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Bush to speak in South Bend today

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

President Bush returns to South Bend today for the second time in two months, this time a Halloween visit to scare up last-minute support for Republican congressional candidate Chris Chocola before next week's general election.

The president is scheduled to arrive aboard Air Force One between 1:30 and 2 p.m.

at South Bend Regional Airport. Bush will go immediately to a rally at the ATA Connection hangar, where he will give brief remarks to about 5,000 people.

Bush appeared at the same site Sept. 5 for a rally where he also



Bush

stumped for Chocola, who is in a close race for Indiana's 2nd District seat. Chocola faces Democrat Jill Long Thompson in the election Tuesday.

Bush, who is making campaign stops across the country this week to swing tight contests the Republicans' way, is expected to urge 2nd District voters to elect Chocola to Congress. In his September rally speech, the president did not publicly endorse Chocola. A private fund-raiser follow-

ing the airport visit that included the president raised nearly \$650,000 for Chocola and the Indiana Republican Party.

No fund-raiser is planned for today, and Bush will leave the city within a few hours to campaign for a candidate in another state.

As in his previous hangar speech, the president is expected to talk today about the economy and the war on terror.

It is Bush's third visit to

South Bend to support Chocola in the past two years. He attended an airport rally in October 2000, when he was campaigning for president and when Chocola was in tight congressional race against incumbent Tim Roemer.

In May 2001, the president delivered Notre Dame's commencement speech.

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University creates new vehicle pool

◆ System attempts to change off-campus transportation

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Assistant News Editor

In an attempt to provide more services and increase usage among students and staff, the University has created a new vehicle motor pool over the summer as part of the Transportation Services department.

"This is an honest attempt to address some long-standing concerns about providing safer and more reliable vehicles for all users of University vehicles," said Jim Paladino, associate director for program and resource administration at the Center for Social Concerns.

The new motor pool, which was created at the start of this school year, transferred all of the vehicles, including cars, minivans and 12 passenger vans, owned by the CSC to the new pool under the control of Transportation Services.

Any Notre Dame student or staff member now has the option to request use of Transportation Services vehicles for University business. Groups or departments on campus can now rent vehicles at the rate of \$35 per day for a mid-size car and \$50 per day for a van, a cost that officials feel is fair compared to other car rental services.

"The price is extremely competitive, [and] the vehicles are clean and ready to provide safe and reliable transportation," said Marty Ogren, manager of Transportation Services.

While some of the older vehicles previously in the CSC's vehicle pool were removed from service, the University also purchased new vehicles to add to the motor pool and has access to others as well.

"We have 12 University-owned vehicles available for rental," said Ogren. "In addition we have on-site vehicles from a local car agency."

The campus department most affected by the new system has been the CSC and the large number of service groups and community-based learning classes and seminars operated through the Center. While

schedulers at Transportation Services have been able to accommodate most of the CSC's vehicle needs, the CSC must now pay a rental fee for vehicles it previously owned. "The long term cost issues are a huge concern for the CSC," said Paladino. "The University has been good about making this first year somewhat affordable."

In addition to increased budget costs, other groups have been affected by the new definition of which clubs are permitted to use vehicles at no cost through the CSC.

"The Center has needed to be more discriminating in its definition of what constitutes service ... activities," said Paladino. "[It's] difficult to inexpensively accommodate some social justice activities where students would routinely be able to use a few vans at no cost ... now must raise funds."

Last year, administrators recognized the need to centralize all the vehicles owned by various departments of the University and streamline the process of using them. Over the summer, a committee worked to determine the best way to organize a new vehicle system.

"They recommended that we could best use our vehicles by making them available to multiple groups of users rather than have vehicles dedicated to one group," said Ogren. "While we realize that certain departments need dedicated vehicles, the goal is to use our University vehicles in the most efficient manner possible."

Overall, students using vehicles through the new system say the changes are welcome. "The cars are in a lot better condition," said Molly Savage, president of Circle K. Savage said the CSC has been helpful in allowing Circle K to request vehicles centrally through the club so that members do have to obtain vehicles individually.

Danita Altfillisch, secretary of the Special Friends Club, said the new motor pool has helped to streamline the process of using vehicles for service activities. "It's easier than it has been," she said

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TRICK OR TREAT



ANNE KELLEY/The Observer

Children on the prowl for goodies pause to pose during their trick-or-treating trip to campus residence halls on the eve of Halloween

NDTV broadcasts first show, vies for club status

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

After seven months of planning, the first cable access show produced by Notre Dame students will air this evening.

The show, titled "New Dimensions Television," will fill Channel 3's 5 p.m. time slot with five segments intended to appeal to Notre Dame students and the South Bend community.

The segments include an interview with head football coach Tyrone Willingham, a spotlight on the Notre Dame Marching Band, a news segment on the Senate race between Republican Chris Chocola and Democrat Jill Long Thompson, a short political film produced by senior Brian Bircher and a roaming reporter segment that interviews people tailgating during the Stanford football game.

Bircher, who also conducted the interview segment with Willingham, said he anticipates that he and other interviewers will

talk with a wide range of people on campus. "We hope to keep it interesting and exciting throughout the year," he said.

After the first round of production, Chamberland said the show is ready to air, but the process to get to this point was challenging.

"It was sort of like walking through a very large room with the lights off," he said.

NDTV's four executive producer are senior Alex Grunewald, juniors Liam Dacey and Lance Johnson and sophomore Chris Chamberland. They, and the 50 to 60 students who are also helping with the show, are hoping that NDTV becomes popular with students.

Even more importantly however, the NDTV producers, whose show is currently unaffiliated with the University, want to become a Notre Dame student-broadcasting club and get more funding.

Chamberland said much of the show's

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INSIDE COLUMN

Be thankful your vote counts

In less than one week, millions of Americans will go to polls across the country to elect the 108th Congress and hundreds of other state and local officials.

The week before Notre Dame and Saint Mary's went on fall break, millions of Iraqis also went to the polls. But the elections in this backwards country were somehow very different than next week's American election will be.

Teresa Fralish

Assistant News Editor

The ballot looked somewhat like this: "Saddam Hussein" was printed at the top, and then voters had the option of checking "yes" or "no." Surprisingly enough, the incumbent Iraqi president (or corrupt authoritarian dictator, as some might call him) was re-elected by 100 percent of voters with 98.2 percent of Iraq's electorate participating.

Of course, voting is compulsory for all males over the age of 18. One also has to wonder how many of that 1.8 percent haven't suddenly disappeared from their homes. Obviously these elections were completely rigged and totally unfair by anyone's standard. 100 percent support? I'm willing to bet there were armed guards waiting outside the voting booths for any Iraqi who dared to vote "no" on their ballot. Or the government may just have simplified matters by not even bothering to look at the ballots at all and simply declaring that voters gave Saddam 100 percent support.

Notice the difference between the American elections and the Iraqi sham of an election?

Contrasts like these are precisely what make it so difficult to listen to people who like to characterize the United States as "imperialistic," "oppressive," "exploitative" or any of the other fun adjectives the pundits are throwing around lately.

Why is it that we can so easily forget and seem to take so much for granted all the freedoms that the American system of government allows us? Frankly, I'm sick and tired of hearing all the outrageous criticism that's been leveled at our country in the last few weeks.

Sure, America has had its share of bad leaders and poor decisions. The last presidential election was a prime example of the electoral process gone seriously wrong. Maybe the United States shouldn't become involved militarily in Iraq.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not an arbitrary supporter of any action the U. S. government wants to take and I think open political debate is one of the most important freedoms American citizens have.

But when you criticize your country, don't forget about the millions of people in the world who can't say a word against theirs. Don't forget that you live in one of the freest countries in the world. Be thankful that, when you go to cast your vote next week, you will likely see more than one candidate on the ballot and you probably won't have to confront armed guards outside the voting booth.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Teresa Fralish at fralish@nd.edu

CLARIFICATION

In Chris Federico's "Hurling: the fastest sport on Earth," it was reported that rosters for competitive teams are filling. The hurling program is a cultural division of the Gaelic Society and is not competitive in any way. There are no rosters or squads and it is not an athletic club.

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Notre Dame's Political Science department recently established a new program in American Democracy.	Former Vice President Walter Mondale has declared himself ready to run as a last minute fill-in for late Sen. Paul Wellstone.	Finance club members visit Chicago and New York to gain real world experience.	Guest columnist Joe Licandro gives Irish coach Tyrone Willingham the praise he deserves for his successful season.	Scene has made a list of nine of the most frightening and disturbing films ever made and examines each of these classics.	Sports examines the Irish defense in the last minutes of the Florida State game and what adjustments are needed when they face Boston College.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ Lecture: "Can anyone believe in God and Galapagos?" with Edward Larson, 4 p.m. in room 214 DeBartolo Hall.
- ◆ Movie: "Monsoon Wedding," 7 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium, Hesburgh Library.
- ◆ Lecture: "NAFTA: The human face of trade," 7 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium, Hesburgh Library

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Psi Chi meeting, 6 p.m. Hagger College Center in the Welsh Parlor.
- ◆ RHA Meeting 6:30 p.m. at the Hagger College Center room 304 SGA Board Room.
- ◆ SAC meeting 8 p.m. in the Hagger College Center in room 304.

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

- 6-month-old bike case cracked**
A bike reported stolen on May 7 was recovered off-campus and released to the owner on Tuesday.
- Citations issued by NDSP**
NDSP issued two University citations for minors in possession of alcohol while near Holy Cross drive on October 27. The case is being referred for administrative review.
- Man arrested for drunkenness**
NDSP arrested Gerard Quinn, 21, of Mishawaka for public intoxication on October 28.
- Gate arm damaged**
NDSP issued a University citation for damaging the gate arm on Saint Mary's road on October 28. The case is being referred for administrative review.

Information compiled from the NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Boiled thin spaghetti, tri-color rotini, mostaccioli, pastaria meat sauce, vegetable lasagna, pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, vegetable pizza, four cheese pizza, cherry turnover, Texas chili, cream of broccoli soup, tomato soup, chicken and dumplings soup and southern fried chicken

Today Dinner: Boiled thin spaghetti, tri-color rotini, mostaccioli, vegetable lasagna, pizza, Texas chili, tomato soup, chicken and dumplings, grilled pork chops, broccoli rice casserole, cherry crisp, California blend vegetables, baked potatoes, jasmine rice, butternut squash and chinese noodles

South Dining Hall

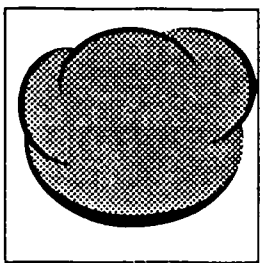
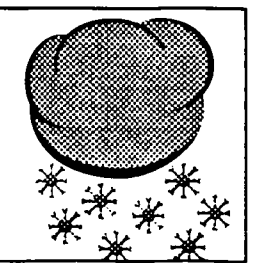
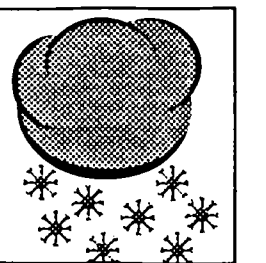
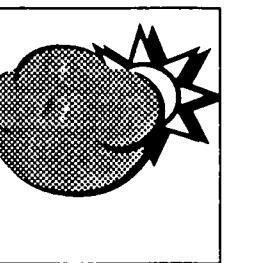
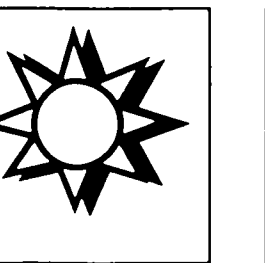
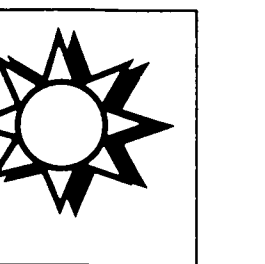
Today Lunch: Meatless baked ziti, meatball stroganoff, elbow macaroni, supreme pizza, pretzel sticks, pasta primavera, spinach, chicken & dumplings, baked haddock jardiniere, london broil teriyaki, garlic mashed potatoes, Philly steak sandwich, steakhouse fries, onion rings and sweet and sour chicken

Today Dinner: Meatless baked ziti, meatball stroganoff, elbow macaroni, supreme pizza, pretzel sticks, noodles romanoff, mixed vegetables, roast beef, turkey broccoli bake, pork loin with apples, cherry crisp, grilled vegetables, blaz'n sea nuggets, steakhouse fries and onion rings

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Smoky southwestern minestrone soup, cream of chicken soup, cheese pizza, spicy thai chicken pizza, cool ranch turkey loafer, hot dog, french fries, taco salad, Mexican rice, stewed tomatoes, grilled vegetables, rocky road cookie, coconut fruit squares and fruited gelatin with banana

Today Dinner: Smokey southwestern minestrone soup, cream of chicken soup, cheese pizza, spicy thai chicken pizza, shells with Italian sausage casserole, fried cod sandwich, grilled three cheese sandwich, meat loaf, green peas, carrot cake with cream cheese frosting and rocky road cookie

LOCAL WEATHER	TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
						
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Political Science creates program

By MELISSA LOU
News Writer

Notre Dame's Political Science recently established a new program in American Democracy that seeks to increase understanding of democratic politics and policy making within the United States.

The director of the program, Christina Wolbrecht, hopes it will help raise the profile of the work already being done at Notre Dame in American politics.

Wolbrecht pointed out that the idea behind the program is to encourage research as a way of facilitating teaching.

"It is all about teaching," she said. "The more we, as faculty, improve our research, the better teachers we become; the more interaction we have with students, the better our research goes. For all this to occur we need to improve the vibrant intellectual life of this campus. This is what our program is about, fostering discussion within this field."

The program focuses on the politics of democratic inclusion by studying groups that

have or have not participated in the political systems and how well they were included and leadership in public policy by analyzing the role of people in making politics work.

The program will serve undergraduates by supplementing their education through panels that help improve their knowledge of the subject. For graduate students and faculty members, the program will improve research capabilities and foster greater interaction with colleagues at other universities.

The program is not intended to be an addition to the existing American Studies major, which broadens the range of studies by including literature, sociology and history.

"[The program] focuses exclusively on politics in America and compliments studies begun by the Kellogg Institute, with their studies on Democracy around the world and Latin America, and the Kroc Institute, with its studies on the role of democracy in the world," Wolbrecht said.

On the short term, the

agenda includes founding fellowships, hosting visiting faculty members and conferences. Long-term goals include organizing specialized conferences, speakers, graduate student workshops designed to help students present their research and working paper series that will publish works in progress.

Wolbrecht speculated the program could someday separate from the Political Science department and become an independent Institute affiliated to the department, such as the Kellogg Institute.

She also plans on instituting thesis prizes for undergraduate students as well as graduate level awards, in addition to hosting conferences and panel discussions on a regular basis.

The Political Science department inaugurated the new program by hosting a conference on the politics of inclusion over fall break.

This meeting, and others like it, help to connect our faculty and students with work being done outside the University. It was an exchange of ideas between all of the groups present," said Wolbrecht.

She added that the program might publish and edit a book based on the papers presented and the conference last week.

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Christina Wolbrecht
American Democracy
program director

SMC holds alcohol awareness week

By SARAH NESTOR
Saint Mary's News Editor

In an effort to educate Saint Mary's students about the dangers of alcohol and the policies of the College, the Residence Hall Association organized a week of alcohol awareness events.

The College has sponsored alcohol awareness events in the past but it had been several years since students have organized events for themselves.

"This is the first year it has been done in awhile, but with all the alcohol problems on campus and the changes in Notre Dame's policy, we thought this was needed," RHA president Jillian Kamaski said.

Saint Mary's alcohol policy is that anyone 21 or older may consume alcohol in their dorm room, but anyone under the age of 21 is not allowed to be present if alcohol is in the room. Students are allowed to drink alcohol in their rooms only if they do not disturb other dorm residents. When alcohol is present, room residents and guests must be prepared to present proof of their age.

Saint Mary's students visiting Notre Dame or Holy Cross College must adhere to the policies of the institution they are visiting. Information on Notre Dame policy violations is shared with the Saint Mary's judicial coordinator, who handles investigation of any violations.

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One of the purposes of the awareness week is to make sure that students of legal age remember that this does not give them the right to abuse the privilege of being able to drink on campus, but to be conscious of their decisions.

"There are a lot of people who have gotten in trouble for drinking, because many students don't know the drinking policies," RHA health awareness chair Lauren Hofer said. "They think that because they're 21 they can do whatever they want, but that's not true."

Today in the dining hall, RHA will have Fatal Vision Goggles available for students to try on. The goggles stimulate what it feels like to be intoxicated and then a series of sobriety tests will be given.

Students who participate in the designated driver bracelet program on Friday or Saturday night will be entered into a raffle.

On Sunday, RHA will finish the awareness week at 7 p.m. in Carrol Auditorium, with the movie "28 Days," followed by an open discussion on Saint Mary's alcohol policies.

Saint Mary's policies regarding alcohol can be found in the student handbook.

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Saint Mary's holds women's health forum

By NATALIE BAILEY
News Writer

"You really need to know how important it is to love yourself," Dr. Patricia Kelly-Holms said, setting the tone for the Women's Health Forum Wednesday night at Saint Mary's.

Over 60 students gathered to hear panelists speak and ask the experts their health questions. The women were encouraged to take an active role in their health life in these early, seemingly healthy college years.

"To have balance is the bottom line and it is something that you have to seek out," Kelly said.

Most panelists emphasized the resources Saint Mary's students have while at school.

"Go visit Health and Wellness even when you are healthy to learn how to stay healthy. We have a nutritionist, a massage therapist, we will teach you how to give a self exam and much more," Cyndie Horton-

Cavanaugh, practicing nurse in Health and Wellness, said.

Melissa Peters, graduate of Saint Mary's and LeMans Hall Director, shared her experience with young illness in her battle with breast cancer at 28. Peters went for an exam in September, found a lump through a self exam in December and was diagnosed with stage-two breast cancer in January 2001.

Peters' illness and treatment completely changed her life. Not only did she move back home, undergo ten months of chemotherapy and radiation treatments but she also learned more about the other people in her life.

"My illness gave me the opportunity to learn how many people cared for me that many people do not have," Peters said.

Peters advised students to do monthly self-exams and to team up with a friend to help remind you to do these important exams.

"If I had not done my monthly exam I may not be standing here today," Peters said.

Panel members additionally fielded questions about gynecologist visits, proper body weight, diet, osteoporosis, and other common issues in women's health.

Student Diversity Board and Health and Wellness planned this event to draw students into needed dialogue with experts in women's health fields.

"I really wanted to get stu-

dents engaging with the panel and to get their questions answered. I thought it was a

huge success and I am sure that Health and Wellness and SDB will carry this on after the success of tonight," said Ann DeCleen, the primary organizer of the event.

Panel members included: Dr. Patricia Kelly-Holms, who serves as associate dDirector at Memorial Center for Integrative

Healing assisting with clinical management and medical direction; Melissa Peters, breast cancer survivor; Anna Uhran-Wasierski, a certified Dietitian; Cynthia Reese, a nurse practitioner specializing in women's health; Renee Donovan, a senior at Saint Mary's whose mother was diagnosed with breast cancer recently and Cyndie Horton-Cavanaugh, who is in her 16th year working in Health and Wellness Services at Saint Mary's.

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Dr. Patricia Kelly-Holmes
panelist

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MARCY KAPTUR is an outspoken advocate of workers' rights in international trade agreements. Out of the 75 women who number among Congress' 535 members, she is the senior Democratic woman and is the ranking Democrat on the Agricultural Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee.

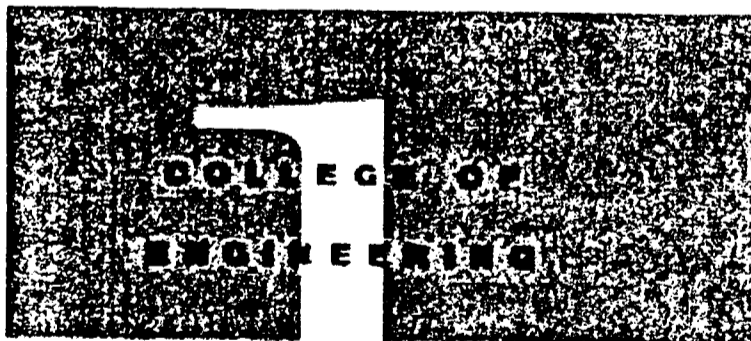


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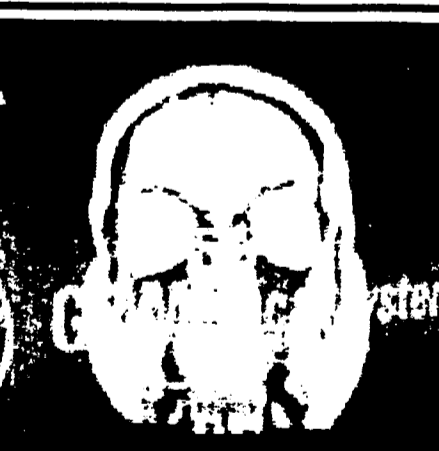
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Submit written entries to the box outside the Scholastic office in the basement of South Dining Hall or email them to juggler@nd.edu. No entries of more than 2,500 words, please. Submit artwork to Robert Sedlack in 212 Riley Hall. Supply slides for 3-D work or pieces larger than 11" x 17".



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Mondale announces his run for Minnesota Senate

Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn.

Former Vice President Walter Mondale revisited his political past Wednesday and declared himself ready to run as a last-minute fill-in for late Sen. Paul Wellstone.

Party representatives were expected to make Mondale's candidacy official at a meeting in the evening.

"It is with a heavy heart but a great hope for the future that I will pick up the campaign where Paul Wellstone left off," Mondale wrote in a letter to the state party chairman.

Democrats were jubilant. Mondale, 74, was seen as their best shot at keeping Wellstone's seat, and Wellstone's two sons had asked him to make the run.

"They knew that Paul would want someone of integrity and honesty and character to finish this race off," said Jeff Blodgett, Wellstone's campaign manager. "Fritz Mondale was the only one on that list."

Wellstone was killed along with his wife, daughter, three campaign staffers and two pilots in a plane crash Friday in northern Minnesota.

A statewide poll released Wednesday by the Star Tribune of Minneapolis showed Mondale inheriting the slight lead Wellstone had recently opened over Republican Norm

Coleman. Mondale had 47 percent support to Coleman's 39 percent in the poll of 639 likely voters, which was conducted Monday and had a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

"Paul cannot be replaced," Mondale wrote in his letter. "No one can. But his passion for Minnesotans and their needs can inspire us to continue the work he began. More than ever, the ordinary working families in our state need a voice, and I will fight for them."

A rally was planned for Thursday morning to launch a five-day sprint of a campaign.

Coleman wasn't waiting. Taking aim at his new opponent, he flew to three Minnesota cities and launched new TV commercials Wednesday.

"The challenge for the vice president is what is his vision for the 21st century, how does he expect to get it done," Coleman said at a campaign stop in International Falls. "Nobody hands you anything."

Republicans pressed for debates between Mondale and Coleman, but it was unclear whether Mondale would agree.

Meanwhile, organizers of Tuesday night's memorial service for Wellstone said they regretted the overly partisan tone. Several speakers, including Wellstone's sons and Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, implored



Former President Bill Clinton and his wife Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton greet Walter Mondale at the public funeral for the late Minnesota Senator Paul Wellstone. Mondale announced that he will run in Wellstone's place against GOP candidate Norm Coleman for the Senate seat.

the crowd to win Tuesday's election for Wellstone.

"It probably would have been best not to get into politics and elections in the way it was done," Blodgett said.

Gov. Jesse Ventura left the memorial angry and said he planned to appoint an indepen-

dent, instead of a Democrat, to finish Wellstone's term. He later backed off that, saying only that he was looking at his options.

State GOP Chairman Ron Eibensteiner called the 3 1/2-hour service "raw hardball political campaigning" and said

the party has asked broadcasters that covered the service to give Republicans air time "for the sake of basic fairness."

Meanwhile, Minnesota's secretary of state has said that counting the revised election ballots is certain to delay the results in the Senate race.

ISRAEL

Resignations cause Israeli coalition government's fall

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's broad-based coalition collapsed Wednesday when Cabinet ministers from the moderate Labor Party resigned in a dispute over funding for Jewish settlements, threatening to push Israel into a bitter election.

The crisis ended an uneasy 20-month "unity government" formed as a common front against the Palestinian uprising, and could sabotage U.S. efforts to win support for a peace plan.

Sharon told parliament he would con-

tinue to lead the country, suggesting he would try to govern with a narrow coalition of far-right and religious parties rather than call early elections.

The crisis was precipitated by Sharon's rejection of Labor Party leader Binyamin Ben-Eliezer's demands to cut \$145 million in funds for Jewish settlements in the \$57 billion 2003 state budget. Compromise proposals failed and Ben-Eliezer resigned from his post as defense minister, followed by the rest of Labor's Cabinet ministers.

Under Israeli law, the six resignations only take effect within 48 hours, leaving room for last-ditch maneuvers

— but politicians from both sides predicted Sharon's broad-based coalition was at an end.

"We must fight terror, but this is the day when we have to present a diplomatic horizon," Ben-Eliezer said, referring to peace talks with the Palestinians. "The prime minister is unable to present a diplomatic horizon."

Critics accused Ben-Eliezer of partisan politics, noting that in polls ahead of Labor's Nov. 19 leadership primary he trails two more dovish challengers, and leaving the government over a settlement dispute could boost his standing.

"It's the height of irresponsibility,"

said Education Minister Limor Livnat of Sharon's Likud Party.

The budget was put to parliament after the Labor ministers resigned, and it passed with the support of parties outside the coalition — as expected — by a 67-45 vote; it must pass two more readings in coming weeks before it is final.

Several officials involved in the last-minute talks said Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, who led Labor for much of the past two decades and has been a key supporter of the unity government, tried to persuade Ben-Eliezer to back down. Peres then resigned along with Ben-Eliezer and four other Labor Party ministers.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Russian government admits using gas:

At the Kremlin's urging, Denmark arrested a key aide to Chechen leader Aslan Maskhadov in the deadly raid on a Moscow theater and other terror attacks — further evidence of Russia's success in isolating a rebel movement whose envoys were once received in capitals around the world, including Washington. Russia also acknowledged for the first time Wednesday that the powerful opiate fentanyl was used in the rescue operation that killed at least 117 hostages.

Belarus officials find mass WWII grave:

Authorities discovered a mass grave on a military base with the remains of up to 12,000 people killed during World War II, defense officials said Wednesday. The grave is in the town of Slutsk, nearly 60 miles south of the Belarus capital of Minsk, said Leonid Zakharenko, press secretary for the defense ministry.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Jeb Bush pressed to release Haitians:

A congresswoman pressed Gov. Jeb Bush on Wednesday to ask his brother, the president, to order the release of 200 Haitian immigrants detained in Florida after they jumped off a freighter and waded ashore. The Republican governor was confronted during a campaign stop by Rep. Carrie Meek, D-Fla., who said the Haitians should be treated like Cuban immigrants.

Oklahoma teen faces murder charge:

An Oklahoma teenager was charged with murder Wednesday for a shooting rampage last weekend that left two women dead and eight people wounded. Daniel Fears, 18, did not speak during his arraignment and the court entered an innocent plea for him. Authorities say Fears began shooting Saturday evening after a neighbor chastised him for driving recklessly near small children.

Powell strict with UN on U.S. Iraq policy:

As U.N. deliberations on Iraq dragged on, Secretary of State Colin Powell declared Wednesday the United States would not permit itself to be "handcuffed" by the world organization. "At no time will the United States foreclose its ability to act in its interest in accordance with its constitutional obligation to protect the nation and protect the people," Powell said.

Further questioning of snipers stopped:

Questioning of the two sniper suspects was halted when federal agents took custody of the pair, possibly preventing investigators from obtaining information about the shooting spree, a local law enforcement source complained Wednesday. Maryland U.S. Attorney Thomas DiBiagio disputed that, saying neither suspect was "yielding any useful information." He also said federal law required they be taken before a federal magistrate once they asked for a lawyer.

Lecture addresses child militants

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

Human rights activist Jo Becker spoke at the Hesburgh Center Wednesday evening about the modern proliferation of children in combat. Becker, director of the Children's Rights Project for Human Rights Watch, described the exploitation of children as soldiers in dozens of countries around the world. The lecture, entitled "Law, Human Rights and Children in Armed Conflict," focused on remedies for this modern phenomenon.

According to Becker, some 300,000 children under age 18 are recruited, many by force, to fight for governments and rebel groups in countries like Sierra Leone, the Congo, Burma and Colombia. Becker told the story of one particular child, a Ugandan girl named Charlotte, who was kidnapped from her boarding school, along with 139 classmates. Rebel forces took the children to southern Sudan, and forced them to undergo military training. "Girls often fare worse than boys in these situations," said Becker, noting that Charlotte became pregnant as a result of her frequent rapes, and nearly died during childbirth. She remains in rebel captivity to this day, five years after she was conscripted.

Horrifying scenes like this are all too common in today's wars, for several reasons, Becker said. "Children are vulnerable, easy targets for recruiters," she added. In addition, children are more likely to follow orders without question, even to the point of committing atrocities. In some instances, "children were forced to participate in the massacre of villagers and the destruction of villages," Becker said. Becker also attributed the increase in child soldiers to the changing nature of war. Modern wars are more likely to be within nations, rather than between them, "blurring the line between civilians and combatants," she said.

The Children's Rights Project has focused on helping to change international law to protect children from compulsory military service. While the Geneva Conventions state that the minimum age for participation in combat is 15, Becker's organization successfully lobbied the United Nations to draft a treaty declaring that no one under 18 should be forced to fight.

The change was not easy, however. Human Rights Watch encountered stiff resistance from the U.S. government, which allows 17-year-olds to enlist in the armed forces. Becker accused the U.S. of having "a poor record on human rights." She went on to bash U.S. policy as "taking an increasingly unilateral approach" to international treaties, including those dealing with children's rights.

"Girls often fare worse than boys in these situations."

Jo Becker
director of the Children's Rights Project

Human Rights Watch has also been working domestically to lobby Congress for policy change. The group aims to convince lawmakers to withhold foreign aid from governments who fail to ban the use of child fighters. HRW recently convinced legislators to earmark \$3 million in Colombian aid for the "counseling and reintegration of former child soldiers," Becker said. She also hailed the Democratic caucus in Congress as "more interested [than Republicans] in supporting children's rights."

Becker went on to praise the late Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-Minn.) as "our first, best, and most powerful ally" in office. Wellstone was killed last week when his plane crashed while on a campaign trip.

The Henkels Lecture Series on "Children, War, and Peacebuilding" is sponsored by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

"Children are vulnerable, easy targets for recruiters."

Jo Becker
director of the Children's Rights Project

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International students seek voice

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

Connie Peterson Miller, assistant director for international student services, spoke at Wednesday's senate meeting about the role of international students at Notre Dame.

Notre Dame hosts over 1000 students from about 100 countries. Only a fourth of these students are undergraduates. Miller said these students bring a mix of diverse cultures to Notre Dame, increasing the campus' overall quality of life.

The International Student Services office seeks to serve international students, scholars and

their families, said Miller. The office sponsors various programs to ease the students' transitions such as Conversation Circles/Writing Labs and Conversation Exchange Partners, which strengthen their grasp of the English language, said Miller.

International students wish to seek representation on campus and familiarize themselves with the culture. "They want to know the thrill, chills and spills of the American culture such as how to get a driver's license," said Miller.

Many of these students strive to maintain and display their own culture while they are here on campus. Miller said many international students come to the office

for counseling aid or because they feel isolated or lonely. "They would like to have a voice, even though it is small," said Miller.

In other Senate News:
♦ Senators decided to table the election of a Senate representative to the University Committee on Libraries because senators wished to review their schedules before making a commitment. This committee handles such issues as the library budget, the recent increase in the price of photocopies, and the selection of materials that are available to students.

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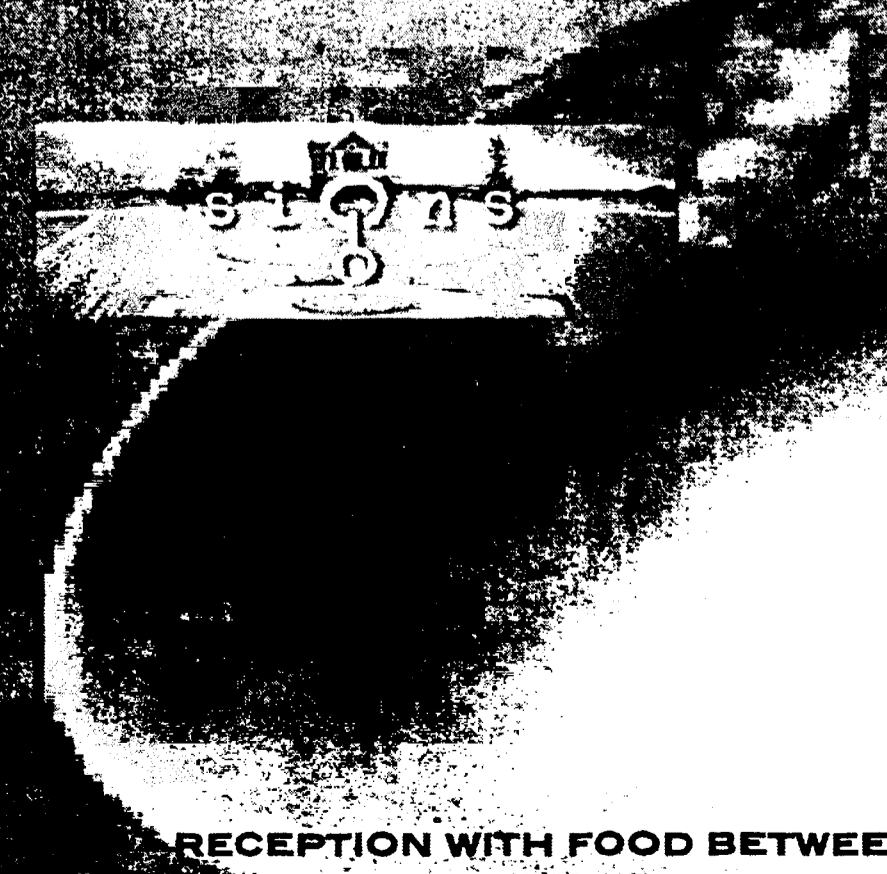
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IN BRIEF

Boeing decides to layoff employees

Boeing Co.'s Shared Services division, which handles computing, telecommunications, building maintenance and other in-house jobs for the aerospace company, plans to cut 1,200 to 1,500 jobs in the next six months.

The cuts, which will come through layoffs, attrition and eliminating contract workers, amount to nearly 9 percent of the Bellevue-based division's work force, spokeswoman Barbara Murphy said Wednesday. Most of the unit's employees work in the Puget Sound region.

The reductions come on top of the 30,000 jobs that Boeing plans to eliminate by the end of 2002 due to slashed commercial jet production and the weak airline market since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Boeing chairman Phil Condit said earlier this month that Boeing will continue to reduce its work force over the next 18 months, but the company has not released a target figure.

Groups try to block WorldCom bids

Nine labor and advocacy groups have united in an attempt to block WorldCom Inc. from winning future government contracts.

The groups sent a letter to the General Services Administration Wednesday urging the government to suspend WorldCom from bidding on federal contracts.

"WorldCom's behavior has harmed both the telecommunication sector and the larger U.S. economy and it should be punished for its actions," the letter said.

Enron raises \$3.3 million in auction

Enron Corp. raised \$3.3 million with its two-day auction to help pay off creditors.

The bankrupt former giant energy trader will hold another auction in December, featuring items similar to the 10,000-plus articles auctioned during the initial sale, Enron spokeswoman Karen Denne said Wednesday. Proceeds will be placed in an escrow account for distribution to creditors.

Club spends break travelling

◆ Finance Club visits New York, Chicago

By LESLIE FITZPATRICK
News Writer

The Finance Club of Notre Dame spent fall break in New York and Chicago meeting with investment bankers from some of America's top firms.

Although Lee Svete from the Career Center helped to set up some of the meetings, Finance Club Vice President Tom Kolinski, a junior finance major, primarily planned the trip. The Finance Club's annual trip gives potential finance majors a chance to talk to recruiters, learn about possible careers in finance and gain learning experience as well as an in depth understanding of how investment banks work.

"I think that this [the trip] provides more experience to members in a week in New York and Chicago than most clubs could provide in a year of weekly meetings at Notre Dame," Kolinski said.

Senior Grant Kreizenbec agrees, "It was great exposure to see finance in the real world rather than just from a book."

Kolinski would like to bring in more speakers this year, to help further the first hand experiences of the Finance Club. The purpose of the club is to educate through meetings and interactions with those in business in order to better understand what careers in finance are all about. The Finance Club centers on their annual trip, which is offered by email to all finance majors, although others are welcome.

Junior Marie Kochert is a marketing major who heard about the trip through her roommate, but still feels she gained good experience from the trip.

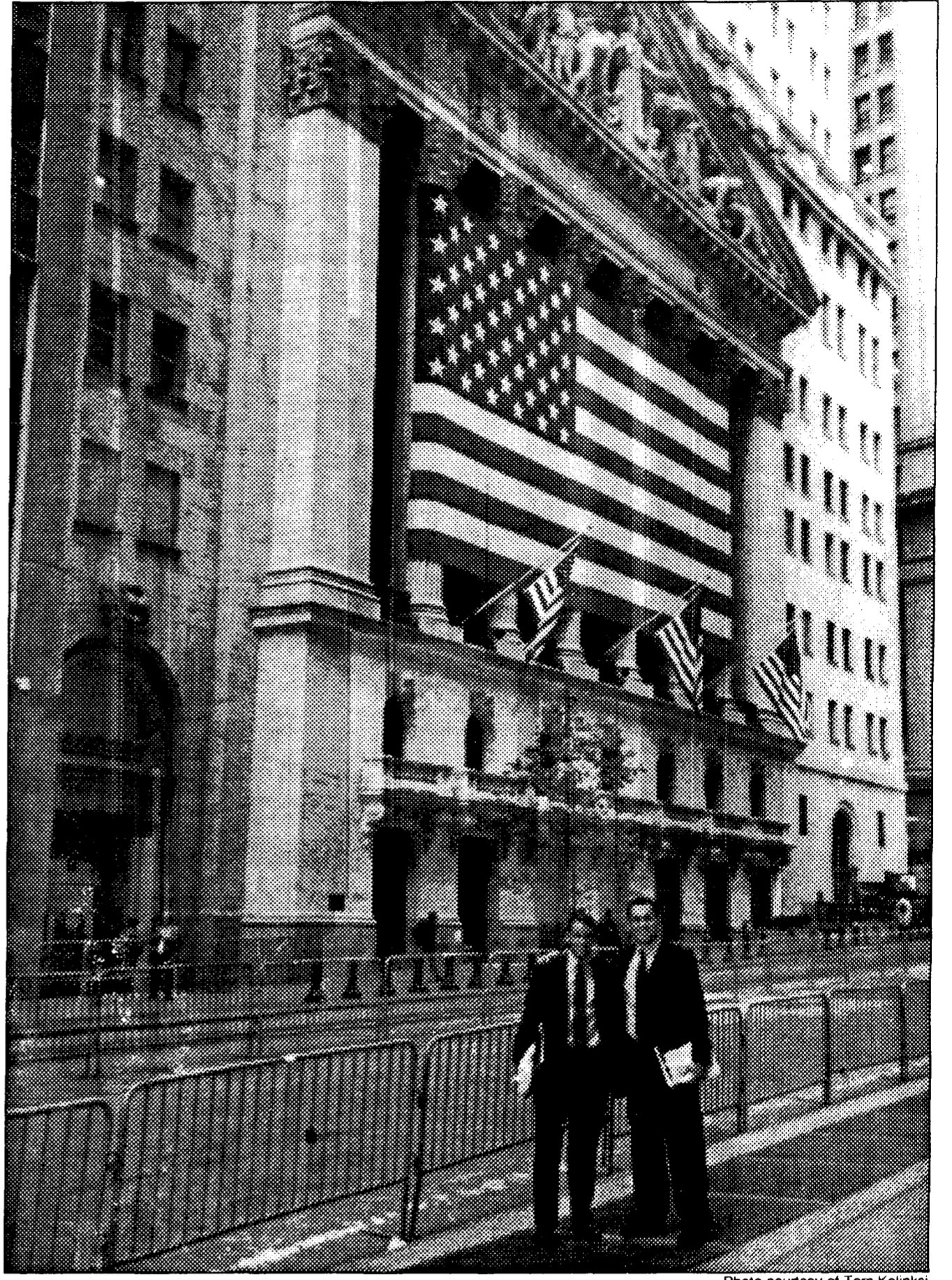


Photo courtesy of Tom Kolinski

Two members of the Finance Club pose in front of the New York Stock Exchange, one of the many sights visited during their fall break trip to New York and Chicago. The organization gained first hand knowledge of the business world.

She said, "The most interesting part was actually seeing firsthand all the activity that goes on in the financial powerhouse of New York. And almost every company had a fellow domer in there."

The sixteen juniors and seniors began their trip in Chicago, where they met with representatives from Goldman Sachs Investment Bank and Northwestern

Mutual Financial Services.

The students then flew to New York and joined a group of MBA students on their financial excursion. They met with businessmen affiliated with Leverage Finance Group of Bank of America Securities and investment bankers from Citigroup/Solomon Smith Barney. Also the club members and MBA students met with the technol-

ogy division of the Lehman Brothers investment bank, members of the NBC/GE Financial Management Program. They then met with employees of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and salesmen and traders from the equities and fixed income divisions of Morgan Stanley.

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Tommy Hilfiger to close 37 stores

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Tommy Hilfiger Corp., hampered by declining sales in its menswear and children's wear, warned that earnings for the second half of its fiscal year will be well short of Wall Street expectations and announced plans to close most of its U.S. full-priced retail stores.

Thirty-seven of the company's 44 U.S. specialty stores will be shut down following the holiday season, in part to concentrate on growth opportunities in Europe, officials said Wednesday, even as they announced better-than-expected second quarter results but offered the gloomy forecast.

About 500 people — about 75 percent of them part-time workers — will lose their jobs, according to Ruth Pachman, company spokeswoman.

Shares plummeted nearly 20 percent, or \$1.85, to close at \$7.50 each on the New York Stock Exchange.

"After a good July, sales softened in August and weakened further in September," said chief executive officer Joel Horowitz. Although the trend stabilized a bit in October, he said he anticipates that the company will face the pressure of discounting merchandise more heavily than anticipated to entice customers to buy.

The fashion company posted a 27 percent increase in second-quarter earnings buoyed by the continued

strong performance of its Tommy Hilfiger Europe division. For the three month period ended Sept. 30, the company reported earnings of \$61 million, or 67 cents per share, compared with \$47.9 million, or 53 cents per share a year ago. Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call expected 59 cents per share.

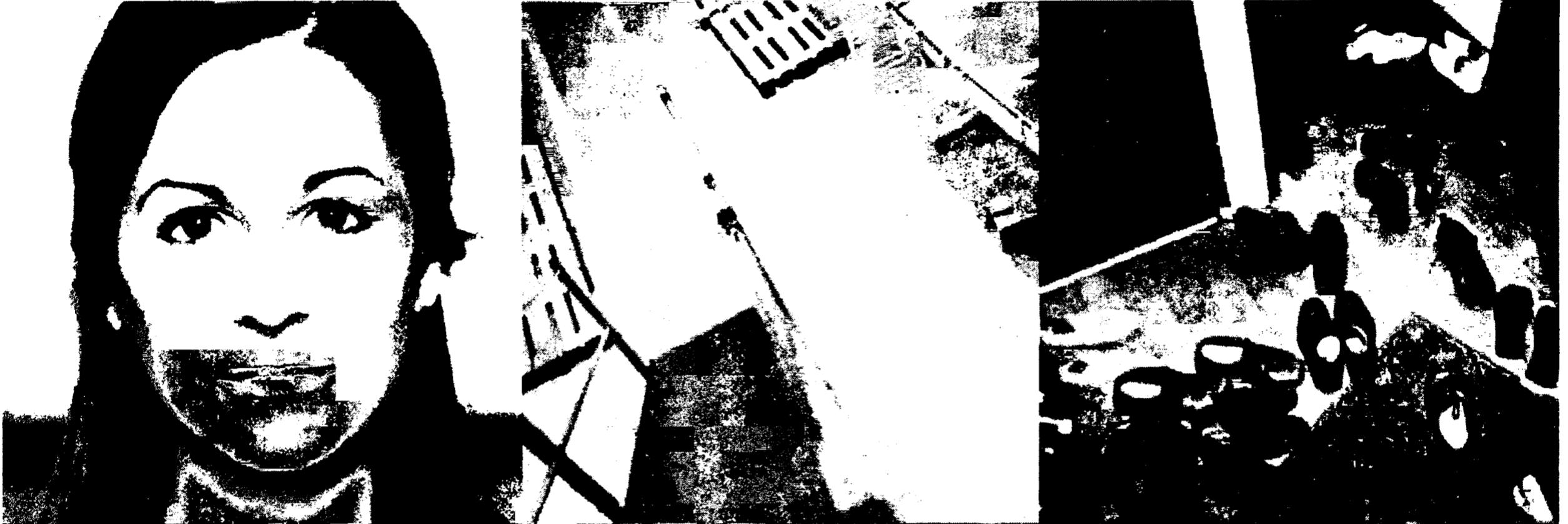
Sales were virtually unchanged at \$546.5 million, compared with \$546.4 million in the year-ago period.

The company's wholesale segment was down 2.9 percent. Within the division, sales for women's clothing was up 2.6 percent, while menswear sales declined by 8.4 percent and its children's wear business was down 0.7 percent.

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Haiti turns to spirits for help in crisis

Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE
Shaking bundles of pungent leaves and swaying to a frenzied drum beat, hundreds of Haitians flock to a temple to beg the spirits for U.S. visas and lucky lottery numbers.

At a time of deepening poverty and despair, many people in this Caribbean country see only one way out.

"Voodoo is Haiti's only hope," says Solange Patrice, a 19-year-old street vendor who took Wednesday off to make meager offerings of coins and candles at a voodoo temple. "We have nothing else — unless you're

willing to risk your life to make it to the United States."

On Tuesday, more than 200 Haitians did just that, jumping from a ship that ran aground in Miami with the Coast Guard in pursuit.

The journey was one of hundreds each year by Haitians who brave the sea in rickety, overcrowded boats. Dozens have died in such attempts this year. And unlike Cubans who reach dry land, Haitian migrants usually are returned home.

"We are all desperate," said Marie Pierre, a 35-year-old vendor in Port-au-Prince's chaotic marketplace who sells leaves, candles and moonshine as offerings to the spirits.

The government blames the situation on the lack of international aid, suspended after the Lavalas Family party of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide swept flawed elections in 2000. Two years later, the country is locked in a political stalemate. Two-thirds of workers are unemployed and crime is on the rise.

Until foreign aid is restored, people will continue to flee to U.S. shores, said government spokesman Mario Dupuy.

But even in the best of times, Haiti is a country of scant resources, with much of its arable land ravaged by decades of deforestation.

For people who make do on less than a dollar a day, voodoo understandably has strong appeal.

"Voodoo has always been about survival when hope seems lost," said Laennec Hurbon, an anthropologist and author of

several books on the religion that evolved in the 17th century when the French brought slaves to Haiti. "When people feel abandoned, that desperation manifests itself in voodoo."

On Tuesday at the Desermite temple, songs asking the gods for U.S. visas and lucky lottery numbers reverberated against the concrete blocks as believers stomped their feet. Some fell to the ground, believing they were possessed.

"Open the door for us if it is closed!" worshippers wearing brightly colored satin scarves sang in Creole as they waved white candles.

Practitioners believe in a supreme God and spirits who link the human with the divine, and who are petitioned by offerings that include everything from rum to roosters.

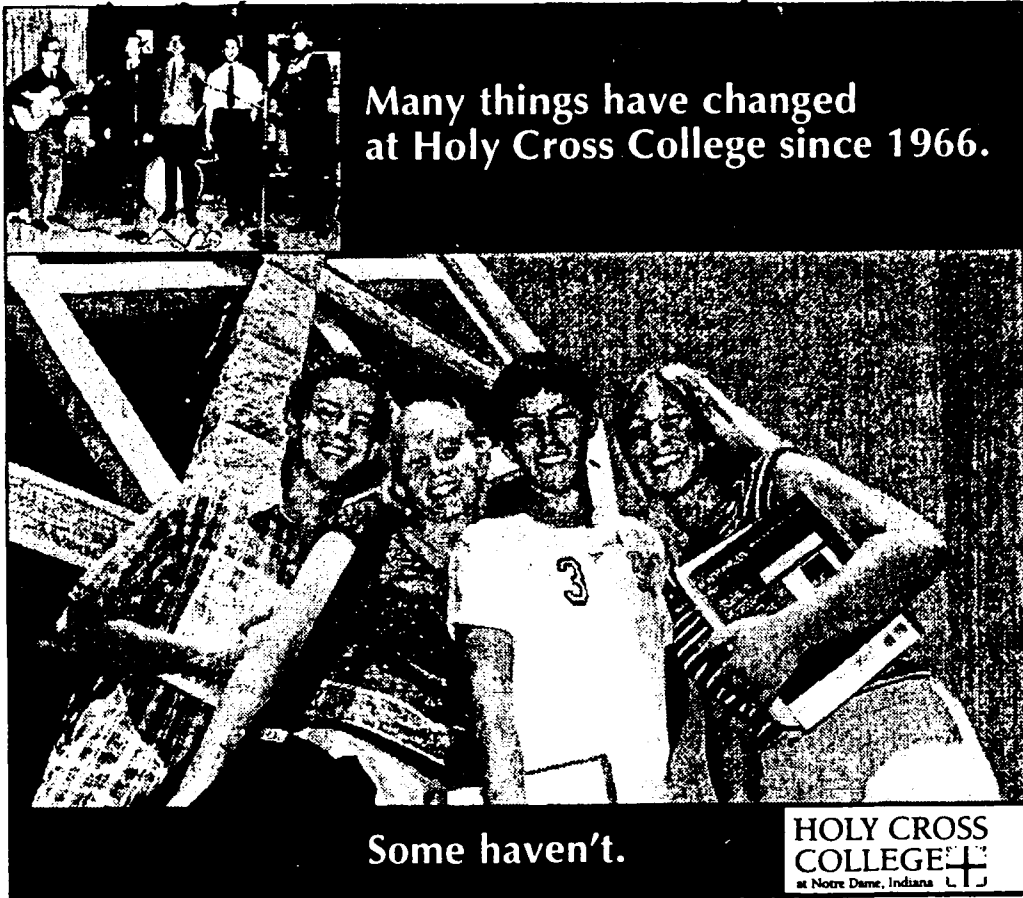
"Every day we make offerings and people come to see me," said Exilien Francois, 75, a

voodoo priest or houngan. "Even though they don't have much to give me or the spirits, we will keep praying. We have to."

Voodoo, or Voudou, as preferred by Haitians, only became recognized as a formal religion in 1987, under a new constitution that recognizes the rights of all religions. But this fusion of West African beliefs has long been seen as a path toward emancipation.

In 1791, an escaped slave named Boukman gathered thousands of followers in the forests of northern Haiti and sacrificed a wild boar. He pledged that with the spirits' help, he would liberate his people and free Haiti.

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production has come out-of-pocket. The four executive producers also received broadcast guidance from Film, Television and Theater professor Christine Becker.

"We have very limited funding, that being zero," Chamberland said. "It's been a lot of trying to piece together what little resources we have."

In addition to the issues of attracting an audience and getting official University club status, the group has yet another hurdle to jump: the limited cable access on campus for students.

Currently, students only have cable in the residence hall lounges, but NDTV producers have been hoping for cable in the dorm rooms so that students will have better access to the program.

"That would be great for us," Chamberland said. "That would cause a lot more students to watch."

Until then, students can catch episodes of "New Dimension Television" with hosts Tony Easterlin, a sophomore, and junior Cheryl Turski Thursdays at 5 p.m. with new episodes every other week and re-runs late Tuesdays.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Advocate a just wage for workers

It was with considerable disgust that I read John Litle's Oct. 18 column, "Workers have one right." Particularly appalling was Litle's generalization of low-wage workers as disloyal employees underpaid because of their inability to maintain steady employment. That Litle must resort to such senseless stereotyping is indicative of a frightening ignorance of the realities of low-wage employment in this country.

Had Litle taken the time to actually speak with employees prior to tackling the issue of workers' rights, his outlook would, one hopes, be far different. This very campus could have provided him ample opportunity to pursue this interaction. Every day hundreds of underpaid men and women labor to create the environment we too often take for granted at Notre Dame.

Whether it be by maintaining our beautiful grounds or by preparing meals in the dining halls, these dedicated individuals daily contribute to our college experience and should be con-

sidered our brothers and sisters in the Notre Dame family. Yet, in spite of this, many Notre Dame employees earn hourly wages well below what would be required to rise above the poverty line. Is it just that the employees of a Catholic university can work full time and still remain unable to fully support themselves and their families? It is with this thought in mind that I ask all members of our campus community to demonstrate support for Notre Dame workers. We should all take the time to share with them our appreciation for all that they do and our willingness to stand with them in the fight for better working conditions.

Christian McNamara

junior

Morrissey Manor

Oct. 30

Wondering if 'real life' is something worth working for

(I realize it's probably against the rules to begin a column with parenthesis, but we here at Marlayna Inc. are about nothing if not thinking outside the box. I just wanted to let you, my wary readers, know that while this column does involve the facts that I am a senior and I am graduating, it is not one of those tear-jerker, oh-my-God-I-just-went-to-the-bathroom-in-O'Shag-for-the-90th-to-last-time-ever columns. My column is relevant to everyone and intended to be moderately humorous. Or perhaps it is meant to fill up space. You make the call.)

Marlayna Soenneker

Here We Go Again ...

So I'm graduating in December. "Why?" you all cry, aghast at the idea that any human being in their right mind would ever choose to leave Notre Dame before they were dragged kicking and screaming away.

There are a number of reasons for this choice. One of the big ones is that it will save my father a chunk of money. Another is that it will give me some time off before graduate school.

The main reason, however, is that at the age of 21, I have lost all drive and ambition. My greatest desire six days out of seven is to spend the entire day on my couch and never change out of my pajamas. On the seventh day, I want to go to a Notre Dame football game. That's it. I don't want to go to graduate school. I don't want to become a wildly rich or fantastically successful psychotherapist. I don't want to go to class or work or even out for coffee.

People keep asking me what I am doing next year. I have this nice story about wanting to get a Ph.D. and go on to be either a therapist or an academic. In all honesty, I can't think of anything I want to do less than go to school for

five more years, unless it's go out and get a job.

The idea of doing one thing for the rest of my life boggles my mind. I've been doing this education thing for my entire life so far, and I'm pretty well sick of that. I don't want to do it anymore. I also don't want to do something else. I want to do nothing.

I mean, look at what real life has to offer. I'll go to grad school, and my parents will stop giving me money on a regular basis. I will accrue more student loans, which people will want me to pay back at some point, along with the \$25,000 I already owe for my Notre Dame education.

I will eventually buy a house, and someone will expect me to pay a mortgage for 20 years. I will take out a second mortgage after 18 years to pay for my kids' college educations at Notre Dame, and someone else will expect me to pay that back for another 20 years.

In the meantime, I'll marry some guy who seems great until he leaves our reception early to play PlayStation. Next come the kids, which will involve teething, colic and poopy diapers. They will get older, and I will panic constantly about them. Where are they? Are they being raped or murdered? What was that substance they just ingested?

They'll go off to college; I'll be left with my spouse, to whom I haven't said a full sentence since the kids were born. We'll find that not only do we have nothing left in common, we also can't remember who we are, either. We'll take up sleeping 14 hours a day for lack of anything else to do.

Being good Catholics, we'll stay married and continue our lives of non-speaking, telling ourselves it's a comfortable silence. My kids will never come home, except to hit me up for money, and I will have new sympathy for my parents.

Speaking of my parents, they'll be ready to go into nursing homes at this point. As they are divorced, I may have upwards of four parents to take care

of. They'll suck up money like morphine, leaving me a measly \$5.23 to inherit, before taxes, which I'll spend on my kids anyway.

My spouse and I will finally pay off our house, only to realize it's too big for us. We'll move to a smaller apartment and retire, planning to travel. Instead,

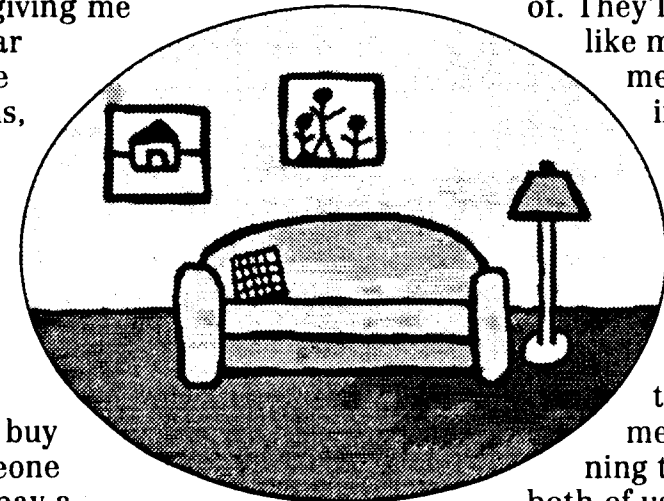
both of us will be struck by cancer, that disease that kills you if nothing else does first. The kids will put us in homes and we'll die there. Alone.

So that's what I have to look forward to in life. None of that looks that great to me. I'm not sure the real world is all it's cracked up to be. In fact, I'm pretty sure it's not. Why would I want to do this? Why would I willingly take the necessary steps? Why would I not just live on my couch?

Seriously, I want to know.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"We must believe in luck. For how else can we explain the success of those we don't like?"

Jean Cocteau
French artist and writer

VIEWPOINT

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Irish are lucky in just one way — Willingham

All those announcers and “so-called” expert college football analysts like ESPN’s Kirk “Herbie” Herbstreit are right — Notre Dame is lucky.

No, I’m not talking about Notre Dame’s undefeated 8-0 record. Notre Dame really is that good. But don’t take it from me. After all, I’m just a lowly college sports writer for The Observer, who certainly does not have the same insightful wisdom as college football gurus like Herbie, who commented this week in his column on ESPN.com, “[Notre Dame] was fortunate to catch some breaks over its first six games.”

I certainly do not have the same extensive knowledge of the game as Herbie’s fellow ESPN columnist, ex-Pittsburgh head coach Mike Gottfried, who predicted Notre Dame’s “string would end this weekend against Florida State. In my opinion, Notre Dame is not even in the same ballpark as Oklahoma and Miami.”

Is that so Mike? Hmmm. The Irish crushed the ‘Noles 34-24 on the road last Saturday. Had it not been for a few garbage touchdowns at the end of the game, the Irish would have won the game by a whopping 24 points.

But I guess it wasn’t luck, Mike,

when Miami needed Florida State kicker Xavier Beitia’s last-second 41-yard field goal to sail wide-left in order to squeak out a one-point victory at home. I guess it’s not worth mentioning that FSU had a week off to prepare for Notre Dame, either.

I certainly don’t have the same ability to predict the future like those odds-makers in Vegas either. After all, they only picked the Noles as a ridiculous 10.5 point favorite over the Irish.

On second thought, maybe you shouldn’t take it from the experts or odds-makers either. Just take it from some of Notre Dame’s recent opponents. Just ask Florida State running back Greg Jones or Air Force quarterback Chance Harridge how tough Notre Dame’s defense is. Or better yet, why don’t you ask the Air Force defensive line or the Florida State secondary if Notre Dame’s offense is really as anemic as Herbie and the rest of his buddies claim it is?

Back to my original point — I am not really a superstitious guy. I rarely read my horoscope, but I will be the first to admit that Notre Dame is lucky for one reason and one reason only. The Irish are lucky to have Tyrone Willingham as their head coach. Call it fate or divine intervention, but had it not been for the George O’Leary resume fiasco last December, Tyrone Willingham would still be the head coach at Stanford and Notre Dame would not be undefeated right now.

Even if Notre Dame were to lose the rest of their games this year, Notre Dame is lucky to have Willingham as

its head coach.

Is there anyone else you would want representing your University? Is there anyone else who handles praise with the same degree of humility as Willingham? Is there anyone else who handles the media scrutiny and the pressure of being a head-coach better than Willingham? Is there a greater class act in college football today?

The answer to all of these questions is no.

Before this season started, many of the “so-called” experts said Notre Dame would be lucky to have a winning record. Many of the pre-season magazines predicted the Irish would finish no better than 40th in the country. They all said Notre Dame did not have the talent and the personnel to compete for the national championship anymore.

As it turns out, all the Irish needed was a coach who could motivate them to maximize their potential.

It turns out the “so-called” experts were dead wrong, but who really cares about them anyway? It doesn’t really matter that the “so-called” experts don’t believe in us.

Willingham believes in his players, and his players believe in themselves. There’s nothing lucky about that.

One other thing — I never really believed in destiny before this season, but I do now. The Irish certainly are not lucky to be 8-0, but I think I speak on behalf of the entire student body when I write that we are all lucky to attend this University during Notre Dame’s “Return to Glory.” Thanks guys. It truly has been a privilege and a joy to cheer for you every Saturday.

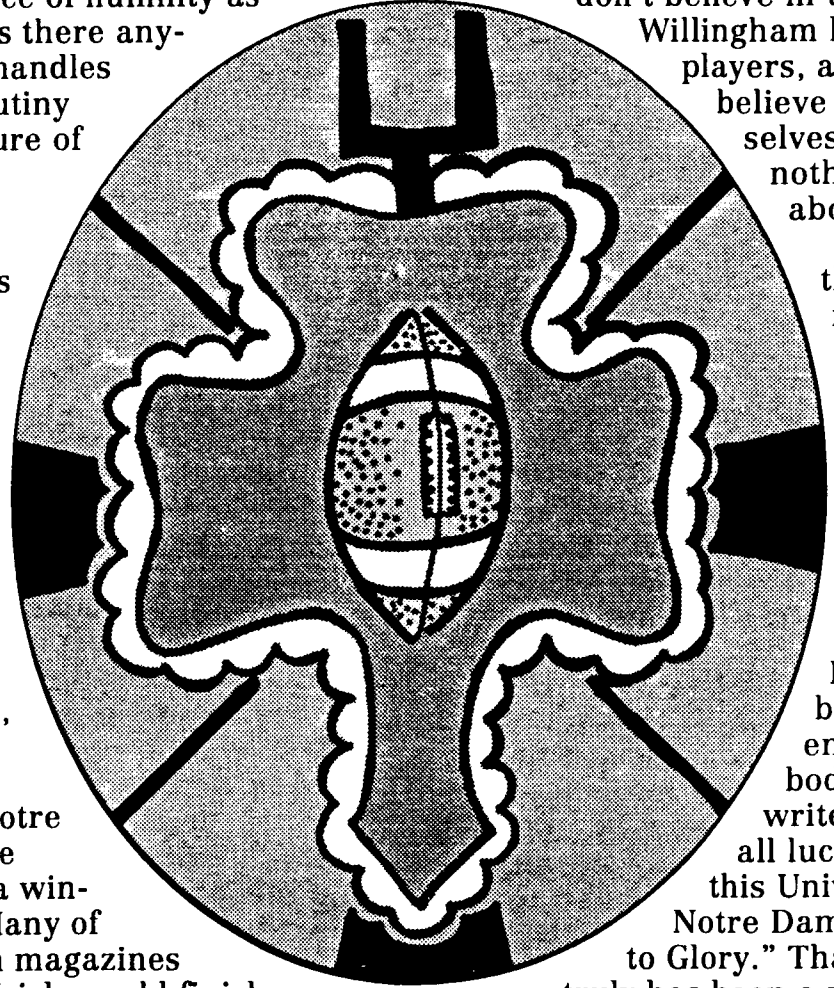
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Termining Saddam 'huggable' reveals an utter lack of taste

I am deeply offended by Joe Muto's Oct. 30 column, "Questioning president's leadership on action in Iraq." Muto has chosen to express his opinion on the probable war with Iraq. His defense of his position is one thing, but to declare Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein "huggable," indeed, to call him a veritable "Clark Gable ... [who] gassed his own people," shows a complete lack of taste. His declaration of Saddam Hussein as the "most adorable" of 20th century despots simply perpetuates his ignorant, crass attitude.

After all, how can he claim Hussein's superiority over such lovable figures as Josef Stalin? With his big fuzzy trenchcoat, those goofy eyes narrowed in tyrannical madness, and oh, the mustache! The Yalta conference pictures convey a dictator as cuddly as Santa Claus, only I suspect that had you sat in his lap and told him what you wanted for Christmas you'd have been shot or dragged off to a camp (and shot).

But of course, who can possibly overlook the cuddliest of the evil, Hitler? With his squat, beady eyes, over-trimmed hair and a mustache to put Stalin to shame, Hitler comes across as a sort of ceremonial teddy bear for the Third Reich. Nevermind the khakis — let's face it, the man was always business casual. That takes chutzpah, and I

think Muto isn't giving the brutal terrorizer of Europe and the murderer of millions the credit he deserves. Just watch some old footage. As thousands of enraptured German soldiers gaze at their fearless leader's stomping and furious hand gestures, try to resist the urge to give ol' Adolf a big hug. Go on, just try.

How Muto can possibly overlook these lovable dictators in favor of bland old Saddam is beyond me. Memo to Muto and Hussein: That beret is so Cuban Revolution. You'll never wear it like Che; who are you kidding?

I do wish Muto hadn't restricted the field to dictators of the last century, though. After all, where can you find a dreamboat despot like Julius Caesar? Women wanted him, men wanted to be him, senators wanted to kill him. *Veni, vidi, vici*, indeed.

At any rate, I think it's clear that if Muto thinks he's got a finger on the pulse of world leader fashion, he's got another thing coming. Poor Saddam is in need of more than a regime change — somebody give that boy a new wardrobe.

Peter Scott
sophomore
Carroll Hall
Oct. 30

Football team represents University with class

Saturday, I was reminded why I love Notre Dame football, and perhaps even Notre Dame itself. I was watching the game at the gym while I worked out. After one set, I walked over to the television above the exercise bikes, and my heart sank. A few Florida State players were jumping around like it was Christmas, Mardi Gras and their birthdays all rolled into one. I figured Florida State had just scored a 10-point touchdown. Turns out one of them had just knocked down a pass, on second down. Not a real spectacular play, either, it kind of came right to him.

Later in the game, I had another experience like that. I finished a set, came over to the television again and saw some of the guys in gold helmets trudging back to the huddle. Must have been a loss on the play, or a penalty. Not quite. The Notre Dame tailback had in fact just gotten a first down, running about 15 yards through a gaping hole, then plowing over some defensive backs for good measure.

Then of course there was the delightful spectacle, right before the game ended, of the Seminole receiver spinning the ball to the ground after making a decent catch, though his team was down 24 points and less than two minutes remained.

We may argue whether Notre Dame truly dominated Florida State in various statistical categories, or whether the score reflected more of that Irish luck we all are coming to love so much. What we cannot doubt, however, is that the men in the white jerseys totally dominated the opponent in one special area — class. I truly wonder whether Notre Dame was able to wear down Florida State in the second half because of all the celebrating the Seminoles had done. I got tired just watching some of it, and I did not even see most of the first half.

They say a team is a reflection of its coach, and when I see Tyrone Willingham, and then watch his team, I know it is true. I would say he should run for President, but I would like to keep him for Notre Dame. We should all be proud of how our team plays and represents us so well, and not just of how good they are at winning.

Tom Hanrahan
class of '99
Oct. 28

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DISTURBING

Scene takes a look at nine of the

Scene Staff Report

Each Halloween, Hollywood offers up the same formulaic "nubile sorority sisters in haunted house take sensuous showers and then walk into the dark basement one by one with their necks exposed" rubbish for mass consumption. But years after the latex villain who can be shot, burnt, smashed, pureed and launched into space, and then magically reappear in front of a scantily clad heroine in front of a heaving breasts is left in the lull of late-night Superstation specials, the truly terrifying movies of our day will live on.

The Scene staff has assembled an all-star scream-a-thon of nine of the most disturbing movies of all time, presented in no particular order. So, grab some rentals, grab some popcorn and grab your significant other (or a reasonable facsimile) and cuddle up as you have your mind blown.

"The Bad Seed" (1956)

Long before the Columbine massacre forced Americans to re-evaluate their misplaced faith in the idea that children are innocent by nature, the country's cinema had already seen the dark side. "The Bad Seed" is one of those movies that elicits a horrified gasp from those who have had the misfortune to see it alone late at night.

Based on the Maxwell Anderson's play of the same name, the 1956 movie looks like it belongs on a stage show more than the silver screen. But "The Bad Seed" doesn't need chalkboard-scratching violins or claustro-

phobic camerawork to keep it audience awake at night. Its concept is so dark and chilling, it doesn't need any sort of traditional scares.

When a local boy dies mysteriously on a school picnic, suburban housewife Christine Penmark goes to comfort her picture perfect daughter Rhoda who was the boy's classmate and winner of a penmanship medal that Rhoda coveted. But Rhoda's perturbing coolness when confronted with the issue is brought to a head when Christine discovers the penmanship medal in her daughter's possession. Slowly, Christine must question whether her sweet and innocent daughter could really be a bad seed.

"The Bad Seed" really is a bad look at the nature versus nurture argument and asks some questions that are so horrific that the answers seem unfathomable.

-C. Spencer Beggs

"Eyes Wide Shut" (1999)

Evil has no face in Stanley Kubrik's last and most stunning film. Based on Arthur Schnitzler's provocative novel "Dream Story," "Eyes Wide Shut" follows the beautiful but troubled couple, Dr. and Mrs. Harford (Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman), through two nights of mystery and madness. Confronted with his wife's darker side, Dr. Harford embarks on a sexual odyssey, which takes him to the edge of Hell and back again.

The slippery slope Harford dances upon culminates in a visit to "The House" — a place where beauty and magic are coupled with sacrifice and death and is far more chilling than

any haunted one could be.

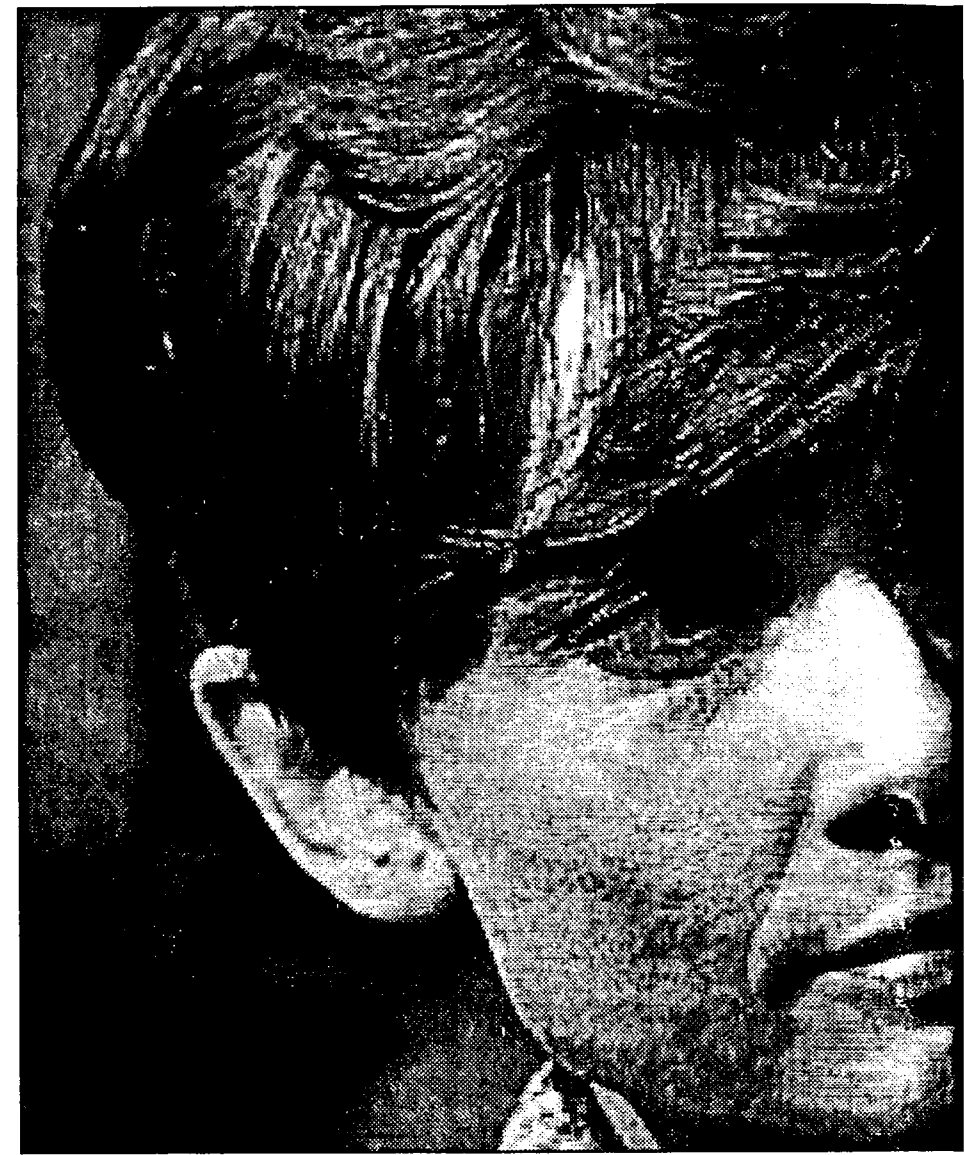
The terror in this film is found within the living and lies always behind masks and within dreams. Audiences will not be able to name the thing that frightens them most in "Eyes Wide Shut," which is what makes this film a stylishly disturbing masterpiece.

-Anne Hamilton

"The Exorcist" (1973)

"The Exorcist," directed by William Friedkin, is enough of a pop culture staple that it is often considered too simple or cliché to be truly disturbing. A 12-year old girl (Linda Blair) is possessed by the Devil and her distraught movie-star mother (Ellen Burstyn) calls a priest (Jason Miller) to save her. Cue infamous pea soup and head-spinning special effects.

This view, however, does a great disservice to what's actually a very subtle story. "The Exorcist" balances its unrelentingly horrific intensity with the mature acting of its stars and a veteran supporting cast including Lee J. Cobb and Max von Sydow. Partly because of that intensity, it is



Audrey Hepburn plays the blind but independent Susie Her plays on what the characters know versus what the audience

easy to miss the importance of almost every detail: the girl's passion for art, the divorce and the mysterious silver medallion. "The Exorcist" is a great film that was overrated for so long it has now become underrated.

-Jack Watkins

"Requiem for a Dream" (2000)

Darren Aronofsky's "Requiem for a Dream" is a hauntingly beautiful look at the lives of drug addicts. Shot to reflect the mental states of its characters, "Requiem for a Dream" varies between soporific ecstasy and torturous agony. The movie follows the down spiral of four addicts whose stories are intertwined but are not dependent upon one another.

The disconcerting aspect of "Requiem for a Dream" is the way that it relates the desire for a high from drug addiction to the same tendency in sober life from another source. The payout is neither as big as the junkie needs nor as long as he requires.

"Requiem for a Dream" is unsettling to the point that it makes one question whether the ideals toward which we direct our everyday efforts are ultimately as futile as those of the movie's characters.

The grip Aronofsky's hypersensitive filming at once drifts the audience through a drug-induced fantasy and then slams them against a hard-edged reality. The movie is composed and plays like a symphony dedicated to the final destination of a futile life.

-C. Spencer Beggs

"Diabolique" (1955)

According to film lore, Alfred Hitchcock made "Psycho" to prove he



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Linda Blair played the famous green vomit-spewing, head-rotating, possessed child in the classic horror flick "The Exorcist." The film essentially defined the supernatural thriller genre.

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most unsettling movies of all time

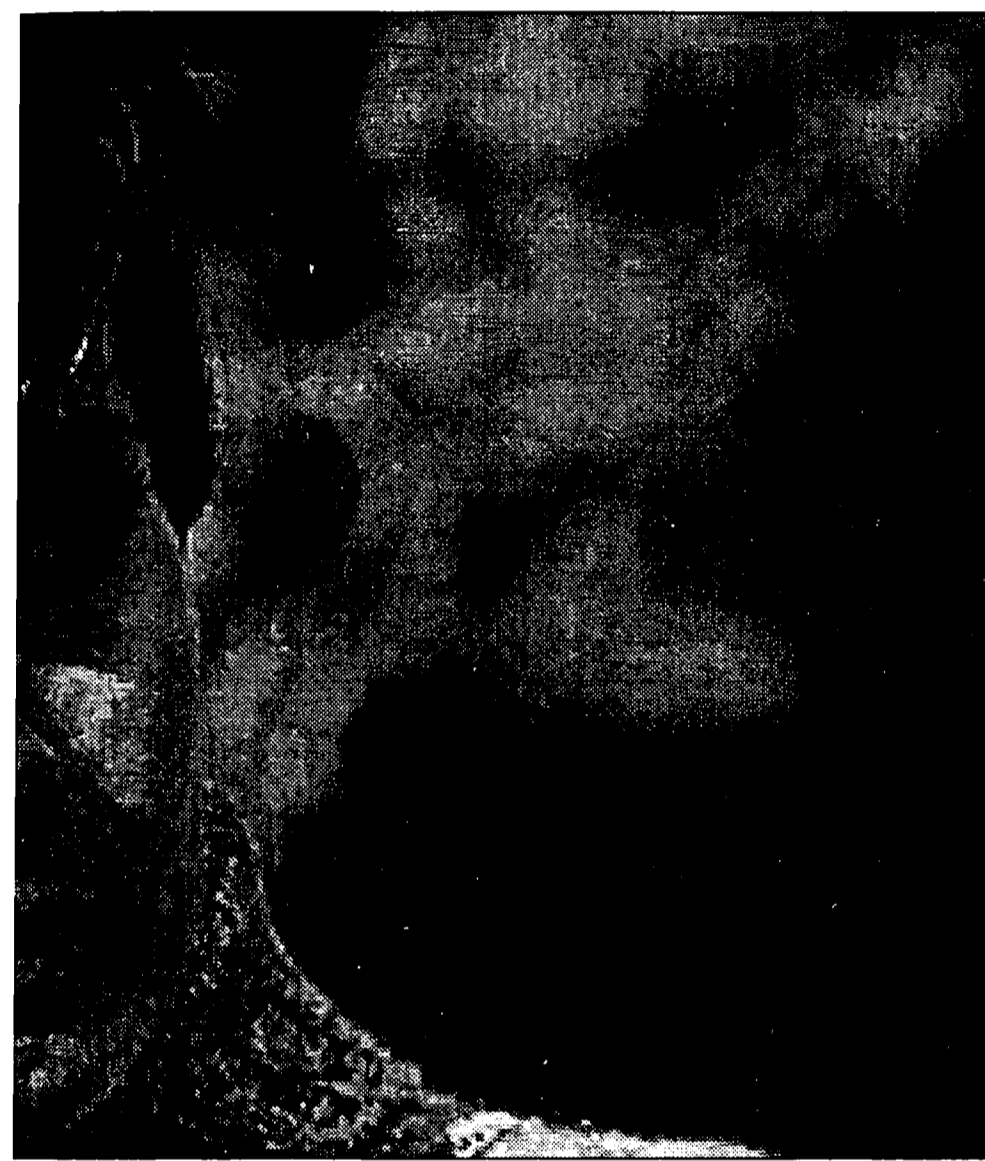


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ndrix in the 1967 classic thriller "Wait Until Dark." The film
ice knows to build tension.

could compete with Henri-Georges Clouzot, director of "Diabolique." A French film made in 1955, "Diabolique" is in some ways a typical suspense film of its period: a slow start, gradual increase of tension, a fantastic climax and a major plot twist.

"Diabolique" is about Michael Delasalle (Paul Meurisse), a sadistic boarding school principle who is murdered by his wife Christina (Vera Clouzot) and his mistress (Nicole Horner). The women dump his body in a pool. But when the pool is drained, no body is found.

Christina becomes convinced that Michael is haunting the school and will somehow get his revenge. Is there a ghost or is it merely her guilty conscience? Vera Clouzot, the director's wife, is magnificent as a woman having a nervous breakdown, giving this suspense classic the punch to put it at the top of its genre.

~Jack Watkins

"Death and the Maiden" (1994)

One stormy evening, Gerardo Escobar's car breaks down. A mysterious stranger (Ben Kingsley) takes him home and Gerardo invites him to sleep the night on the couch. That evening, Gerardo's wife, Paulina (Sigourney Weaver) overhears the men's conversation and is convinced that the man who picked up her husband is the same man who tortured and raped her while blindfolded 15 years before. She wants revenge. The only trouble is that she has never seen his face before.

Roman Polanski's "Death and the Maiden" is a supremely elegant and

disturbing film. Kingsley and Weaver are two brilliant actors and give some of their best-ever performances. Based on the play with the same title, the film is beautifully unified. The plot is centered on one subject, at one location and in one night. "Death and the Maiden" is a must-see for audiences interested in the darker and more complex side of humanity.

~Anne Hamilton

"Eraserhead" (1977)

David Lynch's first full-length film, "Eraserhead," thrusts the viewer into a nightmarish world of strange worm creatures, bleeding dinners and mutant babies. Made over the course of five years due to extreme budget limitations, "Eraserhead," is not for the purveyor of blood-and-guts or special effects wizardry. Lynch relies instead on a sparse script and an

eerie soundtrack to create a sense of unease that becomes terror in the climax.

While most horror films choose some kind of alien power or social deviant as the focal point of the hor-

ror, Lynch's targets are closer to home: he makes marriage, family and work horrifying. Parenting in particular is made horrific through the agency of the sinister mutant baby. "Eraserhead" is best understood as a dream filled with Freudian imagery of death and sex. It is full of bizarre characters and seemingly inexplicable symbolism, making it a dark and uniquely disturbing film.

~Jack Watkins

"Wait Until Dark" (1967)

When Susie Hendrix (Audrey Hepburn) is given a mysterious doll by her husband with instructions to hide it, the recently blinded woman is suddenly thrown into a sordid world of crime. What Susie doesn't know is that the doll contains within it thousands of dollars worth of heroin. Throughout the course of the day, Susie falls victim to the deceptions of people trying to get back the doll. She finds that the only way to ensure her survival is to "wait until dark."

Hepburn gives one of her most intelligent and beautiful performances ever. The film's use of dramatic irony is what makes it both great and terrifying — most of what takes place is known to the audience but not to Susie. "Wait Until Dark" is a classic thriller that is sure to keep audiences on the edge of their seats until the final scene.

~Anne Hamilton

"Session 9" (2001)

In a somber New England town, a team of asbestos removal experts is hired by the local government to pre-

pare an abandoned state mental hospital for renovation. In a burst of confidence the team declares that they can complete the job in a week.

The team leader, Gordon (Peter Mullan), cobbles together his crew, along with a newcomer. But, the strain of the job along with the group's injured past relationships and the disconcerting ransacked hospital quickly leads the group to become separated and self-interested.

Most notably, Mike (Stephen Gevedon), stumbles upon nine audio recordings of repression therapy sessions with a deeply disturbed young woman who has everything to do with the hospital's history. But as Mike slowly listens to the session, the atmosphere of the hospital takes a dark turn and bizarre occurrences begin.

"Session 9" says more by using the things that are not explicit in a scene to get a reaction from the audience than clubbing them over the head with something overtly scary. The movie slowly boils over with angst, and by the end, audiences will most likely feel physically nauseated.

Even so, most viewers will have trouble describing exactly what is so disturbing about "Session 9," but that's OK, because they probably won't want to talk about it anyway.

~C. Spencer Beggs

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Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman star in Stanley Kubrick's dark film "Eyes Wide Shut." The film is unsettling because it uses a faceless evil presence to put the audience off balance.

NBA

Wizards lose to Raptors, Jordan misses dunk attempt

Associated Press

TORONTO Michael Jordan played so poorly he got laughed at.

Morris Peterson scored 20 points and Jordan went scoreless in the second half — and even missed a dunk — as the Toronto Raptors opened their season with a 74-68 victory over the Washington Wizards on Wednesday night.

Jordan, coming off the bench, scored just eight points in 25 minutes. After missing two free throws with 4:06 left, he missed a breakaway dunk as the ball clanged off the back rim. The crowd laughed at Jordan, who turns 40 in February.

The Wizards, down by 12, never recovered.

"I'm pretty sure everybody is going to look at the one play," Jordan said. "I felt like I exploded pretty good. I got hit on the knee, but I still should have finished it. Other than that I felt good."

Jordan finished 4-for-14 from the field.

"I've never seen Michael miss a couple of free throws and a dunk late in the game like that. Normally, that's money in the bank," Washington coach Doug Collins said.

The only positive for the new-look Wizards, who shot just 29.6 percent from the field, was the play of Kwame Brown, who had a career-high 18 rebounds, 12 points and five blocks.

"Everybody was fumbling the ball," Jordan said. "It was pretty ugly on both sides."

Vince Carter had 18 points in his first game since surgery on his left knee in March.

Peterson also had a career-high 10 rebounds for the Raptors, who also got a career-high 12 rebounds from new center Jelani McCoy.

"I thought I did a great job on Jordan," Peterson said.

The Wizards started the game with four new starters in their lineup, including Jerry Stackhouse, who had a team-high 19 points. Stackhouse,

acquired from Detroit in exchange for Richard Hamilton, went 6-for-17 from the field.

"There wasn't any chemistry," Jordan said. "For us to come out in the first game and expect to have everything clicking is kind of far-fetched."

Carter had eight points, including an impressive fade-away jumper after spinning around his defender, as Toronto took a 18-11 lead in the first quarter with Jordan on the bench.

Jordan entered with 3:50 left in the first quarter and immediately stole Peterson's pass, but Washington didn't score on the possession because of Stackhouse's turnover.

Stackhouse later shot an airball after another pass from Jordan. "We were all out of sync," Stackhouse said.

The Wizards shot 25 percent in the first quarter as the Raptors led 20-14.

After Jordan made his first shot of the game early in the second, the Raptors went on a 14-0 run as Peterson scored seven points and the Wizards went almost five minutes without scoring.

"We were terrible," Collins said. "Our screening was poor and our shot selection was very poor."

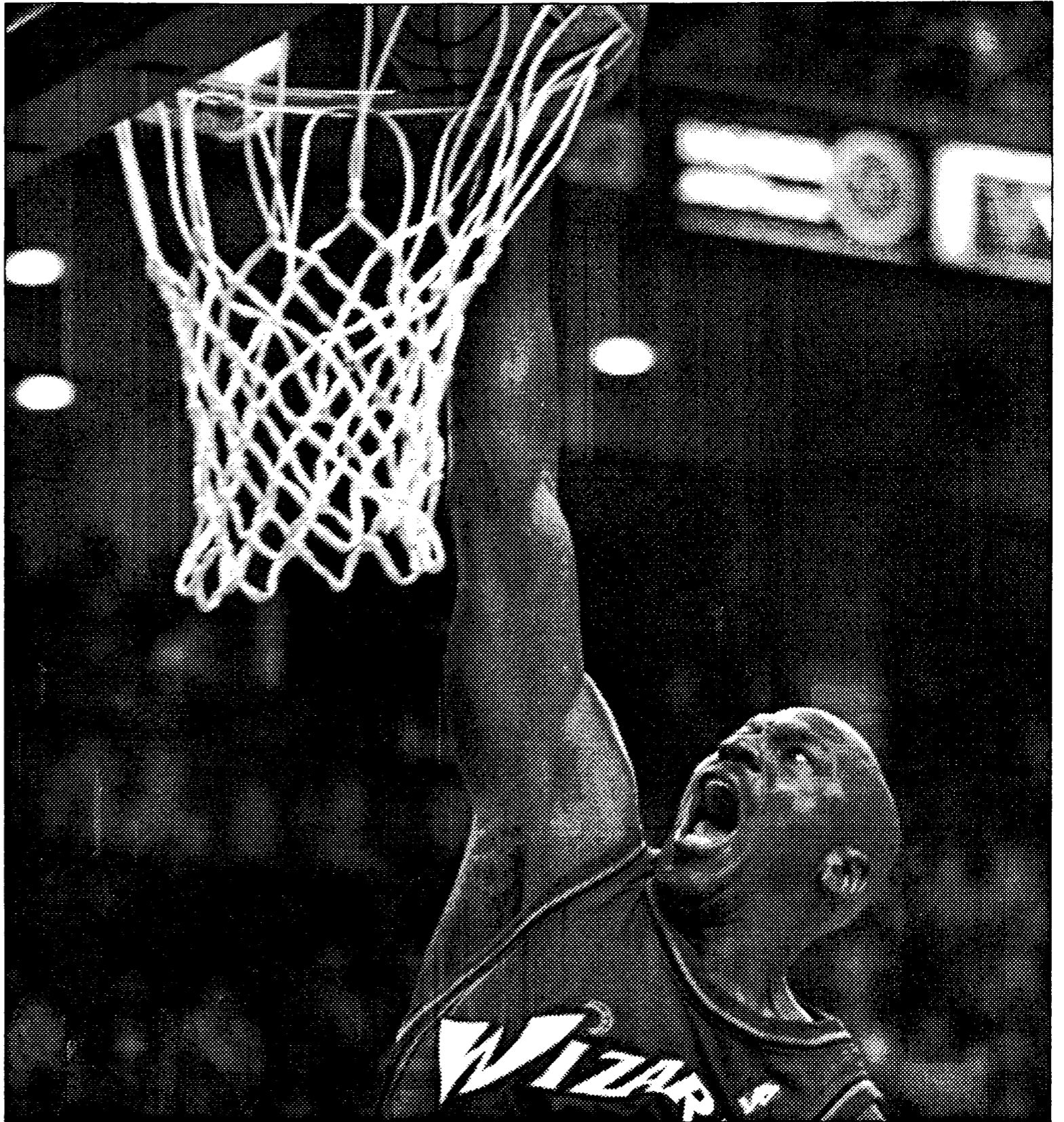
Jordan scored all eight of his points in the second quarter as the Wizards cut Toronto's lead to eight at halftime.

Trail Blazers 102, Lakers 90

Rasheed Wallace scored 28 points to lead the Portland Trail Blazers to a season-opening 102-90 victory over the shorthanded Los Angeles Lakers on Wednesday night.

Already playing without Shaquille O'Neal and Rick Fox, the Lakers were further hobbled when they lost Kobe Bryant for several minutes in the first half after a hard fall. He returned and led the Lakers with 25 points and 10 rebounds.

The Trail Blazers handed Los Angeles its second straight loss. It's the first time since 1990 the Lakers have opened a season



Michael Jordan comes up short on a dunk attempt in the second half of the Wizards 74-68 loss to the Toronto Raptors. AFP Photo

with two losses.

Bryant returned before the half, but at times had a noticeable limp and wore a wrap under his right knee. The Trail Blazers padded their lead by as many as 22 points when Wallace's 3-pointer made it 56-34, and went into halftime with a 60-40 advantage.

Wallace put the Blazers up 77-54 with another 3-pointer late in the third quarter.

O'Neal started the season on

the injured list after surgery on his right big toe, while Fox was serving a six-game suspension for fighting with Sacramento's Doug Christie.

That meant the always-anticipated matchup between O'Neal and Portland center Arvydas Sabonis would have to wait.

The 7-foot-1, 335-pound O'Neal is expected to miss at least seven games.

Sabonis is returning to the

NBA this season after taking a year off. One of the reasons the Trail Blazers wanted the 7-foot-3 Lithuanian back was to defend against O'Neal and some of the West's other big men, including Sacramento's Vlade Divac and newcomer Yao Ming.

In three of the four games that the Lakers played against the Trail Blazers last season, O'Neal averaged 33 points and 14.3 rebounds.

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here." So, the piece of string went
up to some guy on the street and
said, "I'll give you ten bucks if you
tie me in a knot" and the guy did.
Then the piece of string went up to
another guy and said, "I'll give you
ten bucks if you fray my ends" and
the guy did. So, the piece of string
goes back into the bar and orders a
shot of rum and the bartender looks
at him and says, "Weren't you the
piece of string that was just in
here?" and the string replies, "No,
I'm afraid not (frayed knot)!"

haha - that one is dedicated to kate
waller, since she told it to me in my
time of need - luv ya!

hey kevin :)

NBA Prosecutors respond to Jayson Williams' defense

Associated Press

FLEMINGTON, N.J.

While cursing at a limousine driver, a drunken Jayson Williams showed off for friends by flipping closed a shotgun that killed the other man with a spray of buckshot pellets, prosecutors said in court documents filed Wednesday.

Prosecutors responded to a defense motion to dismiss charges against Williams by giving the most complete picture yet of what they say happened at the former basketball star's mansion early Feb. 14.

Williams, 34, is accused of recklessly handling the gun that killed Costas "Gus" Christofi and trying to make it look like a suicide. He could face nearly 45 years in prison if convicted on all charges, including first-degree manslaughter. He remains free on \$270,000 bail.

Last month, defense attorneys asked a judge to throw out the indictment, saying the prosecu-

tor gave an incomplete account of what happened and biased grand jurors by repeating that Williams exercised his right to remain silent.

Prosecutors said there was no misconduct and, unless such behavior is extreme, an otherwise valid indictment should not be dismissed.

The judge has said he hopes to rule on motions by mid-December.

Christofi picked up Williams' friends at a Harlem Globetrotters game in Bethlehem, Pa., buying a disposable camera to photograph the athletes, court documents said.

When the party reached a restaurant, several Globetrotters invited Christofi inside, where he sat apart from Williams' friends.

"At one point during the evening, the defendant singled out Gus and began cursing at him. The defendant's conduct was such that several of the

witnesses were uncomfortable with what appeared to them to be an uncalled for public humiliation of Gus by the defendant," documents said.

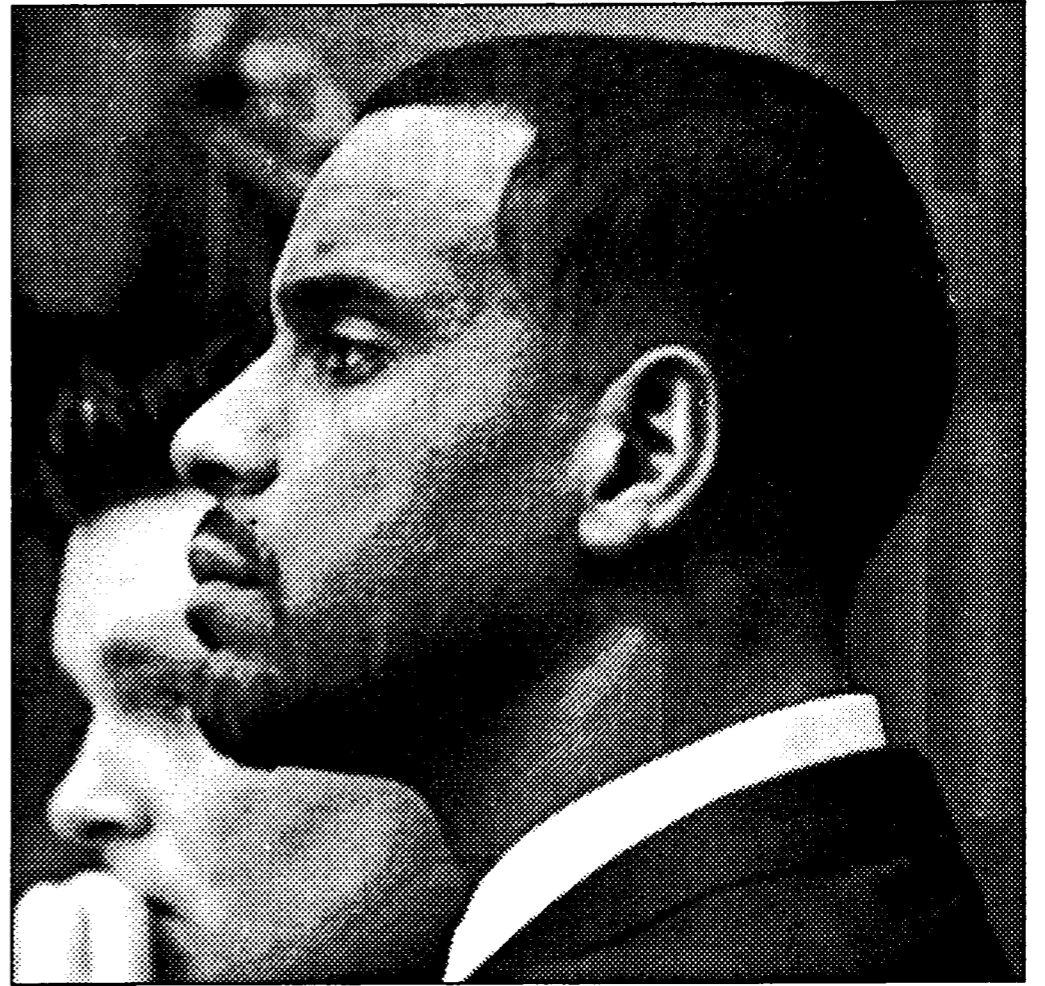
When Christofi got up to leave, Williams said he was only joking.

The liquor bill for Williams and nine adults totaled \$627, documents said. Two children also were present.

Tests on a blood sample taken from Williams eight hours after the shooting found a blood-alcohol concentration of 0.11 percent, slightly above the legal threshold for intoxication in New Jersey.

An expert for the prosecution has concluded Williams was severely intoxicated at the time of the shooting, with a probable blood-alcohol concentration of between 0.18 and 0.22 percent.

Later, guests persuaded Christofi to tour Williams' Alexandria Township mansion, and he snapped photos of memorabilia inside.

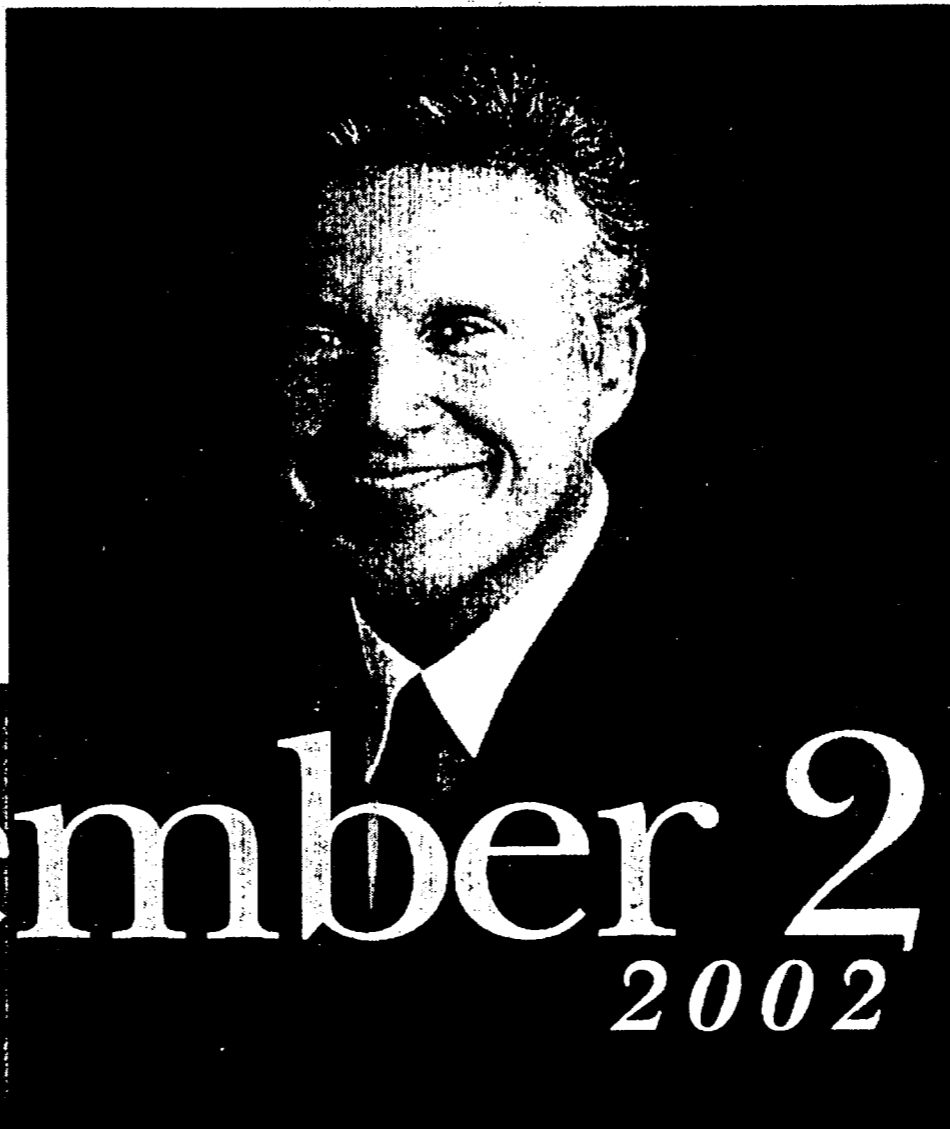


Jayson Williams appears in court earlier this year. Prosecutors responded to the defense motion to dismiss charges.

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10:00 -11:00 p.m.
Morrissey Hall Chapel

Graduate Student Christian Fellowship

8:00 p.m.
Wilson Commons

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Get to Know Me

■ by Fr. Kevin Russeau, C.S.C., Director of Freshman Retreat Program

My name is Fr. Kevin Russeau, C.S.C.. I am a Hoy Cross priest and I'm in my first year working here at Notre Dame. For the past two years I had been serving at St. Gregory the Great Parish in Phoenix Arizona. But in July of this year, my provincial asked me to move back to South Bend and to serve as the Associate Director of Vocations for our province.

What a great time I have had so far!

Upon my arrival in July, I was fortunate to work with *ND Vision* for two of their four week conferences. *ND Vision* is a program that started this past summer to help high school students find their place in the Church's life and mission. Seventy of our students worked together as counselors and musicians to facilitate great discussions, skits, prayer services, and fun activities to bring home the point that each of us are called to live a vocation of holiness.

Shortly after *ND Vision* ushered home the last group of high school students I went on a bus to Toronto to see our Holy Father Pope John Paul II! This was an amazing pilgrimage. Over 200 students from various Holy Cross schools and parishes (University of Notre Dame, Saint Mary College, Holy Cross College, University of Portland, Our Lady of Solidad Parish in California, Hoban High School of Ohio) gathered at a Catholic grade school about 75 minutes from the heart of Toronto. We used the school as "home base." Not only were we from many different schools and parishes, we were also from different countries. A large group from Chile was with us, a group from France and Mexico joined us, and we joined a "host" Holy Cross group from Montreal. Despite our different origins and the challenge of having three languages (French, Spanish, and English) we had in common our Holy Cross heritage.

The Congregation of Holy Cross, as Brothers, Sisters, and Priests, serve in 15 countries on 5 continents. For our founding in 1837, we were sent as missionaries to be "educators in the faith." It was a great experience to come together from so many different places for a common purpose. We came to pray together, to learn more about our faith, to meet other young people excited about their faith, and we came to hear what the Pope had to say! World Youth Day 2002 Toronto will remain a fond memory for me. I highly recommend that you go on a pilgrimage if the opportunity arises – the next World Youth Day will be held in Germany in 2005!

Since the summer (which went by very quickly) I have been unpacking and moving into my room and offices. I live in 220 Keenan Hall and I work for Campus Ministry and in the Holy Cross Vocation Office. Many of you have hosted me in your dorms for Sunday and weekday masses. Thank you! It is so great to be back at Notre Dame for our liturgies!

I also direct the freshman retreat. Our first retreat was in September and it was awesome – ask around! Our next retreat is November 8-9th – a "must experience" for all Freshmen. It's a 25-hour getaway where participants meet and make some of their best friends on campus. The simple application can be picked up in room 114 Coleman-Morse or printed from our webpage "www.nd.edu/-ministry". Any questions can be directed to me russeau.3@nd.edu (E-mail me if you would like to be on our next team!)

I spend the rest of my time in the vocation office at Moreau Seminary. I talk to young men who are exploring the possibility of becoming a priest or brother for the Congregation of Holy Cross. I am humbled and inspired by God's grace working in our young people.

But since most people I talk to will answer their calls to live a holy life in other ways besides religious life, I also give talks about our baptismal duty to become holy! Each of us are called to live our lives so that we become saints! What a generous invitation God gives us and an awesome responsibility – one that is possible when we support each other in our community. We have a great opportunity here at Notre Dame to become holy women and men.

I hope that I get the opportunity to meet you. Stop by my office at Coleman-Morse or visit me at Keenan Hall. Know of my prayers for you.

Thirty-first
Sunday of
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Mass Schedule

■ **Basilica of the Sacred Heart**

Saturday, November 2

30 minutes after the game
Most Rev. Edwin F O'Brien
Archbishop, Military Services USA
45 minutes after the game (Stepan Center)
Rev. Richard V. Warner, c.s.c.

Sunday, November 3

8:00 a.m.
Rev. Richard S. Bullene, c.s.c.
10:00 a.m.
Most Rev. John M. D Arcy
Bishop, Fort Wayne-South Bend, IN
11:45 a.m.
Most Rev. Robert N. Lynch
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■ **Around Campus**

Sunday, November 3

Spanish Mass
1:30 p.m., Zahm Hall Chapel

Law School Mass
5:00 p.m., Law School Chapel

MBA Mass
7:00 p.m., Mendoza COB Faculty Lounge



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■ **Sunday's Scripture Readings** 1st Rdg Mal 1:14b-2:2b,8-10 2ndRdg 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 Gospel Mt 23:1-12

CONSIDERATIONS...

NFL

Colts' James listed as doubtful for Sunday

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS
Edgerrin James might miss Sunday's game against Tennessee because of a partially torn right hamstring.

The Colts listed James as doubtful Wednesday, and coach Tony Dungy said James would not practice this week so he could rest. James watched practice from the sideline Wednesday afternoon.

"It looks like it will be a while," Dungy said. "There's some damage; we've got to let it rest up."

James was injured in Sunday night's 26-21 loss at Washington but continued to play until late in the game, when he took himself out. James had an MRI done Monday, and Dungy said the results showed a partial tear of the muscle.

Ricky Williams, an undrafted rookie from Texas Tech, could replace James for Sunday's game, which the Colts need to win to maintain first place in the AFC South. Williams said he'll spend this week preparing to be the Colts' starter.

"If he can't play this Sunday,

then I'll get another shot to play this season," Williams said.

Williams ran three times for 21 yards and caught a 20-yard touchdown pass to get the Colts to 23-21 after filling in for James against Washington.

The loss of James would be another blow to the Colts' running game, which has struggled all season.

Quarterback Peyton Manning said Indianapolis would be prepared to play without James.

"When a guy is doubtful, you have to take that approach, that he won't play," Manning said. "You pray and you hope that he does play, but you have to prepare as if he is not."

When James has been on the field, he hasn't looked like the runner who won the NFL rushing title in 1999 and 2000.

Coming off surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee, James has produced just one 100-yard game this season and has run for fewer than 100 yards in five straight games, the longest such stretch of his career. His 3.4 yards per carry is almost a full yard less than his career average (4.3).

PGA TOUR

Tour will recognize Masters

◆ Finchem refuses to back down in Augusta National controversy

Associated Press

ATLANTA
PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem refused to back down from his position on the Augusta National controversy, saying the tour will recognize the Masters as an official event and he expects his players to compete.

Commissioner Tim Finchem said Wednesday the PGA Tour will have a fully sponsored schedule for 2003, although it might lose one opposite-field event in the fall.

He also announced the PGA Tour is changing the name of its 50-and-over circuit to the "Champions Tour" with hopes of appealing to a broader base of fans.

During his annual "State of the Tour" message, commissioner Tim Finchem said the Champions Tour would have at least three fewer tournaments to keep the seniors from playing the same weeks as major championships and other big

events.

The developmental tour will change names for the fourth time since its inception in 1990. What was the Buy.com Tour will be called the Nationwide Tour, reflecting a new five-year sponsorship deal.

The PGA Tour logo of a player swinging a golf club will be included in the branding of all three tours.

Finchem did not disclose any sponsorship deals for the PGA Tour, saying the 2003 schedule would be announced after the tour's board meeting next month.

That brought a sharp reply from the National Council of Women's Organizations, whose leader accused Finchem of "stonewalling" on the issue of Augusta's all-male membership.

"If I were his board, I would be asking who he works for: Augusta or the PGA Tour?" Martha Burk said Wednesday. "Clearly, the position he has taken is going to be an apology for Augusta."

Burk has accused the PGA Tour of creating a double standard by counting the Masters among its official events, even though the tour has a policy not to hold tournaments on

courses that discriminate.

In an Aug. 20 letter to Burk, Finchem said the tour does not have a contract with the club, cannot require Augusta National to follow tour rules and had no plans to stop recognizing the Masters as one of golf's four major championships.

During a 45-minute news conference at the season-ending Tour Championship, Finchem declined to elaborate beyond the letter or be drawn further into the debate over whether Augusta National should admit a female member.

"As far as I know, there's going to be a tournament at Augusta — the Masters — and it's going to be on CBS television, and our players are going to go play," Finchem said. "What else happens, I'm not going to speculate on that."

At one point he said, "I know you're going to try to move me out of the confines of my statement. You're not going to be successful."

Later, Finchem told a group of reporters he was comfortable with the tour's position.

"It is a position based on the evaluation of all factors," he said.

The PGA Tour controls 45 tournaments a year, although it doesn't run any of the four majors — the Masters, the U.S. Open, the British Open or the PGA Championship.

It considers them as official events, and counts money earned toward the PGA Tour money list. Winners of the four majors received a five-year exemption on tour.

The tour stopped playing its events at male-only clubs in 1990, eliminating Cypress Point from the rotation at the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, and leaving Butler National at the Western Open outside Chicago.

Some of the players rallied behind Finchem.

Former PGA champion David Toms said while he thought Finchem could be more vocal, the commissioner should not stop counting the Masters as official.

"That would be totally giving in to this liberal cause," Toms said. "We made a stance several years ago when we stopped going to clubs that discriminate. We've made our case on what we believe. Augusta National can take care of this."

Charles Howell III, who grew up about five miles from Augusta National, said the tour should focus on its own events.

"The tour's job is to run golf tournaments for us," he said.

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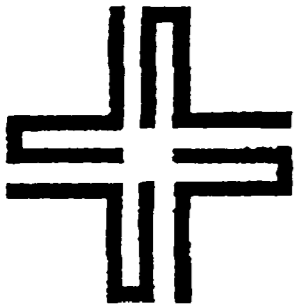
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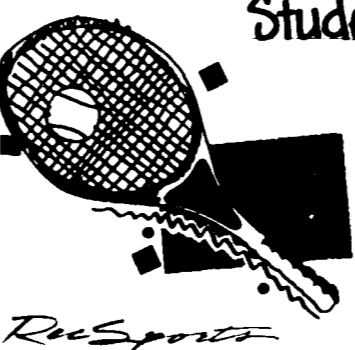


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NFL

Hilliard will miss season with dislocated shoulder

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. New York Giants receiver Ike Hilliard will miss the rest of the season with a dislocated right shoulder suffered on a hit by All-Pro safety Brian Dawkins of the Philadelphia Eagles.

An MRI on Tuesday disclosed a tear in both Hilliard's labrum and pectoralis muscle. He will undergo surgery in about a month and will at some point be placed on injured reserve.

The normal rehabilitation period for the surgery Hilliard will undergo is three months.

"Ike's been a playmaker for us," coach Jim Fassel said. "He does an outstanding job on third down. He's been a guy that has been one of our consistent players.

"He has continually played well in all the games. We're going to miss him."

Fassel said that he asked referee Bill Carollo whether Dawkins should have been ejected following the hit near deep in Philadelphia territory Monday night. Fassel said Carollo told him that the official who made the call didn't believe it warranted a disqualification. Dawkins was called for a personal foul.

"That type of hit is covered under the rules," Fassel said. "Guys get penalized. Whether the league does anything else or not, I don't know. You hate to see players get hurt, period, especially on a play that could have been avoidable."

Hilliard said it would be up to the NFL to say whether the hit was dirty.

"It's not for me to determine whether or not it was a dirty hit," Hilliard said. "It was late. Dawkins is a good, aggressive player. I'm not one to shy away from contact, so I'm not going to cry about it. That wouldn't do my shoulder any good."

"I know he's an aggressive player, but I think there is a line that he crossed. He really did,"

Giants quarterback Kerry Collins said of Dawkins. "He knew that (Hilliard) was defenseless. I know it's football, it's part of the game, and I'm not saying he intentionally tried to hurt him because I don't think he did. ... You're not going to hear Ike say anything bad about it, but it could have and should have been avoided."

Amani Toomer, the Giants' No. 1 wide receiver who will certainly feel the loss of Hilliard on the field, told the Philadelphia Inquirer the hit was a "cheap shot."

The injury might put an end to Hilliard's career with the Giants. The team's No. 1 draft pick in 1997 will be a free agent at the end of the season, and it's debatable whether New York will resign him after drafting Tim Carter in the second round this year.

Hilliard had 27 catches for 386 yards and a team-high two TD receptions. Despite missing almost all of his rookie season after undergoing neck surgery, the former Florida product has 259 career catches for 21 touchdowns. The reception total is the ninth-most in team history.

Hilliard was hurt in the third quarter of New York's 17-3 loss in Philadelphia when he was hit by Dawkins after a pass from Collins fell incomplete.

Hilliard had stretched to reach the pass, and was unable to defend himself against the hit.

After the game, Hilliard refused to talk about the hit, which left both players on the turf. Hilliard got up first and walked straight to the locker room. Dawkins walked to the bench and soon returned to the game.

Ron Dixon, Carter and fellow rookie Daryl Jones will be used to replace Hilliard.

Hilliard is the second starter lost in as many games. Defensive tackle Keith Hamilton was lost for the season with an Achilles' injury on Oct. 13.



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New York Giants' Ike Hilliard is expected to miss the rest of the season with a dislocated right shoulder following a hit from Philadelphia Eagles' Brian Dawkins.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Dodgers' Brian Jordan exercises right to demand a trade

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES
Brian Jordan, who hit .347 and had an NL-leading 30 RBIs in September to help keep Los Angeles in playoff contention until the season's final weekend, exercised his right Wednesday to demand a

trade.
"This is not an expression of anger or disenchantment with the organization," Jordan's agent, Jim Turner, said from his St. Louis office. "He thinks it's a great team with great management and field staff and three million good fans. "This is about what's impor-

tant to him and his family."
Turner spoke with Dodgers general manager Dan Evans about a contract extension last week and his request was denied.
Jordan, who hit .285 with 18 homers and 80 RBIs in 128 games, was traded to the Dodgers by the Atlanta Braves

last January with pitcher Odalis Perez and a minor league pitcher for outfielder Gary Sheffield.
As a player traded in the middle of a multiyear contract, he is allowed to file a trade demand during the 15 days following the World Series. If no deal is reached by

March 15 and Jordan does not rescind his request, he becomes a free agent and loses \$11.5 million of guaranteed money. If he is traded, he loses three years of potential free agency.
Most trade demands are rescinded by players before the deadline.

Jordan, who turns 36 next March, is under contract for \$9 million for next year and has a \$10.5 million contract for the 2004 season that can be bought out for \$2.5 million.

"I don't have any problem with what he's doing whatever," Evans said. "At the same time, I don't anticipate making any changes in his contract. We fully expect him to be our opening-day left fielder next season.

"Our respect for Brian Jordan is huge. We love him on the field, we love him off the field. This doesn't change our feelings for him whatsoever. We understand it's his right. It doesn't mean anything has to come of this. He's doing what he has to do, it's a chess move for him."

Jordan, hampered by injuries throughout his career, played a career-high 153 games with the Braves in 1999, when he hit .283 with 23 homers and a career-high 115 RBIs. He underwent surgery on his left knee Oct. 2 and is expected to be fully recovered before spring training begins.

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St. John's	7-1-1	22	11-1-4
Boston College	6-2-0	18	9-4-0
NOTRE DAME	5-3-1	16	9-4-3
Connecticut	5-3-0	15	11-4-0
Virginia Tech	5-3-0	15	10-5-1
Seton Hall	5-5-0	15	9-6-2
Rutgers	4-3-1	13	6-6-3
Georgetown	4-4-0	12	6-8-0
Syracuse	3-5-1	10	7-7-2
Providence	3-5-0	9	5-10-0
Pittsburgh	2-6-1	7	7-7-1
Villanova	2-6-0	6	4-11-0
West Virginia	1-6-1	4	4-9-2

Womens College Soccer Big East Conference

Northeast Division			
team	conf.	pts.	overall
Connecticut	5-0-0	15	13-2-1
Miami	4-1-1	13	9-8-1
Boston College	4-2-0	12	10-6-1
St. John's	3-3-0	9	9-4-4
Virginia Tech	2-3-0	6	5-10-1
Providence	1-5-0	3	7-7-2
Syracuse	0-5-1	1	2-11-2

Mid-Atlantic Division			
team	conf.	pts.	overall
West Virginia	5-0-1	16	16-1-1
Villanova	4-1-1	13	13-1-4
Rutgers	3-2-1	10	9-6-2
Georgetown	3-3-0	9	11-6-0
NOTRE DAME	3-3-0	9	10-7-0
Seton Hall	1-4-1	4	7-11-1
Pittsburgh	0-6-0	0	4-13-0

Eye on Irish Opponents

Saturday, November 2, 2002

MARYLAND at North Carolina
MICHIGAN at MICHIGAN STATE
STANFORD at Oregon
PITTSBURGH at Virginia Tech
FLORIDA STATE at Wake Forest
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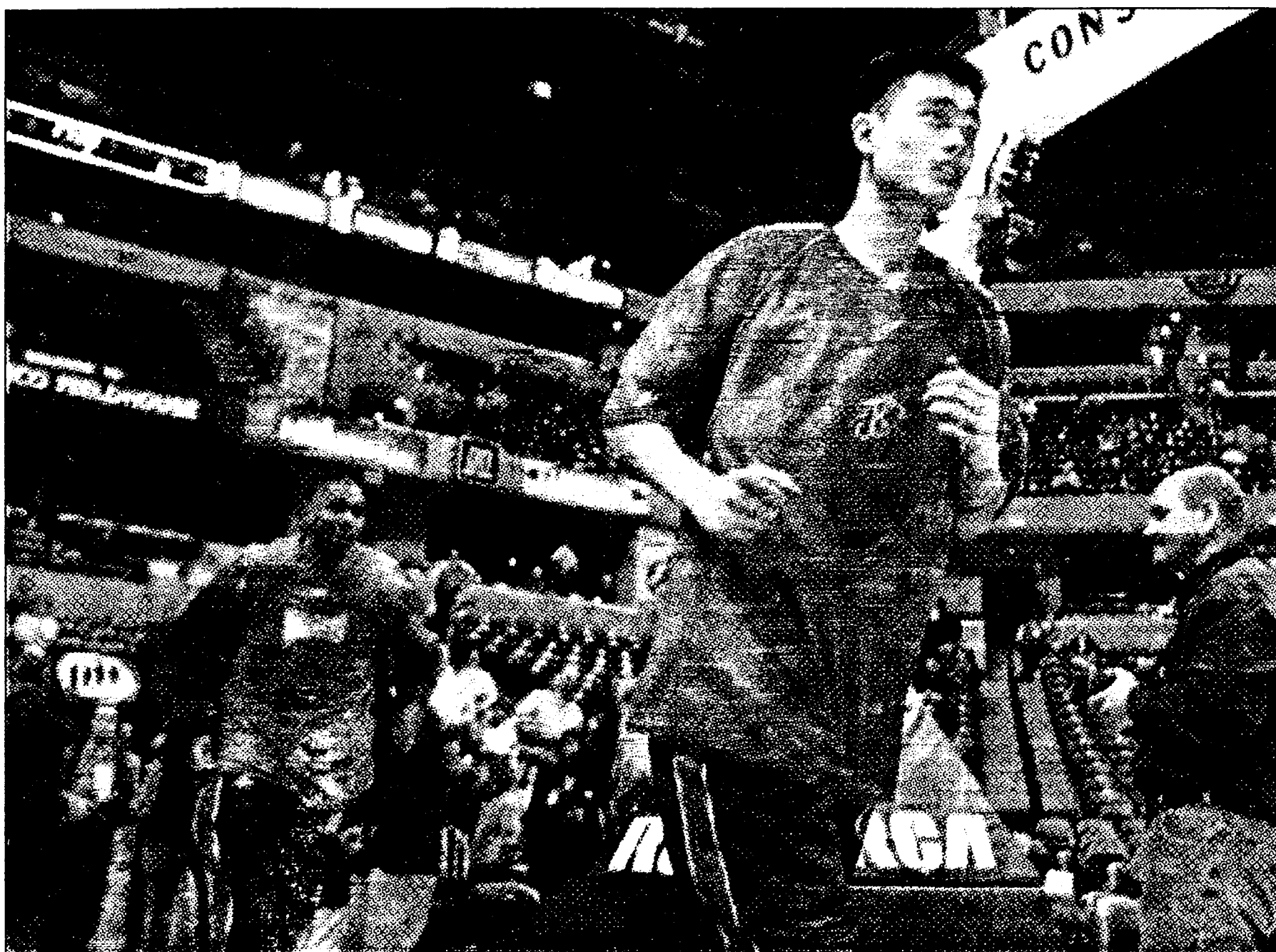
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Yao Ming takes the floor for his first regular season NBA game. He kept his professional debut quiet, failing to score and grabbing only two rebounds. The Houston Rockets lost to the Indiana Pacers 91-82.

Yao struggles as Rockets lose season opener

Associated Press

Yao Ming may stand 7-foot-6, but he's already failing to score, had two rebounds, was called for three fouls and made little impact for the Houston Rockets in a season-opening 91-82 loss to the Indiana Pacers on Wednesday night.

"I learned that I still have a lot to learn, and I'm just a rookie," Yao said through an interpreter. "It's a very long road and it's difficult."

Jermaine O'Neal scored 24 points and had 10 rebounds and Ron Artest added 20 points for Indiana, which overcame a career-high 39 points from Houston's Steve Francis.

Yao played only in the second and fourth quarters, turning the ball over the first time he touched it when Jeff Foster stripped him of it, the first of his two turnovers. The Pacers led 71-62 at the start of the fourth quarter when Yao was reinserted for starting center Kelvin Cato, who grabbed a career-high 17 rebounds.

Yao missed his only shot, a turnaround 12-footer over Foster. He received

mild applause from the crowd at Conseco Fieldhouse, which was not a sellout.

"I didn't feel good to sit on the bench and watch my teammates losing," Yao said. "Of course, I want to contribute."

Yao said he'd have to keep reminding himself that he would make mistakes like any rookie and still had to adjust to different rules and a faster pace.

Coach Rudy Tomjanovich said it would take time for Yao to get adjusted to new surroundings.

"The guy's been here 10 days. He's just trying to get acquainted with our

offense, our defense," he said. "We're happy with him. It's going to take some time get acclimated."

Francis, who was 13-of-28 from the field and made 12 of 14 free throws, scored 10 points in the fourth but couldn't get the deficit under double figures until the final minute. He said Houston needed to be patient with Yao's progress.

"It's only his first game," he said. "He didn't play particularly well. Sometimes that happens in your first game. It's a learning tool for him and also for us. We don't want to focus on what one guy did."

IN BRIEF

Allen and Tagliabue nominated for Hall of Fame

Running back Marcus Allen and NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue were among 74 people nominated Wednesday for induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Allen is a first-time nominee, joining running back Herschel Walker, quarterback Boomer Esiason, special teams player/wide receiver Steve Tasker, tight end Brent Jones, offensive lineman Gary Zimmerman, defensive lineman Richard Dent and linebacker Sam Mills.

Twelve finalists will be determined in voting by the hall's board of electors. They will be joined by offensive lineman Bob Kuechenberg and coaches Bill Parcells and Hank Stram. Kuechenberg and Parcells are automatically included among the

finalists because they finished in the top six in last year's balloting for induction. Stram is the nominee of a seniors committee.

The induction class will be decided in a vote of the selection committee on Jan. 25, 2003, the day before the Super Bowl in San Diego. As many as seven and as few as four members will be selected.

Among the others on the list of nominees are James Lofton, Art Monk, L.C. Greenwood, Harry Carson, Donnie Shell, Lester Hayes, Ray Guy and Art Modell, all of whom were on last year's list of 15 finalists.

Woodson fined \$75,000

Dallas Cowboys safety Darren Woodson was fined \$75,000 by the NFL on Wednesday for a hit on Seattle's Darrell Jackson, who had a seizure after the game and spent a

night in the hospital.

The fine was announced after a league meeting at which commissioner Paul Tagliabue said the NFL will continue to take strong measures on hard and high hits on quarterbacks and receivers.

Woodson did not comment on the fine, adding, "I can't change the way I was taught how to play."

He was fined \$7,500 twice before this year for hits, one on Houston tight end Billy Miller and the other on Arizona quarterback Jake Plummer.

Woodson hit Jackson high and hard to the head in the fourth quarter Sunday. He was penalized on the play, extending the drive that led to the Seahawks' winning field goal in a 17-14 victory.

Woodson collapsed in the locker room and had a seizure. He was hospitalized overnight in Dallas and released Monday. He is expected to be fine.

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were working out with some of the best guards in the country and it gave us great competition."

The Nike camp experience will benefit Thomas well this season. Not only will the Irish rely on the perimeter game more with the absence of established big men, but Thomas will be counted on to be a leader.

Over the summer, Irish coach Mike Brey approached Thomas and told him to take on a more vocal leadership role — a role Thomas didn't have to adopt last year, with four upperclassmen in the starting lineup.

The change wasn't tough for Thomas, who Brey expects to join seniors Matt Carroll, Dan Miller and junior Torrian Jones in filling the leadership

void created by the graduation of Ryan Humphrey, David Graves and Harold Swanagan.

"I really enjoyed hearing that from coach," Thomas said. "Last year, I took more of a more reserved role, and its not just going to be myself speaking, the captains will too. I think the guys will respect me being more vocal." The addition of freshman guard Chris Quinn could also mean a new role for Thomas on the court as well. Brey said he wants to tinker with the Irish lineup, meaning that

Quinn could give Thomas rest from point guard duties at times.

The chance to get some rest would be a change from last year, where Thomas often played 40 minutes a game and even played all 60 minutes of a quadruple-over-time victory over Georgetown.

"I enjoy playing every minute of the game, but there were some times in the season where I hit a wall and I don't expect to do that this year," Thomas said. "I think it kind of wore on me, especially at the end of the year."

Thomas is eager to defer to his teammates and talk about team goals for the season, but he knows that his success last season means he enters this campaign as a marked man.

It's a challenge he's more than willing to accept. "People are going to talk a lot more and say great things, but its not anything that I haven't had experience with," he said. "It's a little bit more pressure because you're in a bigger spotlight, but I like it. I enjoy it, even though I feel like I'm disciplined enough to put out to the side and focus on our main goal."

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Chris Thomas
Irish guard

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back and the Irish defense looked nothing like itself.

"It was disappointing," defensive coordinator Kent Baer said. "I don't like finishing that way. We're a better football team than that."

The defense has had as one of its main goals this season to keep opponents scoreless in the fourth quarter.

The Irish allowed 14 points in exactly one minute against the Seminoles.

"It's easy," Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said. "It's part of the human shortcoming that we all have, if you're up 24 points with five minutes on the clock I would say it's reasonable to assume that you're going to win that football game. Therefore you're subject to slight letdowns. Our football team did that."

This week, finishing for Notre Dame will be about more than just playing 60 minutes of football. It will be about finishing off a big upset against Florida State and not letting their focus down. It will be about not just playing football for 60 minutes, but playing good football for 60 minutes.

"Last week we were embarrassed in the end," safety Glenn Earl said. "Guys kind of got ahead of themselves in the

celebration, the hoop-lah that was happening. But we know that we have to play 60 minutes and this week we're definitely going to finish the game off strong."

If any member of the Irish team watches a replay of the 1993 Notre Dame-Boston College game, he'll get a reminder of what happens when teams don't finish — they lose. That's not something this team is willing to accept.

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Kent Baer
Irish defensive coordinator

"That just makes us realize that you can never settle for mediocrity," Sapp said. "You just want to get better each week. We're kind of playing against ourselves."

Last year's loss to Boston College is also a lesson in finishing for the Irish. Notre Dame controlled all the statistical categories last year, but they still lost the game. This year, they'll use that as a reminder not to accept mediocrity.

"Last year we started OK, but we didn't finish a championship team," Sapp said. "This year the team does a better job of finishing games a lot better and that's kind of what we're working on — starting and finishing games really well."

Come Saturday, the Irish will be looking to do just that.

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VOLLEYBALL

Irish come back to grab 3-1 victory over Illinois State

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

Comparing the hitting percentages for each individual game during Tuesday's night volleyball match between Notre Dame and Illinois State accurately reveals the game's winner.

Game one — the Irish hit .093, Redbirds hit .436 — game to the Redbirds.

Game two — the Irish hit .310, Redbirds hit .089 — game to the Irish.

Game three — the Irish hit .458, Redbirds hit .241 — game to the Irish.

Game four — the Irish hit .288, Redbirds hit .259 — game and match to the Irish.

Notre Dame overcame a lackluster start to defeat Illinois State 18-30, 30-19, 30-22 and

30-28 for its third consecutive four-game victory.

"I think we had a slow start," freshman Lauren Kelbley said. "We had been working on trying to come out strong and we didn't do that. We picked it up well and came back. We could have played better, but we got the job done."

Middle blockers Lauren Brewster and Kelbley each had a big night for the Irish. Brewster, the reigning Big East Rookie of the Week, had 13 kills, a game-high .476 hitting percentage, six digs and two blocks. Kelbley recorded team-best totals with 15 kills and five blocks for the Irish.

Outside hitter Jessica Kinder filled out the box score with 12 kills, 16 digs, two blocks and three aces off her jump serve. Keara Coughlin led the Irish

with 18 digs.

Senior outside hitter Erin Jones led the Redbirds with 16 kills and also had 10 digs. As a team, the Redbirds had 15 service errors.

The Redbirds came out firing in game one by taking an early 12-8 lead. After Irish coach Debbie Brown tried to slow down the Redbirds with a timeout, the hosts only got hotter.

Illinois State went on an 11-2 run that included seven kills to

win game one.

The Irish turned the match around in game two with their own run. Outside hitter Emily Loomis had three kills and an ace in a 10-4 run that gave the Irish a 20-12 lead they wouldn't surrender. The improved play for the Irish came down to the basics.

Lauren Kelbley
Irish volleyball player

"It was passing and mostly serving," Kelbley said. "We picked up our serving in the second game and that was the difference."

Illinois State gave away game three with eight service errors. Notre Dame formed a 15-8 advantage and cruised to the eight-point game three victory.

The Redbirds put up a fight in game four as no team had more than a three-point cushion in the heated battle.

Down 20-18, the Irish cut the Redbird lead to 23-22 before taking control of the match. Kelbley had two kills in a three point run that put the Irish up 25-23.

After a timeout, the Redbirds pulled within one at 27-26. However, middle blocker Katie Neff ended the match five points later with her 10th kill of the match.

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FOOTBALL

Back may return soon

By JOE HETTLER
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame's last two victories against ranked opponents have come without running back Rashon Powers-Neal.

Powers-Neal injured his leg during the Pittsburgh game and then re-aggravated the injury in practice the next week. He was disappointed that he couldn't play the last two weeks because the week before his injury, the running back gained over 100 yards against Stanford.

"It's real disappointing right now," Powers-Neal said. "I'm just trying to get back to where I was so I can contribute and help the team out."

Although the leg is still sore, Powers-Neal said he is ready to play this week against Boston College.

"I feel that if I'm needed I can be productive," Powers-Neal said. "If I have to go, I can go."

Hildbold receives recognition

Irish senior punter Joey Hildbold was named as a semifinalist for the Ray Guy Award given to the nation's top punter.

Hildbold averages 40.3 yards per punt this year and has pinned opponents inside the 20-yard line 22 times. His long is 53 yards and he has yet to be blocked this season.

"Joey Hildbold is one of the best punters in the nation, although his average might not show it because he is such a team player and will sacrifice his numbers for the good of the team," Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said.

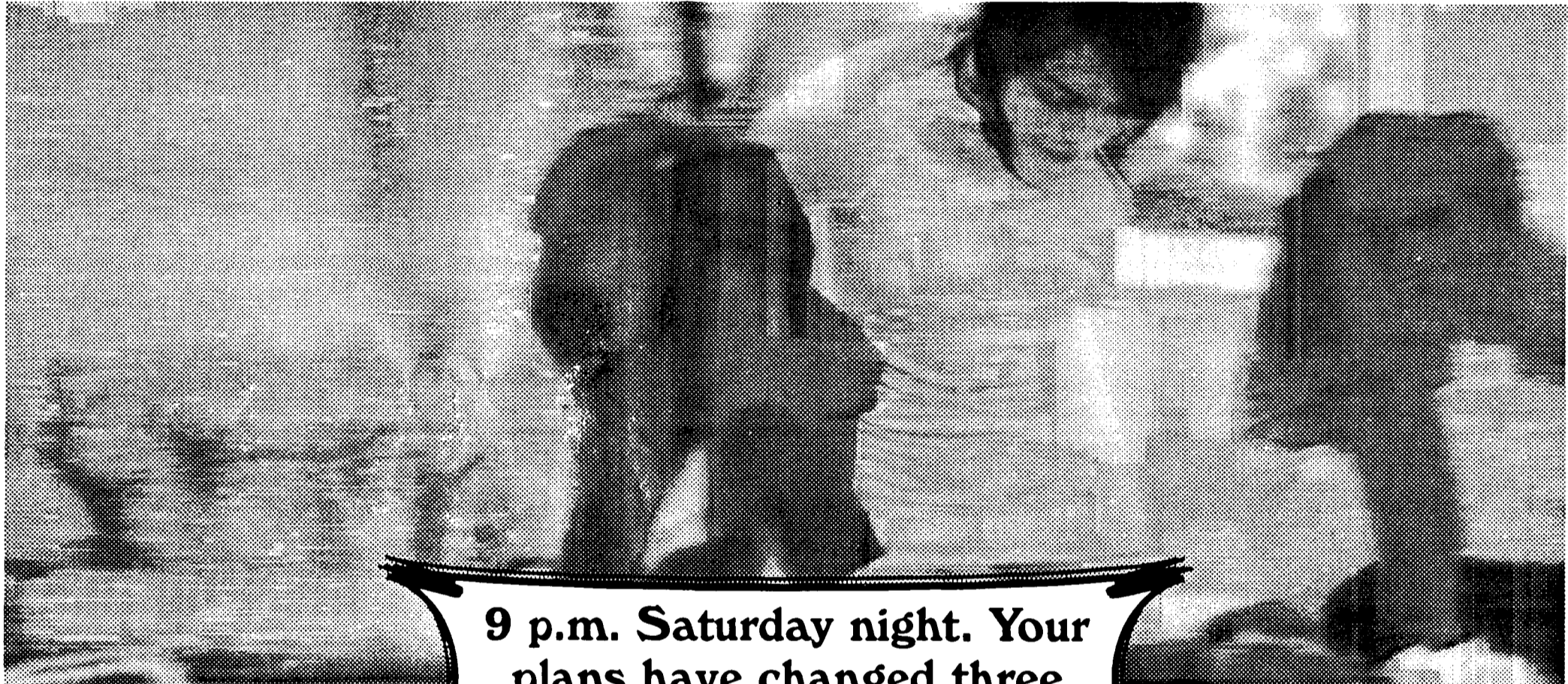
Faine brings the pain

Notre Dame center Jeff Faine was named as a semifinalist for the 2002 Rotary Lombardi Award.

Faine joins three Miami Hurricanes on a list that includes Maryland's E.J. Henderson, who the Irish faced in their first game.

Faine has started 30 straight games for Notre Dame and has played through numerous injuries to stay in the line-up. He was a game day captain against Maryland, Michigan, Stanford and Florida State.

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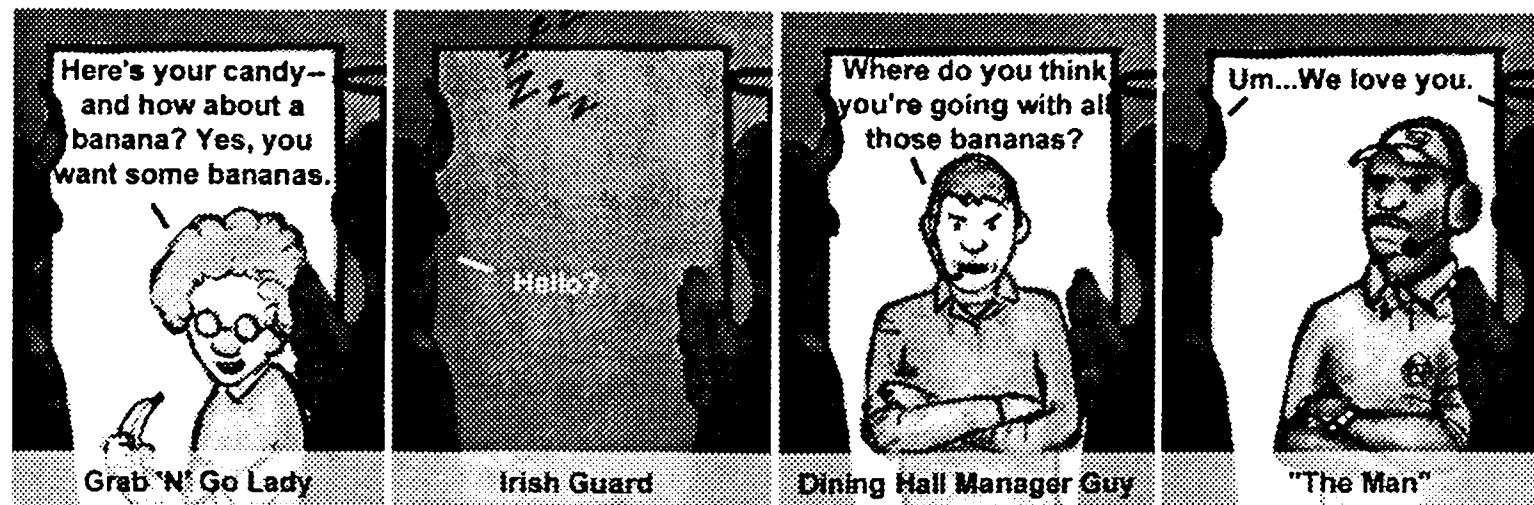
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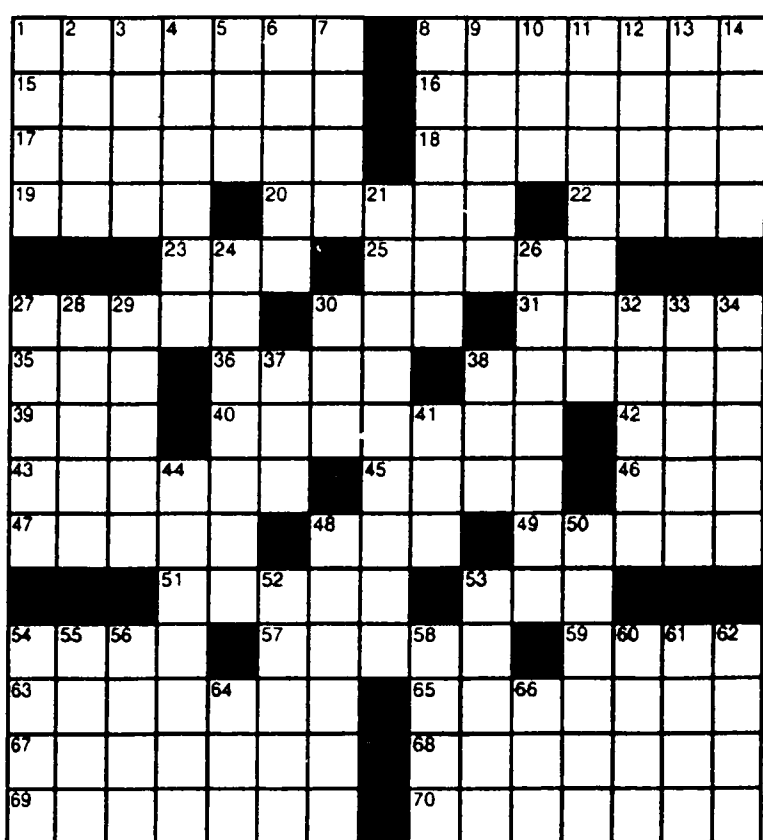
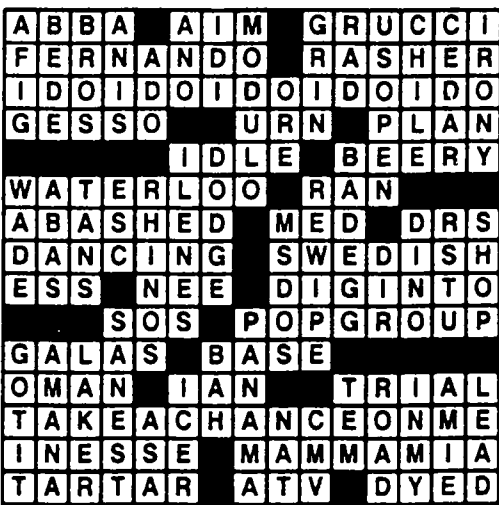
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FOOTBALL

Fighting to finish

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

Starting and finishing, that's what it's all about this week for the Irish.

Starting as the underdog and finishing on top. Starting the game with a small lead and ending with a big lead.

Starting and finishing.

"[Our goal] is just finishing," safety Gerome Sapp said. "Starting and finishing."

The Irish have been within one score of their opponents in the fourth quarter in six of their last eight games. So playing with a 24-point lead with five minutes remaining was something of a new experience for the defense.

It showed in their play.

With 1:12 remaining in the game, Florida State scored two touchdowns and recovered two onside kicks. Despite the fact that the Irish still finished the game with a 10-point victory, some members of the Irish defense feel differently.

"I myself was disappointed with the way the game ended Saturday," Sapp said. "I almost felt like we lost the game."

The Irish defense, which has been a strength this season, showed what it could do against Florida State for the first 58 minutes of Saturday's football game. Notre Dame held the Seminoles to 93 rushing yards, forced two fumbles and intercepted Chris Rix twice. As time ticked off the clock, victory was all but guaranteed.

But in the final minutes, Seminole head coach Bobby Bowden sent in a new quarter-



BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Florida State backup quarterback Adrian McPherson runs through an open hole late in the game against Notre Dame. The Irish defense allowed two Seminole touchdowns in the final 1:12 of the game.

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MENS BASKETBALL

Thomas focuses on the season ahead at Notre Dame

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

The questions swirled around Chris Thomas over the summer.

Questions about his future and how long he would stay with the Irish. Questions about his plans for the NBA.

Questions that Thomas

ignored.

"It's not tough for me, and I don't even think about it now," the sophomore point guard said. "I'm just focusing on the season, that's how I'm going to be."

Yet Thomas can understand all the attention surrounding him and the Irish, especially following his sensational freshman

season. After helping the Irish reach the NCAA Tournament for the second straight season and earning Big East Rookie of the Year honors, Thomas is anxious for the new season to start. The Irish play their first exhibition of the season Friday.

Part of Thomas' enthusiasm has to do with how he spent his summer. In addition to staying

on campus with the rest of the team, Thomas attended the prestigious Nike basketball camp as a counselor — a role he dreamed of being in after participating in the game as a high school student.

At the Nike camp, Thomas competed against top college guards like Arizona's Jason Gardner and Xavier's David

West — something he feels helped him improve over the summer.

"Back then, I went and always looked up to the college coaches and always wanted to be considered among the elite college players," Thomas said. "It was a great experience. We

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

BASKETBALL

Thomas plans for the future

Notre Dame's Chris Thomas faces questions surrounding his future after a stellar freshman year, but Thomas chooses to focus on the season ahead.

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FOOTBALL

Starting and finishing

Notre Dame's defense struggled to finish the game against Florida State University, but looks to fix that against Boston College.

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Powers-Neal could play

Running back Rashon Powers-Neal may return on Saturday following an injury during the Pittsburgh game.

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VOLLEYBALL

Notre Dame 3 Illinois State 1

The Irish came back from a first-game loss to top Illinois State in the next three games.

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