pull Sanson and the Irish are a better team for it. Offense and defense played well together for the first time this year.



overall: A convincing victory and a good stepping stone before the USC game.

adding up the numbers

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touchdowns Jackson 5 accounted for - four passing, one running

largest Irish victory margin since 1996

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Senior kicker Jim Sanson anguishes over his missed field goal in the first quarter. The miss was his third straight miss and his fifth miss of the season.

Sanson's done — now it's Miller time

Before Jim Sanson even stepped onto the field in the first quarter to try a 33-yard field goal, he had already missed.

The boos of the Irish fans

destroyed his confidence. His five missed field goals in 1999 weighed on him. His two misses against Oklahoma both from under 25 yards — hung in the back of his

mind. By the time he lined up for the field goal attempt that

last of his career, Sanson had his career.

"I got booed going out there and I got booed coming back," Sanson said after the game. "I was losing either way, it didn't really matter. I am kind of disgusted right now. "What I felt in the back of my mind was getting booed going out there," he continued. "But that's the usual here at Notre Dame. I have gotten used to that during my four years here.'

have spent four years praying that Sanson will make an extra point.

Saturday's missed field goal, like every other missed field goal, was a good kick, according to Sanson.

"I thought I hit the ball well," he said. "It looked like it was going right through the middle but at the last second it just turned to the right.'

Maybe Sanson is having a hard time understanding the concept of kicking field goals — if it doesn't go through the uprights, you didn't kick it well. It doesn't matter how good a kick starts or if it looks good on its way toward the goal posts.

In the past, Irish fans could only groan when Sanson missed a kick and then wait for him to come back out onto the field and miss another one. But after he missed two against Oklahoma and then another against Arizona State, head coach Bob Davie finally did the right thing and sent sophomore David Miller out to try the extra point following Bobby Brown's 42yard touchdown catch.

kicker Nick Setta has an absolutely incredible week in practice, who else but Miller is going to be the kicker next week?

"I am disappointed for Jim," Davie continued. "That doesn't mean it's over for Jim. It's a long season but Jim knew going in he had to be productive.

This doesn't mean it's over for Jim? Is Davie trying to tell us that Sanson might attempt another field goal this season?

When Miller assessed his situation, he gave the perfect reason why Sanson should never attempt another field goal for the Irish.

"This is big time football so if I am not getting the job done then they have to take me out," he said. "If you're not getting the job done at work, then you are going to get fired.'

Davie often talks about how great Sanson perfroms in practice. He talks about charting field goals and comparing practice statistics. He constantly says that Sanson is winning the battle in practice. Sanson may win the battle in practice but



Mike Connolly

associate sports editor

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most points scored in a quarter by the Irish under Bob Davie

1999 red zone touchdowns allowed by the Irish defense in 21 chances



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career interceptions returned for a touchdown by A'Jani Sanders - both have come against ASU

number of consecutive turnoverfree quarters by the Irish



1999 first-quarter points surrendered by the Irish

Hey Jim, if you're disgusted, how do you think Irish fans have felt for the past four years?

For Sanson's career he has missed 40 percent of his field goals and is just 3-for-8 in 1999. Irish confidence in Sanson has eroded so much that the student section held up crossed fingers when he took the field

Throughout his career, Irish fans have said a few extra Hail Mary's in the hope that somehow the Lady on the Dome can guide the ball through the uprights.

At just about every school in the country, you will find football fans praying for their kicker to make field goals.

At Notre Dame, however, fans

And then an amazing thing happened: A Notre Dame kicker made a kick. Miller hit the ball well and here's the really incredible part — it actually went through the uprights.

It wasn't one of Sanson's patented "good kicks gone bad" but instead the ball started off good, was good in the middle and finished off good by giving the Irish a point.

For the day, Miller was 6-for-7 on extra point tries. His only miss was not his fault. Arizona State's Junior loane burst through the line cleanly and blocked the kick. Miller had no chance.

Davie seemed satisfied with Miller's efforts after the game.

"I thought David got the football up extremely quick," he said. "I think that David Miller will probably be the kicker next week.

Irish fans can now breathe a sigh of relief, except for that one little word - probably. Unless freshman he loses the war on the field.

Arizona State quarterback Ryan Kealy probably doesn't throw three interceptions in practice — but he did on Saturday.

"I have hit balls in practice with a snap and a hold and a rush so I figure. 'Why can't I do it out there?" Miller said about his confidence in kicking field goals against USC and the rest of the Notre Dame schedule.

That's a good question, David. Why don't you ask Sanson? He has made kicks in practice throughout his career — only to miss them when they matter.

But it doesn't matter what kicks Sanson missed in the past games or how many kicks he makes in future practices. Because now, it's Miller time.

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Secondary steals game from Sun Devils



Senior strong safety A'Jani Sanders returns a second-quarter Ryan Kealy pass for a touchdown to give the Irish a 14-0 lead.

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN Assistant Sports Editor

Behind the leadership of seniors Deke Cooper, A'Jani Sanders and Deveron Harper, the Notre Dame secondary stripped the Arizona State offense of the ball every chance it got Saturday.

The defensive backfield forced five of the six ASU turnovers, with Cooper leading the way. Harper, Sanders and Cooper combined their efforts to pick up three interceptions in the first half off of ASU quarterback Ryan Kealy. Cooper added two fumble recoveries to swing the game's momentum in favor of Notre Dame.

"There's a direct correlation to the defense," offensive coordinator Kevin Rogers said. "They turned the ball over five times for us, giving us opportunities, because very frankly, we were struggling in the first half.'

Notre Dame was unable to score in the first quarter. Luckily, neither was Arizona State, thanks in large part to a fumble recovery by Cooper and an interception by Harper.

'Turnovers always give you a lot of momentum," senior cornerback Harper said. "You just hope the offense keeps the ball.'

The Irish got on the scoreboard with 10 minutes, 56 seconds remaining in the second quarter with a 42-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Jarious Jackson to Bobby Brown.

But it was Sanders that really sparked the Irish offense less than a minute later when he intercepted a Kealy pass intended for Delvon Flowers, returning the ball 28 yards for a touchdown.

This is the mark of a good defense. When you get the lead, you've got to keep it," strong safety Sanders said. "After Deveron got the interception, our hands were just itching. I guess I was in the right place at the right time.

Sanders' play was nearly identical to one which he made in last year's Notre Dame 29-8 victory over Arizona State.

> from Goodman Baker kick, 48-17

"It's amazing — A'Jani

Sanders, for the second time in two years, intercepted a ball and ran it back for a touchdown, against the same quarterback, against the same team, obviously," head coach Bob Davie said.

Last year's interception also came early in the second quarter with Notre Dame leading Arizona State 7-0. Sanders returned the '98 interception 25 yards for a touchdown, nearly identical to Saturday's return.

Free safety Cooper did more than his share on defense, with his two fumble recoveries and an interception. Notre Dame ended up getting touchdowns on the drives after his interception and third-quarter fumble recovery.

The interception capped off a 27-point second quarter scoring run with the play following Cooper's interception.

Kealy's pass had been intended for ASU wide receiver Richard Williams, but Cooper caught the overthrown pass, returning it 33 yards to the ASU 25-yard line before being brought down by Flowers. On the very next play, Jackson hit Joey Getherall for a 25-yard touchdown.

The secondary has helped lead the Irish all year long. All four starters for the defensive backfield - Cooper, Sanders, Harper and sophomore Clifford Jefferson are among the top five tacklers for the Irish this season.

"We had three seniors back there [this year]," Sanders said. We felt like this is our turn. We're seniors — me and Deveron and Deke. We're going to hit and we're going to get big plays. As a defense, you've got to want to get the turnovers.

'lt helps a lot," Jackson said. "Like when A'Jani ran that ball back for the touchdown, that's easy points to me. I know it's not easy points because he is working hard and covering people, but as long as the scoreboard is lighting up on our side, I am all for it.'

Although Notre Dame's defense gave up 263 passing yards on the day, the aggressive play of the secondary helped keep Arizona State's score to 17 points, with only seven before the final quarter.

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AP Poll

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1	Florida State (63)	6-0	1,743
2	Penn State (6)	6-0	1,678
3	Nebraska	6-0	1,595
4	Virginia Tech (1)	5-0	1,497
5	Michigan State	6-0	1,408

scoring summary & stats

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11	Alabama	4-1	991
12	Mississippi State	6-0	927
13	Texas A&M	4-1	926
14	Georgia	4-1	778
15	Marshall	5-0	760
16	Syracuse	5-1	715
17	Wisconsin	4-2	606
18	Ohio State	4-2	588
19	Texas	5-2	454
20	Purdue	4-2	366
21	BYU	4-1	341
22	Mississippi	5-1	218
23	East Carolina	5-1	205
24	Miami (Fla.)	2-3	161
25	Southern Miss.	3-2	124

other teams receiving votes: Air Force Arizona 59, Minnesota 56, NOTRE DAME 51. Arkansas 33, Washington 25, Maryland 20, Ke 14, NC State 5, Utah 5, Oklahoma 3, Pittsburg USC 3, Stanford 2, Wake Forest 1, Wyoming 1





Freshman tailback Julius Jones turns the corner on his way to his first career touchdown. Jones finished with 36 yards on eight carries.

Senior wide receiver Bobby Brown shakes a tackle en route to a 42-yard touchdown play. Brown was Notre Dame's leading receiver with 84 yards on three receptions.

Breaking into the .500 club



Notre Dame improved to 3-3 on the season Saturday with a convincing 48-17 victory over Arizona State. The Irish amassed 450 yards on offense and turned six Sun Devil turnovers into seven touchdowns. Quarterback Jarious Jackson was a one-man highlight reel with three touchdown passes and a scoring run. Notre Dame will now have a week to prepare for USC, a team that has won three in a row against the Irish.



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Following a blocked punt, Anthony Denman (39) upends Arizona State's Nijrell Eason causing a fumble that was recovered by the Irish. The fumble was one of six Sun Devil turnovers.

Irish tight end Dan O'Leary walks into the end zone following a six-yard touchdown reception from Jarious Jackson that gave the Irish a 21-0 lead.

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anywhere where it's not a brand name, and that bugs me," he added. "When I do travel writing, 1 travel around the world and write books about where to go, and it's just such a shame to see individual character being lost."

So when he was first introduced to Burger King at the Huddle, Ver Berkmoes could only react with a crazed astonishment.

"When I saw the Burger King, whenever it opened, I

u can't get anywhere where it's not a that bugs me."

presence of Burger King at Notre Dame tre Dame alumnus

in were Germany: 'They put a f***in' Burger King on campus, can you believe it. Nothing is sacred!' As Ver Berkmoes travels around the world for his



Lonely Planet research, discovering the simple and sacred pleasures of places ranging from Peoria, Ill., to the Arctic Circle, he indeed widens his world view — a view grounded in liberalism, taken for a short, five-year ride on conservativism and now coasting along in whateverdom — at every stop along the map.

But to abandon the freewheeling spirit of his current life would be to abandon the greatness of humanity: the ability to communicate, to tell a story. And Ver Berkmoes certainly can tell a story. For this reason, what follows are miscellaneous comments and stories the purple-socked Ver Berkmoes willingly put forward in his colorful interview, each with its own unique spirit, concerning life at Notre Dame and beyond.

On the Eck Center:

"As a parent, I'd just be like, 'Jesus, we're gonna have to sell the house.' It's like, add another zero to the estimated budget for sending your kid here."

On Notre Dame football:

'When I was a senior in high school, they were No. 1, which was great fun because I went to a little school in Santa Cruz, and people were all like, 'Wowwwwww, very cool man.'

"And then, the first year was still Devine [his fourth year], and he lost like two games. Losing two games, people were painting out his parking place, throwing crap at his house. The next year, he went 8-3, which was just considered an abomination. People were really still so victory-hungry. They'd been No. 1 in '73 and they were No 1 in '77. The fact that he could do something such as lose three games in a season was outrageous.

"When he left after five years, he was run out of town. Everybody couldn't stand him. I used to say little things in a quiet, little voice, 'Well, gee, one national championship in five years, isn't that ...' 'Ara was better, Ara was better' [in a deep voice, imitating those who disagreed with his sympathetic question1.

'So then they brought in Faust, which taught everybody to have reduced expectations. I think his best season might have been 7-4. So I had three years of Faust. He was a very, very nice man ... such a cheerleader, such a rara, and such a terrible coach. He did teach people that 6-5 could occur.'

On watching Notre Dame football today:

'The Faust years were so painful ... history keeps repeating itself, 'cause the Faust years, one of the hallmarks was having a bad place kicker. I cannot On 'Baywatch' in Germany:

give you 20 bucks for that thing of wine.' And we're like, 'Well, gee, sir. We paid like three dollars.' 'You kids could use the money.' But then we started talking to them, and they were passing around this three dollar jug of Carlo Rossi or something, and the impression I really got from them ... was that the roots of Notre Dame was a very middle class, even really blue collar, place to send your kid. It was working Catholic. Their dream was for their kid to go here. And I don't know what the stats are now, but just the feel of the place does not have a sort of middle class anymore.

"The typical car of the student was the bad Ford Ltd. wagon from the early '70s that was rusty and had been handed down ... What I do think when you kind of go through the student parking lots now ... a lot of people ... have new cars. And I think the character of the place has gone more upscale. Everything is much nicer and richer looking.

On travel writing:

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You need to talk to people wherever you go. Find out from the people who live there what's neat. Talk to average people, just regular folks, whoever you encounter, and just, 'What is happening?'"

On his wedge into Lonely Planet:

"Right place, right time."

Part two on bowling:

'The opiate of the Midwest."

Favorite movie from college years:

'Animal House' — That was a very seminal movie for me — 'Was it really gonna be like that?'

On 'Titanic':

"If I ever hear that song again ... Worldwide, you cannot escape that damn song. You can't escape the movie, you can't escape the song.

On American culture abroad:

"American culture has sort of conquered the world. Really, mass popular culture, it's just everywhere. There's no escaping it. Movies, TV, music, the works. And especially with the British, what they comment on a lot is the sort of hypocrisy of it all, 'cause America's seen as this place riven with fundamentalist Christian arguments, stuff like Notre Dame saying you can't run ads from the gay and lesbian community, yet American pop culture is nothing but juvenile celebrations of sex and violence. ... If Trent Lott gives a speech, it gets equal play, like he's representing America. So they see America moralizing about this, that and the other thing, and then inundating the world with ... 'Baywatch.'" [Note: he also calls it "wretched entertainment."|

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MARY CALASH/The Observer

o talk about travel writing and share tales of his days as a Domer. He ects those times have had in other areas of his life.

tell you how many times it would come down to the end. ... So when we're watching it on TV, it's like, can't they ever get someone who can kick the ball? It's endless. It's like 'Groundhog Day.' It's bad-kicker-at -Notre Dame-Day. I can't believe that these other guys they got could be any worse."

On the current ambiance of Notre Dame:

"The place has gone much more upscale. Even when I was here, you used to see the older alums, who were probably my age or something now. We thought they were just some geezers ... I met a bunch of guys who'd been alums from the '50s ... we were all too broke to go anywhere fall break, so we went out to Michigan, which was still 18 then, and bought a bunch of this horrible Blatz and crap — bad wine and bad beer that you buy when you're 18 and dumb. We were coming back, walking across south quad, and there were these guys, these old alums, who were out walking around: 'Hey, you guys got something to drink in there?' We're like, 'Yeah,' and they're like, 'Hey, we'll

"It's huge. It really, really is. We went there in [1996], and I'd heard it was [big]. Like, was it an urban legend or something? But, no, there was really these pathetic Germans that like David Hasselhoff t-shirts. His CDs, you'd see them on the best-selling racks of CD stores. He really was big."

On Music:

'When I'm on the road, I try to listen to wherever I am, what they're talking about on the radio.

"I got a ticket in Canada last year. The new Sheryl Crow album had come out. There was one on there in particular, with the guns at the Wal-Mart store, and I was like, 'Man, what a great line,' and I started speeding and the guy caught me. I was in the middle of nowhere, and I was like, 'Yeah, guns at Wal-Mart: good job.'

On being a Bulls fan in Chicago:

'You had to be, and sure, why not?"

On Notre Dame when Father Hesburgh was president:

"It was like having an absentee landlord in a lot of respects."

On plans for the future: "Who knows?"

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NCAA FOOTBALL Miami stays strong despite two defeats

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. The Miami Hurricanes lost their fifth straight game against Florida State and are on a three-game losing streak for only the second time in 15 years.

And they still have Virginia Tech and Syracuse, two ranked opponents, on their schedule.

But Miami coach Butch Davis isn't worried.

The Hurricanes (2-3), the only team to face No. 1 Florida State and No. 2 Penn State already this season, have one of the toughest schedules in the nation.

Their losses were by a combined 18 points. And they led in all three of their defeats, including blown fourth-quarter leads against the Nittany Lions and East Carolina.

Davis sees signs that his team, which fell from 19th to 24th in the rankings Sunday, is close to fully recovering from the 31 scholarships it lost to NCAA sanctions between 1995 and 1997.

"Two years ago the light at the end of the tunnel looked a long way off," said Davis, recalling an embarrassing 47-0 loss in Tallahassee in 1997. "Today the light looks a hell of a lot closer."

He just needs more quality players.

"Depth certainly is missing to a certain extent," Davis said Sunday, a day after the 31-21 loss to the Seminoles. "Depth in some of the position places and experience, but that's what this season and seasons bring."

This season still could bring a

lot more for Miami.

After five nonconference games, the Hurricanes play seven straight Big East opponents beginning with Temple on Saturday. Winning the conference title would ensure Miami a spot in the Bowl Championship Series.

"It's like two seasons," Davis said. "We had five nonconference games, and those are over with. Now we've got to turn our attention to seven consecutive conference games and look at this as a fresh start. We're 0-0, and we'll see what happens."

The Hurricanes hope to see quarterback Kenny Kelly play like he did against the Seminoles. He completed 27 of 41 passes for 370 yards and three touchdowns.

Though Kelly threw his ninth interception of the season, Davis said he had the best performance of his two-year career.

"Kenny played extremely well," he said. "He showed a lot of poise, a lot of maturity. He made outstanding decisions with the football. He threw it out of bounds, avoided sacks and didn't try to force things that could have conceivably turned into interceptions. He played like we expect him to play for the next two years."

That could mean an eventual win against the Seminoles.

But for now, the Hurricanes will have to settle for being labeled the best three-loss team in the country, a distinction that means little to the players.

"They only give away consolation prizes in game shows," linebacker Rod Mack said.

Spartans, Saban stay undefeated

Associated Press

EAST LANSING, Mich. Don't worry about Nick Saban. The Michigan State coach will be fine, if he can ever stop smiling.

Saban has been hoping since coming to East Lansing in 1995 that the rivalry between the Spartans and mighty Michigan could be like the one in Florida between the Gators and Florida State.

On Saturday, he got his wish.

He got a big victory, too. Easily the biggest of his career.

Bill Burke passed for a school-record 400 yards and two touchdowns, and Plaxico Burress caught 10 passes for a school-record 255 yards and a score as the Spartans held off the Wolverines 34-31 in a showdown of Big Ten unbeatens.

"This is the best feeling I've ever had, and the happiest I've ever seen our team," Saban said. "It is just too bad that either side had to lose."

The win left Michigan State, which began the season unranked, 6-0 overall and 3-0 in the conference. The Wolverines, hoping for a second national title in three years, slipped to 5-1, 2-1.

The outcome sent Michigan State from No. 11 to No. 5 in the rankings. Michigan dropped from No. 3 to No. 10.

"This team was as confident as I have ever seen them, but they didn't get caught up in the hoopla," Saban said. "I'm very proud of that."

The trick now will be to keep his players on track. The

"This is the best feeling I've ever had, and the happiest I've ever seen our team."

Nick Saban Michigan State head coach

Spartans are at Purdue this week, at Wisconsin the following week, then at home against Ohio State. If he can guide this team unbeaten through that stretch, Saban might be a lock for coach of the year.

Still, the way Burke and Burress are progressing, anything is possible.

Burke completed 21 of 36 passes and became the first player to pass for 400 yards for Michigan State, breaking the mark of 369 by Ed Smith against Indiana in 1978. "I've had games where I felt

"I've had games where I felt better, but I just wanted to keep plugging away," Burke said. "I just didn't want to do anything that could lose the game."

Burress, who broke the school mark of 252 receiving yards by Andre Rison in the 1989 Gator Bowl against Georgia, wasn't about to let that happen.

"My motto is 'Stay Dangerous.' I've got a new attitude," Burress said. "If I drop a pass, I just tell myself that the defense has to respect me, because they know I'll catch the next one."

The Spartans also won the battle of the trenches.

Michigan State, which had not allowed a rushing touchdown, went into the game allowing an average of just 42.8 yards a game on the ground. The Wolverines learned why, finishing with just six yards on 21 rushing attempts.

Michigan, which has a bye this week, got school-record 396 of its 402 yards through the air, most of it on the arm of Tom Brady during a furious fourth-quarter comeback that came up short. The Spartans had 90 yards rushing.

ing. "If this isn't the most disappointing loss, it's right up there," Michigan nose guard Rob Renes said. "I have to live with this the rest of my life."

Drew Henson, who played the second and third quarters for Michigan, completed 6 of 12 passes for 111 yards, including an 81-yard TD bomb to Marcus Knight. But he also was picked off by Aric Morris, setting up the touchdown that put Michigan State ahead 27-10.

Brady did his best to bring the Wolverines back with three touchdowns in the fourth quarter, but he just ran out of time.

"We set our goals high," Brady said. "We just ran into a very good Michigan State team."

This is the first time the Spartans have been 6-0 since 1966. They finished that year 9-0-1 after the 10-10 tie with Notre Dame in the final game of the season. Those Spartans also won the Big Ten championship and the national championship.

Saban would settle for that in a heartbeat.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL Lone Star fans wait for next year

Associated Press

While New Yorkers dream of a Subway Series, fans in the Lone Star State can only lament of what might have been.

Hopes for an 1-45 World Series or maybe a fourth Texas vs. New York championship series this year were squashed over the weekend when the Houston Astros and Texas Rangers were eliminated from the first round of the playoffs.

In case you're counting, that makes them 0-for-ever in playoff series.

Good karma was the best reason to think 1999 would be different.

After all, the Dallas Stars won their first Stanley Cup, the San Antonio Spurs won their first NBA title and the Houston Comets ruled the WNBA for the third time in the league's three years. And don't forget the individual achievements of Lance Armstrong and Michael Johnson. The Rangers roared into the

postseason with 95 wins, their most ever, and one of the most potent offenses in baseball.

They limped out by scoring a grand total of one run in three losses to the New York Yankees.

Texas lost 3-0 in the finale Saturday night, extending the club's playoff losing streak to nine straight - all to the Yankees. Home fans have yet to see the Rangers win a postseason game in four tries.

"There's no jinx," Rafael Palmeiro of the Rangers said. "We just didn't do it."

Just getting to the playoffs was impressive enough considering all the injuries and illness the Astros endured along the way to their third straight NL Central title.

After splitting two games in Atlanta, there was hope Friday that Houston would go up 2-1 in the best-of-5 series.

But the Braves held off a bases-loaded, no-outs jam and

won 5-3 in 12 innings, then won 7-5 Saturday in what turned out to be the final baseball game in the Astrodome.

The Astros will play outdoors, on grass at Enron Field next year. Maybe that will change their luck.

"We're a winning team," first baseman Jeff Bagwell said. "We'll come through sooner.or later."

Even the biggest optimist in the Lone Star State knew the odds were heavily against an all-Texas World Series.

But it would have been fitting for one of them to make the League Championship Series against either the New York's Mets or Yankees considering the NHL, NBA and WNBA championships were fought between teams from Texas and New York.

Alas, with no chance for Texas to win a fourth pro sports title, there's only one thing left for Texans to root for: a fourth finals loss by a New York team.

Kim shoots record score to win Classic

Associated Press

LPGA

KUTZTOWN, Pa. Rookie Mi Hyun Kim fired a 2-under 70 and fought off three challengers Sunday to

three challengers Sunday to win the rain-delayed \$725,000 LPGA First Union Betsy King Classic by one stroke.

The 22-year-old Kim, who began the day tied with two others one stroke off the lead, finished with a 72-hole total of 8-under 280 and earned \$108,750. She won the State Farm Rail Classic over Labor Day Weekend for her first LPGA victory.

The start of the final round at the 6,075-yard Berkleigh Country Club course was delayed for four hours because of heavy rain, and the leaders played the last few holes in virtual darkness.

Hall of Famer Beth Daniel, who began the day with a onestroke lead at 7 under, shot a 72 and finished tied for with Jenny Lidback, who closed with a 69, and Helen Dobson, who had a 71.

All three missed an opportunity to catch Kim when she put her approach on No. 17 into a creek and took a drop for her only bogey of the back nine.

Dobson hit the pin with her approach on the same hole but missed a 5-foot birdie putt. Lidback then missed a 4-footer for birdie on the same hole and Daniel was inches short on a 6foot birdie putt on 18.

The victory was worth \$108,750 to Kim, a native of Seoul, South Korea, who said she knew that she was being seriously challenged on the back nine.

After a bad drive on No. 1 led to a bogey, Kim birdied No. 2 with a 7-foot putt. She took the lead for good with a birdie on No. 5 by putting her approach inches from the hole, and made the turn at 9 under after birdies with short putts on 7 and 9.

Spurs defeat Sixers in preseason opener

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA Tim Duncan had 26 points and 10 rebounds and Samaki Walker added 23 points, including the game winningbasket, as the San Antonio Spurs defeated the Philadelphia 76ers 98-97 Sunday night in both team's preseason opener.

In front of a boisterous crowd of 19,353 at the First Union Center, Duncan dominated in 25 minutes but sat out the entire fourth quarter.

The Spurs led 74-66 after three periods, but the 76ers, who trailed 81-72 early in the fourth, scored 14 unanswered points to take an 86-81 lead with 7:18 to go.

The teams exchanged baskets, with neither team going ahead by more than three in the final seven minutes. Nazr Mohammed's hook shot gave Philadelphia a 97-96 lead with 1:15 to go, but Walker followed with a turnaround jumper with 1 minute left to give the Spurs a one-point lead. A final desperation heave by Doug Overton fell short at the buzzer

Duncan was 7-for-13 from the field and 12-for-15 from the foul line for the Spurs, who played without center David Robinson, listed as day-to-day with a stiff lower back.

Larry Hughes had 19 points to pace the 76ers while Allen Iverson, who missed his first six shots, had 15 points on 5for-17 shooting from the field. Aaron McKie added 11 points.

Led by a group of mostly reserves, Philadelphia's 14-0 run came thanks to a full-court press defense and an up-tempo offense. Rookies Jumaine Jones and Todd MacCullough, playing his first minutes of the game, joined second-year player Hughes and veterans McKie and starter George Lynch as the 76ers grabbed an 86-81 lead, their first advantage since early in the first quarter. WE'VE GOT A WORD FOR OUR TASTY NEW CHICKEN CLUB SANDWICH: CRAVEABLE. (It'S NOT A REAL WORD, BUT WE LIKE IT.)



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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL Mets, Braves prepare to face off

Associated Press

NEW YORK It remains to be seen if the New York Mets' bats and arms are ready to meet Atlanta in the NL Championship Series. It's already clear their mouths are in top form.

"I see no reason that we should have any affection for them," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said Sunday. "We have great respect for them. I think we still have to earn our respect. They've shown us very little."

New York advanced to its first championship series in 11 years by beating Arizona 4-3 in 10 innings Saturday, winning the best-of-5 first-round series in four games.

Just nine days earlier, after going 5-1 against New York over the final two weeks, the Braves declared the Mets finished, two games out of the wild-card lead with three to play.

play. "This is the next-best thing to winning the World Series," said Braves third baseman Chipper Jones, annoyed by taunts from the Shea Stadium fans. "I told them to go home and put their Yankees' stuff on."

That remark has stuck in the minds of many Mets players and fans.

"It was a pretty mature statement," Valentine said sarcastically, "and an incorrect one we're not dead yet. I don't think it was lack of understanding. I think he was very confident he wasn't going to have to deal with them again this year. Guess what? He's going to have to deal with them this year."

Atlanta went 9-3 against New York for the second straight season. The Braves swept three games from the Mets on the final weekend of '98 to keep them out of the playoffs, and nearly knocked them out again by sweeping three in Atlanta and winning two of three in New York.

Jones was the biggest nemesis, hitting .400 with seven homers and 16 RBIs in 39 atbats. In the three-game sweep at Turner Field from Sept. 21-23, he was 4-for-9 with four homers and seven RBIs.

"I don't think he's going to be as magical ever again as he was in that one series." Valentine said on a conference call Sunday after leaving Mass. "I don't think anyone could be."

It's not just Jones who annoys the Mets. It's pretty much the entire Braves team.

"There's been a lot of comments, subtle," Valentine said. "If the comments and actions they've made over the years were in New York, as a New York team, they'd be well known and documented, but a lot of them have slipped by some people."

He was asked to elaborate with two specifics.

"I don't see it to be necessary," he said. "We know it and those who have been watching know it. We'll just go on to earn our respect."

New York hit just .224 against Atlanta this year, with Robin Ventura batting .140, Edgardo Alfonzo .159, Mike Piazza .211 and John Olerud .229. Against Game 1 starter Greg Maddux, Olerud is 3-for-17 (.176) in his career and Ventura is 1-for-10. But Alfonzo is 8-for-23 (.348) and Piazza 11-for-36 (.306) with two homers.

"We're due for good things to happen against this club, and I think they know it," Valentine said.

He wouldn't reveal his rotation, but it seems certain Masato Yoshii (12-8) will start against Maddux (19-9) in Tuesday's series opener at Turner Field.

Valentine hinted he's thinking of moving up Al Leiter to Game 3 and dropping back Kenny Rogers. Rick Reed could wind up pitching Game 2 or Game 4.

"The real decision in Game 3," Valentine said. "Al would be on his regular rest. If we could have Al for 3 and 7 on regular rest, then that's something maybe we want to do. But I want to talk to everyone about that."

There was no big news on the status of Piazza's swollen left thumb, an injury that caused him to miss Games 3 and 4 against Arizona. Piazza's replacement, Todd Pratt, hit the game-winning homer in the 10th Saturday.

While the clubhouse at Shea Stadium was empty as rain swamped the field Sunday, Mets trainer Fred Hina visited Piazza at the catcher's home, Mets spokesman Jay Horwitz said.

If Piazza's health is questionable, the Mets might activate Mike Kinkade, according to general manager Steve Phillips.

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Canucks top early season surprise list

Associated Press

NHL

The Vancouver Canucks are playing like they're trying to make up for the last few years. Same for the San Jose Sharks and Florida Panthers.

Topped by the Canucks' 3-0 record, those three are among the team surprises after the first week of the NHL season.

"It's time to get a little bit excited," coach Mark Crawford said after Vancouver's 4-1 win over Montreal on Saturday night gave the Canucks their best start since 1992.

"We're not going to get carried away with ourselves. We know we've got a long way to go. But right now, the confidence can keep building for us if we continue to adhere to what we're doing."

The Canucks have reason to feel good about themselves these days. They've missed the playoffs for three straight years and have been at the bottom of the Western Conference two seasons in a row.

Their 3-0 start is one win short of their best in franchise history. The Canucks' threegame winning streak is also their longest since February 1998.

"It's only three games in, but we've been playing really hard. We've bought into a system and we've got to keep on riding it," Todd Bertuzzi said.

The Sharks and Panthers both feel pretty good, too, after strong starts.

The Sharks began the sea-

son with three straight victories for the first time in their history before losing 3-2 to defending Stanley Cup champion Dallas on Saturday night. The Panthers are 2-0-1 after Saturday night's 2-2 tie with the Detroit Red Wings.

The Sharks, who finished seventh in the Western Conference last year, have never had a winning season in their eight years in the NHL. The Panthers, Stanley Cup finalists in 1996, have missed the playoffs for two straight seasons.

Saturday night's performance was a gutsy effort by the Panthers, who rallied from a 2-0 deficit to tie one of the NHL's tougher teams.

"Getting down 2-0 to one of the premier teams in the league and certainly one of the best defensive teams, I'm very happy to come back and tie this thing," Panthers coach Terry Murray said.

The Los Angeles Kings are another team trying to forget the past, and doing a pretty good job of it. They're at 3-1-1 in the midst of a sevengame road trip to start the season, including a 2-2 tie Saturday night at Washington.

The Kings missed the playoffs last season for the fifth time in six years, including last year when they went 32-45-5.

"We talked about calling this a good trip if we won tonight," said Kings coach Andy Murray. "Now it goes a step below a great trip but a few steps above a good trip."







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Rams beat 49ers to stay unbeaten

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With nine straight losing seasons, the St. Louis Rams have the longest streak of futility in the NFL. Now they have another distinction: the league's only undefeated team.

Kurt Warner threw five touchdown passes, including four to Isaac Bruce, as the Rams beat San Francisco 42-20 on Sunday to break a 17-game losing streak against the 49ers and improve to 4-0.

New England and Dallas got their first losses Sunday, leaving the Rams alone with a spotless record. It's been an amazing turnaround for a team that hasn't reached the playoffs since 1989 and lost starting quarterback Trent Green with a preseason knee injury.

Warner, a former Arena League quarterback, threw TD passes of 13, 5, 45 and 42 yards to Bruce. He also found Jeff Robinson for a 22-yard score.

Warner, who leads the NFL with 14 TD passes, completed 20 of 23 passes for 323 yards. Bruce had five receptions for 134 yards.

San Francisco quarterback Jeff Garcia, making his second straight start in place of ailing Steve Young, was 22-of-36 for 233 yards but was intercepted on the 49ers' last three possessions.

Eagles 13, Cowboys 10

At Philadelphia, Doug Pederson threw a 28-yard TD pass to Charles Johnson as the Eagles (1-4) overcame a 10point deficit against the Cowboys (3-1) in the fourth quarter.

Dallas receiver Michael Irvin was taken off the field on a stretcher in the first quarter after getting tackled and hitting his head on the artificial turf. Tests showed swelling in Irvin's spinal cord and a herniated disc, but he had movement in his hands and feet.

Chiefs 16, Patriots 14

At Kansas City, Adam Vinatieri missed a 32-yard field goal attempt in the closing seconds that would have won the game for New England. The ball hit the right upright and bounced backward.

Drew Bledsoe's 27-yard completion to Shawn Jefferson set up the field goal try by Vinatieri, who had already booted three game-winning field goals this season for the Patriots (4-1). Elvis Grbac engineered three second-half scoring drives for the Chiefs (3-2).

Bears 24, Vikings 22

At Minneapolis, Chicago (3-2) forced five turnovers and turned three of them into touchdowns to beat Minnesota (2-3).

Vikings rookie tight end Jim Kleinsasser fumbled twice, and Bears linebacker Sean Harris recovered one in the end zone for a touchdown. Barry Minter intercepted Randall Cunningham's tipped pass at the Bears 18 with three minutes left to preserve the victory.

Bengals 18, Browns 17

At Cleveland, Akili Smith threw a 2-yard TD pass to Carl Pickens with 5 seconds left to lift Cincinnati (1-4) over the Browns (0-5).

In his first NFL start, Smith completed 25 of 41 passes for 221 yards and two touchdown with no interceptions. Cleveland rookie Tim Couch was 15-of-22 for 164 yards with one interception.

Bills 24, Steelers 21

At Orchard Park, N.Y., Doug Flutie threw three TD passes and Eric Moulds had six catches for 122 yards and a score to lead Buffalo (4-1) over Pittsburgh (2-3).

Flutie completed 11 of his first 12 passes and finished 21-for-32 for 261 yards.

Chargers 20, Lions 10

At Pontiac, Mich., Darryll Lewis returned a fumble 42 yards in the fourth quarter and San Diego (3-1) shut out Detroit (2-2) in the second half.

Lions coach Bobby Ross faced his old team for the first time since being forced out by the Chargers three years ago.

Falcons 20, Saints 17

Morten Andersen, who had missed four of six field-goal attempts going into the game, connected twice in the fourth quarter as Atlanta rallied to win its first game of the year.

Sprewell owns up to missing practices

Associated Press

NBA

NEW YORK Latrell Sprewell finally offered a feeble explanation Sunday for missing the first week of training camp, and the New York Knicks decided to bench him for their first exhibition game.

"Without any practice time, he's just not going to be ready to play," said coach Jeff Van Gundy, who met with Sprewell and general manager Scott Layden for 45 minutes Sunday morning at the team's practice facility.

Sprewell said he had simply ignored the Knicks' phone messages as he drove across the country, doing a 36-hour stretch solo from Oakland to Milwaukee, arriving before dawn Wednesday, and then continuing on to New York on Thursday with his brother and a friend.

Sprewell nonchalantly explained that he drove instead of taking a flight because he wanted to pick up some things in Milwaukee and he wanted to be sure that his car, a Mercedes-Benz sedan, made it to New York.

"That's just me. I like doing things myself," he said. "I wasn't trying to send a message."

As for ignoring calls from the Knicks, who were wondering what he was doing, he said, "That's what agents are for." Yet Sprewell admitted that he did not keep in close contact with his agent, Robert Gist.

Van Gundy and Layden refused to divulge many details of the meeting, but they did disclose that the team had fined Sprewell "an appropriate and significant" amount for failing to join the team for training camp in Charleston, S.C. If they fine him for all the practices he missed, it would total \$40,000.

The rest of the Knicks had the day off Sunday. Sprewell will join them for his first practice — it will be the team's 10th — on Monday at Madison Square Garden before the team holds a public scrimmage. Sprewell will not play in the exhibition opener Tuesday night in Uniondale, N.Y., against the Philadelphia 76ers, but he is not officially suspended.

"I don't know how our team is going to react." Van Gundy said. "I think Latrell most likely will need to address the situation to his teammates, and how the team from the inside handles it will be between them."

Sprewell said his lateness had nothing to do with his contract situation. Entering the final year of a four-year deal that will pay him \$9 million this season, Sprewell is eligible to sign an extension during the season.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL **Indians suffer Boston Massacre**

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BOSTON No, they didn't change uniforms. And no, that wasn't Manny Ramirez driving in all those runs.

That really was the Red Sox setting major-league postseason records with 23 runs and 24 hits against baseball's highest scoring team since 1950, the **Cleveland Indians.**

And the seven RBIs? Boston's John Valentin got those, not Ramirez, whose 165 RBIs were the most in the majors since 1938. Valentin did it with two homers, a double and a single, all in the first four innings.

He had plenty of company as Boston pounded five Cleveland pitchers in a 23-7 win Sunday: Trot Nixon and Jose Offerman each drove in five runs. Jason Varitek went 4-for-5 with three **RBIs** and a postseason record five runs, and Mike Stanley went 5-for-6.

The Red Sox hope they have enough strength left to swing the bats some more in Monday night's decisive fifth game in Cleveland.

At least they got there — on a day in which they outscored 19 NFL teams.

A day earlier, that seemed about as unlikely as Valentin getting a hit.

They totaled three runs and 11 hits in losing the first two games at Cleveland, and he was 0-for-10 going into the bottom of the sixth of Game 3 with the score at 2.

Then everything changed.

Valentin's solo homer put the Red Sox ahead, but the third baseman's second costly throwing error of the series allowed Cleveland to tie the game in the seventh Saturday.

No problem.

Valentin came up again in the bottom of the seventh and broke the tie with a two-run double. That started a six-run inning that gave the Red Sox a 9-3 win.

And on Sunday, he and the Red Sox earned several lines in next year's postseason record book.

The previous record for most runs in a postseason game was 18 by the New York Yankees in an 18-4 win over the New York Giants in the 1936 World Series. The previous record for most hits in a postseason game was 22 by Atlanta against St. Louis in Game 7 of the 1996 NL Championship Series.

Valentin's seven RBIs tied the division series record held by former teammate Mo Vaughn, who did it in last year's opener at Cleveland, and Seattle's Edgar Martinez.

His 11 total bases broke the division series record of 10 shared by Vaughn and Eric Karros of Los Angeles.

Valentin accomplished something that may be more amazing. He came to bat in each of the last three innings Saturday and each of the first four Sunday. In those seven straight appearances, he homered, doubled, lined out to right, homered again, singled, homered yet again and doubled.

That added up to four runs and 10 RBIs in a span of just seven innings

Pretty good for a player who hit just .253 with 12 homers and wasn't assured of a spot on the postseason roster until he returned from the disabled list on.Sept.23. He went on it Aug. 31 with tendinitis in his left knee.

Rookie Wilton Veras played well in his place. But Valentin assured his playoff spot by ending the season with a five-game hitting streak and staying healthy.

He finally was stopped Sunday when he struck out swinging, of course — against Sean DePaula in the sixth.

Valentin was due up in the seventh, but with the score 21-6, manager Jimy Williams sent up Donnie Sadler to pinch hit. Naturally, Sadler doubled.

Heart condition fails to end Wood's plans

CHICAGO

Associated Press

Kerry Wood plans to pitch for the Chicago Cubs next season despite a dime-size hole in his heart.

The 22-year-old right-hander has atrial septal defect, which can cause a gradual weakening of the heart. The condition probably won't affect his career, but doctors said that it should be corrected.

Cubs spokeswoman Sharon Panozzo said the team had no comment and general manager Ed Lynch did not return phone calls left at his home Sunday.

Wood learned he had the condition when he became ill in February, just before spring training. Doctors at a hospital in Mesa, Ariz., discovered the hole in the wall separating the two upper chambers of his heart.

Doctors recommend the hole be closed at some point and Wood's doctors told him it would have to be fixed by the time he was 30 or 40, he told the Chicago Tribune. Left untreated, it can cut life expectancy to 40 years, doctors said.

Wood, the 1998 NL rookie of

the year who missed the entire season after blowing out his right elbow in March, decided against having the surgery immediately.

ASD is "a very low-risk thing to fix" surgically, and Wood probably can wait to have surgery, said Dr. Keith Horvath, assistant professor of cardiothoracic surgery at Northwestern University Medical School.

This is not a Hank Gathers or Reggie Lewis (situation),' Horvath said, referring to two athletes who died unexpectedly of heart ailments at young ages.

Wood, who tied a major league record with 20 strikeouts in a game in 1998 while going 13-6, said he will have an echocardiogram, an ultrasound of the heart, every year. In the meantime, he said he plans on coming back strong.

"What's going to drive me the most is all the people who are saying I'm not going to be the same, I'm not going to come back," he said.

Cardiologists call the condition a "silent killer" because it affects a person over a long period. But they said there is no danger of Wood collapsing while pitching, even if the hole goes unfixed.



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McGregor defeats Chow in landmark boxing victory

Associated Press

SEATTLE

Margaret McGregor and Loi Chow made pugilistic history and proved that a woman who can box a little can beat a man who can't box at all.

McGregor won all four rounds on all three judges' cards Saturday night, then left it to others to assess whether her waltz in the ring with Chow will be remembered as a landmark in sports, a stride for women or yet another punch in the nose for boxing.

If boxing can survive Mike Tyson biting a chunk off Evander Holyfield's ear, it can probably survive this whimsical promotion between a 36-yearold female landscaper and a 33-year-old male jockey, who earned \$1,500 apiece in boxing's first sanctioned battle of the sexes.

"The weight of the world was on my shoulders," said the 129pound McGregor. "I hope I've done good for boxing."

Asked what she thinks she proved, she responded: "Just that I'm a winner."

Chow, who weighed 128 and wore a welt on his forehead, answered the same question with a cryptic smile and a hollow boast, saying, "It proves a woman cannot hurt a man."

McGregor certainly showed she had the moxie to stand up to a man, even with a dozen television cameras and reporters from around the world recording every move. She flicked light jabs, landed a few combinations to the head and body, slipped or blocked punches nicely, and generally comported herself in a manner befitting a middle-aged fighter with a 4-0 record. In other words, she didn't stink up the joint.

Chow, on the other hand, did. The jumpy little jockey — he's listed as 5-foot-2 but barely came up to the 5-4 McGregor's chin — bounced around the ring as if he were looking for an exit. He didn't fight so much as cover up. The few looping punches he threw seemed designed for effect rather than damage, as if he had learned his new trade by watching old Westerns.

When the judges' cards were announced — each scored it 40-36 for McGregor — and Chow fled with a final wave, the crowd showered him with boos.

Chow had an excuse, though: His blood pressure had zoomed to 185 over 115 a few hours before the bout.

"I didn't feel right," Chow said.

"He looked scared out of his wits," said Bob Jarvis, a former fighter who worked with the promoters and also managed the night's main-event winner, lightweight Martin O'Malley (11-0).

Chow (0-3) insisted he wasn't afraid. Anxious, perhaps. Overwhelmed by the occasion, probably. Whatever it was, he said he took some medicine to bring down his blood pressure, relaxed a bit, and passed the doctor's second test. When Chow entered the ring, he held his red gloves high and contorted his face in the fiercest expression he could summon a cross between a grimace and a frown. It was as bad as he would get all night.

The sellout crowd of 2,768 at Mercer Arena, which paid \$75,705 for the second largest boxing gross in Northwest history, cheered Chow, from near-Vancouver, British by Columbia, with a blend of respect and pity. Here, they all knew, was a man who couldn't win even if he won. If he defeated McGregor, he would be taunted as a woman beater. If he lost, he would be ridiculed as a wimp. As Chow, himself, described it, he was in a "loselose situation.

Still, he showed courage just by climbing into the ring, and



Despite all the hype that went into this bout, when the bell rang to start the first of the two-minute rounds the combatants approached each other with little eagerness to engage in actual fisticuffs. They shadowboxed for about a minute before Chow landed the first punch — a glancing right to the head — after McGregor missed with a jab.

Chow seemed content with that because he spent the rest of the round covering up and bouncing around with a strange smile as McGregor tapped him with blows to the head, a couple of combinations, and a decent right to the head at the bell.

In the second round, McGregor landed a harmless flurry of rights to the head. Chow responded by holding her waist and swatting her on the back. She came back with a few body punches. In all, it was a desultory, uninspired exchange.

McGregor picked it up in the third round, landing a left and right to the head at the start. Chow leaped at her and got a second warning for a low blow. Chow threw punches with all the deftness of a novice — his gloves making wide arcs before going in the direction he intended. In boxing parlance, it might be said he telegraphed his punches. In truth, they were more like smoke signals.

McGregor blew them away and delivered a pair of uppercuts. She stayed busy, working inside, throwing punches. Chow covered up, bobbed, and once in a while sent out more signals.

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Senior Jason Jorski avoids a trip in Notre Dame's 4-0 win over Providence.

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ond half helped us put them away," said Pridmore. "We came out and scored again before they could get back in the game."

Pridmore and Lyskawa teamed up again for the goal. Lyskawa crossed the ball from the left corner of the field to Pridmore, who booted it past Glynn from five yards out.

The Friars came alive midway through the second half and challenged the Irish lead. Putting more pressure on goal, the Friars peppered the goal with shots and retained control of the ball for several minutes.

Short and the Irish defense put on another strong performance to fend off the Friar attack and secure the lead.

One of the Friars' best chances at scoring came in the contest's 68th minute when Short was taken out of the play by diving to successfully block

a shot on goal. The Friars attempted to capitalize on the rebound and looked to boot the ball into the empty net, but the Irish backfield, led by McNew, stepped up and deflected three shots to preserve the shutout.

Freshman forward Erich Braun added a pair of goals less than one minute apart form each other to boost the Irish lead and thwart any hope for a Providence comeback.

Braun's first goal came when he took the ball down the left sideline, dodging the Friar defense to set up a one-on-one situation with Glynn. Striking from eight yards out, Braun sent his shot sailing into the net to up the Irish lead to 3-0.

Braun teamed up with Junior midfielder Reggie McKnight just 53 seconds later for the team's fourth and final score of the night.

Braun's two goals mark his sixth and seventh scores of the season. Braun leads the Irish in goals and has tallied the most total points of all players with 16 on the season. Pridmore's second goal brings his total number of goals to three on the season. Pridmore trails Braun as the team's second-leading goal scorer and joins a short list of Irish repeat-goal scorers. Braun, Pridmore and senior forward Ryan Cox are the only Irish players to score more than one goal this season.

Irish freshman back-up goalkeeper Greg Tait saw his first action of the season late in the second half. Replacing Short, Tait showed he was not nervous by playing aggressively and defending the net well, coming up with a key save with just minutes left in the game to preserve the shutout.

Notre Dame's 4-0 win over the Providence moves the squad to a 7-4-1 overall and 3-1-1 conference record. The win is the fifth shutout of the season.

The contest with the Friars marked the end of a four-game homestand for the Irish, who made a clean sweep of the series. Notre Dame's four straight wins is the longest consecutive set of wins for the squad in two years.

"We definitely have a lot of confidence in our game," said Pridmore. "We've finally been able to get a lot of goals hopefully that will carry over into our next stretch of games, especially since we have several Big East games coming up."

Notre Dame hits the road on Tuesday when they take on Valpraiso with the aim of increasing its winning streak to five.

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assured them of hosting the first round of the Big East tournament. Getting a home playoff game is important to the Irish.

"It's definitely important," Waldrum said. "We don't want to travel anymore than we have to. I think we really only have three or four home weekends so we want to be home as much as possible through the playoffs."

The Irish improved to 11-2 on the year with a 5-0 win over the Panthers on Sunday. Beene and Elizabeth Wagner combined for the shutout for Notre Dame.

Streiffer scored the first two goals of the game for the Irish. Both of her goals came off head balls with two minutes and 43 seconds of each other. Her 58th and 59th goals of her career leave her just one goal shy of becoming the fourth player in NCAA history to pick up 60 goals and 60 assists. Heft added the third and fifth Irish goals of the night to give her 72 career goals, tying her with Monica Gerardo for the most goals in Irish history.





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HOCKEY

Inman's goal only bright spot in 5-1 loss to Wolverines

By MATT OLIVA Sports Writer

Last season, the Notre Dame-Michigan rivalry was as close as it gets.

The season series ended up tied 1-1-1, and the two victories were decided by one goal. This past weekend was another story.

The Irish were outscored 11-4 during the two-game series at the Joyce Center, including a 6-1 defeat Friday night for their second straight loss.

On Friday, Michigan scored in the same manner as it had before, early and often. They got on the board first on a breakaway by Scott Matzka. The right-winger picked up the Irish turnover in the neutral zone and took it all the way to the net to beat goalie Jeremiah Kimento 6:40 into the period.

'They were very opportunistic." said Irish head coach Dave Poulin. "Our forward turned it over in the zone, and we stress that we cannot make turnovers within that zone. We want our defense to push the puck up, and therefore cannot have our forwards turn a puck over like that.

The Irish had a chance to answer back less than 2 minutes later. Two consecutive penalties by Wolverine left wing Mark Mink and defenseman Bob Gassoff gave the Irish a two-man advantage for 1:37. However the Irish managed only one shot, and then took a penalty of their own to negate the remaining time on their one-man advantage. Irish left wing Chad Chipchase did have a short-handed breakaway, but shot the puck wide.

Michigan scored again at the 16:07 mark of the first period, when last year's CCHA rookie of the year, center Mike Comrie, knocked in a loose puck from in front of the net.

The Irish came out more aggressive in the second period and made an effort to put the puck in the net at the start. The two teams traded penalties throughout the period, and while each had several nearmisses from right in front of the net, neither team was able to'score.

Michigan scored 21 seconds into the third period, when center Mark Kosick skated straight to the net for the power-play goal. The Irish

started the period a man down after Kimento was called for holding behind his own net at the end of the second period. Kimento was then pulled for back-up goalie Tony Zasowski.

The Irish answered back 18 seconds later. Left wing David Inman took a pass from Irish captain Ben Simon and found the back of the net to put the Irish on the board. The assist by Simon was his 100th career point. The goal ended a 53minute stretch from Thursday night to Friday, where the Wolverines held the Irish scoreless.

Michigan was not done with its scoring. Comrie skated right through the Irish defense to score his second goal of the game. Then 23 seconds later, he added another goal for the hat trick and a 5-1 Michigan lead. Both goals were unassisted.

"Comrie is a very good player, but we made every player good tonight," said Poulin. "We had no hits and no challenges. We compete harder in practice than we do on the weekend. We play harder against our own teammates than we do against other teams and I don't understand that."

Mink closed out the scoring for Michigan with less than 2 minutes remaining in the game for the eventual 6-1 victory. The Wolverines out-shot the Irish 37-15 for the game, allowing only eight shots over the final two periods. The win improved Michigan's record to 2-0-0 on the season and CCHA while Notre Dame's dropped to 0-2-0 in both categories.

"The game was very disappointing," said Poulin. Everyone involved did not compete, this includes all players and the coaching staff. I have seen our players compete individually and together and that was not happening tonight.

"We did not pick it up and that is my responsibility. This was the most we've been outshot, in any game I can even remember being involved in. We were not here offensively and if we have to take it back to being simple we will.

The Irish will resume play this weekend when they travel to Denver for the Ice Breaker Tournament. Notre Dame will take on Providence on Friday and then Denver-Union on Saturday.



Junior left wing Dan Carlson battles a Michigan defender for the puck in Notre Dame's 5-1 loss to Michigan.



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Happy Birthday: You've got it together, and that's all that will be required in order to reach your goals this year. The ruthless manner in which you execute your intentions makes you a dynamite competitor. You are disciplined, focused and not likely to let anyone stop you from doing the things you want to do. You have no fear when it comes to trying new things. Your numbers: 15, 18, 22, 25, 38, 41

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will get the support you need if you help others with their problems or difficult projects. Competitive sports will be your forte. Ambition will carry

you to the winner's circle. **OOO** TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your mate will overreact to your personal situation. You will have to be more affectionate if you wish to keep your insecure lover happy. Compliments will help considerably. 000

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll find yourself in an awkward predica-ment if you haven't dealt with financial issues. You will have to look into ways of rejuvenating yourself. You need a little tender loving care. 000 CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll

be in a dangerously generous mood. Do not give to children, friends or rel-atives. Keep your cash in the bank and don't let anyone with a sob story talk you out of your hard-earned money. **00000**

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll be your usual outgoing self. Don't step over the line by pushing less aggres-sive friends into doing things your way. You'll pay the price later when

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with your boss, swallow it. Your rewards will come through family outings and pleasure trips. OOO SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Jeal-

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Travel will lead to romance and adventure, but neither will be exactly what you had in mind. Make sure that you have all your papers in order before you leave the country. OOO CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):

This is not the best day for you to sign legal papers or get involved in joint financial ventures. Read between the lines. Short trips may be helpful to an older member of your family. **OOOO**

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SPORTS

Irish falter on ice The Notre Dame hockey team failed to overcome the Michigan Wolverines on Friday, falling 6-1 in the final match of a two-game series.





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WOMEN'S SOCCER

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Heft reaches milestone as Irish claim two wins

OBSERVER

By MIKE CONNOLLY Associate Sports Editor

The Notre Dame women's soccer team captured the Big East Mid-Atlantic Division championship with a 5-1 victory over division rival West Virginia on Friday night.

The Irish followed up the victory over the Mountaineers with a 4-0 win over the Pittsburgh Panthers on Sunday afternoon

Against the Mountaineers, the Irish opened a 1-0 lead in the 28th minute when Jenny Heft scored her 70th career goal off of assists from Jenny Streiffer and Jen Grubb.

"It was a great ball from Streiffer," Heft said. "I saw her streaking down the field and I was just making a crossing run. She played a perfect through ball and played it past the keeper.'

While the Irish went into halftime leading 1-0, they missed out on a few scoring opportunities and allowed the Mountaineers to slip through the defense a few times.

"I really wasn't too pleased with the first half because I didn't think we were very sharp," Waldrum said. "I thought defensively we were very lackadaisical. I didn't think we were winning the head battles. But we turned that all around in the second half and I think we won 28 of the air battles in the second half and only lost one. So I felt much better in the second half.'

In the second half, Notre Dame's offense opened up the scoring just 2:16 into the half. Anne Makinen took a pass from Ashley Dryer and Kara Brown and blasted the ball toward the net from 22 yards away. The shot skimmed of Panther defender and past the keeper for Makinen's seventh goal of the year.

The Irish attack struck again in the 60th minute when junior forward Meotis Erikson picked up her eighth goal of the year when she shot the ball into the upper center of the goal. Heft picked up an assist on the play.

West Virginia pulled within two in the 63rd minute. Mountaineer senior Stacey Sollman fired a free kick that deflected off a West Virginia players and rolled across the box. Freshman Katie Barnes collected the ball and fired it past an outstretched LaKeysia Beene and into the net for her 11th goal of the year.

Irish defender Kelly Lindsey was not overly concerned with the fluke Mountaineer goal because it did not result from a defensive break down.

"It just slipped through her legs and crossed across the box without anyone noticing," Lindsey said. "They just snuck in on it.²

Senior Iris Lancaster scored her second goal of the year in the 89th minute and pushed the Irish lead back to three, 4-

The win clinched the Mid-Atlantic title for the Irish and

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Midfielder Jenny Streiffer runs past a defender in the Notre Dame women's soccer team's 5-1 victory over West Virginia.

MEN'S SOCCER

Braun, Pridmore lead Notre Dame past Providence



By KERRY SMITH Sports Writer

It took less than 4 minutes for the Notre Dame men's soccer team to get on the scoreboard and put away Big East

passed the ball from the midfield to the left corner to LaRose. LaRose crossed the ball to Pridmore, who headed the ball past Friar goalkeeper Danny Glynn for the score.

"It felt really good to get the first goal early on," said Pridmore. "It helped to get a

tie the game on a penalty kick just minutes after Pridmore's goal. Officials awarded Friar midfielder Michael Eisenhut a direct shot on goal after he was fouled by Irish defender Matt McNew in the box. But goalkeeper Gerick Short came up big for the Irish, saving Eisenhut's quick shot to the left corner to preserve the lead. The Irish were quick to strike as the second half began. Taking the Friar defense by surprise, the Irish raced down the field on their first possession and scored again to give the Irish a 2-0 edge.

MIKE HARRIS/The Observer

Alex Altmann (12) battles for the ball in Saturday's Irish win over the Friars.

rival Providence Saturday at Alumni Field.

Junior midfielder Dustin Pridmore scored his first of two goals on the night just 3:32 into the contest to propel the Irish to a 4-0 routing of the Friars.

"Their defense was a little shaky," said Pridmore. "We were able to exploit them and get some good goals.'

Midfielder Alan Lyskawa and Connor LaRose set up Pridmore's goal when Lyskawa good start to the game."

The Irish retained offensive control for most of the first half, outshooting the Friars 9-3, but were unable to add to the lead until the second half.

"We wanted to get the ball wide and behind their defense so we could create some scoring chances," said Pridmore. 'We were able to do that and were pretty successful in getting the ball in the goal."

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