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Senate passes resolution in support of bike program

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

Senators passed three resolutions Wednesday to support a bike deposit program, the South Bend Old Boys Rugby Team and the Sexual Assault Awareness poster.

Jeremy Lao, sophomore class president, and Matt Kinsella, sophomore class treasurer, presented the resolution for a bike deposit program. Lao initially included a community bike program on his platform when he ran for sophomore class president and researched programs at other colleges with similar programs. The resolution said the program will provide students with refurbished low-cost bikes and asked for a one and a half year trial period.

The program will begin next spring and students may rent a bike and lock from Notre Dame Security/Police for \$25. At the end of the semester, students who return their bikes will receive a \$15 refund, said Lao. The remaining \$10 will be used for maintenance purposes.

Lao said he and Rex Rakow, director of NDSP discussed the program and Rakow gave him a tentative thumbs-up. "All of these details aren't tentative, but they will be worked out," said Lao.

NDSP collected abandoned or lost bikes to use in the program and will maintain the bikes for students throughout the year for free.

Sean Williams, St. Ed's Hall sen-

ator, presented a resolution to support the SBOBRT's efforts to become a club.

The University previously banned the rugby club twice for misconduct before any of the current members joined the team, said Williams. Williams met with Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for Residence Life and said Kirk did not dislike the rugby team but was not in favor of granting it club status.

"We have four years here and it hurts the current people to wait for the institutional memory to die down," said Williams.

After many revisions, the Senate approved the Sexual Assault Awareness poster. Courtney Kohout, chair of the Diversity committee, discussed the poster with Kirk and the Sexual Assault Advisory Committee approved the poster. The poster will be sent back to Kirk for review and Residence Life will provide funding for the project, said Trip Foley, student body vice president.

The poster will be laminated and printed in teal, the color for sexual assault awareness. Posters will be provided for each dorm's bathrooms and RA's rooms. In response to concern that the posters would be torn down, Kohout said, "It is better to try than to not try at all."

In other Senate news:

◆ Dave Brenner, Dillon Hall senator, presented a letter to Senate regarding the need for distance



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Sophomore class treasurer Matt Kinsella [left] and sophomore class president Jeremy Lao present the resolution for a bike deposit program at Wednesday's Student Senate meeting.

learning opportunities at Notre Dame. Distance learning is currently offered for a business MIS course, said Brenner.

Staley said distance learning would provide additional opportunities for abroad students who needed to take courses at the Notre Dame campus in Indiana. "The lack of knowledge and lack of willingness to explore distance learning that we feel Provost Hatch

and others should look at," said Brenner.

◆ Joanna Cornwell, chair of the Ethics Committee, said her committee met Wednesday to discuss the attendance policy and said, "We feel there is no issue that we need to pursue at this point."

◆ Lee Svete, director of the Career Center, provided information about the career center and its services. Svete said companies are looking

for individuals with problem solving, communication, writing, leadership and critical thinking skills. "With a Notre Dame education if you are focused you will be successful," he said.

◆ Jason McFarley, editor in chief of The Observer, submitted a letter to Senate regarding disclosure of information. Several senators

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ND seniors share home and hearts with reformed convicts

By TERESA FRALISH
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The house at 521 South St. Joseph Street looks much like any other off-campus student house. In many ways, Notre Dame seniors Sally Wasmuth and Luran Sturm, who live in number 521, are typical college students — they balance classes, projects, work, and consider the ever present question of what they are going to do after graduation.

But when friends come to visit these Notre Dame seniors, they encounter a special community uniquely different from most off-

campus houses. Wasmuth and Sturm share their home with other former offenders who come from South Bend and other areas throughout the Midwest to live in the diverse community called Dismas House.

"Basically our mission is reconciliation and to be a community and to be positive. The way we bring the offender together with society is across a dinner table," said Maria Kaczmarek, director of the house since 1996. As part of their commitment to living at Dismas House, all residents agree to make a strong effort to attend the evening meal at 6:30 Monday through Thursday.

Wasmuth and Sturm say they

have been able to integrate their academic lives and Dismas experiences smoothly.

"We have our own room that we can relax in," said Wasmuth. "I usually find myself hanging out here with other residents."

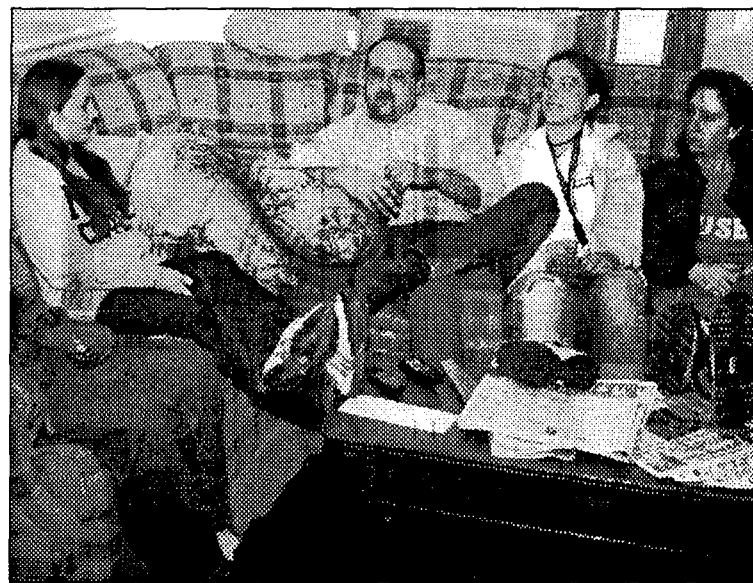
When they first choose to live at Dismas, residents agree to abide by seven house ground rules that include refraining from the use of drugs and alcohol and smoking outside the house.

"Everybody has a chore," said Kaczmarek. "We do have a Tuesday night meeting that everyone attends where we can work on any kind of problems."

In addition to Wasmuth and Sturm who live at the house permanently, many service groups from Notre Dame and the larger South Bend community come to prepare meals at Dismas and share their lives with the residents since South Bend's Dismas House was first organized in 1986.

"How many bank presidents would sit down with a former offender? But here they do," Kaczmarek said.

In addition to cooking meals, Notre Dame students have offered support to the Dismas program in a wide variety of ways. "They've bought TVs and refrigerators," said Kaczmarek. "When we have a need they've responded. The students at Notre Dame have always responded to



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Dismas residents [from left] Luran Sturm, Tim Rhades, Sally Wasmuth and Rita Colburn relax in their living room.

the call of justice."

The halfway house for former prisoners is sponsored by Dismas of Michiana, part of the national organization Dismas Inc., a program begun in 1974 that seeks to help former prisoners integrate themselves back into society. Kaczmarek, a full time Dismas staff member, works to coordinate the experiences of all the residents and bring students and former offenders to live at the home.

Both Notre Dame seniors made

a year-long commitment this fall to live at the house while attending classes, although students can commit for either a semester or a year. Initially, other service activities and previous visits to the house led Sturm and Wasmuth to consider living at Dismas during their last year in college. Sturm, who is from the South Bend area, helped cook dinner for the Dismas residents one evening, an experience that she said sparked

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NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

The residents of the Dismas House gather in prayer before their evening meal.

INSIDE COLUMN

Family ties keep spirit alive

While I celebrate the success of the Notre Dame football team I have another team to be proud of this year. Making strides this year is Scecina Memorial High School's football team, which just happens to be my alma mater.

Sarah Nestor

Scecina, a small Catholic school in Indianapolis, was not expected to do much of anything this year but has continually stunned their competition. Beating much larger schools from across Indiana my small little school from the city has made it to the semistate game. This Saturday Scecina takes on Southridge and is only two victories away from a state championship.

Saint Mary's Editor

No, I'm not one of those people obsessed with the "good ol' high school days" but having a sister who is currently a sophomore at Scecina has allowed me to keep a link alive. This link to my high school has drastically changed since I graduated, but is maintained through my sister. This is especially true in regards to the football team since my sister Susan is a cheerleader, ensuring that I have to make it to at least one game. This is so I can both cheer her on and tease her. Believe me if you ever had to see her struggle to do a push up after the team scores, then you would make fun of her too.

But as she strives to balance homework, cheerleading, choir, student government and what seems like a million other things it is fun for me to be able to share my experiences and wisdom [yes I am very wise] with my sister. Imparting knowledge about which teachers to avoid, especially the ones who charge you a dollar for having your shirt untucked, [remember this is a Catholic school with uniforms] and that a lunch should be packed everyday, because hot lunches from the cafeteria can be a little shady [as in unidentifiable].

Being the older sister I've never had to deal with being associated or compared to a sibling, as I got to be the first to have the new experiences, but for my sister this has not been true.

Especially annoying to her is when she is accidentally called by my name in class. It's not even like my sister and I look a lot alike, she's four inches shorter than me, with dark hair and eyes, basically the complete opposite of me.

One thing she has had that I never did while I attended Scecina was a successful football season and as my sister and her classmates experience the ups and downs of high school I can only hope that this weekend gives Scecina students, present and past, lasting memories.

Good luck Scecina Crusaders!

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CORRECTIONS

In Tuesday's story, "CLC addresses The Parietals Question," Andrea Brault of Walsh Hall was mistakenly identified as Andrea Barton of Walsh Hall.

The Observer regrets the error.

The Observer regards itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.

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A fair will be held on Saint Mary's campus today to feature information on both current and new abroad programs.	President Bush addressed the Prague Atlantic Student Summit and urged NATO members to stand firm against Saddam Hussein.	United machinists agreed to a \$1.5 billion wage and benefit cut in order to help the airline keep away from bankruptcy.	An abroad columnist writes about the homeless situation in London and how a simple idea and a Big Issue have given opportunities to the needy.	Scene takes a look at the movies "Frida," "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" and "8 Mile."	The Irish baseball program signed nine high school seniors to letters of intent because of the momentum the program has had since last year.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ Lecture: "An American Paradox, A First Hand Account of Justice on Death Row," with Sheila Murphy, 4 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.
- ◆ Lecture: "William Blake: Irish Visionary. His Influence on Yeats, Joyce and Van Morrison," with Tom Paulin, 7 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Hesburgh Center.
- ◆ Drama: "How I Learned to Drive," 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Women's High School Choir Festival '02, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Little Theatre of the O'Laughlin Auditorium.
- ◆ Panel discussion: "Diverse Perspectives on the Death Penalty," with moderator Mike Collins, 8 p.m. in the Carroll Auditorium of Madelevel
- ◆ Executive Board Meeting, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. in room 304 of the Hagggar College Center.

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Car accident reported

On Monday NDSP responded to a two-car accident in the vicinity of Moose Krause Circle. There were no injuries reported.

Employee finds property in lot

Miscellaneous cards were found in the A09 Old Laundry Lot by a University employee and turned in to NDSP for safekeeping on Tuesday.

Property taken from unlocked car

A student reported her University Kontrol Kard was taken from her unlocked vehicle while parked in the B02 Library Lot on Sunday. There are no suspects.

Student's car towed

A student's vehicle was towed from Moose Krause Circle for a parking violation on Sunday.

Bike stolen outside Rockne Memorial

A student reported the theft of her locked free-standing bike from outside Rockne Memorial on Nov. 1. There are no suspects.

Compiled by NDSP Crime Blotter.

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Boiled thin spaghetti, boiled shells, tri-color rotini, buffalo chicken lasagna, pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, vegetable pizza, Hawaiian pizza, pretzel sticks, minestrone soup, chicken in the pot soup, tomato soup, roast, whipped potatoes, long grain and wild rice and scrambled eggs.

Today Dinner: Boiled thin spaghetti, boiled shells, tri-color rotini, buffalo chicken lasagna, pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, vegetable pizza, Hawaiian pizza, pretzel sticks, minestrone soup, chicken in the pot soup, tomato soup, fresh spinach, hamburger, chinese noodles, chicken taco, Spanish rice and peas.

South Dining Hall

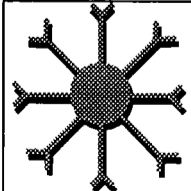
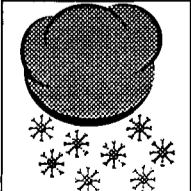
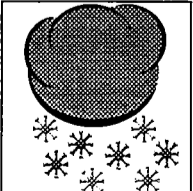
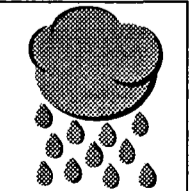
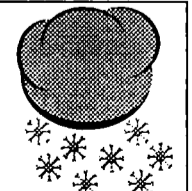
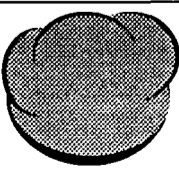
Today Lunch: Neapolitan spaghetti, basil-pepper-tomato mostaccioli, Italian sausage marinara, sausage pizza, cherry turnover, pretzel sticks, cheese and rice croquettes, broiled tomato halves, chicken jambalaya, beef and noodle casserole, rotisserie chicken and Italian rice pilaf.

Today Dinner: Neapolitan spaghetti, basil-pepper-tomato mostaccioli, Italian sausage marinara, 4-cheese pizza, cherry turnover, broccoli rice casserole, Italian blend vegetables, buffalo chicken wings, rotisserie beef churrascarias and grilled pork chops.

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Cheese pizza, chicken and pesto pizza, cool ranch turkey loafer, hamburgers, Greek-style tuna loafer sandwich, bacon, avocado and tomato club, french fries, meat loaf, whipped sweet potatoes, green peas, green beans, cream of mushroom soup, creamed corn, glazed carrots, cheese stuffed shells and waldorf salad.

Today Dinner: Smoky Southwestern minestrone soup, cream of chicken soup, fettuccine, roast turkey breast, baked ham, savory stuffing, whipped fresh potatoes, turkey gravy, fresh cut green beans, cream of mushroom soup, creamed corn, glazed carrots, cheese stuffed shells and waldorf salad.

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SMC holds fair to promote study abroad opportunities

By KATE DOOLEY
News Writer

The Center for Women's Intercultural Studies will be hosting a study-abroad fair today to highlight expanded international programs and services on Saint Mary's campus.

The fair will feature information on both current and new abroad programs. Financial aid advisors and academic counselors will be available to show students that they can afford studying abroad and fit it in their schedule.

Saint Mary's college created CWIL in part to emphasize the importance of intercultural experiences for the students.

"President Marilou Eldred has made it clear that increasing the intercultural experience of the Saint Mary's students is an important part of our mission. Thanks to our faculty and CWIL, we are getting the opportunities to make going abroad more accessible to the students," said Elaine Meyer-Lee, director of International and Intercultural Learning.

Meyer-Lee's goals incorporate easier accessibility to financial aid funding and a wider variety of programs to help people get the true immersion experience that they desire.

The new programs begin in the spring of 2003 and applications for these will be available at the fair. The new programs include a

Greece summer study tour, a one-credit Haiti spring break course and a Fremantle, Australia exchange program.

Organizations from IFSA-Butler and the Great Lakes College Association will have booths at the fair to give students information on programs that Saint Mary's does not have, in places such as Latin America and Scotland.

CWIL continues to work on future abroad programs for the 2004 school year. Among the locations being considered are Japan and Honduras.

"We are making agreements with other programs in order to open more doors for Saint Mary's students to study abroad," Meyer-Lee said.

Current study abroad programs offered at Saint Mary's include Maynooth, Ireland; Seville, Spain; Dijon, France; Innsbruck, Austria (through Notre Dame); Rome, Italy; a European Summer Study Tour and a Semester Around the World program. Students also do service projects abroad through the SURV center.

Many students at Saint Mary's

have already benefited from the abroad experience.

"I think it is vital for everyone to have some kind of experience outside of Saint Mary's community," said Katie Sandford, who spent a year in Innsbruck, Austria. "In fact, part of a liberal arts education is being exposed to and aware of things that we do not see in our own community. My experience in Austria really opened my eyes."

Along with the study abroad fair, Meyer-Lee has also started a resource center for abroad program information outside her office on the Saint Mary's College library mezzanine.

"The center is filled with books, advice and information about going abroad," she said. "If you cannot attend the fair, but are interested in finding out more about the old or new programs, the resource center is the place to get information."

The fair will be held today from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Stapleton Lounge.

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Elaine Meyer-Lee
director of International and Intercultural Learning

ND chemistry professor earns national honor

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

Notre Dame chemistry professor Dennis Jacobs will be named the U.S. professor of the year for research and doctoral universities by two prominent educational organizations.

"It's a great honor and it's humbling to be thought of," Jacobs said in an interview.

The award, given by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, will be presented today at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

Since 1988, Jacobs has taught in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Prior to that, he was a professor at Stanford University and the University of California at Irvine.

At Notre Dame, Jacobs developed the Chemistry 113/114 sequence that incorporates cooperative learning with the typically lecture-based introductory chemistry course.

"Chemistry 113 is a much more active course where students are engaged with discussion with each other in class,"

Jacobs said.

He also inserts cooperative learning into other classes, which prompted senior Erin Carmichael to write one of the letters from Notre Dame to nominate Jacobs for the teaching award.

"He approaches teaching from a lot of different angles so whatever your learning styles you can grasp the material," Carmichael said.

Jacobs' latest educational project is Chemistry 331, "Chemistry in Service of Society," where students use science to confront a community problem: lead poisoning.

"Students are building off of and expanding their academic expertise," Jacobs said.

The class, which works with the City of South Bend, Memorial Hospital, local company Greentree and the Center for Social Concerns, involves testing samples of dust, paint and soil collected from local homes.

Jacobs said he wants to continue challenging students to apply their classroom learning to the outside world.

Carmichael, who helped Jacobs form Chemistry 331, said Jacobs' commitment to students is why he deserves to be honored.

"Aside from being a wonderful professor, he really puts the students first," Carmichael said.

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Jacobs

Going to the USC game?

Visit www.ndusc.com/Schedule.htm for more information.



The Notre Dame Club of LA provides several special events.

Notre Dame Pep Rally

Held on Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Anaheim Marriot Ballroom. Admission is \$5.

Bus Transportation to Game

Visit www.ndusc.com/Schedule.htm or call (626)795-6363 for details.

IrishFest ... Pregame Tailgate Party

The L.A. Club will be hosting a tailgate outside of the Coliseum before the game.

For more information on these and other events, call (626)795-6363 or visit www.ndusc.com/Schedule.htm.



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her interest in the Dismas program.

"I hung out for a while [and] I just enjoyed talking to different residents," said Wasmuth. "I kept [Dismas] in the back of my mind."

Sturm happened upon a Dismas flyer at the Center for Social Concerns and said the program seemed like it might be for her.

"I thought it sounded really interesting," said Sturm. "I came and visited and sat at dinner and talked to Maria."

Students are a major factor in making Dismas a welcoming and supportive environment, said Kaczmarek.

"Student residence really takes it from a halfway house into actually a community," said Kaczmarek. "It has a huge impact."

Kaczmarek said finding students to live at Dismas is sometimes challenging because the Dismas program requires a mature, balanced caring student.

"Students are the hardest to recruit," said Kaczmarek. "I think it takes some uniqueness [and] somebody who isn't prejudiced."

According to the students, the chance to live and learn in a different environment played a large part in their decision to live at Dismas House. "I wanted a different kind of experience senior year," Sturm said. "I was ready to be out of the dorms but I was also ready to live with non-students."

In addition to a unique living experience, Wasmuth also cited the opportunity to live with people of diverse backgrounds as a key part of her decision to live at Dismas House.

"I enjoy living here more because there's more to be learned on a day to day basis," said Wasmuth. "I was also ready to put myself in a different community than what I'd been used to."

Former offenders come to the house through a variety of paths and stay for anywhere between three months to one year, said Kaczmarek. "The average stay is six months. It gives [the former offenders] time to reconnect it gives them time to find a job," she said.

Many residents come to Dismas House through the state system while on parole, but all make a commitment to community living at the home. "You get to meet different people that have different goals and mindsets," said Jessie Snowden, one of the home's residents.

Learning from the diversity of backgrounds and experiences is a main part of the Dismas House opportunity, said the students. "It's different then being in a dorm because you're living with people who sometimes are struggling to find jobs," Sturm said. "[Sally and I] were both a little tired of the pettiness and sometimes the drama about things that really are not dra-

matic."

Along with shared diversity, the Dismas program helps people learn about themselves and break down traditional barriers, said the students.

"You have to be able to not look at the definition of a criminal or an offender as somebody that's that different from yourself,"

said Wasmuth. "You really do get a better sense of yourself," Sturm said.

When their time at Dismas House ends, Wasmuth and Sturm said they will carry the lessons they have learned into their experiences after graduation.

"You take with you skills on how to see people at eye level and see people for what they have to say and what they have to teach you," said Wasmuth.

Both students intend to continue to make service a part of their lives after they leave Notre Dame.

"I want to do Teach for America or some type of teaching opportunity," said Sturm, who eventually plans on earning a law degree.

Wasmuth said she intends to spend at least the next summer working in New York City with the service program Kids Corporation. "I'm also thinking about going abroad, possibly to Africa," said Wasmuth.

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"I was ready to be out of the dorms but I was also ready to live with non-students."

Lauran Sturm
Dismas student participant

SMC creates rape prevention program

By JAMIE BELCHER
News Writer

Saint Mary's is bringing a program to campus to help with rape prevention. Rape Aggression Defense [RAD] training has been successful at other colleges and is expected to come to the Saint Mary's campus in the spring.

The RAD program has trained over a quarter of a million women since its inception 13 years ago.

Signs were posted around the Saint Mary's campus to warn women to avoid walking or jogging alone at night, to travel in groups and to always put safety first.

While the plan is a preventative measure, some students say the program is great but it is unfortunate that it is needed.

"It's a good idea because the mentality of a lot of women here is that they

don't think they are going to get raped here," said junior Lynda Szanyi, who added it is unfortunate many women do not already know how to protect themselves against an attacker.

But junior Mandy Alexander is one Saint Mary's student who will

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Lynda Szanyi
Saint Mary's junior

never fall into that category. Already with 10 years experience of karate under her belt, Alexander thinks the program will be beneficial for women who are not in the position that she is in.

"I think it's a good idea for these people that don't have any defense training," said Alexander.

The cost to bring the program to campus next semester is approximately \$1,200 and the instructors will come from Notre Dame Security Police.

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CZECH REPUBLIC

Bush challenges NATO to stand firm toward Iraq

Associated Press

PRAGUE

President Bush, recalling Europe's grim history of "excusing aggression," challenged skeptical NATO allies Wednesday to stand firm against Saddam Hussein as the alliance expands in size and might to combat terrorism.

Should the Iraqi leader deny next month that he possesses weapons of mass destruction, "he will have entered his final stage with a lie," Bush said on the eve of a two-day NATO summit.

"And deception this time will not be tolerated. Delay and defiance will invite the severest of consequences," he declared.

Even as Bush spoke, President Jacques Chirac of France renewed his position that the United States cannot determine on its own whether to wage war against Iraq.

The U.N. Security Council "is the only body established to put in motion action of a military nature, to take the responsibility, to commit the international community," Chirac said.

Czech President Vaclav Havel said he would prefer that Iraq disarm without force. "If, however, the need to use force does arise, I believe that NATO should give an honest and speedy consideration to its engagement as an alliance," he said.

A day before the formal NATO vote, Bush endorsed plans to usher seven former communist nations into the fold — Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia. And he renewed his call for greater expansion.

"We strongly support the enlargement of NATO, now and in the future," the president said.

As leaders gathered in the medieval city of cathedral spires, Bush used the centerpiece address of his five-day European trip to press them to "take up global responsibilities or choose to live in isolation from the challenges of our time."

While he did not directly accuse Europe's leaders of indifference toward Saddam, Bush's sternly worded appeal for action against terrorists and like-minded regimes was clearly aimed at the likes of Germany, which opposes military action in Iraq, and France, which forced the United States to water down a U.N. resolution to disarm Saddam.

"The world needs the nations of this continent to be active in the defense of freedom, not inward looking or isolated by indifference," the president told students in this Bohemian capital.

"Ignoring dangers or excusing aggression may temporarily avert conflict, but they don't bring true peace," he said.



Reuters Live Photo

President Bush addresses the Prague Atlantic Student Summit Wednesday while attending the two-day NATO summit. Bush urged NATO members to stand firm against Saddam Hussein if the Iraqi leader denies the presence of weapons of mass destruction.

The Bush administration has quietly contacted 50 countries, including Canada, Britain and Germany, to solicit contributions of troops and war material in the event Bush decides to use force, a senior administration official said Wednesday.

Saddam has until Dec. 8 to give the United Nations an

accounting of his weapons of mass destruction. Bush said Iraq had a "short time" to come clean.

White House communications director Dan Bartlett refused to be pinned down on whether the United States intends to use any Dec. 8 Iraqi declaration it deems deceitful as automatic

grounds for war.

"It's a huge hypothetical," Bartlett said. "We'll wait and see."

NATO Secretary-General Lord Robertson predicted, "There will be total unity of the heads of state and governments on support for the U.N. Security Council resolution."

Prisoner says 20th hijacker only played backup role in attacks

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

An al-Qaida prisoner's reported description of Zacarias Moussaoui as merely a backup figure could weaken the government's argument for executing the man accused as a Sept. 11 conspirator, legal experts said Wednesday.

U.S. officials said Tuesday that a top al-Qaida operative, Ramzi Binalshibh, told interrogators that Moussaoui met with the suspected mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks in late 2000 or early 2001 in Afghanistan.

Binalshibh, a former aide to top al-

Qaida operative Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, said Mohammed provided Moussaoui with contacts in the United States — but the two men were not confident that Moussaoui could keep a secret, said officials speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Moussaoui, acting as his own lawyer, and a defense team appointed by the judge have asked that Binalshibh be a defense witness. The request is complicated in Moussaoui's case because the government may not want enemy combatants like Binalshibh to reveal sensitive information in courtrooms.

Legal experts said Binalshibh's report-

ed statements posed a threat to the prosecution's stated goal of executing Moussaoui if he's convicted. The experts were less certain about the effect on the guilt or innocence phase without more details about possible Moussaoui knowledge of the Sept. 11 plot. Moussaoui has admitted his loyalty to al-Qaida but has denied a role in the hijackings.

David Bruck, a Columbia, S.C., lawyer who heads a death penalty project for federal public defenders, said the federal death penalty law requires the government to prove a defendant's intention to kill — and that victims died as a result of his actions.

Moussaoui, who was arrested at a Minneapolis area flight school in August 2001, was in custody on Sept. 11.

"The statute was intended to cover a person who hires a hit man," Bruck said. "Being a stumblebum on the fringes, who was too unreliable to be trusted and then abandoned by plotters, is not committing an act that leads to anybody's death."

Stephen Bright, director of the Southern Center for Human Rights in Atlanta, said the Supreme Court has made it clear that major participation in taking a life is necessary for imposition of the death penalty.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Plans solid for Iraq weapons inspections:

"Business-like" talks with Iraqi officials have set the stage for a decisive new round of weapons inspections starting next week, including possible unannounced drop-ins on President Saddam Hussein's palaces, the chief U.N. inspectors said Wednesday. "The world and the Security Council want assurances that Iraq has no more weapons of mass destruction," the chief of the U.N. inspection team, Hans Blix, said on a stopover in Cyprus after wrapping up two days of talks in Baghdad.

21 Indians dead after bush catches fire:

A bus overturned and caught fire in central India on Wednesday, killing 21 people and seriously injuring 28 others, police said. The bus lost control after a tire burst outside the industrial town of Maneri in the Madhya Pradesh state, said Arakshya Kailash Varma, aide to the local police chief.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Tower to be built on former WTC site:

A 750-foot glass-and-steel office tower — with better fireproofing and wider stairs for quick evacuation — will be built on the site of one of the smaller buildings to collapse at the World Trade Center complex. The plans, unveiled Wednesday, represent the first major rebuilding project at the World Trade Center to be announced.

Doctors praise cervical cancer vaccine:

Early testing shows an experimental vaccine to be 100 percent effective against the virus that causes cervical cancer, raising doctors' hopes of someday sending the lethal disease into retreat in the same way as smallpox and polio. "It appears to be the real thing," said Dr. Christopher Crum, a pathologist at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. "You're looking at some very compelling evidence that this vaccine will prevent cervical cancer."

N.J. jury convicts rabbi of killing wife:

A rabbi was convicted of murder Wednesday for hiring two men to beat his wife to death so he could carry on an affair with a woman he met while ministering to her dying husband. He could now face a death sentence. The verdict against Rabbi Fred J. Neulander, 61, came nearly a year after his first trial for the 1994 slaying of Carol Neulander at their suburban Philadelphia home ended in a hung jury.

Escaped inmate captured in Indiana:

The second of two escaped inmates suspected of abducting a South Carolina woman during a multi-state crime spree was captured Wednesday in Indiana. The woman's whereabouts were not immediately known. Chadrick E. Fulks, 25, was being questioned Wednesday afternoon. FBI agent Kathy Guider said federal agents had notified Goshen officials that Fulks might be headed there because his father and brother live in the area.

'61 grad confirmed as Labor Relations chair

Special to The Observer

Robert Battista, a 1961 graduate of Notre Dame, has been confirmed as chairman of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB).

Nominated for the position by President Bush on Oct. 4, Battista was confirmed by the U.S. Senate last week. His term extends until Dec. 16, 2007.

"Battista is a renowned employment lawyer of the highest skill, experience and integrity," Robert Hunter, a former member of the NLRB and current director of labor policy for the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, wrote in an editorial. "We can expect to see great advancement in employee protections under his mature and balanced leadership. The president could not have made a wiser choice in appointing Battista."

The NLRB is an independent federal agency created to investigate and remedy unfair labor practices by

employers and unions. It was created by Congress in 1935 to administer the National Labor Relations Act, the primary law governing relations between unions and employers in the private sector. The NLRB implements the national labor policy of assuring free choice and encouraging collective bargaining as a means of maintaining industrial peace.

A graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, Battista has practiced with the Detroit law firm Butzel Long since 1965. From 1985 to 1992, he was manager of the firm's Labor and Employment Law Group.

He is a member of the Michigan advisory committee of the American Arbitration Association, a fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers, and a member of the Michigan Employment Relations Commission's advisory committee.

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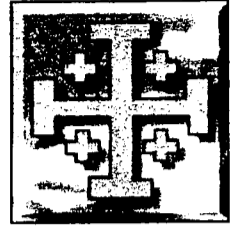
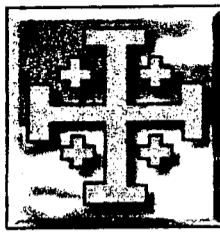
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questioned the need for disclosing attendance records and Jeremy

Staley, senator from Sorin College, said reviewers of the records would not know how to correctly interpret them. Jesse Norman, senator from O'Neill Hall, referred to the Attendance Policy Amendment and said it was each

committee chair's discretion to mark an absence and these records should be made public.

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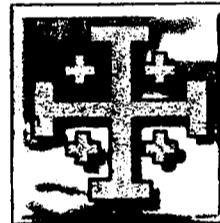


Come Meet America's envoy to the Vatican, Ambassador Jim Nicholson

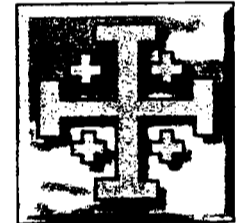
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NASDAQ-100 INDEX(QQQ)	+4.25	+1.09	26.74
INTEL CORP (INTC)	+5.51	+1.00	19.15
SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	+1.12	+0.04	3.62

IN BRIEF

Oct. housing construction plunges

Housing construction lost momentum in October, plunging by 11.4 percent, the biggest drop since 1994.

But even with the sharp decline — which came after the level of housing construction shot up to a 16-year high in September — the number of housing units for which builders broke ground in October was still considered to be in the healthy zone.

Builders began work on 1.60 million housing units, at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, representing a 11.4 percent decline in October from the previous month, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday.

While October's housing activity level was weaker than analysts were expecting, economists predicted September's red-hot pace could not be sustained. Housing construction jumped by 11 percent in September to a rate of 1.81 million units, the highest level since December 1986.

EchoStar, NBC settle legal problems

EchoStar Communications Corp. and NBC have settled litigation over whether the satellite television company can broadcast local NBC channels from one city to another.

Details of the settlement, which was announced Wednesday, were not disclosed.

This is the second such move by the satellite TV company following a lengthy court battle. EchoStar settled with ABC in April. An EchoStar spokesman declined to comment on litigation with CBS and Fox.

The networks sued EchoStar in 1998 in Miami over the broadcast of distant network channels and accused EchoStar of copyright infringement.

They have argued that EchoStar should broadcast programming only from affiliates in each customer's viewing area. EchoStar contends that barring viewers from receiving distant networks violates free-speech rights.

United union yields concessions

◆ Machinists for United Airlines approve cutbacks

Associated Press

CHICAGO

The union representing 37,500 United Airlines machinists tentatively agreed Wednesday to \$1.5 billion in wage and benefit concessions, giving United an important boost in its bid to stave off bankruptcy.

The machinists were the only employee group not to have committed to its share of \$5.8 billion in labor cutbacks over 5 1/2 years — the centerpiece of United's financial recovery plan.

The financially ailing carrier hopes the pats are strong enough to persuade the government to grant a \$1.8 billion loan guarantee. United says it needs to avoid filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection by year's end.

The mechanics, baggage handlers, reservations employees and other workers represented by the IAM will vote Nov. 27 on the agreements.

Union leaders said they agreed to the cutbacks to help prevent a bankruptcy filing.

"Too many airlines have been forced into bankruptcy, never to return," said Randy Canale, president of IAM District 141, one of two districts involved in the agreements. "Despite the obstacles and unprecedented economic pressures, I still believe our greatest days lie before us."

It remains highly uncertain whether United's austerity plan will be enough to convince the Air Transportation Stabilization Board the airline is back on course toward profitability, justifying a hefty loan guarantee.

Despite the unprecedented labor concessions and reductions, some analysts say the actions won't solve the problem of declining airline revenues and are too little, too late to prevent United from having to



Getty Images

A United Airlines pilot walks through Chicago's O'Hare airport en route to his next flight. United machinists' Wednesday agreed to a \$1.5 billion wage and benefits cut in order to help the ailing airline stave off bankruptcy.

take its restructuring plan into bankruptcy court.

But investors are increasingly hopeful, sending United's stock soaring in after-hours trading following the late-afternoon announcement. After closing down 23 cents at \$3.10 in regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange, Shares in parent company UAL Corp. sold 22 percent higher in post-session activity, gaining 70 cents.

"This agreement offers further compelling evidence of United's ability to transform itself through collaboration among all work groups," said Glenn Tilton, who took over in September as United's chairman and CEO. "The fact that all six union groups have reached tentative agreements is evidence of a new attitude and com-

mitment which can translate into a competitive advantage for United Airlines."

United's 8,800 pilots already have ratified \$2.2 billion in cutbacks, and its flight attendants are voting on a tentative agreement for \$412 million in wage reductions, with results to be announced next week. Salaried and management employees will contribute another \$1.3 billion in labor savings, with United's top executives expected to provide the rest.

United is losing more than \$7 million a day and has said it is preparing for the possibility of a bankruptcy filing if it doesn't receive the loan guarantee, although it has pledged to keep flying its normal daily schedule regardless.

The airline faces a \$375 million debt payment on Dec. 2 that poses a stiff test of its dwindling cash reserves, and is working to arrange bankruptcy financing.

Scotty Ford, president of the machinists' District 141-M, said the unions had to act.

"United Airlines is struggling to overcome the combined effects of 9-11 and an unrelenting worldwide travel recession," Ford said. "We tried to balance United's urgent need to avoid bankruptcy with our members' needs for job security and proper compensation for the vital services they provide United Airlines."

Details of the changes to pay and vacation accrual were being posted on union Web sites.

Boeing announces 5,000 more job cuts

Associated Press

SEATTLE

Boeing Co. expects to eliminate 5,000 more jobs next year in addition to the nearly 30,000 cuts the aerospace company has made since the 2001 terrorist attacks, the company said Wednesday.

Half of the new cuts would be made through attrition and the rest through layoffs in the commercial airplane division, unit chief executive Alan Mulally told employees in a meeting.

The company signaled more than a month ago that it will need to make further cuts, since it is unlikely the airline industry will recover soon

from its prolonged downturn. Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Boeing has deferred deliveries of more than 500 jets as airlines, bleeding billions of dollars, canceled or rescheduled orders.

By the end of 2003, the Renton, Wash.-based commercial planes division expects to have a work force of 60,000, from its current 65,000, spokesman Bill Cogswell said. The first layoff notices will go out on Friday, and take effect on Jan. 24, he said.

"We believe the employment reductions will impact all of our areas, all of our employees, nonsalaried members and executives across the

board," Cogswell said.

For the Machinists union, which lost thousands of workers in the past year and then failed to win stronger job security guarantees, the prospect of more losses hits hard.

"We've been cut pretty bare bones," said union president Mark Blondin. "We kind of assumed this was leveling out right now."

The company has spent the last few weeks trying to determine how many people it will need in the coming year to match employment with production levels, Cogswell said. The company expects to deliver between 275 and 285 jets in 2003, down from the 380 expected for this year.

66-year-old killer executed in Texas

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE, Texas — A 66-year-old convicted killer was executed by injection Wednesday — becoming the oldest inmate Texas has put to death — as he bitterly professed his innocence on the gurney before the drugs stopped him mid-sentence.

William Wesley Chappell angrily insisted he should have had additional DNA tests on evidence and suggested others were responsible for the fatal shootings of three people in a revenge spree.

"My request to you is to get yourself in church and pray to God he forgives you because you are murdering me," Chappell said. He also denied molesting a 3-year-old child that authorities said led him to commit the slayings.

Jane Sitton, the mother of the girl and the woman who authorities believe was Chappell's intended target in the shootings, watched the execution through a window.

"You know damn well I didn't molest that child," Chappell said to her as the drugs flowed into his body. "You all are murdering me and I feel sorry for you. I don't know what else to say. Please go to church and say" he said, unable to complete his sentence.

He was pronounced dead at 6:17 p.m., 45 minutes after the U.S. Supreme Court denied his final appeals.

Chappell was the oldest convict executed in Texas since the state took over capital punishment duties from counties in 1924.

Authorities say Chappell broke

into a home in Fort Worth in May 1988 and began shooting people with a silencer-equipped gun as they slept. Killed were Alexandra Heath, 27; her stepfather, Elbert Sitton, 71; and her mother, Martha Lindsey, 50.

But police believe he missed his intended target, ex-girlfriend Jane Sitton, who had moved out of her parents' home because she feared for her safety, and Heath, her half-sister, took her room.

A year before the killings, Chappell was convicted of indecency with a child for molesting Sitton's 3-year-old daughter. He was sentenced to five years in prison but was free on bond, pending appeal.

"It's over and done with," Sitton said after watching Chappell die. "There's no more chance of appeals. There's no more chance of something getting thrown out on a technicality, which happened to us before."

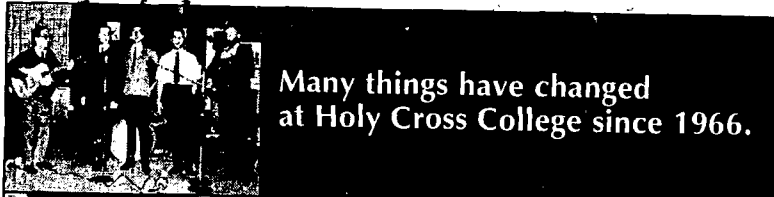
In Missouri, William R. Jones was executed earlier Wednesday for killing Stanley Albert, a man he met at a Kansas City park frequented by gay men.

Prosecutors said Jones plotted the killing after dating Albert and deciding he wanted his Camaro. Jones shot Albert five times and dumped the body near a nature center. The defense contended Jones shot Albert in self-defense after the man made unwanted sexual advances.

On Tuesday, Texas executed Craig Ogan, 47, by injection for the 1989 slaying of a Houston police officer. Two more executions are set in Texas this year, both in December.

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William Wesley Chappell executed inmate



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Los Alamos property missing

Associated Press

LOS ALAMOS, N.M.

A memo released by whistleblowers at Los Alamos National Laboratory says nearly \$1.3 million worth of computers, phones and other property was unaccounted for in the budget year 2001.

Pete Stockton, senior investigator for the Project on Government Oversight, a Washington, D.C.-based watchdog group that received the memo, said missing computers pose "one hell of a potential security problem."

"There's no way they can assure us those computers didn't have classified information on them," said Stockton, who was a special assistant to Energy Secretary Bill Richardson — now New Mexico's governor-elect — in the Clinton administration.

The inventory of missing items also included two printers whose custodian was listed as Wen Lee. There was no immediate confirmation as to whether that person was Wen Ho Lee, a former scientist who was fired and accused of lab security violations in downloading nuclear codes.

No other employee by that name appears on a lab telephone list.

Lab spokeswoman Linn Tyler did not respond on Wednesday to repeated requests for comment on the Lee notation and the memo overall.

"I haven't heard anything

from the lab about that, and I'm sure if they thought he had two of their printers, I would have heard from them," said John Cline, one of Wen Ho Lee's lawyers.

Lee was charged with 59 counts of mishandling data and spent nine months in solitary confinement before pleading guilty in September 2000 to a single count of using an unsecured computer to download a defense document. A federal judge freed him with an apology.

The memo from the nuclear weapons laboratory's chief financial officer, dated April 10 of this year, was distributed anonymously. Stockton said he believed it was from the same lab employees who released another memo earlier.

The whistleblowers claim that lab leaders have been covering up criminal activity including credit card, purchasing and voucher fraud.

The Department of Energy's Office of Inspector General was at the lab this week investigating allegations of wrongdoing.

The Albuquerque Journal reported Sunday that internal lab documents indicated nearly \$3 million worth of lab-owned items disappeared or were reported missing between 1999 and 2001. The newspaper cited a March report from the lab's Office of Security Inquiries.

The April 10 memo from Thomas M. Palmieri, the lab's chief financial officer, cited

"disturbing negative trends regarding Laboratory management of Government property."

It said missing property from the budget year 2001 inventory totaled \$723,000 — nearly triple that of the previous year — and lost or stolen property totaled \$533,000.

"We are still trying to account for these items," the memo said.

"Neither the Lab or DOE, can accept \$1.3M in unaccounted property. We must do a better job protecting and accounting for the Government property that we manage for DOE," Palmieri wrote.

The memo said corrective action plans were to be developed.

"Our intent is that property management at this institution be a non-issue a year from now," the memo said.

Inventories attached to the two memos listed missing property including computers, cellular telephones, cameras and copiers, as well as more technical equipment.

Steve Aftergood, who coordinates the Project on Government Secrecy for the Federation of American Scientists said any information left on those computers would be so specialized that it would be "useless or even incomprehensible" to the average user.

But it's a different matter if the computers fell into the hands of foreign intelligence personnel, Aftergood said.

If nothing else, Aftergood said, the situation "illustrates a serious flaw in the security procedures at the lab — and if this particular incident did not pose a threat, it suggests that a future incident could well do so, unless the defects are corrected."

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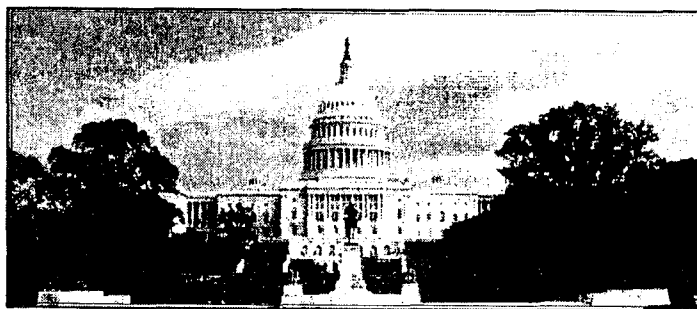
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107th Congress assesses legacy as term ends

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WASHINGTON
The 107th Congress began fading into the history books Wednesday, its legacy including a colossal agency to gird the nation against terrorism, new curbs on corporate behavior and campaign spending, and deep tax cuts.

Even as they addressed some high-profile issues, lawmakers left others languishing. National energy policy, patients' rights, prescription

drugs, tighter bankruptcy laws, drought aid for farmers and extra counterterrorism funds all fell victim to partisan stalemate.

Still other problems were largely ignored — reducing newly resurgent federal deficits and addressing the long-term solvency of Social Security and Medicare, for example. Both parties concluded there was no public clamor for the politically painful tax increases or benefit and spending cuts that would likely be needed.

Republicans ran the House during the 107th's two-year session, while Democrats controlled the Senate since June 2001. That lay the groundwork for gridlock — especially during the run-up to the Nov. 5 congressional elections. Each party blamed the other for obstruction, but leaders agreed more could have been accomplished.

"There's no use trying to fix blame, but the fact of the matter is a lot of important things that needed to be done were not done," Senate Minority

Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Wednesday.

The Senate adjourned Wednesday. The House seemed likely to hold a final session Friday with a skeleton crew voicing approval of legislation, including a bill creating a Homeland Security Department.

It was the last Congress for 99-year-old Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., and Democrats let him end his record 47-year Senate career by gaveling the chamber into adjournment.

"It's over," he said after banging the gavel to a standing ovation from aides and a handful of colleagues.

Rep. James Traficant, D-Ohio, left less ceremoniously, expelled in July for taking bribes and kickbacks.

This Congress was born just weeks after George W. Bush won the disputed, prolonged 2000 election against Al Gore. Things grew only more tempestuous.

A robust economy grew feeble. Record federal surpluses faded into shortfalls. A country at peace was staggered by the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. And as lawmakers left Washington this week, the nation was poised for war with Iraq.

Terror hit lawmakers directly. The Capitol was evacuated the day Washington and New York were attacked. A month later, anthrax was found in letters mailed to the office of Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. That forced shutdowns of the congressional office complex, disrupted lawmakers' work and produced a sense of vulnerability that still pervades on Capitol Hill.

"We're certainly in a different place because of 9/11," Daschle said Wednesday.

The response by lawmakers' to the terrorist attacks was perhaps their defining activity.

Within days, Congress churned out a \$40 billion package for defense, counterterrorism and rebuilding New York and the Pentagon as partisan rifts were ignored. Lawmakers also approved the use of force by Bush against terrorists, new federal powers for spying and investigating terrorism at home, and billions in loans and grants for financially ailing airlines.

Even as partisan rancor increased this year, a fresh \$28.9 billion anti-terror package was enacted, plus a record \$355 billion defense measure, bills creating federal terrorism insurance and anti-bioterrorism programs, and a resolution backing military action by Bush against

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An American Paradox: Justice and the Practice of the Death Penalty

Thursday, November 21
4:00 pm, Hesburgh Center Auditorium, University of Notre Dame

(first campus bldg. on right of Notre Dame Ave., going north)

Lecture: Sheila Murphy, Retired Presiding Judge of the Sixth Municipal District Circuit Court of Cook County *An American Paradox: A First Hand Account of Justice on Death Row.*

Thursday, November 21
7:00-9:30 pm, Carrol Auditorium, Madeleva Hall, St. Mary's College

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Lecture: Sheila Murphy, *An American Paradox: Justice and the Death Penalty Today*

Panel Discussion- 8:00pm

Moderator: Mike Collins, News Anchor, WSBT Television, Ch. 22
Judge Jerome Frese, St. Joseph county Superior Court
Professor Paolo Carozza, Associate Professor, University of Notre Dame Law School
Mr. Paolo Mancinelli, Sant' Egidio Community
Ms. Charlotte D. Pfeifer, Director of Student and Community Relations, IUSB
Mr. John Maciejczyk, Chief Deputy Prosecutor, St. Joseph County

Friday, November 22
12:00-1:30pm, Center for Social Concerns, University of Notre Dame

Open discussion: The death penalty and the work of the Sant'Egidio Community

Sheila Murphy
Paolo Mancinelli, Sant'Egidio Community
Darrin Belousek, Assistant Professor, Goshen College

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Sheila Murphy

Sheila Murphy is an avid and outspoken opponent of the death penalty. She is retired Presiding Judge of the Sixth Municipal District Circuit Court of Cook County, and is now council to the Chicago law firm of Rothschild, Barry & Myers. As a judge, she ordered crucial DNA testing for Verneal Jimerson, leading to the exoneration of him and the other members of the "Ford Heights Four" from death row, and giving wide publicity to the problem of false convictions on death row in Illinois. She has also established children's rooms in courthouses, drug treatment courts, and a courthouse school for at risk defendants.



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2 MIAMI (FL)



How good is this team? Eight or nine of their starters should be in NFL GameDay next year. The 'Canes may have the toughest schedule in football, with games against Florida, Tennessee, Virginia Tech and the Florida State Seminoles. About the only quality teams not on their schedule are in the NFL.

3 OKLAHOMA

New Hot Routes can put the 2000 NCAA champs right back at the top. Which means almost as much to this Sooner team as beating their heated rival, the Nebraska Cornhuskers.

4 COLORADO

Will the Buffs defend their Big 12 crown using the wishbone? The flexbone? The full house? Only the coach controlling the play-book knows for sure.

5 TENNESSEE

New high-low tackling might give the Volunteers their toughest defense in years.

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7 FLORIDA STATE



Same coach. Same expectations: Nothing but a national championship will do.

8 FLORIDA



New coach. Same expectations: Nothing but a national championship will do.

9 UCLA



Look for the Bruins to utilize a sensational receiving core and Hot Routes to vie for a national championship. Then look for them to vie for a championship all over again in NCAA Final Four 2003.

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A great run in Career Mode gets these overachievers a major BCS Bowl bid and a Top 10 finish. And their coach the chance to take over a major college powerhouse. Enjoy that animated contract, coach.

11 WASHINGTON STATE

A strong passing offense makes them a team to beat. Explosive gameplay makes this perennial Pac 10 little brother into a legitimate head-turner. WAZZU is ready to tangle with the big boys.

12 ALABAMA



The Crimson Tide has the polygons and offensive line to muscle anyone in college football. If that's not enough, new high-low tackling gives their defense the bite it needed.

13 OREGON

Blue Chip recruiting made the loss of their 2001 Heisman candidate easier to stomach. A new wishbone offense could help the 2002 Ducks rain on just about anyone's parade.

14 OHIO STATE

More control over the running game puts them at the top of their conference. But they must beat arch-rival Michigan for the Big 10 Conference title first, which won't be easy, but definitely a possibility for the Buckeyes.

15 WASHINGTON

Unproven defense must come through for a Rose Bowl berth. Total Control Passing gives this Husky team a very potent attack.

16 LSU

Tigers are looking to claw their way to another SEC title. Louisiana State University's pass- and run-blocking is top-notch this year.

17 NEBRASKA



Just avenge the Colorado University mauling and beat the Sooners for all to be right in Huskerland.

18 USC



Must turn off "Injuries" for the thin Trojans to succeed. Controlling the playbook is crucial with USC's quarterback.

19 BOISE STATE

Say hello to the first "Houston Bowl" winner. Increased frame rates show that this year these boys are definitely on their way up.

20 AUBURN



Old coach sacked in Career Mode. Tigers should improve drastically on both sides of the ball.

21 SOUTH CAROLINA



Lots of excitement building for 'Cocks this year. Volatile offense could be a threat with the addition of a full-house formation. Could make some noise this year, despite the fact that they are in a tough conference.

22 MARSHALL

A weak schedule equals strong wins. Will Keith Jackson, in GameBreaker's booth, call them "rumbling" or "bumbling"?

23 TEXAS A&M

Several players converted to defense. Too bad they're in the country's toughest conference.

24 LOUISVILLE

Gamebreakers on both sides of the ball. Look for the Cardinals to go to their Wing T offense for big points. Look for them to top Conference USA.

25 PENN STATE

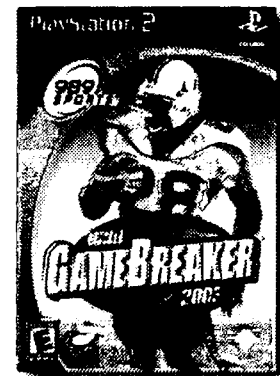


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SPAIN

Winds hamper oil clean-up

Associated Press

CAION Winds reaching 60 mph and high waves hindered shoreline clean-up and seafood farmers scrambled to salvage the cockle, mussel and clam harvest Wednesday, a day after the tanker Prestige and its cargo of fuel oil sank off Spain.

Yet the high winds, which pushed waves to 26 feet, helped break up a large oil slick off Portugal as Spanish authorities worried the storm was shoving a second fuel oil slick closer to the coast.

Seeking to ease fears of an Exxon Valdez-style catastrophe, Spain's

Interior Ministry said no fuel had spilled since the single-hulled vessel broke apart and sank about 150 miles off the Spanish coast Tuesday, six days after it ruptured in a storm. Officials said they hoped the oil would solidify two miles down in frigid water, limiting damage in the short-term.

The Prestige has spilled about 1.6 million of its 20-million gallon load of heavy fuel oil, a total twice the size of the

Exxon Valdez crude-oil spill off Alaska in 1989.

Spain said Wednesday it had spotted four oil slicks, including one 10 miles long and 3 miles wide, near the wreckage about 150 miles off the Galician coast.

Two smaller slicks are about 40 miles west of Cape Finisterre, and a third is just off the coast at the Muros inlet, Spanish officials said. Portugal said a large slick it was monitoring Tuesday apparently dispersed in rough seas.

Spanish Environment Minister Jaime Matas said oil has contaminated nearly 180 miles of Galicia's scenic coastline and rich fishing waters. During a visit to a soiled beach near the fishing port of Caion, he estimated economic losses at \$42 million so far, and said the cleanup could take six months.

"We have to wait and be prudent because we still don't know whether we have passed the threshold of this crisis," Matas said.

Crews with shovels and buckets worked in strong wind and heavy rain to scoop up sludge along Galicia's craggy coast.

The government said more than 250 tons of fuel oil had been recovered so far, half on land and half at sea by skimmer boats.

Rough seas kept two of the vessels — sent from France and Holland — out of the mission Wednesday, the interior ministry said.

In some coastal areas not yet hit by the fuel oil, seafood farmers rushed to harvest mussels, clams and cockles ahead of schedule. Spain's fishing industry is worth \$330 million a year.

In the inlet of Ria de Arosa, described as one of the world's top mussel grounds, harvesters pulled up ropes on which clusters of black mussels grow, and plucked them all. Normally smaller ones are left behind to mature.

"The accident has hit us very hard," said Francisco Gomez, a 41-year-old fisherman in the village of Cosme. "The consequences are going to last a long time, at least two years."

Luis Ferreira, 42, was pessimistic and recalled that the people of Galicia have a long history of emigration, often to Latin America. "If the situation does not change we will have to pack our bags, just like our ancestors did."

He accused the government of understating the amount of oil in the water and said officials don't know the sea. "They only go there on vacation," he said.

"We have to wait and be prudent because we still don't know whether we have passed the threshold of this crisis."

Jaime Matas
Spanish environmental minister

AUSTRALIA

Troops start to leave Afghanistan region

Associated Press

SYDNEY

Australia will begin withdrawing its 150 commandos from Afghanistan this month, but defense officials have already drawn up plans for a possible deployment to Iraq, Prime Minister John Howard said Wednesday.

Australia has not yet decided whether to send the troops, but Howard said commanders were readying contingency plans. In

a speech to a group of economists, Howard said the withdrawal from Afghanistan was on the advice of Australia's defense chief, General Peter Cosgrove.

"Most will return to Australia before Christmas, allowing them to celebrate the holiday season with their families," Howard told the Committee for the Economic Development of Australia.

Howard said the need for special forces in Afghanistan is dwindling as the focus of mili-

tary operations shifts to reconstruction and building institutions.

The prime minister said that Australian defense officials had already held contingency talks with their U.S. counterparts over a possible strike against Baghdad.

Australia has had 150 Special Air Service commandos in Afghanistan since December. Australia also contributed two surveillance aircraft, three navy frigates, four fighter jets and a troop carrier to the U.S.-led coalition — a total of about 1,500 personnel.

Howard said that by January only two surveillance aircraft and two navy frigates working under an international force to police U.N. embargoes on Iraq would remain in the Persian Gulf region.

Australia is a staunch ally of the United States; in recent months Canberra has backed Washington's tough stance on Baghdad and refused to rule out supporting a U.S. attack on Iraq, even without U.N. backing.

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John Howard
Australian Prime Minister



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RACHEL O.

Walk with two feet of service

It was four weeks ago that I met Danny J. Being homeless, he spent the time we shared over coffee at McDonald's telling me about St. Mungo's, the place he hoped to stay that night.

Andrew DeBerry

ND Going Global

Even though he couldn't say where the shelter was, a night's stay at St. Mungo's cost £20, and he was walking the streets asking for change. His story was shady, but I was humbled the next day to find a website on St. Mungo's — London's largest homeless agency. I resolved to visit the place that gives 1,200 people like DJ a place to sleep at night.

On Halloween night, I rode on one of the big red buses to a London neighborhood. I passed trick-or-treaters dressed as dead soccer players, ghouls and she-devils who asked me for candy and found the sign: "St. Mungo's — Central Office."

The neighborhood street was quiet, but the work that takes place within is earthshaking.

St. Mungo's leads London's services for people who are homeless and vulnerable. Their 11 hostels offer food for the body and companionship for the soul. Forty-five supported-housing schemes support tenants who are expected to cook, clean and shop for themselves, while staff members visit regularly to help with practical matters. One hundred fifty-six residents with serious mental and physical health problems stay in locally-funded high-care homes. Resettlement and community support teams help people integrate into their own flats. Skills Training, Employment and Placement Services teams provide the employment skills needed to reenter the labor force.

St. Mungo's comforts the wounds of homelessness. However, more is needed to alter the factors that cause homelessness. The solution for many is

what's known as the Big Issue.

To some, the Big Issue is their means to a revitalized lifestyle. To others, the Big Issue is a source of current perspectives on politics, business trends and new films.

The Big Issue is a magazine that the homeless can sell for profit. They sign a professional code of conduct and form a sales pitch to become vendors. I first talked to a vendor when wandering home from a museum after an art history class. A clean-shaven man in a flannel shirt with a badge around his neck was standing on a street corner and holding out an issue. He appreciated the magazine, saying, "It puts a little money in me pocket." He had bought each issue at 40 pence to be sold at £1.20 for a 65 percent commission.

The idea behind the Big Issue is simple but phenomenal. The publication identifies and combats the lack of job qualifications which is a major obstacle to rehabilitation. Instead of judging the homeless as helpless people needing free services, the publication has faith in their potential and empowers them to be contributing members of society.

The magazine has had an inspirational story since its inception. The idea for the publication came from Gordon Roddick of The Body Shop during a visit to the United States when he saw Street News, a newspaper sold by the homeless in New York. With the assistance of The Body Shop International, Roddick teamed up with A. John Bird, whose own life had been resurrected from homelessness in London. Together they launched the first issue in 1991.

Currently, the Big Issue Magazine sells 250,000 copies a week and is read by over one million people. The publication now has branches in Australia, Scotland, South Africa and Los Angeles. The venture has given literally thousands a route out of social exclusion. The project proves that given the opportunity, the disadvantaged do

want to work to improve their lives.

The magazine's success has led to a foundation that provides additional services. Financial training and vocational education promote practical living skills. Workshops rebuild self-confidence with creative work in various areas such as drama and photography. These innovative efforts have proved an important fact: business can be a key power for doing social good.

There are 50 efforts in the United States similar to the Big Issue. One called StreetWise is based on South Michigan Avenue in Chicago. Graduates, who often note the lack of passionate faith after Notre Dame, can keep their souls engaged by putting their various skills to the test with StreetWise's larger Volunteer Network.

Feeding the homeless at a shelter like St. Mungo's or teaching them job skills with the Big Issue show two types of service. Direct service comforts the pains from social problems, with activities such as food drives for the hungry. Conversely, social action addresses the core causes of those problems, by educating disadvantaged children, for example. Acting with these two feet of service is the mantra of the CSC service-learning seminars, and both bring out the thrill of being alive.

With our Notre Dame background, we will have the great power to directly comfort people like DJ or to be philanthropic greats like Gordon Roddick.

Recognize your divinity, for you are God's answer to someone's prayer. So, what will you do?

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"Service is the rent that you pay for room on this earth."

Shirley Chisholm
former U.S. Congresswoman

VIEWPOINT

Thursday, November 21, 2002

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Proposed ban on homosexual priests will create, not solve, problems for the Church

On Nov. 6, the Vatican press office released a statement acknowledging a new internal document that is being considered that, if passed, will attempt to exclude homosexual men from becoming priests. In its current form, the document states that seminaries should screen men with "homosexual tendencies" from joining.

Richard Friedman

A Skewed Perspective

Response to the document has varied widely, but I for one feel that fact that the document is even being considered is an insult to many Catholics. Not only does it falsely place blame for the Church's scandal on homosexual priests, but banning homosexuals from the priesthood will only serve to further alienate a population which has been repeatedly ostracized by the Catholic Church.

To begin, the idea of blaming the recent scandal on homosexual priests has little logical basis. Even though many of the children molested were boys, in-depth research has never found a link between homosexuality and pedophilia. Likewise, it has been shown that there is little correlation between an adult's sexual preference and the gender of his chosen victims. While pedophiles tend to chose victims of one gender, that

chosen gender seems to be linked to many outside variables much more than adult sexual preference.

As with almost all things in life, sexuality does not affect the way one acts. This is especially true of most things relating to the priesthood. For one thing, all priests are required to live celibately. Whether their secular relationship choices may have been of different genders, all priests — gay or straight — must give up those types of relationships as part of their vocation. How then does one's theoretical sexual preference make any sort of difference?

Along a similar line, I have also heard that gay men should not be priests because an integral part of the priesthood is the sacrifice of a wife and children, something that a gay man wouldn't have anyway.

This logic is also flawed, however, since while it is true that based on Church doctrine gay men should not be engaging in homosexual activities, celibate gay relationships are considered acceptable. In fact, several Catholic groups, such as Dignity, encourage just such a relationship. Giving up this possibility is just as much of a sacrifice for a gay man as giving up the possibility of a wife for a straight man.

Besides, this reasoning also reduces the priesthood to a matter of sexual sacrifice; whereas I would think that being a

good priest is a lot more about your personal relationship and calling with God than about what you have given up for it.

Secondly, the idea of banning gay priests is likely to backfire on many levels. In regards to the recent scandal, a ban on homosexuality will likely end honest discussion and communication about any sexuality, a situation that is likely to breed the type of hostile environment that leads to the kind of abuse that the church is trying to prevent. Instead of allowing seminarians and priests to deal openly with their sexuality and to come to healthy terms with it, they will instead be forced further into the closet. Instead of having emotionally healthy priests who have dealt with their sexuality, we will have people who are suffering in silence and unable to appropriately cope with their stresses and feelings.

But it is not only the gay priests who will be suffering because of this document. The Catholic Church does not have the best track record with homosexual members as it is, but this would likely cause a large rethinking on the part of many gay Catholics. In recent times the Church has seemingly made progress towards respecting and welcoming gay members, especially on the more localized levels. This document would basically negate all these recent efforts.

How could the Church continue to

preach that we should love our homosexual brothers and sisters while at the same time discriminate against them?

The recent scandals have caused a lot of controversies in the Catholic Church and have brought out a number of issues that need to be dealt with. The Catholic Church was caught off-guard, and now it is looking for a way out. Instead of accepting the blame for what has happened, the Church is instead trying to place it on others. This "step forward" they are proposing is really just the opposite.

Gay Catholics are already leaving the Church because of feelings that they are unwelcome and not understood. Falsely blaming homosexuals for an unrelated scandal and banning them from taking an active part in the religion will only further these feelings and cause more dissension. This document does nothing to solve the current issues or to even help them along; instead, it harms an already injured population and serves to skirt the Church's real responsibilities.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Arbitrary sanctions on Iraq exist only to control oil

I am deeply disturbed and offended by Dan Lindley's Nov. 18 letter concerning sanctions on Iraq. "Ills caused by sanctions don't make war wrong." Saddam Hussein did not choose sanctions. Instead, sanctions were imposed against Iraq in response to the invasion of Kuwait and were to be lifted upon the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from that country.

There have been no Iraqi troops occupying Kuwait for the last 11 years, but the sanctions have not been lifted. Instead, the criteria for lifting the sanctions was changed to require the destruction of Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.

By the mid 1990s, U.N. inspectors were reporting that task had been basically accomplished, despite Iraqi obstruction. Contrary to popular perception, the inspectors were not ordered out by the Iraqi government, but withdrawn by the U.N. to prepare the U.S. bombings of December 1998. Meanwhile, the criteria for lifting the sanctions had again been changed to require the elimination of Iraq's capability to build chemical and biological weapons. This requirement led the inspectors to burn biology text books — the very same sort

of books that many Notre Dame students will be purchasing at the Hammes Bookstore in preparation for next semester's biology classes.

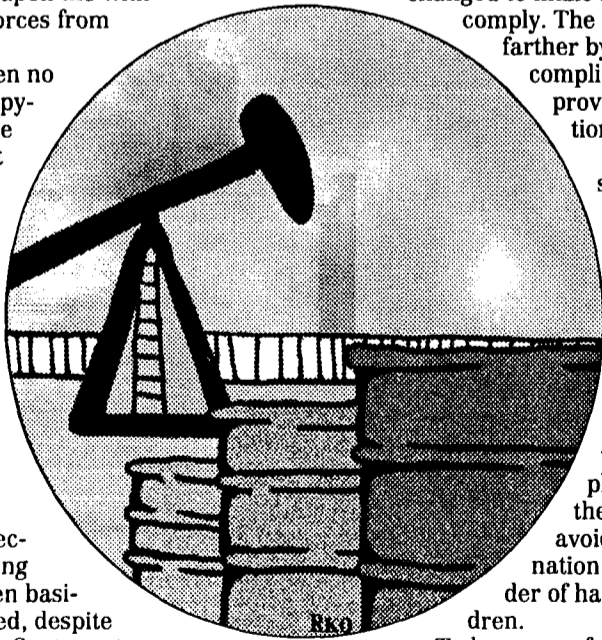
There is a pattern here. Every time Iraq has gotten close to fulfilling the requirements of lifting the sanctions, the criteria have been changed to make it impossible for Iraq to comply. The latest resolution goes even farther by demanding total Iraqi compliance without making any provision for lifting the sanctions at all.

Let's be honest. The sanctions are being manipulated by the West, and the United States in particular, to control the Iraqi oil supply and the economic power that goes with it. To claim that Saddam Hussein "chose" the sanctions is nothing more than a transparent attempt to place the United States on the moral high ground and avoid admitting that we as a nation are complicit in the murder of half a million innocent children.

To hear a professor of Notre Dame make the claim is deeply disappointing. This is one of the best Universities in the country. I think that we have a right to expect better from our professors.

John Wiens

webmaster
Robinson Community Learning Center
Nov. 19



Give the basketball team the support it deserves

As one of the few who actually went to the first two mens basketball games, I have been appalled by the abysmal student turnout. While I recognize that the early-season slate is not exactly filled with national title contenders, it is more than ridiculous that fewer than 500 students, of the more than 3,000 with tickets, managed to drag themselves away from their precious lab reports to cheer on their fellow students for the first two games.

Trying to gather guys from my dorm to go to the games, I have encountered mostly whiny pleas from people who claim to have "too much work." This is quite a tired excuse, and I assure you that the two hours of work you might miss at the game are not going to cause your GPA to plummet.

As anyone who looks at the pictures in the Joyce Center's display cases can see, there was a time not long ago when over half of Notre Dame's undergrads packed the Joyce Center and screamed for two hours, making it one of the toughest places in the country to play and allowing the Irish to pull off some stunning victories. The student tickets the administration allots us sold out quicker than ever this year, but this means nothing unless we actually go to the games.

As anyone who's followed us under Coach Mike Brey or attended the last two games knows, we have a talented, explosive and young team that is not far from becoming an elite squad. It needs our support to help make the Joyce Center a tough place to play again. So put down your books, gather your friends, realize life needs a little fun and go scream for the Irish for a couple of hours.

If 8,000 can rightfully pack the student section to watch our outstanding football team crush Rutgers, then there is no reason why 3,000 shouldn't pack the Joyce Center for every basketball game. We play at 9 p.m. Friday, leaving plenty of time for partying both before and after the game. Be there.

Steve Mattingly
sophomore
O'Neill Hall
Nov. 20

SCENE.

MOVIES

'Frida:' a bit too unconventional

"Frida," is a rigorously competent and compelling art house film that distills perhaps a bit too much of the unconventional life of Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. The true story chronicles the life of political, artistic and sexual revolutionary Frida (Salma Hayek) in beautiful, broad-brush strokes of narrative and color. In addition to being a great artist, Kahlo (1907-54) was a bisexual and a Communist struggling with an abusive husband, a life of wracking pain following a trolley accident, the amputation of a leg and finally, drug and alcohol abuse which killed her at age 47.



Anne Hamilton

Scene Movie Critic

The film follows her unconventional and often rocky relationship with her husband, Diego Rivera (Alfred Molina) who also served as her confidant, comrade, and mentor, as the pair took the art world by storm. From her complex and enduring relationship with Rivera to her controversial affair with Leon Trotsky (Geoffrey Rush), to her bisexuality, and her illuminating and visceral interpretations of her life, the film attempts to capture, and does with some success, the enigmatic force that was Frida Kahlo.

Director Julie Taymor's trademark surreal touches blend seamlessly into the biography of this Mexican painter and 20th century icon. The first is a nightmarish sequence of chattering skulls, which represent a part of Frida's consciousness immediately after her accident. They culminate in a scene wherein Taymor uses a clip from one of the old "King Kong" movies, replacing Rivera's face for the great ape's, and Frida's own for the damsel in distress.

The surrealism also helps to give a feel for the beauty and macabre of Frida's work. (After a miscarriage, Frida insists on painting her dead child.) It also allows for amazing transitions between canvas and film. Often in the film, Taymore takes Frida's original artwork and recreates the scene, using the same dress, background, hairstyle, lighting etc., and slowly, seamlessly, fades from the canvas to the scene, or vice versa. (It's an amazing, and startling, effect.)

The colors she chooses are also spectacular. My favorites are when Frida's peasant dress, green and magenta, is caught hanging out to dry just as it begins to snow on an afternoon in New York City, and also in a hotel in Paris, when Taymore chooses to color the stained-glass fixtures and canopy in the atrium, but leaves the people in sienna shades of light.

The most beautiful and terrible scene in the film is immediately after the accident wherein Frida lays motionless on the floor of the trolley, impaled from behind, bleeding, and covered with the gold dust spilt by a miner who was also a passenger in the crash.

Hayek and Molina both give good performances; however, neither has what it takes to fill the tall order each is presented with in playing Frida and

Rivera. Hayek comes off as being too sweet and too pretty (which Frida definitely was not), and Molina presents a Rivera who could be passed off for a Mexican Santa clause with a paintbrush. The acting in this film is by no means exceptional, but what it lacks in quality it makes up for in quantity of talented actors who appear on the screen.

Ashley Judd plays Tina Modotti, a famed Italian photographer, Antonio Banderas plays David Alfaro Siqueiros, an artist and Rivera's rival, and Edward Norton plays Nelson Rockefeller, who famously contracted Rivera to paint the lobby mural of Rockefeller Center, only to renege because it included a portrait of Lenin.

Others in their eclectic circle of friends included Russian leader and refugee Leon Trotsky (Rush) just before Stalin had him assassinated, muralist Jean Charlot, painter Pablo O'Higgins, composer Silvestre Revueltas, photographer Edward Weston, and briefly singer Josephine Baker, with whom Frida supposedly had an affair.

The cinematography and score are also well done. Rodrigo Prieto ("8 Mile," "Original Sin") does an excellent job with the lively colors of Mexico and the artwork in the film, as well as with the contrast between Frida's home and the cooler, grayer skies of New York and Paris.

Composer Elliot Goldenthal, student of both Copland and Corigliani, shrewdly sublimates his modernism in service of the rich, evocative music and songs of Mexico and Central America. Utilizing performers that range from the contemporary, to the folk-classic Goldenthal generously displays the breadth of Mexican folk music, while seamlessly infusing it with the minimalist corners of his own underscore.

Despite the film's beauty and competency, something is lacking in "Frida."

First, even though Frida Kahlo died at a relatively young age, Hayek doesn't age at all in this film. Her dewy skin and youthful optimism stay afresh throughout her lifetime. Also, the film does not succeed in fully capturing the essence of the main character, as other epics such as Richard Attenborough's "Gandhi" and



Photo provided by Miramax

Frida (Salma Hayek) and Diego Rivera (Alfred Molina) gaze intimately at one another in "Frida." Hayek and Molina starred in "Frida" along with Ashley Judd and Antonio Banderas.

"Frida"



Director: Julie Taymor
Writer: Clancy Segal
Starring: Salma Hayek, Alfred Molina, Ashley Judd and Antonio Banderas

"Chaplin" do. Frida was dark and mysterious, and although "Frida" is c a n d i d about her life, it is not c a n d i d enough or in the right way for this particular figure.

Hollywood succeeds too much in making her lovable and domesticated when Frida, as a bisexual alcoholic artist, was anything but. However, the film does seem to capture a bit of the Van Gogh-like madness she exhibited in her self-portraits (look for the one right after she has cut off her hair).

The film also does not address the unresolved issues surrounding her death, which many believe was caused by her own hand.

The real Frida may have been attractive, but she was by no means so in any conventional sense. Often painting herself in men's suits with her hair cropped, or bleeding from self-inflicted wounds, and always sporting her infamous brow, it is easy to confuse what is interesting about Frida for what is beautiful.

Taymor and the writers of this film, through the course of events in her life, try to crystallize Frida into an injured butterfly, when what she really seems to be is a night-winged creature.

Both sadistic and selfish, absorbed and alcoholic, pathetic and powerful, sharp and sensuous, Frida Kahlo is not a creature anyone can easily cast light upon, and while this film does an admirable job, it is no exception.

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Potter's 'Chamber' captures everything but the soul

By JACK WATKINS
Scene Movie Critic

Children, Harry Potter fans, and fantasy addicts will find much to love in "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets", but it might just not be worth it to anyone else.

Director Chris Columbus's follow-up to last year's hit "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" lacks the thrill and charm of the original, relying on the audience's supposed familiarity with the novels to keep interest high. The result is an oddly soulless movie that drags for much of the first half before the inherent strength of J.K. Rowling's story picks up the film and carries it through an exciting and special-effects filled climax.

The story is that Harry Potter (Daniel Radcliffe), upon returning to Hogwarts for his second year, encounters a plot to eliminate students of non-wizard heritage, including his friend Hermione Granger (Emma Watson).

In the novel, the nature of the plot gives us a glimpse into wizard politics and allows for some semi-serious discussion of issues of prejudice. Due to time constraints and

Columbus's apparent need to cram in every possible second of special effects, the movie omits these scenes, and the themes that give the book its meaning

are merely hinted at.

Beyond that, much of what was wondrous in the first "Potter" has lost its impact. In fact, the movie often seems formulaic.

Several scenes from the first film are repeated: Harry's obnoxious relatives, Quidditch, a trip into the dark forest, Harry cowering under his invisibility cloak, etc. The novels avoid this problem because the depth of the content is varied, even if there is a certain formula for its presentation, and because, after all, the nature of life at a school is formula. But it is simple truth that what is a non-intrusive formula in a 250-page novel is stifling in a two-and-a-half hour movie.

The actors, on the other hand, cannot be blamed. It is astonishing that a film that relies so heavily on young

actors can be so successful in doing so.

Radcliffe, Watson, Felton, and Rupert Grint, who plays Harry's friend Ron, all reprise their roles with great success. The returning adult actors do fairly well: Robbie Coltrane and Alan

Rickman (Hagrid and Snape, respectively) are again the standouts.

The additions to the adult cast also acquit themselves well. Jason Isaacs is

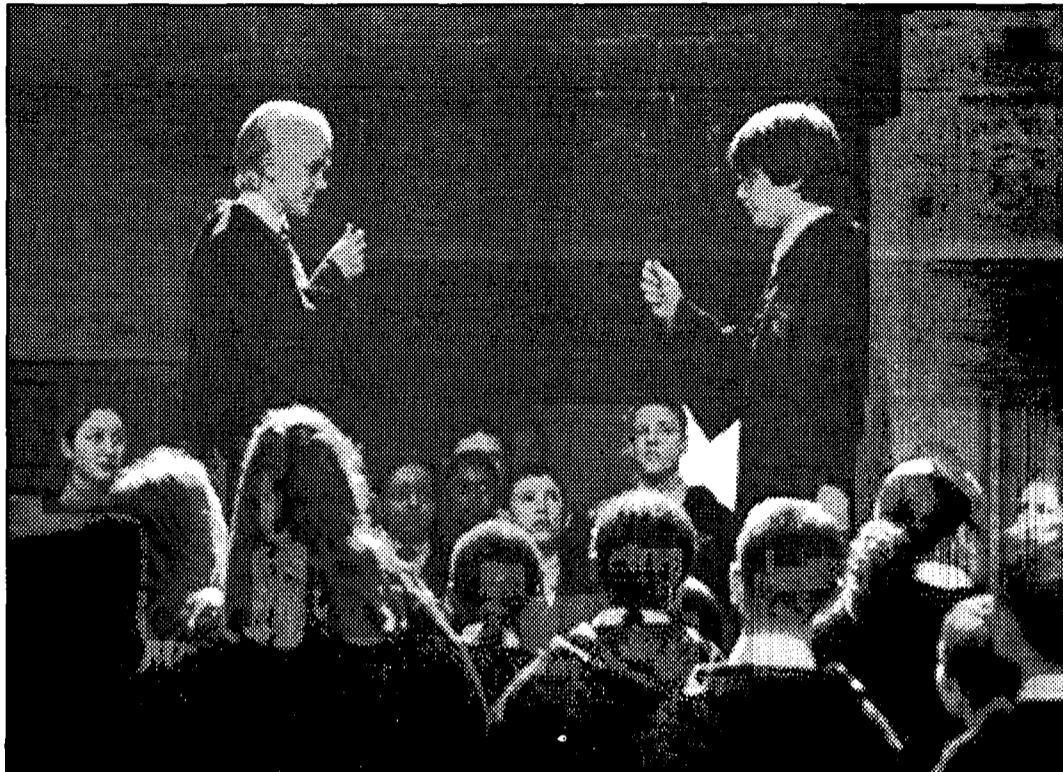


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Harry Potter (Daniel Radcliffe) challenges his schoolmate, Lucius Malfoy (Jason Isaacs) in "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets."

"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets"



Director: Chris Columbus
Writer: Steven Kloves
Starring: Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint

film. The second half of the movie recaptures the urgency and fun of the first film, and, of course, for Harry Potter fans, it's practically a must see. After all, the book's readers don't need to be drawn into Harry's world, or have the book's points of interest highlighted for them. But the average movie-goer looking for a fantastic adventure would probably do better to wait for "The Two Towers."

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'8 Mile' a crossover success for Eminem

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

Unlike other TRL darlings' jump from music to movies, Eminem's first foray onto the silver screen is surprisingly good.

The multi-platinum selling rapper has ruled the radio waves and spotlight for the last few years with his intense mix of provocative content and virtuoso talent as a rapper. Unlike the rest of the TRL gang that writes bubble gum pop that ambiguously applies to anybody with a pulse's life, Eminem has a certain honesty that, if questionable in his music, is verified on celluloid.

The purportedly semi-autobiographical film follows Jimmy Smith Jr. (Eminem), nicknamed "Bunny Rabbit," in his frustrated attempts to make it big in the rap and hip-hop industry. Born on the wrong side of 8 Mile, a geographical racial boundary in urban Detroit, Rabbit is a white man in a black man's world. After grueling hours at a bumper-stamping job during the day, Rabbit competes in "battles," a cross between a rap

contest and a poetry slam, at a local rap club called The Shelter by night.

After breaking up with his girlfriend, Rabbit crawls back to his troubled trailer home and even more troubled mother (Kim Bassinger). While Rabbit struggles with conflicting drives to leap into his dreams or conform to the harsh reality of his situation, he must balance loyalty to his family and friends with his opportunity to get at something better.

One slight failing of "8 Mile" is the fact that Eminem plays himself. Eminem never gets past the "I'm extremely dark and intense" stoic look the rapper has mastered. So the idea that Eminem is acting is not quite true, he's just acting like

Eminem.

And, as with the rapper's albums that exploit defining and redefining his political content, "8 Mile" throws a number of sucker punches into the film to soften Eminem's angry straight white-boy persona such as Rabbit's

undying affection for his younger sister and his rap-battle defense of a homosexual co-worker.

It is unfortunate that these cheesy plot devices need to be included in the script to make Rabbit seem to be a redeemable character. Homophobes

and misogynists that love their families are just homophobes and misogynists that love their families.

Director Curtis Hanson, rather than Eminem, is really what drives the success of this film. Of course, with other city-centric films under his belt such

"8 Mile"



Director: Curtis Hanson
Writer: Scott Silver
Starring: Eminem, Kim Bassinger, Brittany Murphy, and Mekhi Phifer

as the seedy side of '50 Los Angeles in 1997's "L.A. Confidential" and the sardonic depiction of Pittsburgh's academia in 2000's "Wonder Boys," getting the oppressive Rust Belt feel of urban Detroit is second nature to Hanson.

Despite any labels that can be applied to the underlying philosophy of the film, "8 Mile" makes a provocative point that is too often overlooked and not understood by pundits. There is more than one underprivileged class in the United States. While politicians fight like jackals for the urban black vote promising to end the racist system that keeps it segregated, nobody champions white trailer trash. In a society that truly has come to believe that white men are the source of all societal ills, impoverished white families can only be seen as being in their situation by a failing of their own.

"8 Mile" is a thoughtful look at race and class differences in the country. And though Eminem paints a picture that many do not want to see, he's got a point.

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NBA

Delk, Williams each score 21 to lead Celtics to victory

Associated Press

BOSTON

Tony Delk and Shammond Williams each scored 21 points to lead the Boston Celtics to a 96-79 victory over the New Jersey Nets on Wednesday night in a rematch of last season's Eastern Conference finals.

Delk went 6-for-7 from 3-point range, and Boston made 14-of-25 from the arc to snap a two-game losing streak. Paul Pierce had 18 points and 13 rebounds, and Antoine Walker added 16 points, but it was the first time this season that neither of them led Boston in scoring.

Jason Kidd scored 19 points and Dikembe Mutombo had 13 rebounds for the Nets, who scored just 14 points on 4-for-22 shooting while giving the game away in the third quarter.

Rodney Rogers, who played for Boston at the end of last year before leaving as a free agent, had 10 points and eight rebounds.

The teams did nothing to calm the budding rivalry that flourished in last year's playoffs, when the Nets bristled at Boston's behavior after their epic, 26-point collapse in Game 3. Taunts directed toward Kidd's wife and son by the Celtics fans brought emotions to the boiling point before the Nets won in six games and advanced to the NBA Finals.

Wednesday's rematch lacked the importance or the drama of that series, as the Celtics took a double-digit lead with a pair of 11-0 runs in the third quarter and never looked back.

The Celtics led 44-39 early in the third before scoring 11 consecutive points, getting a dunk from Tony Battie, two 3-pointers from Pierce and one from Delk. Later in the third, Boston turned a 60-48 lead into a 22-point game with another 11-0 run, punctuated by a break-away dunk by Williams with 5 seconds left in the quarter.

Williams was called for a technical foul — the fifth in the game — for hanging on the rim, and Kidd sank the free throw to make it 73-51 heading into the fourth. New Jersey cut it to 14 in the fourth on Kenyon Martin's three-point play, but

the Celtics would not reprise the Nets' unprecedented collapse in last year's playoffs.

San Antonio 95, LA Lakers 88

Stephen Jackson made eight straight 3-pointers and scored a career-high 28 points as the San Antonio Spurs rallied for a 95-88 triumph over the sputtering Los Angeles Lakers.

Jackson missed his first 3-point attempt but made his next eight shots from beyond the arc. The third-year forward eclipsed his previous career high of 25 points set against Atlanta on December 26, 2000.

Jackson kept the Spurs (8-4) in the game for the first three quarters and Tim Duncan stepped up when San Antonio needed it.

The Lakers held a 70-67 lead entering the fourth quarter, but Duncan, who had just six points through three periods, scored six of the Spurs' first eight points.

With Duncan and Jackson clicking, San Antonio opened the quarter with a 22-8 run and coasted thereafter. Jackson capped the spurt with a 3-pointer that made it 89-78 with 3:24 to go.

Lakers superstar Kobe Bryant criticized his teammates following a lackluster loss to Dallas on Tuesday. Again without star center Shaquille O'Neal, Los Angeles played hard but had little chance when Duncan joined Jackson on the offensive end.

Bryant scored 25 points but made just 8-of-25 shots.

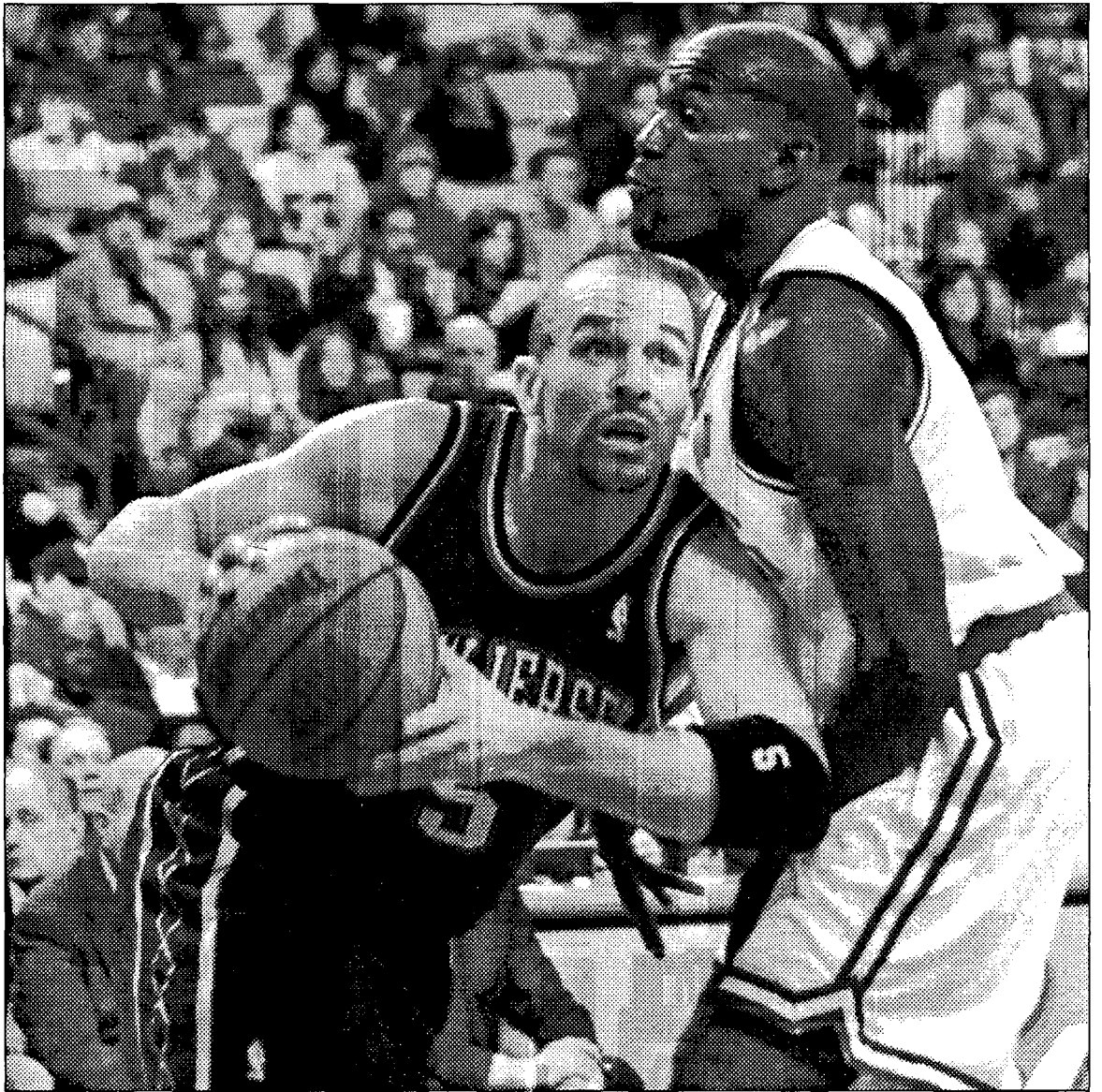
Indiana 97, Toronto 95

Al Harrington scored 16 of his 22 points in the second half as the Indiana Pacers matched their best start with a 97-95 victory over the Toronto Raptors on Wednesday night.

Jermaine O'Neal added 20 points for the Pacers, who are 9-1 and tied the team record set in the 1969-70 ABA season.

Indiana has won eight straight since losing at New Jersey on Nov. 1, and have the NBA's second-best record behind the undefeated Dallas Mavericks.

Voshon Lenard had 22 points, and Alvin Williams 21 for the short-handed Raptors, who have lost three straight.



REUTERS/Jim Bourg

Nets guard Jason Kidd drives into Celtics guard Tony Delk. Delk scored 21 points to lead Boston to a 96-79 win.

Harrington scored six straight points to give the Pacers an 88-85 lead with 5:04 remaining.

Morris Peterson tied it for Toronto with two free throws with 1:41 left, but Jamaal Tinsley made one of two free throws to give Indiana the lead.

Williams later stole a pass from Tinsley with 19 seconds left, but Antonio Davis missed a short jumper with 4 seconds remaining. Ron Artest grabbed the rebound, was fouled and made two free throws to give Indiana a 97-94 lead with 2.8 seconds left.

The Pacers then intentionally fouled Peterson, who made his first throw before the Raptors committed a lane violation to

seal the victory for the Pacers.

The Raptors, who dressed just nine players, signed guard Jermaine Jackson earlier in the day after being granted their second roster exemption this month by the NBA under a special hardship rule.

Vince Carter, sidelined with a strained left quadriceps tendon, isn't expected back for at least a week.

Detroit 79, Miami 68

Ben Wallace had 19 rebounds, a season-best 12 points and tied a franchise high with 10 blocks to lead the Detroit Pistons to a 79-68 victory over the Miami Heat on Wednesday night.

The triple-double was the second of Wallace's career, and he matched the team record for blocks, which he shared with Edgar Jones.

Chucky Atkins scored a season-best 21 points in place of the injured Chauncey Billups, and Cliff Robinson added 13 for the Pistons.

Eddie Jones scored 15 points, while Vladimir Stepania added 12 points and 13 rebounds for Miami, which failed to reach 70 points for the second time in three games.

The Pistons led 37-34 after a slow-paced first half. Detroit's lead could have bigger, but the Pistons missed eight of 12 free throws in the half.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Free agent Jim Thome talks with Chicago Cubs

Associated Press

CHICAGO
The Chicago Cubs treated free agent Jim Thome to lunch on Wednesday, hoping they can entice the first baseman to stick around for the next few years.

Thome, the most coveted slugger in this winter's free agent market, and his agent, Pat Rooney, met with general manager Jim Hendry at Wrigley Field. "It was a good visit," Hendry said. "I have known Jim a little bit before, and I know Pat Rooney real well. It was a pleasant lunch."

Thome, who grew up in Peoria, Ill., rooting for the Cubs, requested the meeting.

It's doubtful the Cubs will make a serious attempt at signing Thome, who is already mulling over offers from the Cleveland Indians and Philadelphia Phillies.

Chicago didn't pick up the option for first baseman Fred McGriff, but the club appears to be set on playing minor leaguer Hee Seop Choi next season.

So is signing Thome impossible?

"I would say right now you never say never, but we are very committed to making sure

that Hee Seop Choi gets a chance to play," Hendry said. "Pat may get back to me on some things, but Jim has a lot of things on his plate and I think it was just a matter of him wanting to express to me that this is one of the places that he really wanted to think about."

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Jim Hendry
Cubs' manager

Meanwhile, the Indians, who made Thome a four-year offer worth about \$45 million on Oct. 31, are eager for Thome to get back to them.

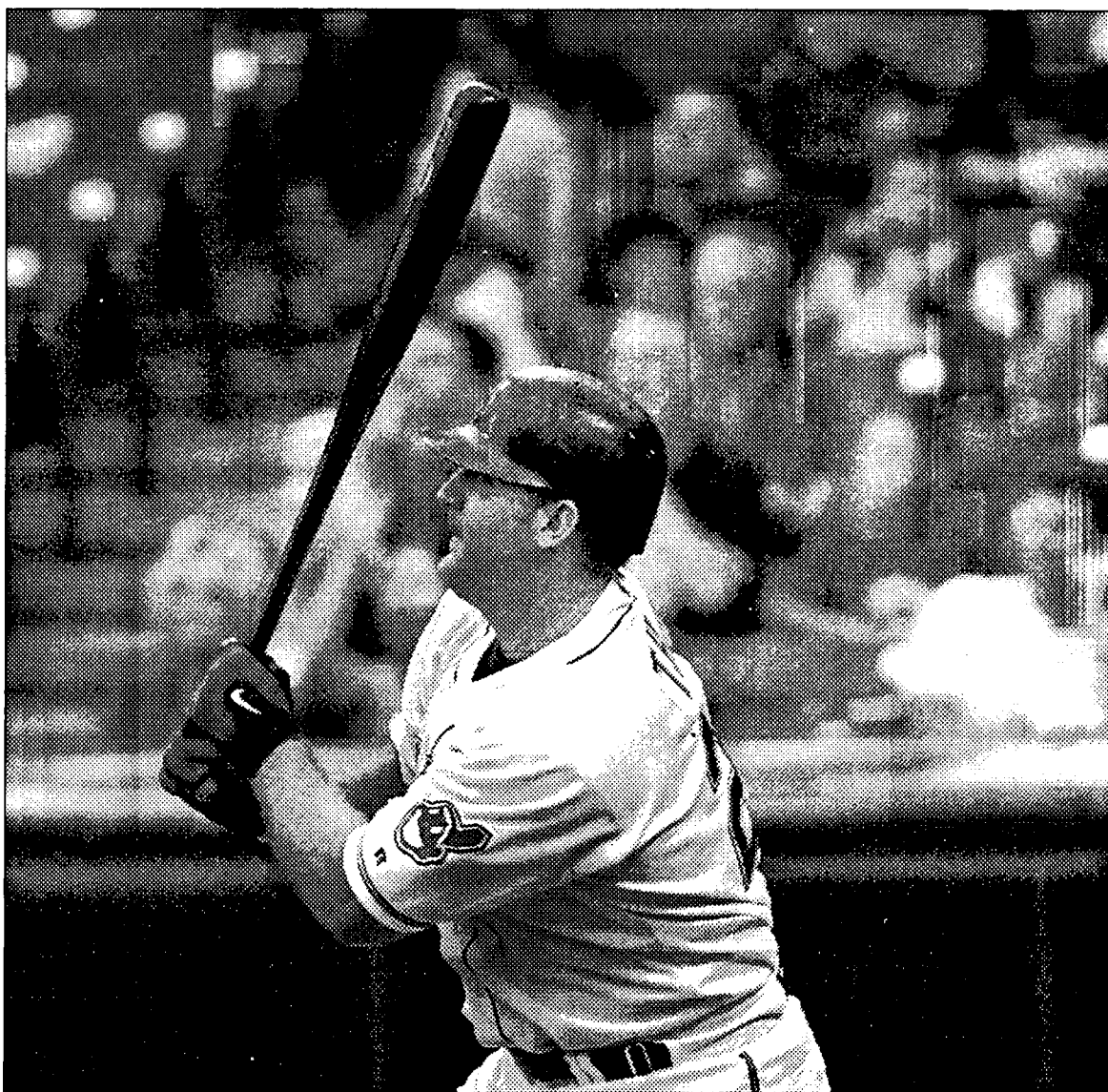
"We've been told we're going to get a last shot," Cleveland general manager Mark Shapiro said Wednesday. "We want to give them our last shot."

The Phillies have reportedly offered Thome a five-year, \$75 million package.

Chicago's hiring of manager Dusty Baker and Thome's state ties made the Cubs an option Thome wanted to consider. He's already chatted with Baker.

"I talked to Thome mostly about duck hunting and deer hunting," Baker said.

Hendry wouldn't speculate on whether Thome would be willing to accept less money to come to Chicago.



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Jim Thome hits a solo homerun for the Cleveland Indians in a previous game. Thome is currently a free agent and met with the Cubs' manager Wednesday

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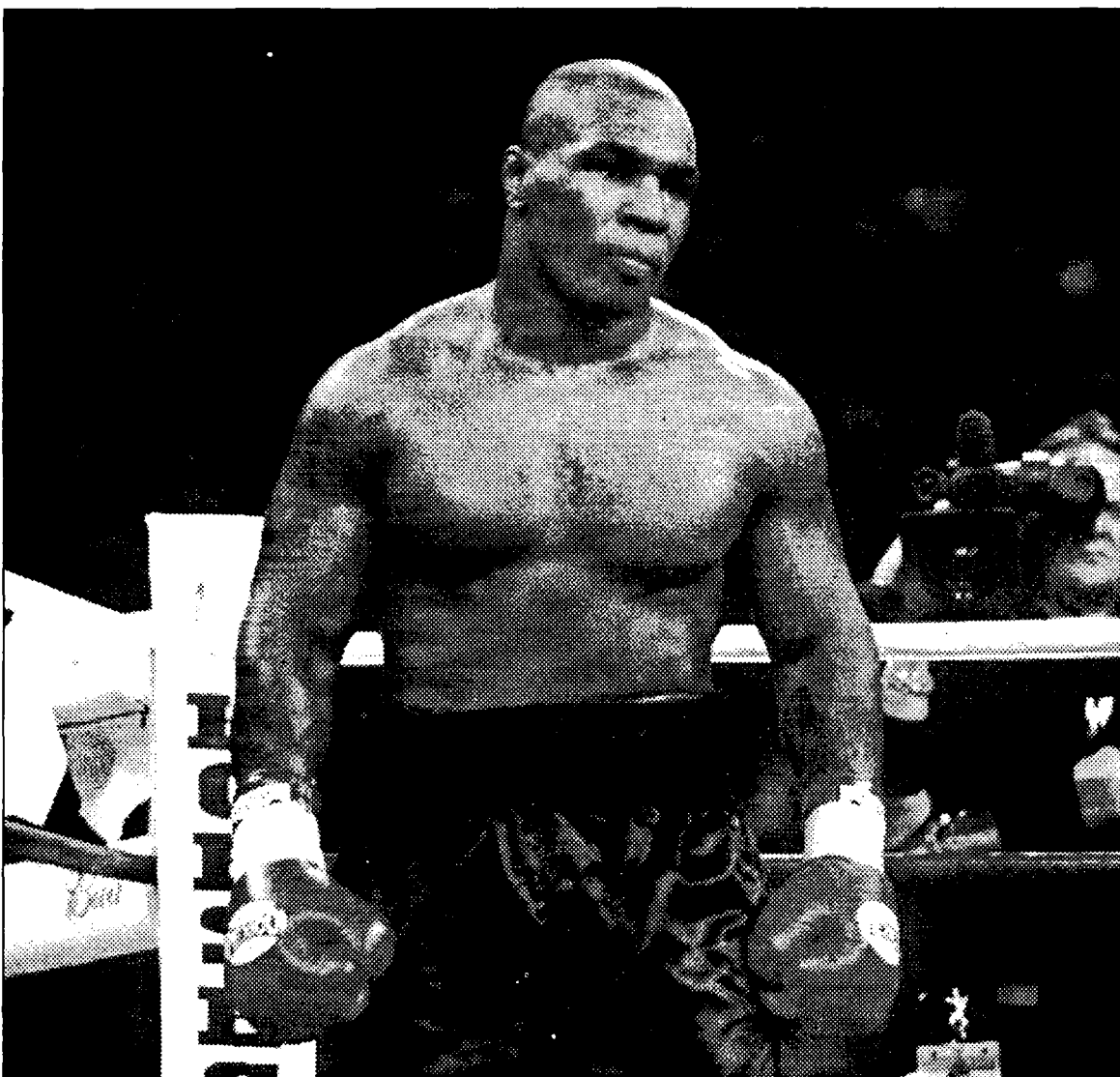
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BOXING

Tyson will face Etienne in the Pyramid arena



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Mike Tyson will return to Pyramid arena to fight Clifford Etienne on Feb. 22. Tyson fought Lennox Lewis in the same ring.

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS

Mike Tyson will begin his latest comeback in the same ring where he took a beating his last time out against Lennox Lewis.

Tyson will fight Clifford Etienne on Feb. 22 at the Pyramid arena in Memphis, Tenn., where Lewis stopped him in the eighth round of their heavyweight title fight.

"I guess they liked my show the last time," Tyson said Wednesday in confirming the fight.

Tyson's manager, Shelly Finkel, said a press conference would be held next Tuesday in Memphis to formally announce the fight.

Tyson hasn't fought since losing to Lewis on June 8 in a fight that drew a crowd of 15,327 and is generally considered the biggest sporting event in Memphis history.

He will likely have more success against Etienne (24-1-1), who was knocked down twice and managed a draw July 27 in his last fight against Francois Botha.

Tyson's fight with Lewis in Memphis was boxing's most lucrative ever, with ringside ticket prices of \$2,400 and pay-per-view sales trailing only the second fight between Tyson and Evander Holyfield.

Memphis got the bout only after Nevada boxing authorities refused to let Tyson fight in Las

Vegas, partly because of a melee he and Lewis were involved in at a January press conference announcing the fight.

The city got generally high marks for its first major championship fight, however, and it brought an estimated \$30 million into the economy as well as the attention of hundreds of journalists during the week of the bout.

Tyson was also pleased with the reception he got in Memphis, where he was a bigger attraction than Lewis for most fans in the days leading up to the bout.

The 35-year-old Tyson needs to look good against Etienne not only to get a rematch with Lewis but also to bolster his confidence that also took a beating against the heavyweight champion.

Sixteen years after he became the youngest heavyweight champion ever at the age of 20, Tyson was exposed by Lewis as an aging fighter with limited skills who can't intimidate anyone anymore.

Tyson had a rematch clause in his contract for the first fight, though both fighters were allowed to take a fight before meeting again.

Lewis has also not fought since beating Tyson, though he is expected to return to the ring in the spring to defend his WBC heavyweight title against No. 1 contender Vitaly Klitschko.

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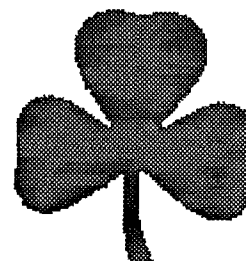
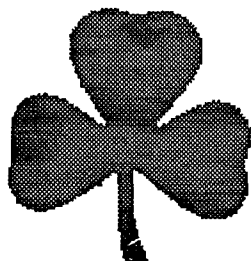
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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Clarett hopes to return to OSU lineup against Michigan

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio
Maurice Clarett promised to be in Ohio State's lineup against No. 12 Michigan. Whether the freshman running back will actually play Saturday is unknown.

Clarett has been struggling to recover from a shoulder injury that has limited his play in the last three games for the No. 2 Buckeyes.

Michigan coach Lloyd Carr was asked if he thought Clarett would play in Saturday's game against the No. 12 Wolverines.

"I'm too smart to expect that he won't," Carr said.

Before being injured, Clarett vaulted into contention for the Heisman Trophy by piling up almost 1,000 yards rushing and 15 touchdowns in seven games.

After last week's overtime victory against Illinois, Clarett made it clear what he thought of the Michigan game.

"I wouldn't care if I was 20 percent. You're going to see Maurice Clarett on the field (against Michigan)," he said.

Clarett also missed a game early in the season after arthroscopic knee surgery.

The freshman's shoulder injury is described as a stinger. In games against Penn State and Minnesota, Clarett played, but ran to the sideline with his left arm dangling after taking a hit on his shoulder.

Clarett was not among the

15 or so Buckeyes who met with reporters Monday. Ohio State's practices this week are closed to reporters.

Coach Jim Tressel described Clarett's status this week as similar to last week when doctors and trainers said he could be available to play.

"I can't promise you that he will," Tressel said.

Tressel said he expected Clarett to play — just as he expected him to play at Illinois.

"The trainers say that his strength is much better than it was a week ago," Tressel said. But, he added, the ultimate decision would come down to Ohio State's medical staff and Clarett himself.

After stringing together five consecutive games with more than 100 yards rushing, the shoulder injury has limited Clarett to 91 yards in the last four games.

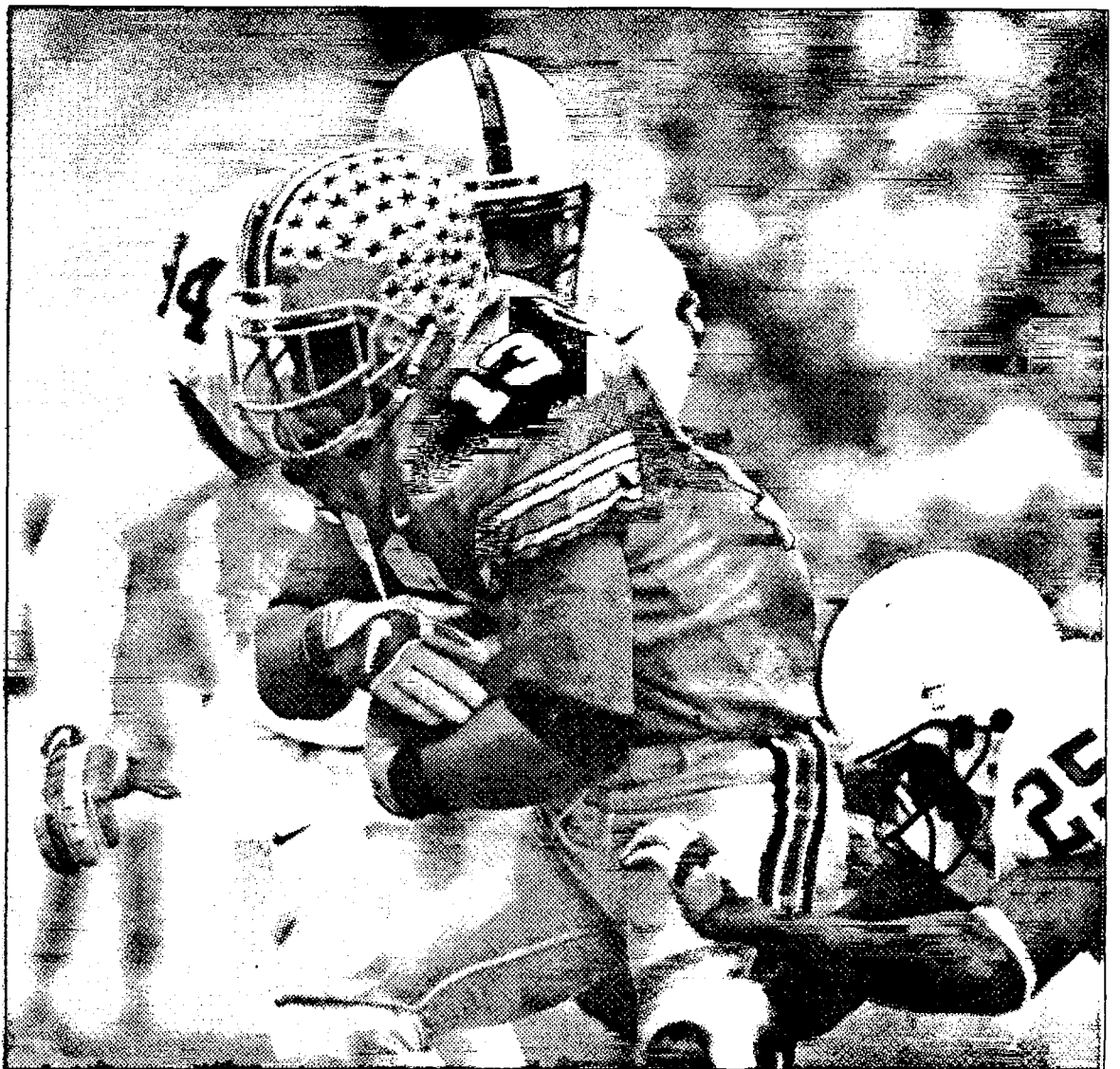
With 1,071 yards this season, he needs 56 yards to break Robert Smith's freshman rushing record.

Tressel believes Clarett will play because the Buckeyes will have plenty of time to recuperate before a bowl game.

"We've got six weeks," he said.

Clarett's status isn't a mystery to Michigan defensive tackle Shawn Lazarus.

"I think he's going to play," he said. "I think they want him to play. We'll just have to step up to that challenge."



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Ohio State's Maurice Clarett attempts to break through a tackle from Penn State's Darek Wake and Richard Gardner. Clarett hopes to return to the field against Michigan.

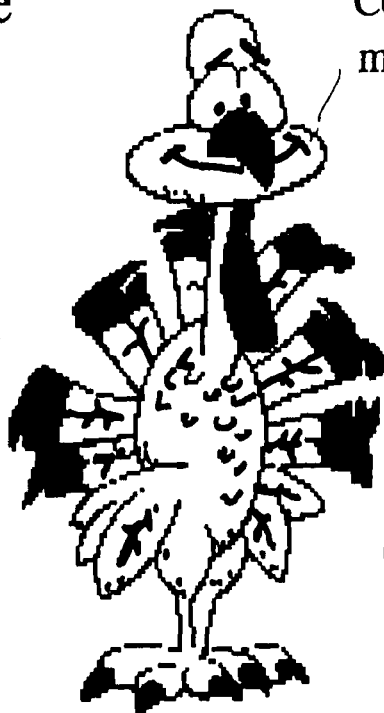
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HORSE RACING

Harn pleads guilty in \$3 million horse betting scam

Associated Press

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A computer programmer admitted in court Wednesday he was the inside man for a series of betting scams on horses that culminated with a \$3 million win from the Breeders' Cup last month.

He also implicated his two co-defendants, who were his fraternity brothers in college.

Chris Harn, 29, of Newark, Del., told a federal judge he used his job at Autotote, which handles most of the nation's racetrack and off-track betting, to manipulate bets during races.

In pleading guilty to fraud and money laundering conspiracies, Harn said he used one co-defendant's Off Track Betting account to place a Pick Six bet on the Oct. 26 Breeders' Cup "and later modified it so it would win."

The wager — six bets costing a total of \$1,152 — immediately drew the scrutiny of authorities because of its unusual nature. The \$3 million was not paid, and an investigation was launched.

On a Pick Six wager, bettors try to select the winners in six consecutive races, but they usually choose different combinations to increase their chances of winning. The suspicious bet picked the same combination six times, selecting the winners in the first four races and every horse in the last two.

Because of a routine delay in reporting bets to the Arlington racetrack near Chicago, Harn was able to change the wager after the first four races to make sure the bet had the four winning horses, which included two long shots. That guaranteed

winning tickets.

Now, all bettors who picked five of the six winners at the Breeders' Cup stand to earn more money. The racing commission in Illinois will determine how to redistribute the winnings.

Also Wednesday, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association announced that a consulting firm headed by former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani had been hired to review the industry's electronic wagering system.

"We have a great sport that is threatened by wrongdoing," NTRA commissioner Tim Smith said.

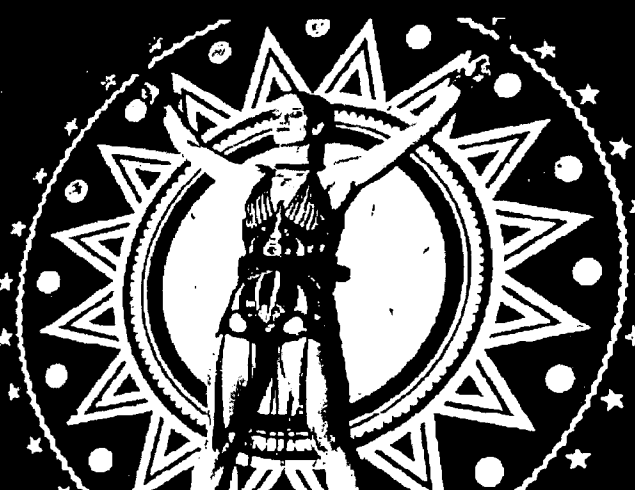
The NTRA has already introduced steps for improved security in electronic wagering at tracks nationwide.

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NFL

Faulk may return to St. Louis lineup this week

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Marshall Faulk may return to the St. Louis Rams lineup this week after missing the Chicago game Monday night with ankle and foot injuries.

Coach Mike Martz, who called off practice on Wednesday, said he was hopeful that Faulk would play Sunday in Washington. Faulk has a sprained right ankle and a strained tendon on the bottom of his left foot.

"I would imagine he'll be ready, but we can't say that for sure until we see him practice and he has a chance to test it," Martz said. "To draw any conclusions about where he is would be pretty hard right now."

Team trainer Jim Anderson said Faulk likely would be listed as questionable, just as he was last week. But Anderson said Faulk probably would practice on Thursday.

"He's feeling pretty good today," Anderson said. "He'll do some stuff in practice tomorrow and we'll just kind of judge him day to day from there."

Rookie Lamar Gordon, Faulk's backup, made his first career start against the Bears. Gordon carried 16 times for 45 yards and caught a 22-yard touchdown pass in the 21-16 victory.

Quarterback Marc Bulger won't practice until Friday because of a sprained right index finger, but the team expects him to be the backup

behind Kurt Warner on Sunday

Washington Redskins

Danny Wuerffel will start Sunday for the Washington Redskins, the fourth quarterback change of the season by coach Steve Spurrier.

Trying to reverse a two-game losing streak as well as mounting criticism from within his own team, Spurrier said Wednesday that Wuerffel will have a the opportunity to play the entire game against the St. Louis Rams.

"He's our quarterback, his game and away we go," said Spurrier, who cut short his post-practice remarks after several questions put him on the defensive.

Spurrier said he never seriously considered playing Wuerffel and rookie Patrick Ramsey for one half each, as he suggested Monday.

"We were just making conversation about the halves deal," Spurrier said.

Spurrier was noncommittal when asked if Wuerffel is now the regular starter.

"He's our quarterback. Let's just put it that way," the coach said.

The latest change comes after a 19-17 loss to the New York Giants, during which Shane Matthews completed 15 of 35 passes for just 113 yards. The Washington offense is ranked 26th in the NFL in total yards,

passing yards and points.

Wuerffel will be making his second start, having lasted one series before injuring his shoulder Oct. 6 at Tennessee.

"When you got a group of quarterbacks who, maybe there's not a lot of difference in how they play, to me you have to give them all a chance," Spurrier said. "Danny really has not had a chance this year."

"Hopefully this is not the way we're always going to be. You'd like to have a set team and go play, but we're just not all that set at some positions on offense."

In Spurrier's rookie season as an NFL coach, receivers have openly questioned his constant lineup shuffling, and running back Stephen Davis has been unhappy with the pass-happy play-calling. Davis had just 59 yards rushing on 19 carries against the Giants.

With the offense going nowhere, defensive tackle Daryl Gardener wondered Wednesday whether his unit would have to start posting shutouts to win.

"Defensively, when you look at it, we're not in bad shape," Gardener said. "But it looks like now we're going to have to start scoring on defense and keep the teams from scoring on us."

The criticism is indicative of a team with a 4-6 record and tenuous playoff hopes.

"It always happens when you lose," Spurrier said. "And let me tell you, it's not the first criticisms I've ever had, nor the last."

"You want us to run three and punt every time? When we can run the ball effectively or throw it, we try to do both. I know you all know a lot more about it than I do, a lot of people do, that's

OK. When you're not doing well, that's the remarks you're going to get."

Wuerffel had not taken a snap in an NFL regular-season game since 1999 and hadn't started one since 1998. Spurrier, his old college coach at Florida, traded for him in the offseason.

"I think Coach wants to give us all an opportunity to play and see what happens," Wuerffel said.

He relieved Matthews in the second half of the second and third games this season before starting against Tennessee. He was 8-for-14 for

82 yards with two interceptions and an abysmal rating of 34.5 on the season when he was hurt.

"I was frustrated and obviously would have liked things to go different," Wuerffel said. "If ever in your mind you write a script, that's not how you write it. But that's part of life."

Wuerffel resumed practicing last week, and he said he's "as healthy as he can be."

Spurrier has often cited Wuerffel's performance in exhibition games, when he had a 104.9 rating. However, most of his completions came against backups, and he struggled when he faced first-string defenses.

Ramsey will be the No. 2 quarterback this week.

Pittsburgh Steelers

Tommy Maddox went from a football game to an X-ray table, with a doctor hovering above him and asking the quarterback to squeeze his hand.

Dazed, confused, not knowing why he still wasn't playing the game or what had happened, the Pittsburgh Steelers' quarterback instinctively squeezed back.

"I heard them saying, 'All

right, we've got something going' — and that's when I got scared," Maddox said. "I realized I still wasn't moving my legs, and that was the tough part."

The easy part for Maddox came Wednesday. Three days after getting the scare of his life, he became a football player

"It's hard. You think about your kids, your wife. ... I just thank God it worked out the way it worked out."

Tommy Maddox
Pittsburgh quarterback

again. He rode an exercise bike, hugged his Steelers teammates, tossed a football casually, attended the daily

quarterbacks meeting and began plowing through a stack of 1,000 e-mails sent him by relieved and appreciative fans.

He has watched replays of the unremarkable hit by Titans linebacker Keith Bulluck that caused him to lose consciousness and his head to twist into the Tennessee turf, his arms and legs instantly going numb.

He remembers none of it — his face mask being cut off, both teams praying for him, the ride in the ambulance — until waking up in Nashville's Baptist Hospital and realizing he couldn't move anything.

"That's when it started bothering me a little bit," he said. "It's hard. You think about your kids, your wife. ... I just thank God it's worked out the way it worked out."

At one point on that Sunday night he doesn't fully remember but will never forget, Maddox was told Titans quarterback Steve McNair was there to see him — and Titans running back Eddie George came into the room instead.

"Then I knew I was really knocked out," Maddox said, smiling.

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GOLF

Woods annoyed at call to stand against sexism

Associated Press

MIYAZAKI, Japan Tiger Woods is becoming annoyed by the calls for him to skip next year's Masters because of the all-male membership at Augusta National Golf Club.

"It's frustrating because I'm the only player they are asking," Woods said Wednesday, two days after a New York Times editorial urged him to skip the Masters as a gesture against sexism.

"They're asking me to give up an opportunity no one has ever had — winning the Masters three years in a row," said Woods, who was in Japan for this week's Dunlop Phoenix.

No one has boycotted the Masters before, he added.

Woods has repeatedly said he thinks women should be allowed to join the club, but that he is an honorary member and doesn't have voting rights on membership.

Woods also said Wednesday he is getting tired of having to repeatedly address the issue.

"A tournament without Mr. Woods would send a powerful message that discrimination isn't good for the golfing business," the New York Times editorial said.

Augusta National declined comment.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who says his Rainbow/PUSH Coalition will organize protests at the Masters if a woman is not a member by April, called the Times editorial "unfair and inconsistent" for singling out Woods.

BOXING

Vargas sentenced for steroids

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS

Fernando Vargas went before Nevada boxing authorities Wednesday prepared to take his punishment for using steroids. He just didn't expect so much of it.

Despite putting himself at the mercy of the Nevada Athletic Commission, Vargas was suspended for nine months and fined \$100,000 for testing positive for steroids following his Sept. 14 knockout loss to Oscar De La Hoya.

Though the suspension was retroactive to the De La Hoya fight, it means Vargas cannot fight until June 15 and will miss a proposed April comeback fight that was to be televised on network TV.

"We like Mr. Vargas but we feel like this is the right thing to do," commission Chairman Luther Mack said.

Vargas spent two hours in front of the commission, telling them he would take responsibility for the positive test, but that he never knowingly used steroids while preparing to meet De La Hoya for the 154-pound title.

"I live and die in that ring. I don't want people to ever feel I needed something like this," Vargas said.

Commissioners appeared to believe the steroid use was inadvertent, but still voted 4-1 to penalize Vargas and send a message that steroids won't be tolerated. It was believed to be the first time a boxer has been suspended for steroid use, although Francois Botha was stripped

of his IBF heavyweight title in 1995 for testing positive in Germany.

"I'm a man. I take full responsibility," Vargas said. "The only thing is the layoff is definitely going to be hard."

Vargas said he had hired a nutritionist in the weeks before the fight to help him lose weight and make the 154-pound limit, and took a number of different nutritional supplements and vitamins given to him without questioning them.

He said he had never felt or looked so good before a fight, but had attributed it to the fact he had trained hard and maintained good nutritional habits.

Vargas said he went to three different clinics to give a urine sample after being taken to the hospital after the fight, and was shocked when he got a phone call while vacationing in Hawaii two weeks later that he had tested positive. Nevada just this year began testing for steroids.

The urine test revealed the steroid stanozolol, the same drug that cost sprinter Ben Johnson his gold medal and world record in the 100 meters at the 1988 Olympics.

"I obviously knew I was going to be tested for steroids," Vargas said. "I went out of my way after the hospital to look for a clinic."

Though Vargas and his attorney, Pat English, never came out and blamed the camp nutritionist for giving him steroids, they made it clear the nutritionist had been fired and that any future employees would have their backgrounds scrutinized much more.

"I don't place blame on anyone except myself," Vargas said. "At the end of the day I'm the captain of my ship."

"I live and die in that ring. I don't want people to ever feel I needed something like this."

**Fernando Vargas
Boxer**

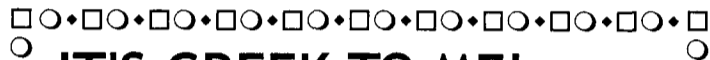
Vargas, who appeared well over the 154-pound weight class where he won two world championships, appeared in a suit and tie and brought his fiance and two young sons to the hearing in a cramped conference room.

Mike Tyson also showed up to watch the proceedings and offer moral support to his friend and fellow fighter.

"It was an innocent mistake. He's just naive," Tyson said afterward. "Hopefully he'll grow from this."

Vargas and English did not contest the steroid test result, and said they tracked it down to a liquid supplement called Decavar that Vargas was taking. Someone in the training camp, they said, apparently added the steroids to the supplement.

Vargas said he wasn't even aware that steroids could be taken orally. He said he thought they had to be administered by a needle.



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Womens College Basketball ESPN/USA Today poll

team	record	points
1 Duke (25)	0-0	971
2 Tennessee (11)	1-0	965
3 Kansas State	2-0	843
4 LSU	0-0	816
5 Connecticut (4)	0-0	786
6 Stanford	0-0	783
7 Purdue	0-0	671
8 Vanderbilt	0-0	634
9 Georgia	0-0	599
10 Louisiana Tech	1-0	586
11 Texas	0-0	547
12 NOTRE DAME	0-0	532
13 Texas Tech	0-1	619
14 Penn State	2-0	489
15 North Carolina	0-0	429
16 Arkansas	0-0	32
17 Minnesota	0-0	286
18 Iowa State	0-0	200
19 TCU	0-0	198
20 Boston College	0-0	186
21 Cincinnati	0-0	176
22 Old Dominion	0-0	163
23 Mississippi St.	1-1	148
24 Colorado State	1-1	120
25 Oklahoma	0-1	112

Mens College Basketball ESPN/USA Today poll

team	record	points
1 Arizona (27)	0-0	770
2 Kansas (3)	0-0	740
3 Oklahoma (1)	0-1	680
4 Pittsburgh	0-0	613
5 Texas	1-0	583
6 Duke	0-0	574
7 Florida	0-0	554
8 Alabama	1-0	494
9 Oregon	0-0	475
10 Michigan State	0-0	439
11 Xavier	0-0	386
12 UCLA	0-0	322
13 Mississippi St.	0-0	321
14 Connecticut	0-0	314
15 Maryland	0-0	285
16 Georgia	0-1	269
17 Kentucky	0-0	262
18 Missouri	0-0	221
19 Marquette	1-0	215
20 Cincinnati	0-0	168
21 Indiana	0-0	167
22 Gonzaga	0-0	163
23 Western Kentucky	0-0	151
24 Minnesota	0-0	86
25 Illinois	0-0	83

Eye on Irish Opponents

Saturday

MARYLAND at Virginia
Indiana at PURDUE
MICHIGAN at Ohio State
MICHIGAN STATE at Penn State
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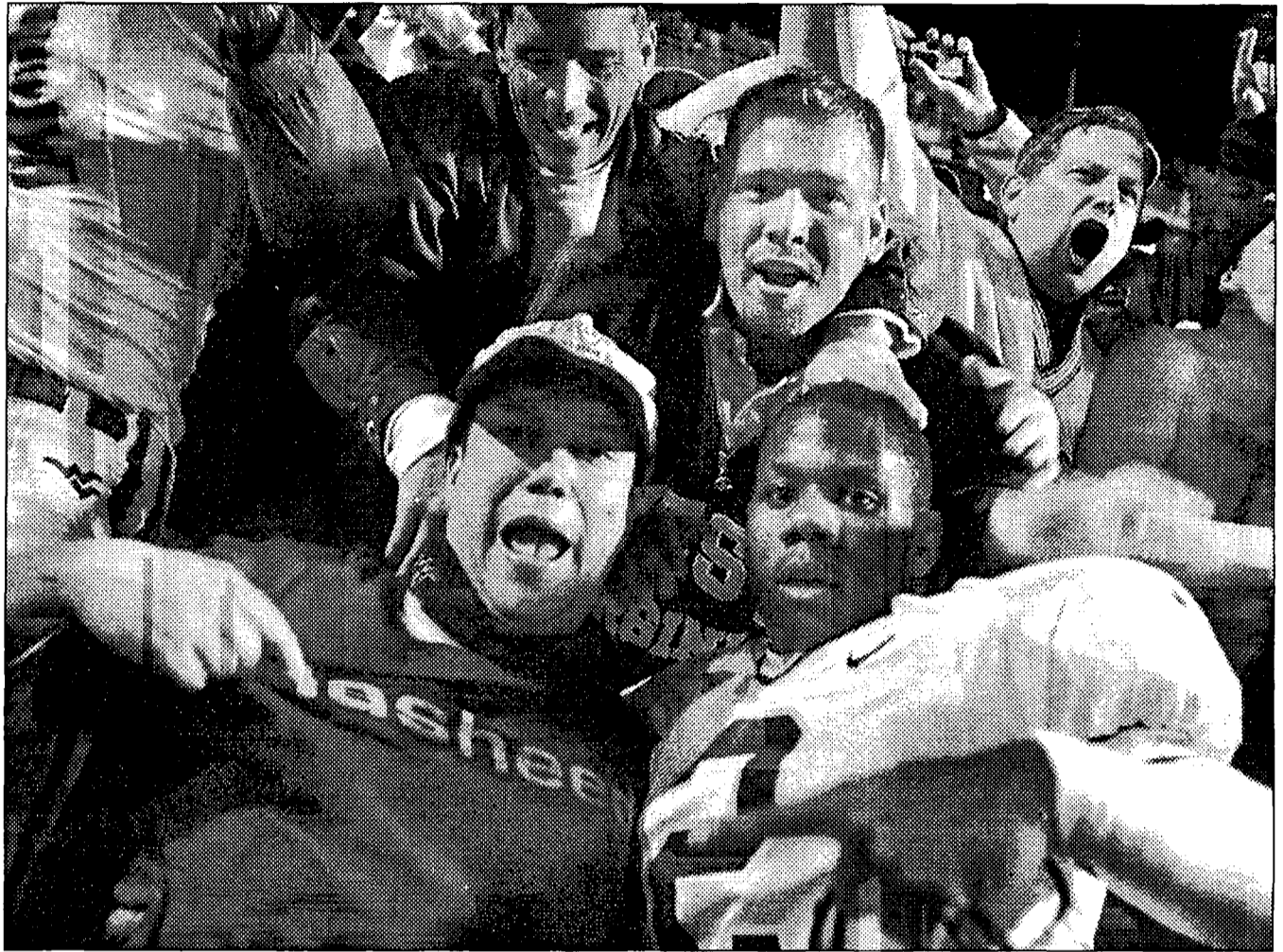
NBA BASKETBALL

Rockets at Mavericks 7:30 p.m., TNT

NHL HOCKEY

Sharks at Flyers 7:30 p.m., ESPN2

COLLEGE FOOTBALL



Courtesy of The Athenaeum

West Virginia fans and quarterback Rasheed Marshall celebrate the Mountaineers' 21-18 victory over the Virginia Tech Hokies. Wednesday's loss was the third straight for Virginia Tech.

West Virginia pulls off Virginia Tech upset

Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. West Virginia's Brian King intercepted Bryan Randall's pass in the end zone with 12 seconds left as the Mountaineers defeated Virginia Tech (No. 12 ESPN/USA Today, No. 13 AP) 21-18 Wednesday night.

Tech coach Frank Beamer surely will be questioned about calling two straight passes into the end zone when the Hokies already were well in range for the game-tying field goal.

Before that, the Mountaineers (8-3, 5-1 Big East) stopped Virginia Tech (8-3, 3-3) on three consecu-

tive rushes from inside the 1 yard-line with under five minutes remaining, and barley hung on.

West Virginia's play-it-safe strategy following the defensive stops nearly backfired. After gaining only 2 yards on three straight rushes, Mark Fazzolari stepped out of the end zone for a safety with 2:30 remaining, closing the deficit from five points to three.

But then Todd James' free kick went out of bounds, giving the Hokies the ball at midfield with 2:26 left. Randall guided his team to the 11, and Tech seemed content to run down the clock and kick the field goal on

third down.

Randall's first pass was low and incomplete, but King stepped in front of the next pass, sealing Tech's third straight loss after an 8-0 start.

Like Pittsburgh and Syracuse before it, West Virginia had no trouble running the ball against a defense once ranked as the nation's stingiest, getting 125 yards on 11 carries from Quincy Wilson and 263 yards rushing overall.

Wilson's big night included a 42-yard run for the Mountaineers' final touchdown, a play on which he ran untouched through a huge hole.

Virginia Tech (8-3, 3-3) lost its third in a row for the first time since 1992, allowing an average of 246 yards per game on the ground in the stretch.

Wilson, who set up West Virginia's first touchdown with runs of 24 and 27 yards on consecutive plays, gave West Virginia a 21-10 lead with his big run, and then the Mountaineers held on against a late rally.

Virginia Tech responded immediately to the touchdown, driving 69 yards in seven plays with Randall's 6-yard touchdown pass to Keith Willis. Randall tried a 2-point conversion pass, but it was intercepted in the end zone.

IN BRIEF

Tarheels improve record

North Carolina's early season confidence builder meant a berth in the semifinals of the Preseason NIT.

Rashad McCants scored eight of his 18 points over the final 6:25 and North Carolina rallied for a 71-67 victory over Rutgers on Wednesday night to improve to 12-2 all-time in the tournament.

The Tar Heels, despite 20 turnovers, are off to a 2-0 start off last season's worst-ever 8-20 record and now head to Madison Square Garden in New York. On Nov. 27, North Carolina will face the winner of Friday night's second-round game between N.C.-Greensboro and No. 2 Kansas.

"I'm so proud of my young team, the poise they showed when they could have easily folded," Doherty said. "They are fighters and they hung in there and hung in there and hung in there and made plays — in spite of ourselves at times. It's nice to gut it out."

Rutgers (1-1) led 59-48 with 7:26

left, but fell apart down the stretch against a North Carolina lineup of three freshmen and two sophomores.

"I told the team at one point that Carolina is known for comebacks," Doherty said as the Tar Heels closed with a 23-8 run. "This may not rate as one of the best comebacks in Carolina history, but it's the best comeback for this team."

Sabres get new owner

Buffalo businessman Mark Hamister has been chosen by the NHL to purchase the financially troubled Buffalo Sabres.

"I am proud to have been selected by the parties to move forward to conclude the purchase of the Buffalo Sabres," Hamister said Thursday.

A news conference was scheduled for Thursday afternoon at Hamister's office.

Hamister beat out Rochester billionaire B. Thomas Golisano in bidding for the team.

"After narrowing the bid process, it

was determined that the terms of the Hamister bid should be accepted," NHL commissioner Gary Bettman said. "We will work with Mr. Hamister to conclude the transaction as quickly as possible."

Bettman said the closing should take place in the first quarter of 2003.

The proposed transaction is conditional, and approval by the NHL Board of Governors is required.

Hamister owns the Arena Football League's Buffalo Destroyers, and is chairman of National Health Care. He was the first to submit a bid to the NHL last month, and is backed by Todd Berman, president and founder of Chartwell Investments, a private equity group.

"News like this gives us an extra boost," Sabres general manager Darcy Regier. "I think just the knowing: Number one, that the team is staying in Buffalo — that's the most important thing for this community — and number two, there's going to be strong ownership."

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10:30 p.m.
St. Edward's Hall

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wednesday

Graduate Student Christian Fellowship

8:00 p.m.
Wilson Commons

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Restoring Trust: Perspectives after Dallas

The Place Where the Church Does its Thinking

■ by **Fr. Richard Warner, c.s.c.**
Director of Campus Ministry

Holy Cross Father Ted Hesburgh, who served as president of Notre Dame from 1952 until 1987, often referred to Notre Dame as "the place where the Church does its thinking." If that was true fifteen years ago, and it was, it is all the more so today. Three recent events underscore this unique and important service of the University to the bishops of the Catholic Church during a time of great difficulty and challenge.

Last March, Father Malloy appointed a fifteen person committee comprised of members of the administration and faculty, to help the bishops prepare for their meeting in Dallas, when they would attempt to address the scandal caused by the infidelity of 350 priests who were charged with sexually abusing minors ten or fifteen to fifty years ago, and some bishops and religious superiors who reassigned these men to other parishes, often without advising the new pastors or faithful of their past offences. This meant that some of these priests were able to continue to take advantage of children entrusted to their care.

The bishops did meet in 1993 and developed a policy regarding this issue in a document entitled "Restoring Trust". Since that date, very few accusations of sexual misconduct by priests has been dramatically reduced. But the actions and practices that took place prior to 1993, exploded in the media about one year ago, and has been a topic covered continuously since then.

The Committee Father Malloy appointed, referred to as the "Church Study Committee", began meeting in March to prepare a report which would be distributed to the bishops prior to their June 2002 meeting in Dallas, as Father Malloy had requested. Countless hours of work were dedicated to this task by the Committee.

The bishops present were somewhat spellbound as they listened to one expert after another, most of them members of the Notre Dame faculty. The opportunity to be exposed to these great teachers and scholars, which I suspect we take too often for granted, was a rare privilege for them. They experienced liturgies which moved them, and hospitality which overwhelmed them. For them, it was obvious that Notre Dame was still "the place where the Church does its thinking."

Notre Dame faculty. Their areas of expertise included history, law, Canon Law, psychology, theology and philosophy, among others. The opportunity to be exposed to these great teachers and scholars, which I suspect we take too often for granted, was a rare privilege for them. As one presenter after another took to the podium, the bishops present continually commented on the richness of the experience. They lamented the fact that too many of their fellow bishops were not present and should have been. They experienced liturgies which moved them, and hospitality which overwhelmed them. For them, it was obvious that Notre Dame was still "the place where the Church does its thinking."

Last Wednesday, Father Malloy, Professor John Cavadini and I, along with others, hosted a reception Notre Dame offered for the bishops as they finished their three days of meetings in Washington which basically confirmed the decisions they made in Dallas, adding safeguards to provide due process for accused priests. Over 125 bishops attended the reception. Many commented on how important the role Notre Dame plays in the life of the Church in the U.S. is for them and for so many others. Some expressed their admiration for the rich gift to Catholic life that Notre Dame represents. Others suggested additional ways Notre Dame might serve the Church during the current crisis and in many other future ways as well. All expressed their gratitude for what was and will continue to be offered them and others by the University.

It is important for all of us to catch at least this brief glimpse of how essential it is for the Catholic Church in particular, including its bishops, to have such a rich resource at their disposal.

Notre Dame is truly the place where the Church does its thinking. That was true during the 35 years of Father Hesburgh's administration; it is true today in spades under Father Malloy's guidance.

Christ The
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Mass Schedule

■ **Basilica of the Sacred Heart**

Saturday, November 23

30 minutes after the game

Rev. David E. Schlaver, c.s.c.

45 minutes after the game (Stepan)

Rev. Thomas W. Smith, c.s.c.

Sunday, November 24

8:00 a.m.

Rev. Thomas W. Smith, c.s.c.

10:00 a.m.

Rev. Thomas W. Smith, c.s.c.

11:45 a.m.

Rev. David E. Schlaver, c.s.c.

■ **Around Campus**

Sunday, November 24

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

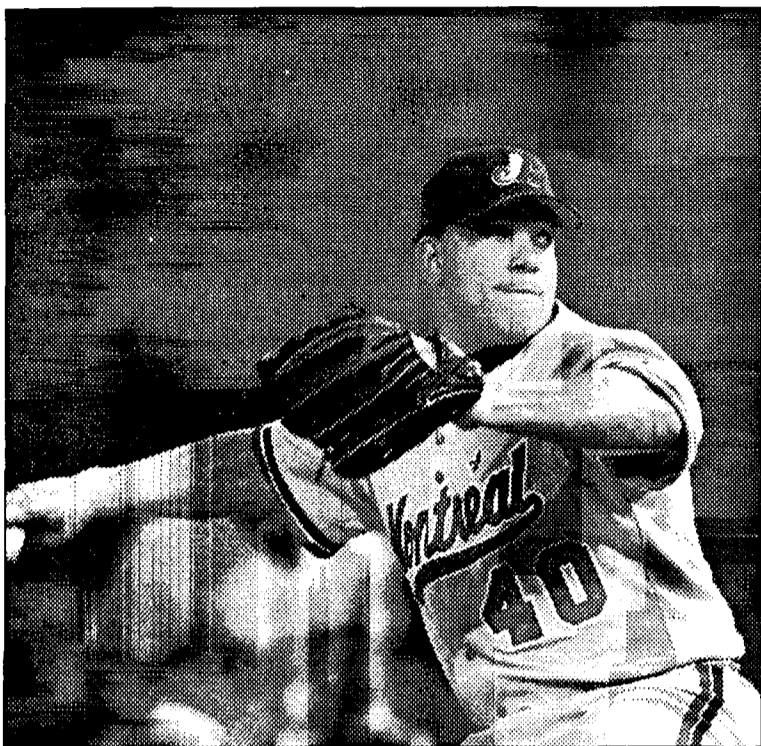


■ **Sunday's Scripture Readings** 1st Rdg Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 2nd Rdg 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 Gospel Mt 25:31-46

CONSIDERATIONS...

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Montreal Expos will play part of season in Puerto Rico



Montreal's Bartolo Colon pitches in a previous game this season. Colon and the Expos will play 22 games in Puerto Rico.

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas

The Montreal Expos will play 22 of their 81 home games in Puerto Rico next year, and the Oakland Athletics and Seattle Mariners will start the season with the major leagues' second opening in Japan.

Expos president Tony Tavares said that with the guaranteed income from the games in San Juan, his team will not have to conduct a "fire sale" of players such as Vladimir Guerrero and Bartolo Colon. Still, he did not reveal the Expos' planned payroll. As baseball owners ended their meeting Wednesday, commissioner Bud Selig also formed a committee to determine the long-term fate of the Expos, who were purchased from Jeffrey Loria earlier this year, and formed a marketing task force to examine how baseball attracts fans. He also said he will present ideas to owners in January on the All-Star game, which ended in a tie last July when the teams ran out of pitchers.

Baseball announced that the Expos would play three home-stands at Hiram Bithorn Stadium in San Juan without identifying specific opponents, but the hoped-for schedule was revealed by several baseball officials spoke who on the condition of anonymity.

Subject to negotiations with the players' association, the Expos would play a 10-game homestand in San Juan in April, with games against the New York Mets (April 11-14), Atlanta (April 15-17) and

Cincinnati (April 18-20).

The second homestand would include the World Series champion Anaheim Angels (June 3-5) and Texas (June 6-8), and the last would have Florida (Sept. 5-7) and the Chicago Cubs (Sept. 9-11).

"It doesn't affect me where we play," Expos manager Frank Robinson said Tuesday

after agreeing to come back for a second season in Montreal. "It will be great to play in front of the people down here. They're great fans. I spent nine years down there managing in winter ball."

San Juan was the host for its first regular-season game in 2001, the season opener between Texas and Toronto.

The Expos have been at or near the bottom in attendance in recent years at Olympic Stadium in Montreal, and the commissioner's office wants to cut losses.

Montreal drew just 812,000 fans to its home games this year, and baseball isn't ready to decide on a permanent move. The games in San Juan are seen as a method to increase revenue.

"Puerto Rico will help a lot because you are collecting U.S. dollars and certain dollars, if you will, because there are guarantees involved," Tavares said.

Baseball has asked Puerto Rican organizers to guarantee

revenue from the games on the Caribbean island.

"We went there last year to open the season. It was terrific," Rangers owner Tom Hicks said. "We're totally open to it."

The players' association had argued for two homestands in San Juan instead of three, seeking to minimize dislocation. The union, which must approve the games, wants baseball to pay for families to join players on the shifted homestands and also wants additional meal money.

"This is going to require some discussion with us. This is not a done deal," Gene Orza, the union's No. 2 official, said shortly before the announcement.

Baseball officials hope to have a permanent solution for 2004, and probably will hold a bidding process. Charlotte, N.C., Portland, Ore., and Washington, D.C., are among the possible contenders. Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief operating officer, hopes to have a decision by midsummer.

The games between the A's and Mariners at the Tokyo Dome also require the union's approval. They are scheduled for March 25 and 26 — nearly a week ahead of most teams, who open March 31. The New York Mets and Chicago Cubs played the first regular-season games in Japan, opening the 2000 season with a two-game series at the Tokyo Dome.

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making friends and going out. I started to be myself again."

Tancredi is quick to give credit to assistant coach Amy Edwards for helping her recover from the injury and redevelop her soccer skills.

"I remember going out to practice early and having Amy Edwards re-teach me how to strike a ball. Not fun, nor easy. The coaches did their best to keep me incorporated, but being so hard on myself I was not going to be happy until I could prove to them what I could do on the field."

After a year of arduous rehab, it still took Tancredi some time to establish herself alongside fellow forwards Amy Warner and Amanda Guertin. Throughout her sophomore year, she suffered from a variety of nagging injuries that limited her ability on the field.

"It took me a while to get used to their styles of play and our system on offense, but they really helped me become a better soccer player. As the season went along, I grew more confident."

Coming into this season fully healthy for the first time in her career, Tancredi expected to have a breakout season on offense, but she has experienced a breakout season on defense instead. With a modest record of 7-6 and injuries to starters Gudrun Gunnarsdottir and Vanessa Pruzinsky, Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum desperately needed someone with the right mentality to solidify his struggling defense.

"Last year the coaches hinted at it, but I was terrified of being a defender. This year when Gunna and Vanessa went down, the coaches turned to me," said Tancredi. "I was kind of disappointed at first that I had to change positions because I'd been a forward all of my life. But I will do anything to help the team win. This is a team thing not a personal thing. As much as I hate to admit it, I kind of like playing defense now."

For Tancredi, the most difficult aspect of the adjustment from offense to defense was changing her mental approach to the game.

"At forward, you are always in more of a rush to score right away. It's kind of a panic. On defense, it's a totally different mentality," said Tancredi. "You have to be smarter. You have to calm yourself down. You can't jump into things right away. There's more pressure. A lot more depends on you because you're the last line before the keeper."

"I think the position change has really been good for her," added Waldrum. "At forward, she was so hard herself. Now that swagger and confidence in her abilities is really starting to show. With her superior size, speed, and skills, she can match up with anyone in the country. She gives us that intimidating, physical presence we need back there."

Since Tancredi's switch to defense, the Irish have won six of their last seven games and now find themselves in the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament. While Coach Waldrum has been extremely impressed with the way his new defender has performed, he is even more pleased with Tancredi's demeanor and attitude.

"She has that charisma that all the players look up to," said Waldrum. "She has a great sense of humor and a great wit about her. She's a real practical joker. I'd like to see her to continue to develop her leadership qualities. I don't think she realizes how much the other players look up to her."

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Baseball

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have weekday starters who would be weekend starters at most other top-20 programs," Spelman said.

In addition, the utility player Vasami could provide an immediate surge to the Notre Dame lineup with his hitting ability. As a junior at Mamaroneck High School in Mamaroneck, N.Y., Vasami hit .544 with seven home runs and 27 RBI while going 8-2 on the mound with a 1.10 ERA and 113 strikeouts in 70 innings.

"Chris is an imposing player with great bat speed and excellent mechanics that allow him to hit with power to all fields," Mainieri said. "He also throws a heavy, hard fastball that tops out in the low 90's."

As several recruits indicated, Notre Dame's rise in the baseball world has made the South Bend school an attractive alternative to baseball recruits all over the nation. Recent accolades of the Irish baseball program include 14 consecutive 40-win seasons, the top-rated high school recruiting class two years ago, the school's first No.1 national ranking during the 2001 season and Notre Dame's first appearance at the College World Series in 45 years last season.

"My visit solidified things, seeing the tradition of the school and the baseball program firsthand," the Fairfield, Conn., recruit Fournier said. "It was great to see the dedication that they have to go back to Omaha for the College World Series. It's a great baseball program and school, and I knew I couldn't go wrong."

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3:00 pm Panel: "Latino poetry in 2002," Hesburgh Center C-103
4:15 pm Reading: Maurice Kilwein Guevara, Hesburgh Center C-104-105
5:30 pm Panel: "Latino Poets," Hesburgh Center C-104-105
8:00 pm Reading: Gary Soto. Reading will be coffee-house style, followed by open-mic poetry reading, Hesburgh Center, Greenfield's

Friday Nov. 22

2:00 pm Panel: Discussion of translation issues, moderated by Orlando Menes, with Francisco Alarcón/Francisco Aragón, Raúl Barrientos/Ben Heller, Hesburgh Center C-103
3:15 pm Reading: Reading of original poetry by Raúl Barrientos with translations by Ben Heller, Hesburgh C-103
4:30 pm Reading of original poetry by Francisco Alarcón with translations by Francisco Aragón, Hesburgh Center C-103
8:00 pm Reading: Lisa Chávez, followed by light reception, Hesburgh Center, Greenfield's

Saturday Nov. 23

10:30 am Panel: Latino Poetry & spirituality, led by Orlando Menes, Hesburgh Center C-103
11:30 am Student Readings: undergraduate and graduate student poets, Hesburgh Center C-103

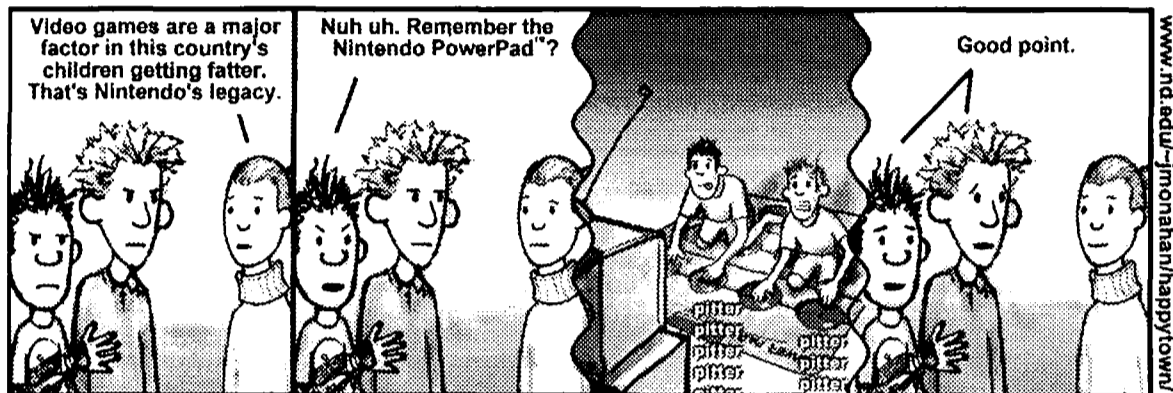
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- 16 Columnist Smith
- 17 Start of some directions by 49-Across
- 19 Elicited
- 21 Coup participant, e.g.
- 22 Directions, part 2
- 24 With 9-Down, pickup points
- 25 "Love and Squalor" girl of literature
- 26 "That was sure something!"
- 27 Personality part
- 30 Destructive digger
- 33 Directions, part 3
- 36 Producers of green eggs
- 37 William Shatner's "War"
- 38 Missouri River native
- 39 & 43 Where the directions at 17-, 22-, 33- and 57-Across lead
- 44 Young or little follower
- 45 Mason's burden
- 46 Same: Fr.
- 48 Fresh from the shower
- 49 See 17-Across
- 53 Melodramatic cry
- 56 Actress Address literature
- 57 End of the directions
- 59 Cool
- 60 Tough tests
- 61 Silk dress: Var.
- 62 License issuer, for short
- 63 Stationer's supply
- 64 Business, e.g.
- 65 Shade of blue

- DOWN
- 1 Grace of "Will & Grace"
- 2 Spyri heroine
- 3 Feminist Bella
- 4 Attacks
- 5 They form when melted snow refreezes at roof edges
- 6 "Arabian Nights" menace
- 7 Sun block?
- 8 Some are cooped up
- 9 See 24-Across
- 10 Italian busts, e.g.
- 11 "The Wizard of Oz" actor
- 12 One of Argus's array
- 15 Like lights on a Christmas tree
- 18 Persian Gulf emirate
- 20 Off-heard word in a portrait studio
- 23 Took home
- 26 Authority-defying dare
- 27 James nicknamed "Miss Peaches"
- 28 "You were saying ..."
- 29 Lacking width and depth
- 30 Taster's choices
- 31 Black cat, e.g.
- 32 Pampers rival
- 34 Prepare to drag-race
- 35 Nine-____ (some golf courses)
- 40 French cathedral city
- 41 Untrue
- 42 Fixes, as an instrument
- 47 Consolidates
- 48 Things to draw from
- 49 Like prisons
- 50 Cheese ____ (snack)
- 51 Disheartened cry
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BASEBALL

Irish sign another top class

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Editor

After making its first appearance at the College World Series in 45 years last summer, the Irish baseball program used that momentum in signing another stellar recruiting class Saturday.

Notre Dame signed nine high school seniors to letters-of-intent, including four pitchers, four position players and one of the nation's premier two-way players.

"We met certain needs by signing power pitching arms, power bats, a tremendous two-way player, a great catcher and an outstanding athlete who can play the outfield," Irish coach Paul Mainieri said.

The signees include righthanded pitchers Jeff Manship, Derik Olvey, Jess Stewart and Dan Kapala, utility player Chris Vasami, first baseman Mike Dury, infielder Chris Fournier, catcher Sean Gaston and centerfielder Danny Dressman.

Four of the signees — Manship, Olvey, Dury and Vasami — are ranked among the nation's top-100 high school players by either the Perfect Game/Baseball America "Prospects Plus" or Team One Baseball.

"Notre Dame again has signed one of the best classes in the nation, and it's an incredibly

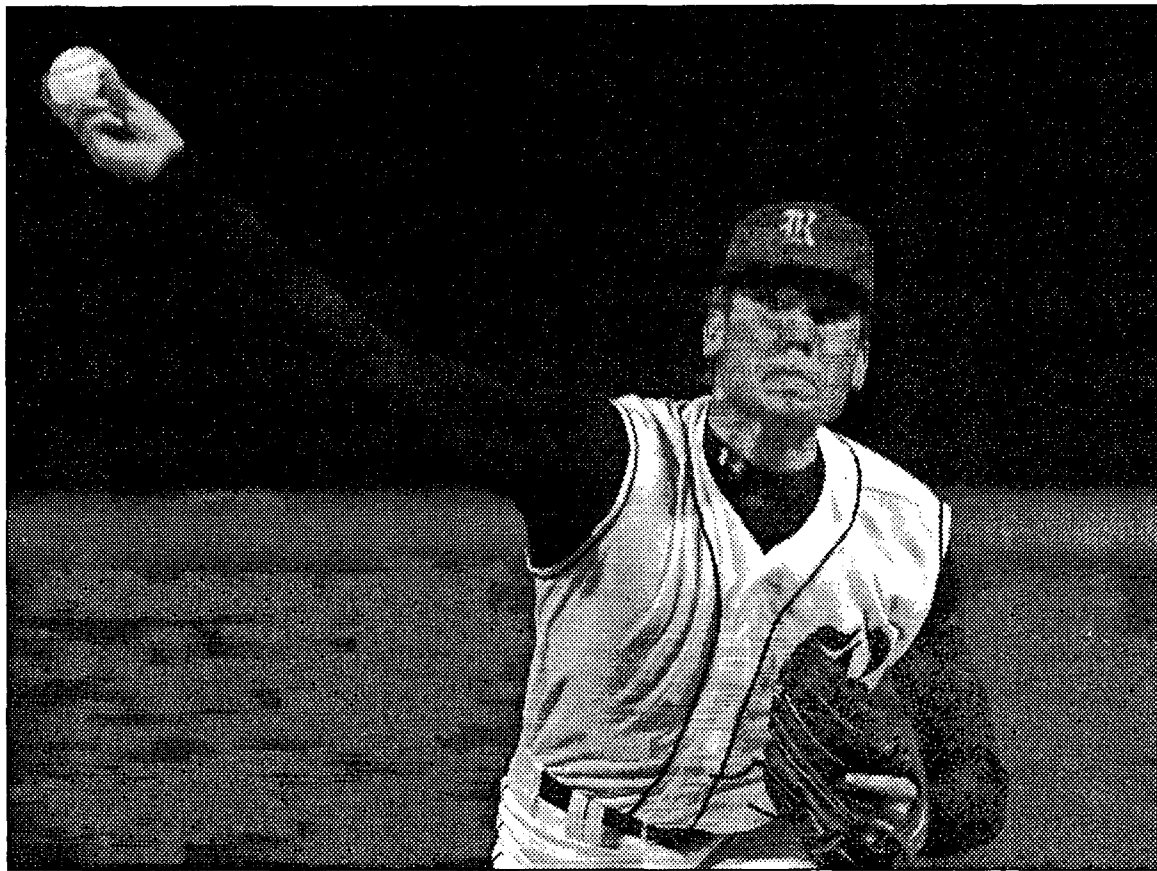
balanced group, with speed, power, good arms and defense at several key areas," said Jeff Spelman, editor of TeamOneBaseball.com. "I'd certainly grade this class an 'A'."

The highlight of the Class of 2007 could be Manship. The San Antonio right-hander is rated the sixth best high school player in the nation, and the top player in Texas, by Perfect Game/Baseball America Prospects Plus. As a junior last spring at Reagan High School, Manship recorded a 9-1 record with a 0.66 ERA, 159 strikeouts, 19 walks and just 19 hits allowed in 74 innings. His nine wins included three no-hitters and one perfect game.

"Jeff Manship has an outstanding fastball and a devastating curveball," Mainieri said. "With his experience against top-level competition, he should make an immediate impact."

The signing of Texas native Manship could be quite a coup for the Irish, who lured the pitcher away from in-state powerhouses Texas and Rice, both teams that appeared in the College World Series in 2002 with the Irish. The signing is a testament to how far the Notre Dame program has risen in recent years in the ranks of the college baseball elite.

"Notre Dame really turned the corner with making it to Omaha, and there is nothing they can't offer a recruit now," Spelman



San Antonio Express-News

Righthanded pitcher Jeff Manship has signed to play baseball next year for the Irish. Manship signs with eight others who were attracted to the momentum of Notre Dame's baseball program.

said. "What is exciting to see is that they are maintaining things on a high level and building on it — they are not a 'flash-in-the-pan.'"

Manship, Olvey and Vasami could provide one of the top

trios of pitchers to sign with the Irish. The three were listed second, 32nd and 53rd, respectively, in Perfect Game/Baseball America's list of the nation's top pitchers.

"If you add these signees to

the freshman and sophomore pitchers already are at Notre Dame, you could envision them back in Omaha [at the College World Series], because you'd

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WOMENS SOCCER

Tancredi shows a tough face on the field

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

No one could ever accuse Melissa Tancredi of being shy. On the field, the starting full-back for the Notre Dame women's soccer team is that special type of player who can take over a game with her passion and swagger. Off the field, the twenty-year old native of Hamilton, Ontario, is a fun-loving, outgoing prankster, always quick with a smile and a joke.

"I really don't see any point in taking everything so seriously all the time," said Tancredi. "I'm very sarcastic. It's just so much easier to face life that way. If anyone saw me on the field, I might look like a mean person, but I'm a really big

joker inside."

When asked to describe Tancredi's personality, teammate and fellow Canadian Candace Chapman responded with a laugh, "You mean cleanly? No, Melissa is great. She's one of my best friends here. She likes to have fun and joke around on and off the field. Before the games, she loves to do these one-on-one dances in the locker room that make everyone laugh."

While Tancredi's teammates might laugh at her humorous antics, Notre Dame's opponents don't find her rough, physical style of play so funny. Just ask the Purdue Boilermakers.

One month ago, the Boilermakers easily defeated the Irish 3-1, but Notre Dame's

toughest player was missing from the lineup while serving a suspension for having accumulated four yellow cards. In last Sunday's rematch in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, Tancredi returned to the lineup to lead the Irish to victory.

On the defense, she completely shut down Purdue's leading scorers Annette Kent and Jennie Moppert. The former forward did not forget how to contribute on offense either. With just under seven minutes left in the game, Tancredi's flying header off a corner kick from teammate Amanda Guertin put the finishing touches on a 3-1 victory for the Irish. After the incredible score, 'Canada', as she is affectionately called by her team-

mates and friends, strutted 'Shane Walton-style' in front of the fans and promptly put her hands on her hips before her teammates mobbed her. The raucous crowd roared with approval in appreciation of 'Canada's' gesture.

"We're usually not the team to celebrate," said Tancredi. "I guess I'm a little different in that way. I'm just spontaneous because it gets the team going. I just love to have fun out there."

Tancredi's soccer career at Notre Dame has not always been all fun and games. Before her freshman year, she suffered a devastating knee injury that put her Irish career in serious jeopardy before it ever started. Even worse, tearing her ACL took a real toll on

Tancredi mentally as she struggled to find her niche at Notre Dame.

"I tore my ACL a month before reporting into the pre-season for Notre Dame. I'd never been hurt before. That was my first major injury," said Tancredi. "Coming into a new country, new team, and new school made it really tough. No one ever saw me because I was depressed. I just stayed in my room the whole time. I didn't want to talk to anyone. I wasn't doing to well in school. I didn't want to have anything to do with soccer, but the strength coaches really helped me a lot. Getting into rehab really got me excited about soccer again. I started

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NBA

Celtics top Nets 96-79

Tony Delk and Shammond Williams each score 21 to lead Boston to a victory.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Expos will play home away from home

Montreal will play 22 of its 81 home games in Puerto Rico.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Clarett struggles to overcome injury

Maurice Clarett hopes to return to the OSU lineup against Michigan.

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