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Suspects arrested for fall robberies

By NATASHA GRANT
News Writer

Two suspects were arrested Jan. 22 for two robberies that took place Sept. 6 and 12 on Notre Dame's South Quad, according to Notre Dame Security Police. Chuck Hurley, assistant director of NDSP, said he is fairly confident that the suspects apprehended are indeed the individuals who committed the robberies.

"We feel relatively certain that one of the persons involved in the robbery on Sept. 6 was also involved in the robbery the following week on Sept. 12," said Hurley. Because the suspects are both minors, ages 15 and 16, they are currently being held at the Saint Joseph County Juvenile Justice Center.

While the victim in the first robbery, which occurred outside Fisher Hall, did not see the suspect, the victim in the second robbery, which took place outside the Rockne Memorial, was able to make an identification of the suspect, said Hurley.

Both victims reported that their attackers

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Bar bust nabs over 200 students

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

About 200 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students were caught Friday at The Boat Club in a raid instigated months ago by complaints about underage drinking, police confirmed.

In all, authorities issued 231 citations to 213 underage patrons, said Lt. Greg Deitchley, spokesman for the District 1 Office of the Indiana State Excise Police, which oversaw the raid. Each received a minor in a tavern citation, and some were ticketed for owning false identification.

While he didn't know an exact number, Deitchley said all but 15 to 20 of the people nabbed in the 12:40 a.m. raid were not Notre Dame or Saint Mary's students.

In addition, two Notre Dame students, one male and one female, were arrested for public intoxication and taken to St. Joseph County Jail, police said. Police took the woman to a local hospital where she was treated for possible alcohol poisoning and released Friday morning.

Notre Dame Security/Police officials, who brought campus phonebooks to the raid, have a complete list of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students who were cited.

The sweep by South Bend, Indiana State and state excise police followed an investigation into complaints two months ago about minors consuming alcohol at the 106 N. Hill St. bar, according to Deitchley, who said he couldn't disclose who provided the information to police.

But on campus, the bar was well known as a weekend haven



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

South Bend Police raided the popular student bar The Boat Club early last Friday morning and issued over 200 minor in a tavern citations.

for freshmen and other underage students. Popular belief was that the bar would never be busted.

Nevertheless, the Boat Club raid apparently became the biggest to occur at a bar popular among Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students. It was likely the largest in city history as well.

Among student taverns, the Boat Club bust tops the January 1998 raid of Bridget McGuire's Filling Station where police cited 165 underage customers and the October 2000 Finnigan's Irish

Pub raid that caught 147 minors. A November 1998 raid netted citations for 95 patrons at Irish Connection.

Traditionally, cited students have faced punishment in court and at school.

Minor in a tavern is a Class C misdemeanor that carries up to a \$500 fine and six months in jail and possible loss of driver's license. But offenders are rarely punished that severely.

In St. Joseph County, for example, the prosecutor's office has typically offered pretrial

diversion to minors charged with consuming alcohol. This measure in the past has prevented the charge from appearing on their record if they paid \$220 court fees and completed 40 hours of community service.

Most of the students involved in the Finnigan's bust received pretrial diversion.

Out of court, Notre Dame students have faced further discipline.

The University's student hand-

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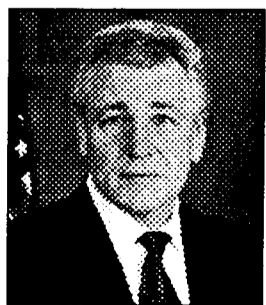
Senator discusses multilateralism

By TERESA FRALISH
Assistant News Editor

In the post-Cold War and post-Sept. 11 world, U.S. foreign policy must demonstrate careful judgment and a willingness to seek multilateral solutions

through organizations such as the United Nations, said Senator Chuck Hagel. Hagel, a two-term Republican senator and member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, spoke at Notre Dame on Friday about the topic "U.S. Foreign Policy: Meeting the Challenges of Change."

"America gains by working with and empowering our



Hagel

allies," said Hagel.

At the beginning of his talk, the senator focused on the differences in international politics today as compared to the bipolar world order of the Cold War when the main threat to American security was posed by the Soviet Union. "We developed strategic plans to deal with that [threat]," said Hagel. "We knew who the enemy was."

In a world with a single superpower, Hagel said the challenge confronting America will involve recognizing and appropriately dealing with the new world order. "The kind of world we live in today is far more complicated. A great test of leadership in world affairs is to understand the dynamics of change," said Hagel.

Hagel also discussed the new threats civilized societies must confront after the Sept. 11 attacks. "Threats [today] come from transnational cartels and a network of terrorism," he

said. In addition to terrorism, the senator warned of the dangers presented by failed states and unstable governments.

In particular, Hagel talked about the situations in Iraq and North Korea and said the United States must carefully consider all policy options and not rush to choose a certain course of action for a particular threat. "[These problems] will not be resolved by regime change in Baghdad," said Hagel. "America must deal with all of these problems at the same time."

While Hagel agreed that the United States stands as the world's most powerful nation, he said that such a status would not automatically preclude success in resolving global security issues. "America straddles the globe at the start of the 21st century unrivaled [and] we enter this new century with

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Economic slowdown may force cutbacks

By KEVIN ALLEN
News Writer

An economic downturn and subsequent budget cuts are causing some students to worry about the financial health of the University and the effects those cuts will have on tuition and financial aid.

These concerns have arisen in the wake of a moratorium on the University's ambitious construction projects, the cancellation of plans to subsidize a larger, more comprehensive health insurance plan for graduate students and a 10 percent loss in the University's endowment during the 2002 fiscal year.

According to administrators, the University remains

financially sound, but said that students could expect a reduction in spending and a probable increase in tuition in the near future.

As most students realize, tuition goes up every year and this year will likely be no different. However, according to Dennis Moore, a spokesperson for the University, the financial situation this year is worse than previous years and the next tuition increase may reflect that.

Moore also said the temporary freeze on construction plans is the only major step that has been taken so far regarding the University's budget, and that all funding cuts are speculation until the

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INSIDE COLUMN

Start the clock

What can you do in less than six minutes? Shower? Walk to class? How about beating Super Mario Bros. for your NES? Impossible you say? Just stop by Keough Hall's Section 2B and tell Chuck, Bill and myself that. It is here that 5 minutes and 25 seconds stands as the current Mario record.

Students of Notre Dame, I have a new challenge for you. Dust off your old Nintendos and enter the world of Mario timings, where you need quick wits, faster reflexes and dry palms. It is a world where records and Nintendo controllers are shattered. It is a world where there is only one speed, as fast as possible.

For those amateurs looking for a shot at the big-time, here are the rules. The clock starts when Mario first appears in Level 1-1 and only stops when the final ax behind Bowser in 8-4 is touched. What happens in-between is up to you. You can use any path or any warp, with the exception of Game Genie.

Although any path is legal, for the masters only one true path exists. This path separates the novice from the elite. The one true path, or "Doctrine" as we say, is a precise series of jumps, warps and power-ups developed from experience. In this way we have been able to shave the record down from a snail's pace of 15 minutes to the current record of 5:25.2, held at the time of printing by myself.

The challenge began last year when Chuck brought his NES back from winter break. He and Bill were both able to quickly beat the game and challenged the other to see who could beat the game faster. Eventually, the timings began and the legend grew. Chuck's ability to keep his cool and deliver in the clutch became a good match for Bill's erratic but fearless style. I entered the mix as a novice and through their tutelage have become a master, as I currently own the record.

At this competitive level of play, any mistake can be game-breaking. Since each timing is relatively quick, getting up to reset the NES can become tedious and time-consuming. To alleviate the problem, Chuck invented "The Stick," a three-sided engineer's ruler duct taped to a three-foot long wooden pole. Using The Stick, one can easily reset not only the NES, but the Super NES, Nintendo 64, GameCube, Playstation 2, VCR, DVD Players and TV, as well as fetch remotes along the floor.

There it is Notre Dame, the gauntlet has been thrown. At the very worst, you have a new study break during these monotonous early days of the semester. At the very best, you can achieve video game greatness.

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Sports Editor

WHAT'S INSIDE

CAMPUS NEWS	WORLD & NATION	BUSINESS NEWS	VIEWPOINT	SCENE	SPORTS
Hesburgh reflects on experiences with King Former University President Theodore Hesburgh explains how he worked with Martin Luther King during the civil rights movement.	President Bush prepares State of the Union address Bush is expected to discuss the economy and possible war in Iraq during his speech on Tuesday.	Venezuela prepares for new currency policies The Venezuelan government issues new currency changes while confronting mass protests against the regime.	Debating the importance of race-related controversies Columnist Mike Marchand discusses some of the recent news stories related to race.	Comedy group entertains students The traveling comedy group The Second City entertained students at Washington Hall on Saturday.	Irish mens basketball defeats Eagles The Irish defeated Boston College in Massachusetts 101-96 in overtime Saturday.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ National Diaconate Institute for Continuing Education
All day at McKenna Hall
- ◆ Contemporary Impressions: Art by Native American Artists
All day at the Snite Museum of Art
- ◆ Girl Culture: Lauren Greenfield Photographs
All day at the Snite Museum of Art

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Indiana Insitute on Disability
8 a.m. at Haggar Parlor
- ◆ Semester Around the World Interviews
3 p.m. at Stapleton Lounge
- ◆ Religiouis Studies Dinner
5 p.m. at Noble Family Dining Hall Auditorium

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

- Two cars collide near Stadium**
NDSP responded to a two car accident near Moose Krause Circle near Notre Dame Stadium Thursday afternoon. No injuries were reported.
 - Injury sustained near Fitzpatrick Hall**
A university employee was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a back injury sustained near Fitzpatrick Hall on Thursday afternoon.
 - Car strikes guard arm**
A visitor to campus reported that the gate arm on Dorr Road struck his vehicle Thursday evening.
 - Intoxicated student sent to hospital**
NDSP was notified about an intoxicated student who was brought to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment Friday afternoon.
- Compiled from the NDSP crime blotter*

WHAT'S COOKING

Dining Hall	Today's Lunch	Today's Dinner
North Dining Hall	Shrimp spaghetti, Southwestern pasta sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnover, pretzel sticks, walnut plum chicken breast, long grain and wild rice, brown sauce, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, cherry crisp, cheddar-baked pollock, vegetable rice casserole, vaked potatoes, cauliflower	Shrimp spaghetti, Southwestern pasta sauce, tomato pizza, pretzel sticks, apple turnover, roast turkey breast, bread stuffing, brown sauce, turkey gravy, whipped potatoes, asparagus cuts and tips, cherry crisp, broccoli quiche, vegetables
South Dining Hall	Linguine with vegetables, Puerto Rican pasta sauce, sausage calzones, honey-garlic pork chops, rotisserie chicken, winter-blend vegetables, boulangere potatoes, herb-baked pollock, wild rice pilaf with pine nuts, honey-orange glazed carrots, scalloped corn casserol, tangy grilled chicken sandwiches, steakhouse fries	Puerto Rican pasta sauce, sausage calzones, cauliflower au gratin, zum zum potato salad, grilled ham steak, beef potato pie, parslied potatoes, rice valencienne, lemon-baked perch, Jamaican-jerked pork loin, BBQ chicken, soft pretzels
Saint Mary's Dining Hall	grilled hamburger, grilled bratwurst, grilled cheese, french fries, chicken breast teriyaki, vegetable lo mein, peas and carrot, deluxe pizza, cheese pizza, bread sticks, ham salad, sliced beef, sliced turkey, pepper jack cheese, oatmeal raisin cookies, seven layer bars, french onion soup, cream of broccoli soup	Biriyani rice w/ cashews, baked potatoes, broccoli cuts, fettucine pasta toss, sweet potato biscuits, tortellini, yankee pot roast, lyon-aise potatoes, corn and tomatoes, chicken fajita pizza, cheese pizza, bread sticks, vegetable and cheese chimichanga

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GOP looks to recruit minorities

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
 Republicans coming off historically successful midterm elections are intent on broadening their party's base by recruiting more minority candidates to bring a gradual change in the complexion of their party.

The most crucial task is to develop more support in the Hispanic community, where President Bush is relatively popular. In the 2002 elections, when the GOP increased its hold on the House and won the Senate, Republicans fared well among Hispanics in New York and Florida while Democrats dominated in the Southwest and West.

Beyond its control of the White House and both branches of Congress, the party will take its usual financial advantage into the next round of elections.

National GOP Chairman Marc Racicot told party members in a recent memo: "The Republican Party starts 2003 in a better political position than at any time in the last 60 years."

Still, Republican pollster Linda DiVall said she hopes the party has some strong approaches to deal with "the sheer math of the changing demographics in America."

She warned Republicans after the 1998 midterm elections that they must expand their appeal in minority communities to remain competitive. Two years later, Bush made that a priority of his campaign, then brought in Racicot to head the Republican National Committee with that as a principal goal.

The urgency of the task was reinforced with recent word that the fast-growing Hispanic population has become the nation's largest minority, surpassing blacks.

Party leaders will discuss strategy at the Republican winter meeting in Washington this week.

"Our outreach [in 2002] provided us inspiration," Racicot said in interview. "That mission is not complete."

"A certain amount of catch-up has to be done."

The party got a reminder that it has a long way to go at a recent meeting with black conservatives.

One of those black conservatives, Armstrong Williams, said after the meeting: "The Republican Party has to realize that it cannot be lily white any longer."

Racicot pointed to successes in 2002 including the election of black lieutenant governors Michael Steele in Maryland and Jennette Bradley in Ohio. Michael Williams, a black Republican, was elected to head the Texas Railroad Commission.

"We need to reach further," Racicot said. "We need to recruit earlier and at every level. We want to recruit them to school boards, legislatures, county governments."

Republicans must do a better job of going into minority neighborhoods to build alliances and recruit support, which the GOP initiated in the

last election cycle, he said.

The efforts suffered a setback late last year when then-Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi appeared to praise retiring South Carolina Sen. Strom Thurmond's 1948 run for president on a segregationist platform. Lott left the Senate leadership under pressure, and Tennessee Sen. Bill Frist took the post.

Republicans say Frist brings the kind of polished approach to conservative GOP politics that Bush wants.

The president's recent stand against affirmative action at the University of Michigan, however, could complicate

"The Republican party has to realize that it can not be lily white any longer."

**Armstrong Williams
 conservative**

further the GOP's efforts to win minority support. Bush said there are better tools to achieve diversity on campus than race-based quotas, which he alleged the Michigan plan used.

Republicans must support the cities' financial needs to build support in urban areas, outgoing Connecticut GOP Chairman Chris DePino said. Offering cities federal financial help could win support among minorities, he said.

Republicans are counting heavily on the continued popularity of the president. His policies on tax cuts and Iraq are facing increased skepticism, however, although support remains strong for him personally and for the admin-

Hesburgh reflects on MLK's achievements

By HIMANSHU KOTHARI
 News Writer

As Notre Dame students commemorated the life and accomplishments of Martin Luther King, Jr. last week, Father Theodore Hesburgh, president of the University during the civil rights movement of the 1960s reflected on his experiences with King.

"We were both working very hard," said Hesburgh of his involvement with King in the 1960s. "I was trying to get the laws passed while at the same time we [Hesburgh and King] worked on opening schools so kids could get educated."

Hesburgh recalled how different society was 40 years ago, and in particular racial diversity at Notre Dame. "A black couldn't a drink from a white fountain, couldn't go swimming, [and] couldn't get a decent education," said the former president. "When I came here [to Notre Dame], there were no black students [or] teachers workers around."

Hesburgh's involvement with the civil rights movement began in the 1960's when he joined King in supporting civil rights laws and the movement to end segregation. Hesburgh was one of King's closest friends and associates, and he also served as chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil

Rights.

"One time we met in Chicago," said Hesburgh. "It was a march for housing for and I remember the mayor being very angry with us."

It was this constant support that Hesburgh gave to King that led to the latter asking the former to do an introduction for his book of sermons.

Hesburgh also recounted a moving story about the first anniversary of King's death. Martin Luther King, Sr., asked Hesburgh to give the sermon to the black congregation at the church in King's hometown. At the beginning of the service King's father told Hesburgh's

that he was the first Catholic priest to enter the church and the first white man to give a sermon at the church.

Political science professor Alvin

Tillery said Hesburgh's most important work may have occurred after the assassination of King.

"His most important work came at the end of the period when he was appointed the chairman of the [U.S.] Commission on Civil Rights," said Tillery. "[He] held the fort in making sure that President Nixon continued to take efforts to redressing the harms that 350 years of slavery and second class citizenship had exacted against the black Americans."

Hesburgh feels that his work with the civil rights issue has brought results, but said that more work is needed.

"We are 180 degrees away from where we were," said Hesburgh. "The best way to commemorate [King's] legacy is to work hard to get more talented black students in our community."

"We are 180 degrees away from where we were."

**Father Theodore Hesburgh
 former University president**

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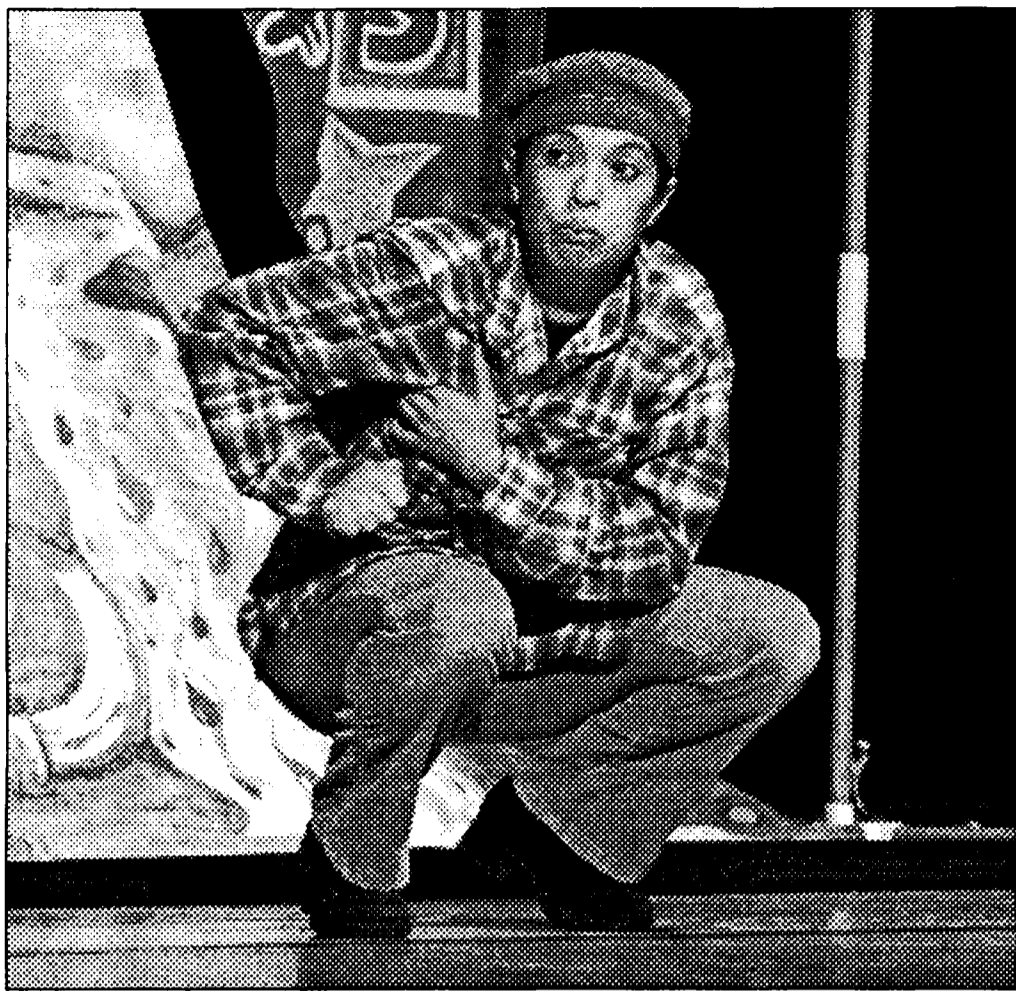


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Fran de Leon portrays a Phillipino man fresh off the boat in the production of "Faces of America" held in the Moreau Little Theater Friday.

SMC presents diversity series

By ALLISON ROCHE
News Writer

Saint Mary's students had a chance to experience multiculturalism in a new way at Friday night's presentation of "Faces of America," a series of dialogues performed by various characters representing different minorities in the United States. The presentation, held in the Moreau Little Theater, told the stories of seven diverse characters all performed by the same actress.

The show began with an introduction recounting Christopher Columbus's "discovery" of an already inhabited land and the ensuing attempt by the Spanish to impose their culture on the native people.

The first monologue told the story of a "happa" girl, meaning half-Japanese and half-Hungarian, from Las Vegas. She told the audience that she

learned to value her ethnicity by learning her grandfather's story about being held prisoner in a Japanese internment camp during World War II.

The other characters included a Chicano living in the gang culture of East Los Angeles, an East Indian college student raped by white classmates and a well-educated African-American male struggling with the stereotypes surrounding him.

The basic theme expressed in each monologue was the unity present among the great diversity of American culture.

Fran de Leon, the show's single performer, is also one of its co-creators. She said that the show is a product of research done with 60 people from across the United States.

"Some characters are straight from one individual, others are an amalgamation of different people's experiences," de Leon said.

De Leon wrote "Faces of America" along with Colin Cox in 1995. The show has now been performed about 500 times for universities, corporations and communities across the country since its creation.

The positive feedback "Faces of America" has received prompted the creators to write another one person show called "American Voices," which deals more with issues of religious and sexual diversity.

"Theatre is means for social change," said de Leon. "At the same time you entertain, you can also educate."

"Faces of America" was the second installment in the Office of Special Events' "Citizens of the World" series and was also sponsored by Student Activities.

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Mexican infant deaths spark nation-wide protest

Associated Press

Alberto Perez was devastated when his baby boy died at Comitan's hospital. He soon found out he was not alone.

"Your baby died too?" someone in the waiting room asked. "Did you hear about the twins?" another parent piped in.

Before long, 13 families were united in grief and anger over the deaths of infants at the small hospital. And when they went as a group to the prosecutor's office to see about filing charges, they found 12 more families doing the same.

Inadequate health care has long been a fact of life in the neediest regions of Mexico and other developing countries, a condition stoically accepted by the poor. But the anger that touched over in Comitan has touched a nerve in Mexico, setting off a national media furor, an official investigation and demands for better care across the country.

Health officials say the 26 infant deaths in December were twice the usual number for the hospital in this southern town. Officials removed the top two administrators, have exhumed almost all the babies' bodies for tests, and are not ruling out criminal charges.

"We want the truth," Perez

said about the death of his son Jose and the others. "We want an explanation that is clear and makes sense."

A preliminary investigation found no signs of an epidemic or virus only desperate poverty and a rudimentary health system.

Located 40 miles from the border with Guatemala, Comitan's hospital has fewer than 500 employees while serving nearly a half million people, mostly rural Indians who have to travel hours by foot or bus to get even basic care.

The region is one of Mexico's poorest, and has always suffered from a higher infant mortality rate than the national rate of 3 percent. Residents rely on herbal medicine, midwives and even witchcraft in trying to stay healthy.

Infant deaths are even worse in Africa and parts of Asia. In the southern African nation of Mozambique, for example, 13 percent of all infants died at birth in 1999, four times Mexico's rate.

But the deaths in Comitan have shaken many Mexicans into speaking out.

In the central city of Queretaro, lawmaker Enrique Becerra is denouncing the deaths of 24 babies in October at a maternity hospital there.

On Tuesday, Indians in the mountain town of Las Margaritas, 25 miles east of Comitan, seized their local clinic and demanded better access to doctors and medicine.

"If a baby is born here, it is born sick," Carmelina Aguilar said hours after she and dozens of others agreed to leave the clinic in return for talks with authorities. "The same thing that happened in Comitan is going to happen here."

For Irma Cruz, it already

has.

Nine months into her pregnancy, she went to the clinic in Las Margaritas complaining of sharp pains, but was told to go home. When the contractions didn't stop, she was sent to Comitan, where she gave birth to a little girl. The baby died three days later, on Dec. 17.

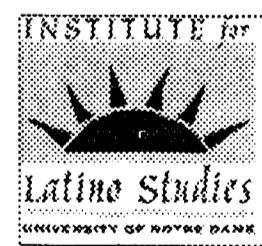
Sitting in her wooden shack wallpapered with newspapers to keep out the cold, Cruz complained that the hospital staff treated her poorly, serving her breakfast with a cockroach in the food.

"I asked for a glass of water, but they just ignored me," she said. I asked for a clean gown because the one I had was dirty, but they told me to wait for the next shift."

Other parents have similar complaints. They said there were no doctors over Christmas, when many of the babies became sick and died. And they said staff members ate Christmas dinner and opened presents in the neonatal unit, next to their children's incubators.

Raul Belmonte, the dismissed

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Bush plans to confront economic doubts in State of the Union

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

As war talk intensified, President Bush on Sunday rehearsed a State of the Union speech that is meant to confront Americans' doubts about an attack on Iraq and to sell his plans for new tax cuts and a Medicare overhaul.

Bush attended church and jogged Sunday morning, then spent time practicing the address with confidant Karen Hughes. He had no public appearances scheduled, giving himself plenty of time to prepare for the Tuesday night speech.

But Monday was sure to be a landmark date in Bush's deliberations on whether to attack Iraq: U.N. weapons inspectors were to turn over their report on whether Iraq has cooperated adequately. The president's communications director, Dan Bartlett, called submission of the report the start of "this last phase" in the showdown between the United States and Iraq.

White House officials have sought to play down expectations that the inspections might turn up hard evidence Iraq maintains stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction, a message they brought to the airwaves again Sunday. "I think the real headline is, no proof that Saddam Hussein is

complying with the United Nations in disarming," White House chief of staff Andrew Card said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Amir al-Saadi, the Iraqi president's science adviser, said over the weekend that Iraq has cooperated fully, but that an invasion appeared inevitable, no matter what Baghdad does.

Bush's challenge in persuading the public of the need for war was underlined in recent polls.

More than half — 53 percent — responding to a poll by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press said the president has not yet explained clearly what is at stake to justify war.

With opposition growing overseas, the president will seek to project unity Friday at Camp David with his staunchest ally, British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Yet Blair faces a challenge persuading his own public of the wisdom of war.

Opinion surveys show that support for military action against Iraq is at its lowest level ever among the British public.

In the United States, the public has grown increasingly skeptical about Bush's handling of the economy, with 44 percent approving of his economic stewardship and 49 percent disapproving in an NBC-Wall Street Journal poll.



Reuters Live Photo

President George Bush discusses the details of his upcoming State of the Union address with advisors. Bush is expected to discuss his plans for the economy and Iraq in the speech on Tuesday.

Only 35 percent in that poll said they expect Bush's \$674 billion, 10-year stimulus plan — most of that committed to tax cuts — will be very effective or "fairly effective" at help-

ing the economy, adding to Bush's challenge on Tuesday night. Bush will also use the speech to reiterate his long-standing goal of adding a prescription drug benefit to

Medicare.

He will also announce new initiatives and federal spending to help the needy, by working through community and religious groups.

BRAZIL

Forum crowd welcomes Venezuela's Hugo Chavez

Associated Press

PORTO ALEGRE

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez criticized his opponents Sunday after arriving at the World Social Forum to meet with sympathizers among the 100,000 activists gathered to protest American style capitalism. Chavez, who left his country despite a 56-day general strike, lashed out at Venezuelan opposition leaders, predicting they would fail in their bid to oust him from power.

"Our struggle against the terrorists

and fascists has further strengthened the will of the Venezuelan people," Chavez said after arriving at this far southern Brazilian port city. "It is one thing to try to get rid of me, and another thing to succeed. I have the popularity to remain in power." Although Chavez wasn't formally invited to the World Social Forum, a counter-conference to the World Economic Forum being held in Davos, Switzerland, he was attending some events.

The social forum has shunned government leaders in the past but this year welcomed Brazil's new leftist

president, Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, as a keynote speaker.

One of the forum's founders, Oded Grajew, said organizers weren't embarrassed by Chavez' decision to come, but warned the Venezuelan leader not to use the event for self-promotion.

"He will get no sympathy from anyone at the forum if he uses it to capitalize for his own benefit," said Grajew.

Activists at the six-day social forum are participating in 1,700 sessions and workshops on topics ranging from corporate misdeeds to Third World debt.

Also Sunday, an unidentified woman threw a strawberry cake in the face of Jose Genoio, the president of Silva's Workers Party, yelling "Lula does not represent us in Davos."

Silva, who is popularly known as Lula, was criticized by some for going to the economic forum after attending the social forum.

The woman left a statement saying she belonged to a group called "Bakers Without Borders" before fleeing. Genoio called the incident an "act of anarchists," according to Brazil's GloboNews television network.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

U.S. spy plane crashes in South Korea:

An American U-2 spy plane crashed Sunday in South Korea, injuring three people on the ground. The Air Force pilot ejected safely. The U-2 pilot was taken to a hospital at a U.S. base in Osan, about 30 miles southeast of Seoul, where he was treated for minor injuries, Air Force spokeswoman Lt. Toni Tones said. The crash comes amid rising anti-American sentiment in South Korea following the acquittals in a U.S. military court of two Army soldiers whose vehicle hit and killed two local schoolgirls in June.

French embassy attacked on Ivory Coast:

Loyalist mobs, enraged by a French-brokered peace deal they say gives too much power to Ivory Coast rebels, attacked the French embassy and army base Sunday and beat foreigners. President Laurent Gbagbo urged his people to accept the agreement for ending the four-month insurgency.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Columbine survivor dies in crash:

One of the victims in the deadly crash of two small planes over Denver was a survivor of the 1999 Columbine High School massacre. On Friday, Ladd was piloting a single-engine Cessna bound for Cheyenne, Wyo., with two friends aboard when the plane collided with a twin-engine Piper and both plummeted into a residential neighborhood. All five people in the two planes died.

Klan chief faces murder charges:

The grand dragon of a Ku Klux Klan group and the wife of a Klan leader in federal custody were among four people charged with murder in the killing of an unidentified man two years ago, authorities said Saturday. According to a search warrant from the State Bureau of Investigation, a witness led authorities to the body and told them members of at least two Ku Klux Klan organizations were involved in the shooting.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

New virus attacks Microsoft software:

The latest virus-like attack on the Internet exposes more than a software flaw: The very strategy managers of computer networks typically adopt for security has proven inadequate. The worm that crippled tens of thousands of computers worldwide, congested the network for countless others and even disabled Bank of America cash machines Saturday took advantage of a vulnerability in some Microsoft software that had been discovered in July.

Law protecting fetuses upheld:

A judge has upheld murder charges against a woman accused of killing the fetus of a romantic rival, rejecting defense arguments that Pennsylvania's fetal homicide law conflicts with abortion rights. But Erie County Judge John Trucilla ruled Friday that although a pregnant woman can choose to have an abortion, she has no choice in an attack that kills her unborn child.

Bust

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book, du Lac, says students who break, local, state or federal laws may be subject to disciplinary action by the school. Following past bar raids, University punishment has included a combination of community service and fines. Most of the Notre Dame students ticketed at Finnigan's received \$100 fines from the University.

Saint Mary's handbook, on the other hand, bars officials from imposing sanctions for off-campus offenses; thus students have faced only legal reprimand.

As for Boat Club, it may be in legal hot water itself.

Police expect to forward their report on the raid to the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission by Tuesday, said Deitchley, of the state excise police.

Serving alcohol to minors is a Class C misdemeanor. Bartenders face loss of their permit, while bar owners are subject to loss of their liquor license and fines up to \$1,000 per offense.

Bridget McGuire and Irish Connection lost their liquor licenses. The latter went out of business, while the former now operates as the coffee shop Molly McGuire's.

The prosecutor in the Finnigan's case offered a deal that allowed the bar owners to escape severe penalties if they paid a fine and sold their liquor license to new owners. The bar is now called The Library.

The Boat Club was a popular destination for students on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Between 200 and 300 peo-

ple were inside the bar at the time of the raid, police said.

Police shut down the bar, sealed off exits and for more than two hours ticketed underage customers in the two-story building. Deitchley said students were surprisingly cooperative with police.

Word of the bust spread quickly around campus, as students at the bar used cell phones to call friends. Many students braved below-freezing temperatures and rushed to the bar to witness the action.

As buzz about the bust continued around campus Friday, the student-run Web site ndtoday.com jokingly declared it "a day that will live in infamy."

"I never thought the day would happen," said senior Dan Good, a regular patron of the club, "but with 20/20 hindsight, Chad Sharon and the mugging last week, we should have known."

Sharon, a Notre Dame freshman, has been missing since he disappeared following a Dec. 12 house party on Corby Boulevard.

Another Notre Dame freshman reported this week to South Bend police that he was mugged Jan. 17 while walking home alone from The Boat Club.

In the wake of those events, many students speculated that the raid was tied to school and city officials' concerns about student safety. But police said they were acting on complaints of underage drinking that preceded both Sharon's disappearance and the alleged mugging.

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Robbery

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demanding money from them.

Hurley said that NDSP presented the cases to the prosecutor's office, where charges were received and arrests made Wednesday. Though NDSP has investigated both individuals since last fall, the suspects have just now been arrested and charged because police needed a warrant to arrest the two men, which had to

be authorized by the prosecutor's office.

The reason for the delay in charging the suspects, according to Hurley, was likely the change of county prosecutors that occurred after the November elections when former prosecutor Christopher Toth was voted out of office and replaced by Michael Dvorak.

"The case was presented to the prosecutor's office last November," said Hurley. "When the new prosecutor came in last November they reviewed

that case and charges were filed. The current prosecutor gave us the authority to make the arrests."

Both suspects were charged with a class C felony. Whether or not the case goes to trial will depend on the cooperation of the suspects and the plea that each enters. Hearing dates for both suspects have not yet been set, Hurley said.

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Bowl advertisers aim for humor

Associated Press

Advertising's auteurs kept it quirky on Super Bowl Sunday, with humor a prime ingredient in most commercials as Americans weary of war talk and a gloomy economy were given a chance to chuckle.

Brokerage Charles Schwab noted the fear of Wall Street's three years of declines, offering a man sprinting through his neighborhood, pursued by an unseen foe. The man is finally cornered in a backyard by the mail carrier — delivering a brokerage statement.

TV's newest favorite family, the Osbournes, showed up in an ad for Pepsi with Ozzy Osbourne having a nightmare

that his children had turned into Donny and Marie Osmond and his wife into Florence Henderson of "The Brady Bunch."

Around the ads, Tampa Bay won its first Super Bowl, 48-21. The splashiest commercials typically air earlier in the game, which fit well with listless offense through much of the first half.

The game's biggest ad buyer, Anheuser-Busch, tweaked pro football's review rule and the league's troubled officiating this season with a zebra pulling referee duty during a game between horses. The ad aired, coincidentally, right before the Tampa Bay Buccaneers challenged a turnover call and had it reversed.

Super Bowl commercials

are traditionally among the most coveted and prestigious in the advertising world, with a television audience topping 100 million people and few channel surfers. The night offers advertisers a forum for exhibiting their skills, and reach a wide, diverse group of people — some of whom watch solely for the ads.

This year's 30-second slots sold for between \$2.1 million and \$2.2 million, about 10 percent more expensive than last year. For the second consecutive year, Anheuser-Busch was the game's largest advertiser, with 11 spots.

About 40 percent of the game's ad spots were bought by four advertising behemoths, Anheuser-Busch, General Motors Corp., Sony and PepsiCo.

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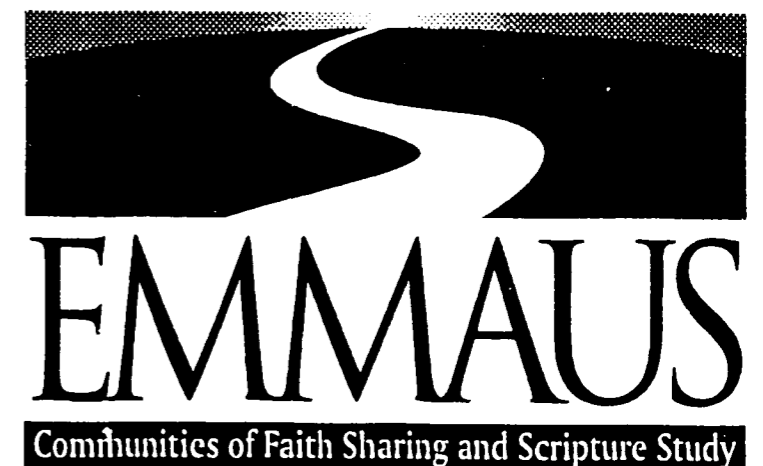
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AMEX	815.84	↓	-6.22
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COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NORTEL NETWORKS (NT)	+7.50	+0.18	2.58
NASDAQ-100 INDEX(QQQ)	-2.70	-0.69	24.82
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-5.00	-0.73	13.86
LUCENT TECH INC (LU)	+3.12	+0.06	1.98
SPDR TRUST SER (SPY)	-2.63	-2.33	86.38

IN BRIEF

New lawsuit attacks light cigarettes

Sharon Price switched from smoking regular cigarettes to brands labeled "light" when she was pregnant in the 1970s. "I knew the better choice was to quit, but I thought I was reducing my risk," the pack-a-day smoker said. Now 52, Price is among the plaintiffs in a class-action lawsuit accusing Philip Morris Cos., maker of Marlboro Lights and Cambridge Lights cigarettes, of wrongly leading customers to believe the "light" brands are less harmful than regular cigarettes. Unlike many other high-profile cigarette-related lawsuits, the members of the class aren't claiming that smoking made them sick; their argument is that they were tricked by the company.

Virus infects 39,000 computers

A fast-spreading, virus-like infection dramatically slowed Internet traffic, overwhelming the world's digital pipelines and interfering with Web browsing and e-mail delivery. Sites monitoring the health of the Internet on Saturday reported detecting at least 39,000 infected computers, which transmitted floods of spurious signals disrupting hundreds of thousands of other systems worldwide. Monitors reported significant slowdowns, although recovery efforts appeared to be succeeding.

New cigarettes offer less nicotine

The first tobacco CEO to acknowledge smoking is addictive is offering a new cigarette made with genetically modified tobacco that lets smokers choose their level of nicotine. Vector Tobacco Inc, based in North Carolina, stops short of marketing its Quest cigarettes as a smoking cessation product - a claim that could draw the regulatory attention of the Food and Drug Administration. The cigarettes are, however, designed to allow smokers to cut back on nicotine, the addictive element in tobacco.

VENEZUELA

New currency controls persist

◆ Protest erupts along highway

Associated Press

CARACAS
Venezuelans awaited details of new currency controls, while protesters continued to press for the ouster of President Hugo Chavez in a nearly two-month-long strike that has severely hampered the economy, although oil production was slowly increasing.

Chavez last week suspended foreign currency dealings through Tuesday and said he would announce new currency controls to halt the rush of nervous Venezuelans trading in their currency, the bolivar, for dollars.

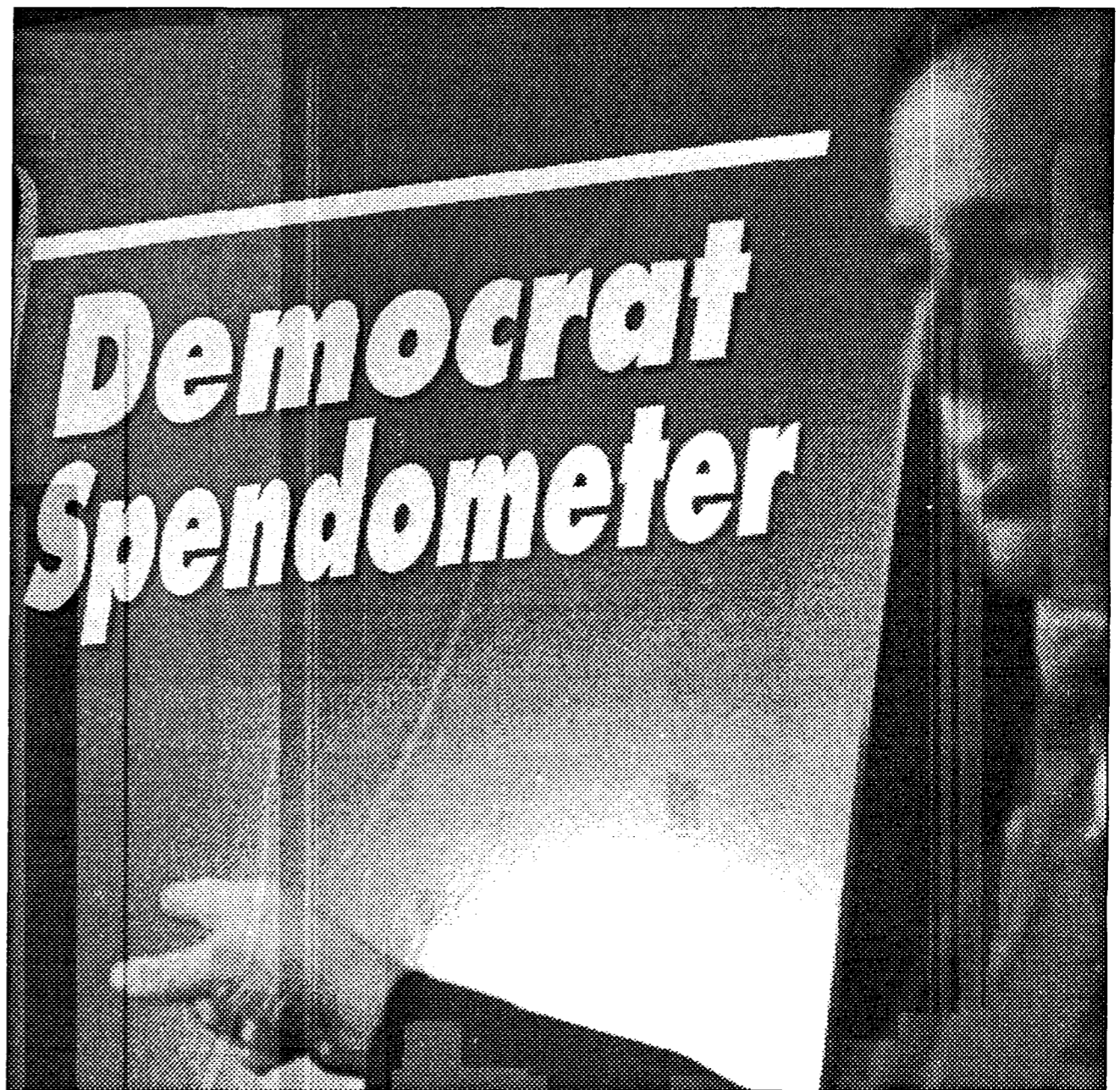
Details about the new controls and even when they will be announced have not been revealed, but there are fears that the government will largely limit the availability of dollars to Chavez supporters while cutting off those taking part in the strike, which began Dec. 2.

Production and Commerce Minister Ramon Rosales was quoted as saying by the El Nacional newspaper that importers and exporters who do not back the crippling strike will get priority for access to dollars.

That would drive many businessmen to a new but flourishing black market for the American currency, sending already-rising prices even higher.

Rosales also said dollars will be guaranteed for food and raw materials for agriculture, health and education.

Chavez has given no hints about the controls, although he said Sunday he will soon propose a tax on all financial transactions in Venezuela. He did not give more details but said Venezuela's dollar-based reserves dropped \$3 billion



Opposers of Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez protest Sunday during a demonstration in Caracas. During the 24-hour protest, Venezuelans danced and marched on a Caracas highway, blowing whistles and blasting music in an attempt to force Chavez from office. It is the 56th day of the strike.

in December and January.

Meanwhile, a demonstration on a central Caracas highway continued Sunday morning after thousands spent the night on the asphalt to protest a Supreme Court decision indefinitely suspending a Feb. 2 referendum to ask Venezuelans whether Chavez should resign.

Tens of thousands protesters danced to salsa music blaring from massive loudspeakers as countless red, blue and yellow national flags fluttered in the wind.

The loosely grouped opposition is trying to recover from the blow of the Supreme Court ruling. The president's opponents

had gathered 2 million signatures to petition for the vote and launched the strike and daily street protests. Six people have been killed in protests since the strike began.

Although the referendum wouldn't have been binding, opponents had hoped a negative outcome would have embarrassed Chavez into quitting.

Searching for a new strategy, the opposition Democratic Coordinator movement was gathering signatures to demand a constitutional amendment that would pave the way for early elections. The amendment would involve cutting Chavez's six-year term, currently due to run until

2006, to four.

Amending the constitution requires a popular referendum. Citizens can demand such a vote by collecting signatures from 15 percent of Venezuela's 12 million registered voters.

Chavez harshly criticized his opponents Sunday after arriving in Porto Alegre, Brazil, for the World Social Forum, where he was to meet with sympathizers among the 100,000 activists gathered in the southern port city to protest American-style capitalism.

"Our struggle against the terrorists and fascists has further strengthened the will of the Venezuelan people," Chavez said at the airport.

TAIWAN

Plane completes 1st trip to China

Associated Press

TAIPEI
Taiwan's biggest airline completed the island's first commercial flight to China in more than five decades Sunday, a journey many hoped would build trust and ease tensions between the rivals split by civil war.

The purple and white China Airlines jumbo jet flew to Shanghai, by way of Hong Kong, to pick up 243 Taiwanese passengers returning home for the weeklong Chinese New Year - the most important holiday

for many Chinese people.

About four hours after leaving Shanghai, the Eoeing 747-400 touched down in Taipei after a 30-minute stop in Hong Kong. A long line of reporters, officials and lawmakers greeted the passengers, most of whom were business travelers working in Shanghai.

After stepping off the plane, electronics salesman Gary Kao hugged his wife and said that the special holiday flight shaved a couple hours off his trip - which normally involves changing planes in Hong Kong and

frequent delays.

"Today, I can even get home in time for dinner," he said.

Kao was optimistic that the flight would lead to better ties between Taiwan and China. "This is a great opportunity to improve trust and have more stable relations," he said.

All six of Taiwan's major airlines have been allowed to fly the holiday charter flights several times a week through Feb. 9. But each flight must stop in Hong Kong or Macau on the way to and from China, according to Taiwanese regulations.

SWITZERLAND

Powell has lost faith in weapons inspectors

Associated Press

Secretary of State Colin Powell, citing Iraq's lack of cooperation with U.N. inspectors, said Sunday he has lost faith in the inspectors' ability to conduct a definitive search for banned weapons programs.

A U.S.-led war to oust Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, however, is not imminent, Powell told business and political leaders, and he did not explicitly call for the inspections to end.

President Bush and heads of state were awaiting Monday's report by chief weapons inspector Hans Blix to the U.N. Security Council. The summary of their findings is intended to help determine whether Iraq has programs for chemical, biological or nuclear arms.

By mid-afternoon Sunday, Blix had written a toughly worded 16-page report that he will deliver as a speech during the public portion of Monday's council meeting. "I have been working very hard and very carefully on the details," he told The Associated Press.

He wouldn't discuss the contents and would not comment on Powell's comments.

White House aides said Bush will listen with great interest to what the inspectors have to say as he prepares for his State of the Union address Tuesday night in which he is expected to go into detail about why Washington considers Saddam a threat to the United States and other nations.

Polls show most Americans do not believe Bush has made his case for military conflict in Iraq, and the Senate's top Democrat said Sunday, "We ought not be rushing to war."

South Dakota's Tom Daschle

also urged the White House work harder to assemble an international coalition before deciding to go into Iraq.

Powell said in his address at the World Economic Forum in this Swiss resort that only a strong international response will deter Saddam from sharing his weapons with terror groups or using them himself.

Even though Iraq has responded to checks of inspections "with evasions and with lies," the secretary said, "We are in no great rush to judgment tomorrow or the day after, but clearly time is running out."

He also said the United States was willing to act by itself. "We continue to reserve our sovereign right to take military action against Iraq alone or in a coalition of the willing," he said.

In Washington, Bush's chief of staff said that military force is "the last option, but it's one that the president will be ready to use."

And Andrew Card, raising the threat of a U.S. nuclear strike, warned: "Should Saddam Hussein have any thought that he would use a weapon of mass destruction, he should anticipate that the United States will use whatever means necessary to protect us and the world from a holocaust."

Powell said Iraq should not be in doubt that "if it does not disarm peacefully at this juncture, it will be disarmed at the end of the road."

U.S. officials have said war against Iraq could be a month or more away. They said they believe that extra weeks of unsuccessful inspections could weaken the resolve of key Security Council members Russia, France and Germany to maintain their opposition to military force against Iraq.

SWITZERLAND

China competes in tech sector

Associated Press

DAVOS

China will soon become the world's largest Internet and information economy, surpassing the United States, the president of one of the Chinese government's two main telecommunications companies predicted Saturday.

By 2008, China will have between 200 million and 300 million Internet devices and millions more users, said Edward Tian, China Netcom Corp.'s chief executive and a pioneer of the country's Internet revolution.

He spoke at a panel on "China's Rise: Regional and Global Impacts" at the World Economic Forum in this snow-covered Swiss Alpine resort, an annual meeting of top business and government leaders who have singled out China as one of the few economic success stories in the past year.

In China, Internet use has grown from a few thousand seven years ago to more than 60 million today, putting China ahead of Japan and only second to the United States, which has about 200 million users, Tian said.

"China can soon become the world's largest Internet and information economy, in both telecommunications and the traditional IT [information technology] sectors," he said.

Last year, China was the only country where information technology continued to grow and it has become a key market for Western technology companies No. 1 for Nokia, and number two for Ericsson and IBM, he said. China was also the only

country to see growth for the telecom equipment market in 2002.

"In the past 10 years, most investment has been in hardware to build infrastructures," said Tian, whose company bought key undersea fiber-optic networks in November from Asia Global Crossing Ltd., which filed for bankruptcy to facilitate the sale.

"In the next five to 10 years, I think investment will focus ... more to the software side and service sector," he said.

China's economy grew by more than 8 percent last year, and panel members predicted continued growth.

"I don't think China can build an economy if we just rely on manufactured goods. We must play a very important role in the technology side," Tian said.

In November, he said, the Communist Party congress adopted a "very, very important policy that in the next 10 years China has to build a new type of economy, an information-led new economy."

As a result of popular support for the Internet and strong government backing for the new policy, he predicted that "the Internet will transform not only the new economy but the traditional economy." He noted that small companies engaging in e-business were now his company's top users.

"What does it mean for the rest of the world?" Tian asked.

"China will become a very important player in the information industry," he answered.

As China becomes "a world-class player," the question and the challenge is whether it can build up its

technology standards and its marketing "and export not only low-cost labor intensive goods but ... software and services to the Western world."

Cheng Siwei, vice-chairman of the National People's Congress' Standing Committee, stressed the government's commitment to improving its technology and software sectors. Answering criticism of rising unemployment, corruption, stagnating state-owned enterprises and other weaknesses, he said China was working to improve its legal system and generate more jobs.

Victor Chu, chairman of the First Eastern Investment Group in Hong Kong, said the domestic challenges that China faces "will help calm some of the fears of our Asian neighbors that China could become such a big, domineering bully in the region."

"I think Asia will have to learn to manage with China, and China will have to appreciate the sensitivities and manage some of the fears from our Asian neighbors," he said.

Chu suggested that China work with Thailand and other countries in the Mekong region to promote tourism - and join forces with Japan and South Korea on infrastructure projects in the Persian Gulf region.

"Korea and Japan - have brands, technology, and management marketing skills and China has raw materials, a huge market, and a desire to learn," he said.

Australian Foreign Minister Alexander Downer said Southeast Asian nations should worry more about restructuring their economies than about foreign investment being diverted to China.

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Candidate Forms are available on the 3rd floor of LaFortune in the Club Resource Center

E-mail: ccc@nd.edu for more information.

Billy Joel release from hospital after crash

Associated Press

NEW YORK

'Piano Man' Billy Joel was hospitalized for several hours early Sunday after smashing his car into a tree along a highway on far eastern Long Island.

A hospital spokesman confirmed that the singer was released Sunday morning but would not comment on Joel's injuries.

The 53-year-old Rock and Roll Hall of Famer had swerved into the tree as he was driving his Mercedes-Benz in Sag Harbor late Saturday, Sag Harbor Village Police Chief Thomas Fabiano said.

No charges were filed, police Officer Hugh Caulfield said Sunday. Joel wasn't given a Breathalyzer test, which measures blood alcohol levels, he said.

Joel was taken to Stony Brook University Hospital, where a hospital spokesman said he arrived around midnight and was

released around 7:30 a.m.

Joel has had more than two dozen Top Ten hits in his career, including his signature 1974 song "Piano Man." His music, including the title song "Movin' Out," is currently the subject of a Broadway musical.

Last summer, he voluntarily checked into a substance abuse and psychiatric center at New Canaan, Connecticut, reportedly after becoming "very depressed" when a respiratory infection forced him to cut short a tour with fellow piano player Elton John.

He told People magazine in July that he had begun "what I ultimately realized was a prolonged period of overindulgence. I don't want to get any more specific."

Joel was also involved in a motorcycle accident on Long Island in 1983. He and model Christie Brinkley have one daughter, Alexia Ray. The couple divorced in 1994.

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Abstain from voting in SMC election

Saint Mary's students have once again been given only one choice for student body elections. Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl, current student body vice president, and Sarah Brown, current sophomore class president, are the only candidates willing to run for president and vice president, respectively. This means that for the third year in a row Saint Mary's students cannot participate in a real election. Seniors have only had a choice of candidates once, during their freshman year, and no other class has even had this choice. This is a disturbing trend in student government politics that needs to stop.

Students can help stop this trend by voting to abstain in Tuesday's election.

Saint Mary's student leaders should not be afraid, or hesitant to challenge one another, in meetings or in elections. "One of the great things about Saint Mary's is that they bring a leader out of every Saint Mary's student," vice presidential candidate Sarah Brown said in an interview with The Observer. If this is

true, then why have students have stood quietly aside, instead of stepping forward to run in student body, like leaders would? Student government should be

about adequate representation and who can do the best job on behalf of Saint Mary's students. When students are not even given an option in elections, it isn't about who

can do the best job, but who is going to have to do the job.

This year it will most likely be Jablonski-Diehl and Brown who have to do the job. If elected, Jablonski-Diehl and Brown plan to continue a lot of the work this past year's administration began. This includes moving forward with the Reading Day proposal, improving the Board of Governance Web site and improving dialogue among students and student government representatives. In essence their campaign is a continuation of this past year's administration. However, new ideas are required in any successful administration and Jablonski-Diehl/Brown had none to present in their Observer

endorsement interview.

"At some point there are not a lot of new ideas," Jablonski-Diehl admitted.

Jablonski-Diehl/Brown could very well be the best ticket, but nobody will know unless there is a choice of candidates. Students can demand a real election by clicking "abstain" instead of "Jablonski-Diehl/Brown" when voting Tuesday. If a majority of the voting students abstain, it will result in a vote of no confidence and force the election process to begin again, thus granting Saint Mary's students another chance to demonstrate leadership and step forward with new ideas.

If students choose to abstain, current student government representatives will know that they are not adequately representing students. By voting to abstain, the election process will start again, giving students the chance to step forward with fresh ideas to invigorate a stagnant government and give students at Saint Mary's a real election, something most of its students have never had.

The Observer endorses abstention in Saint Mary's student body election on Tuesday.

The Observer Editorial

A family tradition of storytelling

Some of the first memories I have are of camping with my family. We had a sheepherder's tent exactly like the one that my grandfather used when he tended his sheep every summer. It was huge. The canvas walls and ceiling protected us from every possible element that Idaho's mountains threw at us.

My younger brother and I thought it was heaven. It had a wood stove that we used to heat the tent and also to cook pancakes. There was a place for our sleeping bags and there was a place for our table and chairs.

I remember cold mornings when I would refuse to even poke my head out of my sleeping bag until my dad had started the wood stove and there was a cup of hot chocolate on the table for me. On days when the rain came we played endless hours of Old Maid and Go Fish. On extremely hot days we would sit in the shade and drink lemonade. Amongst all of these memories the bedtime stories my dad told stand out. They were always about his misadventures in the mountains.

For some reason he only told us bedtime stories when we were camping, or perhaps that is the only time I remember them. There were stories from the times when he worked with my grandfather and uncles in the sheep camps, others from when he was a smoke jumper and still others after he and my mom were married but before they had kids. The stories seemed almost mythical as I drift-

ed between dreams and reality.

Soon weekend soccer games and various summer camps ended the summer camping trips. The sheepherder's tent went into long-term storage, and my brother and I became too old for bedtime stories. The stories moved into the mélange of reality and childhood imagination that is childhood memory. I remembered bits and pieces.

Funny things always happened. Sometimes, with his dad, they would lose a sheep and have to wander endlessly and when they returned to camp the sheep would be there. While smoke jumping, he would land in a tree. Backpacking with my mom and cousins, one of my cousins would get her fishing line stuck in the middle of a river. They were always stories without endings because I fell asleep.

I had not thought of those stories for a long time. About a year ago my dad sent me some stories he had written. He had just read a book about Idaho and finished a semester's worth of my columns. Apparently he was not impressed by either and decided it must not be that difficult to write down the stories he had told for years. The stories he sent me filled in the endings that I never heard with a humor I was too young to understand. The strangest part about it was that as I read his stories, I saw my writing style in his and also the way we look at the world and people in that world.

Yesterday I received an e-mail from my brother. It was not really an e-mail but a short story about his life in Spain. Again the memories of the sheepherder's tent and bedtime stories rushed back. As

I read my brother's e-mail I saw the storyteller I knew as a child but this time it was in my brother. It was a somewhat surreal and a magical moment back in time. The tone of sarcasm and humor mirrored my dad's stories. After I read the e-mail and returned to my house I felt lucky to be allowed into the stories of my dad and brother.

The irony is that if we were all living in the same city or on the same continent, this exchange of bedtime stories would never happen. The last 20 months in Africa have caused moments of loneliness and distance from my family and friends at home. Other times in moments like this I feel like I have a closer relationship with people at home while I am here than when I can talk to them everyday. I am the person in Africa who they will not see for another year, so I become their de facto journal.

I am on the downhill slide of my Peace Corps service, so in my free time I often think about what I am going to do when I get home. One thing I hope is that I still have the time to listen to people's stories. Maybe dust off the sheepherder's tent and go camping to reminisce and tell the stories that I have not heard since elementary school and tell the stories that I have personally acquired since then.

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Anne Morrow Lindbergh
pilot and writer

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Seeking a Catholic response to the call for war

These are times that try Catholics' souls. If the United States government declares war against Iraq, American Catholics will be faced with perhaps the greatest moral dilemma of our generation. On the one hand, the government of the country that has given us freedom will be asking for our loyalty; on the other hand, the Church that promises us salvation will be asking for our resistance. Quite frankly, it boils down to a classic battle of church versus state.

Since the founding of our country, there has been a convergence in the minds of most Americans between Church teaching and United State foreign policy. This sort of "American exceptionalism" is a belief that the American exception is different from all other places of the past and present. It is a confidence in the infallibility, or at least the evolving moral perfection, of our country. It is a blind faith that the United States is essentially always on the side of the good.

This "American exceptionalism" is not only a blind faith, but a blinding force that limits our ability to see world affairs from a more objective and more compassionate standpoint.

Further, the belief in "American exceptionalism" is ultimately faulty.

Throughout the course of our country's history, we have committed numerous evil acts. Slavery, our role in the Vietnam War, our acquiescence in the Indonesian massacres in East Timor, the use of the A-bomb and our institution of military regimes in Nicaragua and Honduras in the 1980s serve as a few examples of "American imperfection."

Now I am not anti-American, and I do think it important to acknowledge the

many freedoms, humane actions and peaceful resolutions that our country has granted us and the world, but it would be invalid to conclude that our country is or should be perfect.

Our country is not moral, nor should we expect it to be. It is a nation-state, founded to secure economic, personal and national freedoms and benefits for the citizens of the United States. It was not founded to be the next Savior, nor was it founded to be a beacon of hope and peace for the world. It was founded to secure the rights and benefits of a particular group of people. With that purpose in mind, going to war with Iraq does not seem to be very controversial or questionable.

The problem that exists, however, for American Catholics and Catholics throughout the world is that the Catholic Church does not exist to secure and grant the freedoms and benefits of those under its power. To the contrary, the Catholic Church exists as the Body of Christ on earth, devoted to spreading the love and hope of Jesus Christ through respect for the sanctity of life and as a witness to the living God. In the face of unnecessary evil or unjust wars, the Church calls upon all Catholics to resist and take non-violent action in the spirit of Jesus Christ.

Today, after years of cloudiness between Church teaching and American foreign policy, the Catholic Church has made clear its stance on an American preemptive war against Iraq. This is where the moral dilemma rests for Catholics.

On Jan. 13, Pope John Paul II made it clear that the Church would oppose a preemptive war against Iraq. He said, "War

itself is an attack on human life since it brings in its wake suffering and death. The battle for peace is always a battle for life."

Further, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops released a statement on Nov. 13, which stated, "With the Holy See and bishops from the Middle East and around the world, we fear that to resort to war, under present circumstances and in light of current public information, would not meet the strict conditions in Catholic teaching for overriding the strong presumption against the use of military force." The use of the Church on this issue has been very clear.

While these Church statements pose a challenge for American Catholics, there are also other factors that should be pointed out. First of all, there are over 1 million Catholics living currently in Iraq. Second, a war against Iraq would be an attack against already wounded, starving and poverty-stricken people who have already suffered some of the greatest tragedies of our time due to the Gulf War and U.N. sanctions.

Finally, the basic question of whether war can be justified needs to be posed. According to the reports of the U.N. inspectors in The New York Times, CNN and TIME magazine, the Iraqi government has been at least somewhat supportive of the inspections. A New York Times article on Jan. 20 claimed that Iraqi government

officials promised to help the United Nations hunt for its own weapons. There is no definitive evidence that Iraq is a threat.

Hopefully, there will be no war, but such a possibility seems unlikely. With over 100,000 troops mobilized for war, the United States lobbying hard for allies and support for an attack and continual threats of attack, it seems very likely that

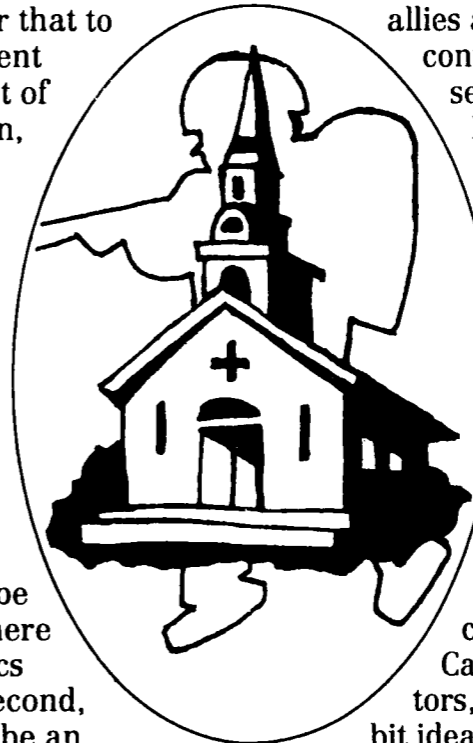
President Bush will be unable to back down from war.

Therefore, American Catholics and all Americans need to begin to think about their role and views on this world crisis.

It is important to remember what is at stake: the lives of millions of Iraqi people and the lives of hundreds of thousands of U.S. soldiers. Dorothy Day called for "a mighty league of Catholic consciences," and while that may seem a bit idealistic for the moment, there

is no reason to believe that if Catholics banded together against war that we could not have a serious impact here. There is a quote that says, "We ought to make our lives a mystery that only makes sense if God exists." I pray that the mysteries that are our lives will be rooted in working for peace.

Peter Joseph Quaranto
freshman
Sorin College
Jan. 24



Losing the race: the politics of civil rights

It seems like every year about this time there's some sort of race-related scandal to perfectly coincide with the holiday devoted to America's greatest civil rights leader, Martin Luther King. Last year I wrote about a planned World Trade Center Memorial that would have placed racial sensitivity above the FDNY firefighters who raised the American flag over Ground Zero, and also how Notre Dame would have been perceived as racist if they didn't hire Tyrone Willingham. (By the way, Athletic Department: good call.)

Now, another disastrous duo of political shockers have splashed the front pages around the first of the year. The fallout for one was deserved, though perhaps a little sensationalized, but the outcry over the other is entirely misguided.

On Dec. 7, then-incoming Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said the following at a celebration of retiring senator and living mummy Strom Thurmond, "I want to say this about my state: When Strom Thurmond ran for president, we voted for him. We're proud of it. And if the rest of the country had followed our lead, we wouldn't have had all these problems over all these years."

By itself, it was not a racist comment. But of course, any student of African American political history knows the context: Strom Thurmond's 1948 presidential campaign came after he split with the Democratic Party over civil rights for African-Americans. Continued segregation was at the top of the "Dixiecrat" agenda.

Whether Lott truly meant to applaud Thurmond's legacy of segregation, advocate a more benign platform of decentralization of government or simply

patronize an old geezer on his birthday may never be known. But it was very irresponsible and idiotic of him not to uncouple the racist baggage from that statement. Such verbal diarrhea should not be tolerated by a leadership of any party, and so Lott stepped down under intense pressure from within the Republican Party.

In his apoplexy of apologies to try to maintain some control, Lott went on Black Entertainment Television and advocated numerous minority-sponsored programs, including affirmative action. And it was on that front where a new storm brewed about a month later.

On Jan. 15, President Bush decided to file a brief to the U.S. Supreme Court concerning admissions policies at the University of Michigan which favor minorities for the sake of "diversity." Predictably, the backlash came swiftly: "They have to decide whether they're for civil rights and diversity, or not," was the response of Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle. Rev. Jesse Jackson labelled Bush, "the most anti-civil rights president in 50 years."

Bush argued that Michigan's policies were "fundamentally flawed," and he's right, for multiple reasons. First, admissions points are only awarded to minorities who are black, Hispanic or Native American. Asians, Arabs, Jews and Lithuanians are given no preference. Some "diversity."

Second, diversity is given more weight than academic excellence — being a member of the chosen races nets 20 points, but having a perfect SAT score garners only 12.

Opponents argue that giving weight to "legacies" is just as racist because of African-Americans' disproportionately low enrollment in universities over the decades. But this argument doesn't hold up at Ann Arbor, since legacies are given only a few points (four), compared to minorities.

If a university decides only to allow people whose parents or grandparents attended there, or bassoon

players, or people with a Z in their name, or people with a working knowledge of Thai, the Constitution says nothing. But the 14th Amendment specifically prohibits discrimination on the basis of race. Michigan's system, which uses points to achieve desired goals of "diversity," is a de facto quota system and therefore unconstitutional.

Academic diversity is not a bad thing, but it's also not the be-all and end-of-all of higher education. There are several fine all-black universities in America; NAACP chairman Julian Bond graduated from one, Morehouse College. And Notre Dame needs only look across the street to find brilliant students from a campus that prohibits 49 percent of the population from enrolling from the outset. Nobody clamors for those schools to be opened. But jury-rigging enrollment policies to ensure diversity at the expense of academic achievement shouldn't be tolerated.

Opponents of the party of Trent Lott and George W. Bush will seek to capitalize on these events (only one of which deserves criticism) in the 2004 election. That year, of course, marks the 40th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, so what better stage to do a little political grandstanding? It is my sincere hope that we can live the words of a landmark event that also will celebrate its 40th anniversary, in August: that all Americans "will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

Unfortunately, if civil rights continues as nothing more than a platform to bash Republicans, I may have to write a similar column again next year.

But I can dream, can't I?

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Mike Marchand

Undistinguished
Alumnus

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The Faces of Co

The humorous and infamous group known as "The Second City" visited Notre near-tears to all who attended their comedy act last

By MOLLY GRIFFIN
Scene Writer

The Second City performed at Washington Hall Saturday night to a packed house of enthusiastic audience members. The North American comedy institution entertained the student body (or at least those lucky enough to get tickets) with both preplanned and on the spot humor encompassing a wide variety of subjects.

The Second City originated in Chicago, and the group takes its name from a derisive article about the city once printed in the New Yorker magazine. The group's routines are a mix of pre-written skits and improvisational sketches based on audience suggestions, usually

with the goal of satirizing someone or some event.

This rag-tag group of University of Chicago students began performing in various locations around the city in 1959 until they bought an old Chinese laundry and turned it into a permanent theater.

The theater is still there today, and is considered a landmark of satirical comedy. The company now has theatres in Toronto, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Detroit and Cleveland and training centers across the country. Touring companies bring The Second City's humor to places across the continent, including Notre Dame's campus.

In 1973, The Second City expanded up north into Canada, where the group found great success. It spawned a television show, "SCTV," and a vast array of

famous comedians including John Candy, Catherine O'Hara, Rick Moranis and Eugene Levy started their careers performing in the group. Other notable alumni of both the American and Canadian branches of the group include Martin Short, Dan Aykroyd, "Who's Line is it Anyway?" performer Ryan Stiles, Bill Murray and current "Saturday Night Live" performer Rachel Dratch.

The Second City's performance at Notre Dame, in true Second City style, included a variety of pre-written skits, both short and lengthy, and several improvisational skits based on audience suggestions. The six performers of mixed gender and ethnic background brought energy, creativity and a little bit of profanity to the stage. There was even a guest appearance by a Washington

Hall bat that disrupted the performance and captured the audiences' attention.

A good portion of Saturday evening's performance focused on the political landscape of America and its culture, especially the idea of race. Though it sounds serious, the performance was hardly a State of the Union address, unless it was one seen on "Saturday Night Live."

The evening opened with a bang, as the troupe debated the labeling of people based on their heritage (such as "African-American") by asking imperative questions such as: "If I'm from Gary, [Ind.] does that make me a Gary-American?"

The group poked fun at the flag-waving tactics of politicians and advertisers by setting random, and sometimes strange, events to patriotic music. An overly patriotic taxicab driver debating with a passenger highlighted many opinions of America's "War on Terror," and a skit about random gun violence focused on the firearms debate.

Note of the skits were even remotely serious, so there was no danger of feeling like being in class despite the topics. The group dealt with the subjects in a delicate enough manner so as not to offend.

The best piece of politically motivated satire came in a musical montage involving Ariel Sharon and Yassar Arafat coming together over a mutual love of Disney movies. Unconventional and politically incorrect insight on serious subjects is definitely a more interesting look at culture and current events than a class lecture.

The Second City took time to look at questions and situations particularly important to college students, and they even integrated pieces of local Notre Dame lore, such as the infamous Boat Club and Grape Road, into the skits. The Observer even made a special guest appearance.

Many of the skits focused on the dating scene, most notably in the Dating Game, which starred an audience volunteer and used questions from the audience. A particularly poignant skit for anyone who has ever been at school focused on Student Health Services and the misadventures students could possibly have there. The relationships between parents and children also received a great deal of attention, and the group looked at everything from

how mom really feels when she's serving dinner (it involved profanity), to how each of us turns into our parents no matter how hard we may fight it. There are plenty of frustrations inherent in college life, and it's nice to have the chance to step back and laugh at them.

Though the skits were good, the most impressive and entertaining part of the evening was the group's improvisational work. A game where the last line of one skit became the first line of another took some strange turns placed in the contexts of a unisex bathroom, a blind date, and with two people passing on the street. At the ring of a bell performers had to come up with a new line to replace another, usually eliciting laughs



Taking their humor on country. The group is



The Detroit Touring Cast at home. From humble beginnings, The Second City has expanded to regularly entertain six cities and send famous comedians to dozens more.

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The touring cast of The City relies on sudence

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Comedy

...e Dame and brought laughs as well as
...st weekend



Photo courtesy of The Second City

...on the road, The Second City takes humor from the Chicago mainstage around the
...s at the forefront of political humor and satire.

and changing the entire context of the
skit. The evening culminated with an
encore suggestion. The laughs came from
both the performers and some of the
strange suggestions of the audience
members.

The Second City has a rich history and

famous alumni to its name, but the
laughs that they bring to the audience
are what will remain once they leave.

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The Second City puts on shows with a lot of laughs but very few props. The Second
...ce participation and fast wits to make their shows a hit success.

Proud alumni of The Second City

Many famous people
started their careers in comedy on
Second City's infamous stage

By EMILY HOWALD
Assistant Scene Editor

For many actors, The Second City is a
jump start not only in the field of come-
dian improv but into all types of enter-
tainment. Before the big screen or even
television, many actors were seen
onstage in Chicago and Toronto.

John Belushi

Belushi began
his career at the
Second City and
was the
youngest
"mainstage"
performer ever
selected to the
Troupe. He left
Second City in
1975 to go to New York and become
part of Saturday Night Live. Belushi
starred in "Animal House" and the
"Blues Brothers" with Dan Aykroyd. He
also influenced his little brother, Jim
to want to join as well. Both Belushis were
two of the more memorable cast mem-
bers that ever went through Second
City.



presently three available.

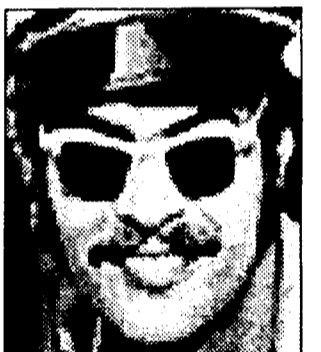
Bill Murray

Murray began
his career with
his dry and
witty sense of
humor. He
quickly moved
from Second
City to Saturday
Night Live,
replacing Chevy
Chase. Murray moved from Saturday
Night Live to make humorous films
such as "Meatballs," "Ghostbusters,"
"Caddyshack," "Groundhog Day,"
"Scrooged" and "Ghostbusters."



Dan Aykroyd

Aykroyd was
born July 1,
1952 and
made it big at
Second City.
His film high-
lights include
"Blues
Brothers," "My
Girl,"
"Ghostbusters," "Coneheads," "Exit
to Eden," "The Great Outdoors" and
"Trading Places."



John Candy

Candy entered
the Second City
Troupe in the
early '70s and
shared the spot-
light with actors
such as Eugene
Levy, Joe
Flaherty, Dave
Thomas and
Catherine O'Hara. Candy went on to
star in "Uncle Buck," "Planes, Trains
and Automobiles," "Summer Rental,"
"Who's Harry Crumb" and "Cool
Runnings." Candy died in his sleep at
age 43.



Joan Rivers

Rivers was a
stand up come-
dian who
became a
major talk-
show host. She
has appeared
on screen
occasionally
from 1968.
Her best selling films are "The
Muppets Take Manhattan,"
"Spaceballs," and "Intern."



Mike Myers

Myers made
his television
debut in a com-
mercial at age
8. He then
joined The
Second City
almost immedi-
ately after high
school. In 1989
Myers fulfilled
his longtime dream of being a cast
member of Saturday Night Live, and
there he teamed up with Dana Carvey
to make the ever popular "Wayne's
World." Myers went on to make two
'Wayne's World' films and also aided in
the making of "Shrek." Presently, Myers
is most commonly known for his roles
in the 'Austin Powers' films. Myers
plays many of the characters in the
Austin Powers films, which there are



Martin Short

Short made
his debut in a
1973 produc-
tion of
Godspell and
was then
encouraged
by Levy and
Thomas to
join Second
City. Short went on to star in
"Lost and Found." He was a part of
the Second City Network from 1982
to 1983 and then Saturday Night
Live from 1984 to 1985. Short also
starred in "The Father of the Bride,"
"Innerspace" and "Three Amigos."



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SUPER BOWL XXXVII

Bucs get all the booty in the battle of the pirates

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

Just defense, baby!

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers didn't need much more — for most of the Super Bowl, and his.

Coach Jon Gruden and his Bucs won their first NFL championship Sunday, routing the Oakland Raiders 48-21 in the first matchup of best offense vs. best defense.

The Tampa Bay defense won by a mile, returning three of a record five interceptions for touchdowns and shutting down any hope the Raiders had of a late comeback.

It was the first Super Bowl victory for the former NFL laughingstock, a team that lost its first 26 games after it started playing in 1976 in those garish orange uniforms.

"I want to thank Coach Gruden for what he did," said Bucs owner Malcolm Glazer, who a year ago was the butt of jokes for his revolving coach search that finally brought Gruden from the Raiders.

"He came from heaven and he brought us to heaven. We were waiting for the right man and the right man came — Jon Gruden."

Gruden, who at 39 became the youngest coach ever to win a Super Bowl, is known as an offensive guru.

This victory was with a defense run by Monte Kiffin and other holdovers from former coach

Tony Dungy.

Super Bowl MVP Dexter Jackson had two interceptions, as did Dwight Smith, who returned both of his picks for touchdowns, including a 50-yarder to finish off the scoring in the game. Derrick Brooks also returned an interception for a touchdown.

Simeon Rice had two of the Bucs' five sacks as Tampa Bay romped to a 20-3 halftime lead then scored two quick third-quarter touchdowns.

That rendered futile a late comeback by the Raiders that included a touchdown on a blocked punt and 48-yard touchdown pass from league MVP Rich Gannon to Jerry Rice.

"Right now, I wouldn't care if they put Mount Everest in front of me," said Simeon Rice, who was playing against a line of all 300-pounders. "I just wanted to be a world champion."

The Tampa Bay offense did its part, too, led by Michael Pittman, who ran for 124 yards on 29 carries.

Mike Alstott had a 2-yard touchdown run and Brad Johnson added two touchdown

passes to Keenan McCardell, the second an 11-yarder after an 89-yard drive that ate up almost eight minutes of the third quarter.

Just 43 seconds later, Smith grabbed the ball away from Jerry Rice and took it to the end zone to make it 34-3.

Oakland owner Al Davis' slogan "Just win, baby!" wasn't going to work this time.

How good was the Tampa Bay defense?

Oakland had just 62 total yards in the first half, second-lowest total in Super Bowl history. And the five interceptions of Gannon were the most he had in any game this season. He finished 24-for-44 for 272 yards and two touchdowns.

Credit the victory also to Gruden, who left Oakland a year ago for Tampa Bay in what seemed at the time far too much in draft choices and cash — \$8 million to be exact.

Although Gruden denied it, his knowledge of his old team worked out perfectly.

"Every play they've run, we've run in practice," Tampa Bay safety John Lynch said.

But Gruden said that was all overrated.

"I stayed away from the defense. That's a credit to our players. We've got a great defensive club."

To be fair, the Raiders might have entered this game a bit distracted.

Their All-Pro center, Barret Robbins, was dismissed from the game for missing team functions Saturday. The Bucs took advantage, with Warren Sapp, Lynch and the interior defense pushing the middle constantly against backup center Adam Treu to put pressure on Gannon

and shut down the run.

This was a victory for one of the NFL's long-time sad sacks.

Between 1983 and 1996, the Bucs were the league's worst franchise, going without a winning season and losing 10 or more games in 13 of those 14 years.

Even a year ago, they were a mess after the Glazer family fired Dungy and went after big-name coaches like Bill Parcells and Steve Mariucci before landing Gruden.

But if this was a glorious day for the Bucs, it was the opposite for the Raiders, who have three Super Bowl victories but hadn't been back to pro football's showcase game in 19 years.

Oakland's aging warriors did little or worse.

Jerry Rice and Tim Brown, the 40- and 36-year-old wide receivers, were all but invisible for most of the game.

Rice, who has a reception in every game he's played since 1985, didn't have his first until 3:30 was left in the third quarter Sunday and the Raiders trailed by 31 points.

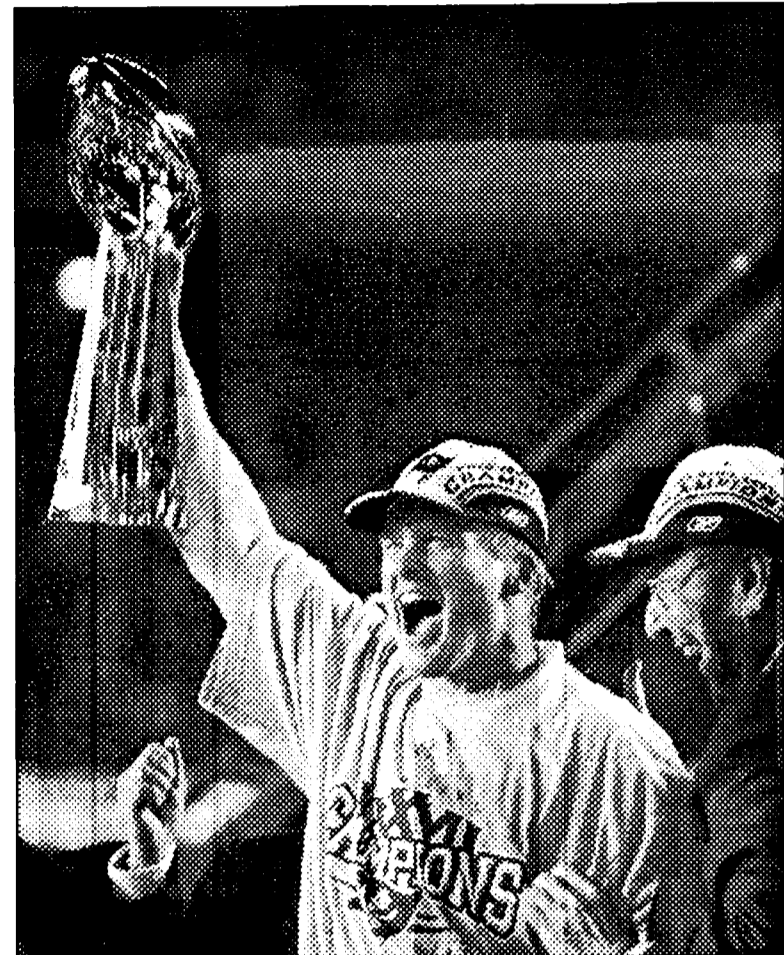
That came just before Gannon's 39-yard touchdown pass to Jerry Porter gave the Raiders their first touchdown. They got their second just 44 seconds into the fourth quarter when Tim Johnson blocked a Tom Tupa punt and Eric Johnson caught it in the air and took it in.

But even those touchdowns didn't produce what they could have because the Raiders twice missed two-point conversion attempts.

Tampa Bay started badly, but it soon took control and led 20-3 at halftime on a 2-yard touchdown run by Alstott and a 5-yard touchdown pass to McCardell. The defense held the Raiders' top-ranked offense to just three first downs at intermission.

But the Raiders struck the first blow.

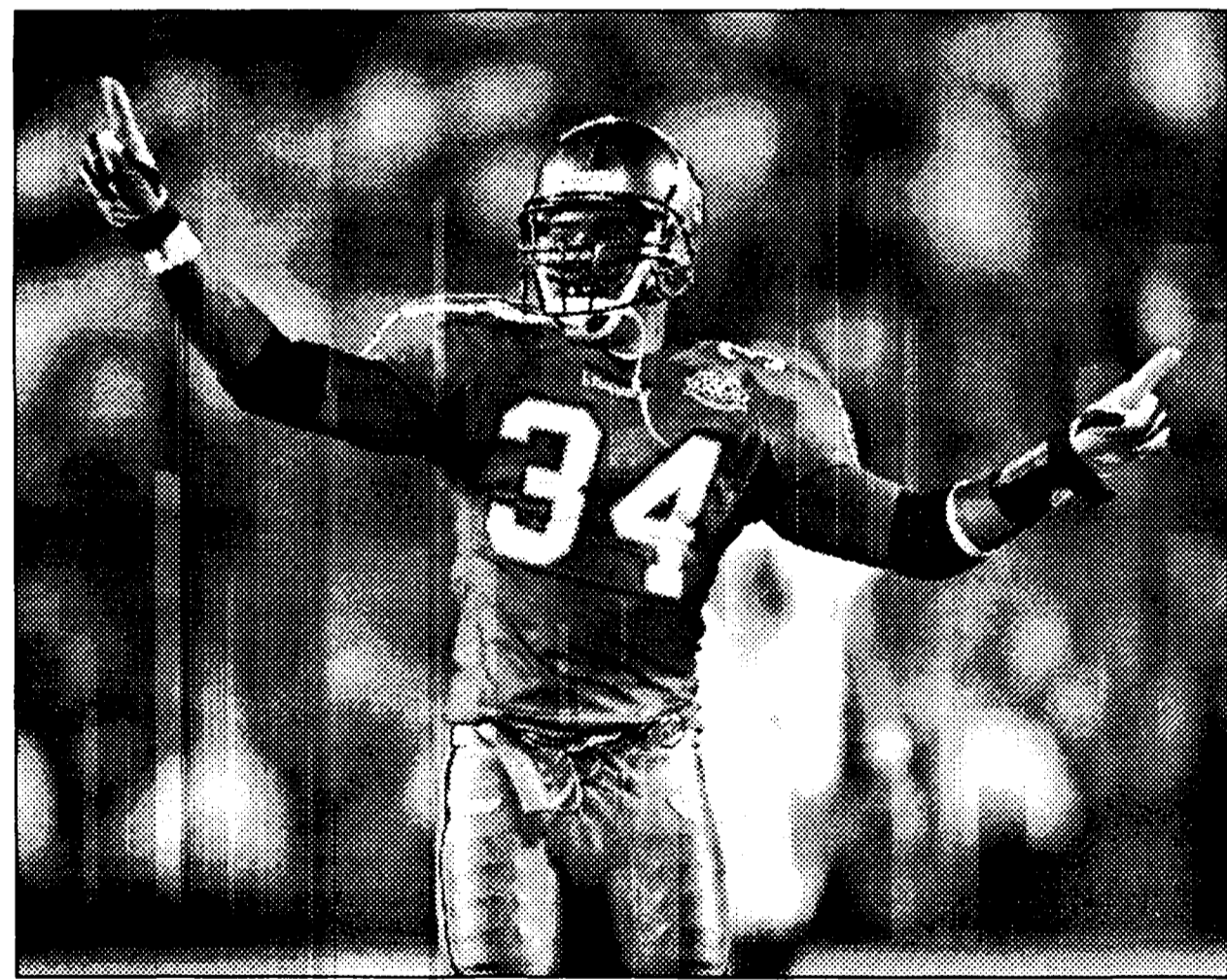
On the opening series, Johnson



Tampa Bay coach John Gruden hoists the Lombardi trophy.

"He came from heaven and hee brought us to heaven. We were waiting for the right man and the right man came — John Gruden."

Malcolm Glazer
Buccaneers owner



Tampa Bay's Dexter Jackson celebrates an interception in the Bucs 48-21 win.

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Pierce and Celtics beat Orlando in McGrady's absence

Associated Press

BOSTON

Paul Pierce was relieved to learn just before Sunday's game that NBA scoring leader Tracy McGrady wouldn't play for Orlando. He was even happier after the first triple-double of his career.

"I'll take it," Pierce said of McGrady's absence. "Who wants the leading scorer playing?"

Pierce had 27 points, 13 rebounds and a career-high 13 assists as the Boston Celtics beat the Magic 91-83.

McGrady missed the game to be with his fiancée, who gave birth to a daughter Saturday night in an Orlando-area hospital. Jeryl Sasser started in his place and had a career-high 26 points with 10 rebounds and four steals.

"We hung in there and kept the game at our pace," Orlando coach Doc Rivers said. "I don't think Pierce ever worked so hard for his points."

He had to since the Magic didn't have to worry about guarding Antoine Walker, who missed his third straight game with a sprained right knee. Boston has won two of them and six of its last seven.

"I just took it upon myself to really elevate my game," Pierce said. "I haven't had 13 assists since high school."

Orlando made a late run, cutting the margin to 85-81 on Sasser's 3-pointer with 1:09 to go. Pierce then hit two free throws, but Pat Garrity made a basket for the Magic.

J.R. Bremer hit two free

throws for Boston, but Orlando still had a chance until Mike Miller missed an 18-footer with 30 seconds left and Jacque Vaughn failed on a layup attempt with 23 seconds to go. Pierce then hit two free throws for the game's final points.

Orlando's starting forwards shot very poorly with Miller going 2-of-18 and Garrity 2-of-12.

"Sometimes that's what happens when you miss a few that you know are really contested," Garrity said. "Open ones are even that much harder to make."

Orlando cut a 57-46 deficit to 59-58 with 10:41 left in the game. Pierce then hit two free throws for a three-point lead.

That's when Walter McCarty took over. Scoreless to that point, he hit Boston's next three baskets, all 3-pointers, for a 70-61 lead. The last two came 39 seconds apart.

"I don't know if we get this game without those two shots," Boston coach Jim O'Brien said. "We were kind of on the ropes."

Tony Battie had 12 points and McCarty 11 for Boston. Orlando got 12 from Darrell Armstrong and 11 from Miller.

And none from McGrady. "We felt even without him we had a chance to win because we've got a lot of scorers on this team," Sasser said.

The Celtics led 42-32 at half-time, continuing their excellent first-half defense. In their previous game Friday night, Pierce scored 45 points. Boston led Denver 44-29 at halftime as Pierce nearly outscored the Nuggets with 28 points.

"This was more impressive than in his 45-point game," O'Brien said. "I'm very pleased with the leadership he's given us the past couple of games."

Boston stretched its lead to 50-36 with 9:18 left in the third quarter on consecutive baskets by Eric Williams and Battie.

It was 57-46 before Sasser led a 10-2 surge with six points as Orlando cut the lead to 59-56 with one quarter left.

Raptors 101, Kings 97

Vince Carter showed that his right knee feels fine, and the good news didn't come a minute too soon for the Toronto Raptors.

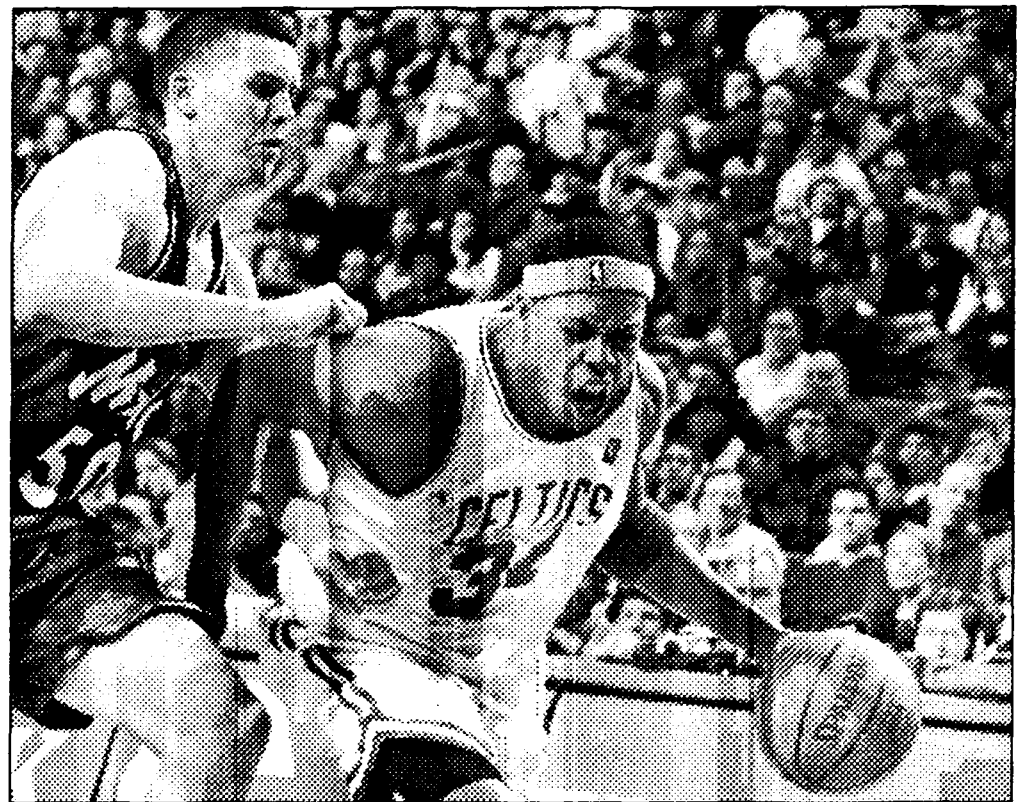
Playing in his first game since Dec. 8, Carter scored 22 points as Toronto defeated the Sacramento Kings Sunday to snap a five-game losing streak.

Carter, who missed 23 games because of a strained knee, scored Toronto's last six points on his 26th birthday.

"It was a very nice birthday present," Carter said. "It wasn't just a present for the team, it was a present for the fans. It was an opportunity to show that we can play with one of the best teams in the league, and show that when we get the majority of our guys back, we're a pretty good team ourselves."

After a two-handed dunk in the second quarter, Carter bent down to dust off his right knee.

"I was dusting the old stuff off and letting you know that my knee's OK," Carter said. "Actually, it was to let the doctors know, so that they could



Boston's Paul Pierce drives past Orlando's Mike Miller in the Celtics' 91-83 victory.

breathe easy."

Not everyone cheered Carter's return.

"I don't really care about Vince. We lost today. Who cares," said the Kings' Chris Webber, who had a triple-double with 24 points, 19 rebounds and 10 assists. "There's a lot of good players in the NBA. All I'm concerned about is the Kings."

Carter looked tentative in the opening minutes but scored 15 points in the second half. He finished 8-of-16 from the field in 23 minutes.

"He had just had a great all-around game," Toronto's Jerome Williams said. "I'm just glad he was able to come in and not re-injure himself."

Carter was voted to start the All-Star Game by the fans, despite playing in only 10 games before Sunday. Before getting hurt in practice on Dec. 10 — two days after scoring 25 points in a loss to Portland — Carter missed 10 other games with an injured left knee.

"We've been missing Vince for so long," Toronto's Alvin Williams said. "He really did a great job coming in."

Carter's fadeaway jumper gave the Raptors a 97-91 lead with 1:36 left, and his two free throws made it 99-94 with 17.7 seconds remaining.

Sacramento's Jim Jackson followed with a 3-pointer, but Carter made two free throws with 7.9 seconds left to give

Toronto a four-point lead.

Mike Bibby scored 30 points to lead the Kings, who lost their second straight. Atlanta beat them 115-104 Friday night.

"It's alarming," said Peja Stojakovic, who went 2-for-10 from the field for 10 points. "We haven't lost three in a row this year, so we have to go home and play a Kings game against Utah on Tuesday."

Carter's 3-pointer, fadeaway jumper and short jumper gave Toronto a nine-point lead early in the third quarter. The Kings followed with a 12-4 run, including 10 straight points from Bibby.

Vlade Divac's jumper cut the lead to one, but Toronto began the fourth quarter with a 15-4 run, including Carter's 3-pointer with 6:58 left.

After Carter made his fadeaway jumper with 1:36 left, Webber made one of two free throws. Webber then missed two free throws with 56 seconds left, but Bibby made two with 18.2 seconds left to cut Toronto's lead to three.

Carter then made his two free throws before Jackson's 3-pointer. After Carter made two more to give Toronto a four-point lead, Webber missed a 3-pointer with 3 seconds left.

"We knew Carter coming back would bring them energy," Stojakovic said. "The other guys looked confident because of him."

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3 Kansas State		Kansas State	3
4 Tennessee		Tennessee	4
5 Stanford		Stanford	5
6 LSU		LSU	6
7 Texas Tech		Arkansas	7
8 Arkansas		Texas Tech	8
9 North Carolina		North Carolina	9
10 Minnesota		Minnesota	10
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12 Purdue		Louisiana Tech	12
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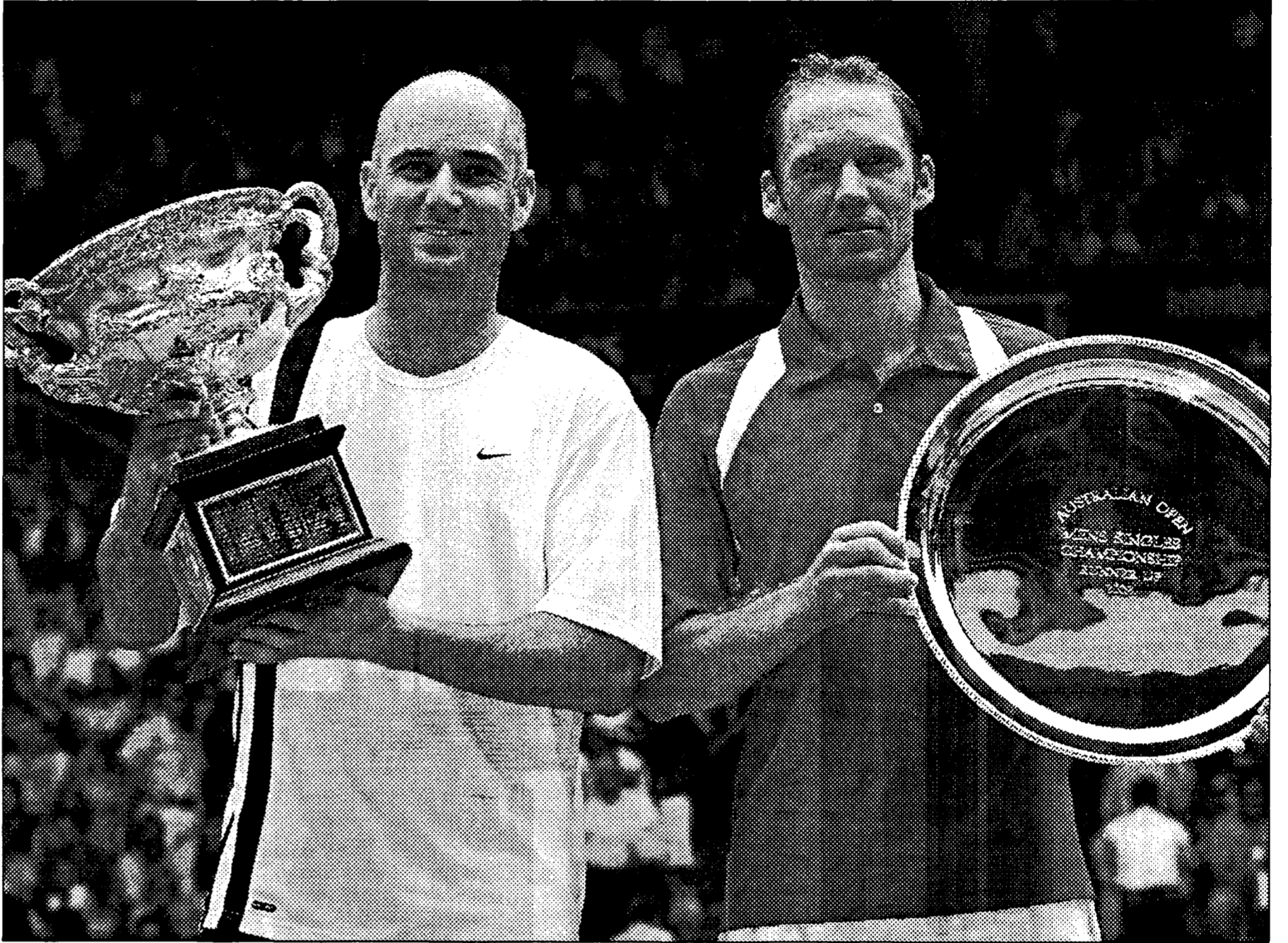
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Georgetown	10	5	.667
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Villanova	7	6	.538
West Virginia	10	6	.625
Rutgers	8	8	.500

MENS TENNIS



Andre Agassi celebrates with the winners trophy as Rainer Schuettler looks on with the runners up trophy during the Australian Open Tennis Championships. The victory marked Agassi's eighth Grand Slam championship.

Agassi wins fourth Australian title

MELBOURNE
Andre Agassi just keeps getting better with age. The 32-year-old Agassi overwhelmed Rainer Schuettler right from the start and breezed to his fourth Australian Open title 6-2, 6-2, 6-1 Sunday, becoming the oldest man to win a Grand Slam singles crown in 31 years. Agassi won his eighth Grand Slam championship. And the victory might also have been enough to lure his wife, Steffi Graf, out of retirement. Agassi had said earlier

that if he won this tournament, Graf would be his partner for mixed doubles in the French Open. After the final point, Agassi gave a quick wink into the stands at Graf, who won 22 Grand Slam singles titles before she stopped playing three years ago. Agassi was the oldest man to win a Grand Slam singles title since Ken Rosewall won the Australian Open in 1972 at 37. "You never know when it's your last, but I'll never forget being here," Agassi told the crowd at the trophy ceremony. "I'll never forget playing for you. I'll

never forget the love and support here. I feel like I'm half Australian." Agassi now has won the Australian Open four of the seven times he has entered. He also had won in 1995, 2000 and 2001, but injured his wrist on the eve of last year's Australian. The second-seeded Agassi was in complete control throughout the match, finishing off the 31st-seeded Schuettler in one hour, 16 minutes. Agassi matched the most-lopsided victory ever at the Australian Open. By losing only five games, he tied the mark last done in

1926 when John Hawkes defeated Jim Willard 6-1, 6-3, 6-1. Agassi also is the fourth man to win at least four Australian titles. Roy Emerson had six, and Rosewall and Jack Crawford four each. In extending his winning streak at this tournament to 21 matches, he lost only 48 games in seven matches this time. Agassi collected \$654,000 for winning, bringing his career tournament winnings past \$26.3 million. Schuettler collected \$327,000 to add to his previous total of \$2.3 million.

IN BRIEF

Gannon's MVP season ends in misery

Rich Gannon's MVP season ended with a most dreadful performance in the Super Bowl. After one of the finest passing campaigns in NFL history, Gannon was under constant pressure from the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in an ugly first three quarters Sunday. And he wound up with a season-high five interceptions — half of his regular-season total — and three were returned for touchdowns. By the time Gannon started completing some throws with regularity, it was too late for the Oakland Raiders, who lost to the Bucs 48-21. He wound up 24-of-44 for 272 yards and two touchdowns — certainly decent numbers. Gannon was sacked five times, not counting one by Simeon Rice on a two-point conversion, and knocked down on countless other occasions while the Bucs took what proved to be

their insurmountable lead. Typical of Gannon's first-half performance, when he went 7-of-17 for 56 yards, was a series midway through the second quarter that started at the Oakland 11-yard line. First, he barely got a pass away before being belted by the blitzing Ronde Barber. The ball fell incomplete. Next, he was sacked by Rice for the second time. Third, he was hurried into throwing an incomplete nowhere in the vicinity of an Oakland receiver. Finally, the Raiders punted. Gannon had the seventh-most passing yards in NFL history, throwing for 4,689 yards and 26 touchdowns. He passed for 283 yards in leading the Raiders past the New York Jets 30-10 in the divisional playoff and threw for 286 yards and ran for 41 in their 41-24 triumph over Tennessee in the AFC championship game. He passed for three touchdowns and

ran for one in an MVP performance against the Titans on Jan. 19. It was certainly a different story seven days later in the Super Bowl. **Astros deal slugger to Dodgers** The Houston Astros traded outfielder Daryle Ward to the Los Angeles Dodgers on Saturday, clearing room for Craig Biggio to move from second base to center field. Ward, who failed to live up to his power-hitting potential, was traded for minor league pitcher Ruddy Lugo. Biggio is changing positions to make way for free agent second baseman Jeff Kent, who signed an \$18.2 million, two-year contract with Houston last month after turning down a three-year deal from the San Francisco Giants. "I don't think anything went wrong," Ward told KRIV-TV in Houston. "I just think the organization has plans and I just wasn't a part of that anymore."

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MENS SWIMMING

Irish edged out by Northwestern

By LISA REIJULA
Sports Writer

The last home dual meet for the class of 2003 did not end the way the Irish seniors would have liked it to.

The Notre Dame mens swimming and diving team lost a hard-fought contest to Northwestern, 172-126, Saturday afternoon.

The Irish won six of 16 events, but would eventually come up short against the Wildcats. Northwestern got on the board early in the meet, with victories in the 400-medley relay and the 1,000 freestyle.

Notre Dame's Matt Obringer won the 200 freestyle, but Northwestern answered with a win in the 100 backstroke. The Irish scored points in the 50 freestyle, as Frank Krakowski and Drew Pittman finished first and

second.

An exciting diving competition was a highlight of the afternoon. Notre Dame's Andy Maggio finished his home career in style, winning both the 1- and 3-meter events. The senior earned his 3-meter victory by a narrow .30 margin ahead of Northwestern's Mike Oxman.

The Wildcats put the meet away with first place finishes in the 100 freestyle, 200 backstroke and 200 breaststroke. However, the Irish ended the meet with a strong victory, as the 400 freestyle relay team of Tim Randolph, Krakowski, J.R. Teddy and Obringer took first in 3:07.93.

The Irish (5-6) will look to rebound this weekend against Cleveland State, the first of three dual meets on the road before the Big East Championships.

"It was a tough meet,"

said Maggio of Saturday. "We had some promising performances and we're looking forward to Big East."

Saturday's loss closed out the home careers of seniors Mike Flanagan, John Hudson, Jason Fitzpatrick, Matt Hyde, Andy Maggio, Travis Kline, Joe Miller and Tong Xie. The Class of 2003 is 28-14 so far in dual meets in their four years. The seven seniors also performed well academically, with a combined grade point average of 3.140.

"We're looking to finish our careers well and pass our leadership down to the junior class," said Maggio. "We've been working hard and the end of the season will be when we'll reap the benefits of that."

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WOMENS SWIMMING

Notre Dame wins three matches over weekend

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

It took over four hours, but the Irish did it.

The womens swimming and diving team increased its dual meet record to 8-1-1 on Saturday at Bowling Green by defeating the Falcons 70-43 at home, and completing the weekend sweep with victories over Louisville (70-43) and St. Louis (89-24). It was a strong showing for the Irish in a meet delayed by St. Louis' late arrival and trouble with the timing system.

Bowling Green and Louisville gave the Irish problems in a few events, but it was nothing coach Bailey Weathers' girls could not

handle.

"Both teams [Bowling Green and Louisville] were about the same," Weathers said. "One would be better in one event and one would be better in the other. But they each were better in different spots so that made the meet more exciting and

"The other teams had some good kids in the meet. Our kids were pretty ready to swim, though."

Bailey Weathers
coach

Entering Bowling Green on Saturday, the Irish knew Louisville's strength lay in the freestyle events. Notre Dame responded by dominating the mid- and long-distance freestyle events, and effectively dominating the meet.

Junior Lisa Garcia won the 1,000 freestyle and the 100 backstroke (59.70), senior Heidi Hendrick touched first in the 200 freestyle (1:53.14) and 100 freestyle (51.79), and the two were victorious in the 400 freestyle, as well.

"Heidi Hendrick probably had her best dual meet times ever," Weathers said.

Couple Hendrick's efforts with sophomore Katie Eckholt's victory in the 50 freestyle (24.50) and senior Amy Deger's win in the 400 IM (4:30.82), and no team stands a chance against this Irish squad.

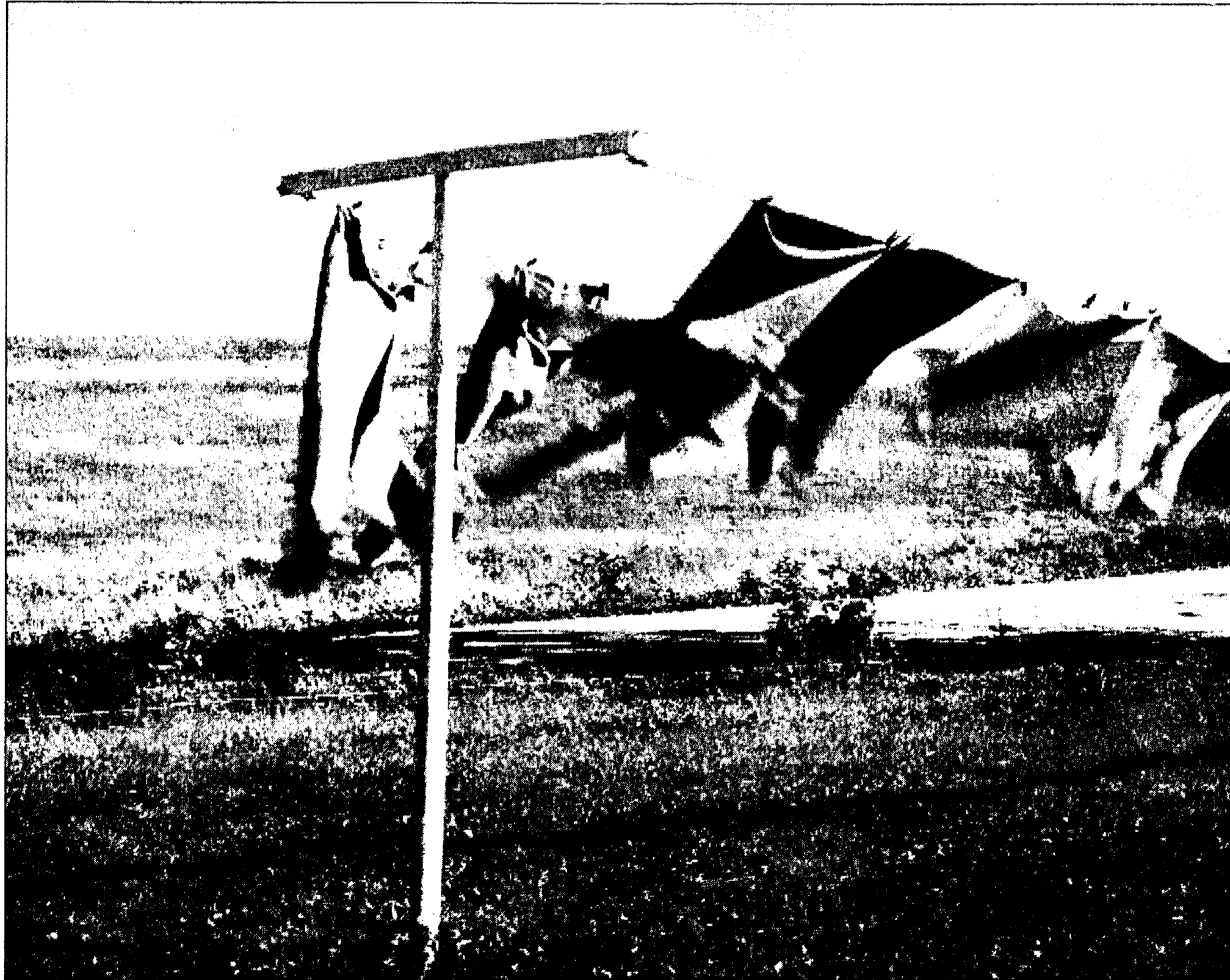
"The other teams had some good kids in the meet. Our kids were pretty ready to swim, though," Weathers said.

The Irish are a dangerous team. Last season, the womens swimming and diving team became the first team ever to qualify its entire roster for the Big East championships. Normally, according to Weathers, a school will qualify one or two swimmers.

In the meet on Saturday, sophomore Brooke Taylor (2:10.04) and senior Christina Jackson (2:10.26) qualified with "B" times in the 200 butterfly. Freshmen Courtney Campbell and Courtney Choura swam "A" qualifying times of 2:08.64 in the 200 backstroke and 2:08.97 in the 200 IM, respectively. Freshman Kara Santelli completed the backstroke in 2:09.85 for a "B" level time.

The Irish finish the regular season at home against Michigan Saturday at 2 p.m.

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ribs and did not return for the rest of the game.

With Slater out, the other key component of the Spartan offense — the power play — gave Michigan State the initial lead. With Irish defenseman Tom Galvin in the penalty box for interference, Spartan forward Mike Lalonde beat Cey from the right circle midway through the second period.

The Spartans struck again on the power play just about six minutes later, when defenseman Kevin Estrada managed to slip the puck behind Cey.

Down 2-0 going into the third period, the Irish needed to make a move, and they finally did about eight minutes into the period on a power play of their own.

The Irish took advantage of a rare Migliaccio mistake after the Spartan goalie gave up a juicy rebound off of a Rob Globke shot and Irish senior forward John Wroblewski was able to tap the puck just inside the left goal post.

"It was a great individual effort by Robby [Globke]," said Wroblewski. "He took out about five guys and I just had a tap-in."

Despite out-shooting the Spartans 20-6 in the final period, the Irish just could not get another puck past the stingy Migliaccio, even after pulling Cey for an extra attacker near the end of the period.

Despite the disappointing loss, Poulin had a few positive words to say about his team's effort.

"We played smart and well in the first period, had our penalty trouble in the second, and played a tremendous third period," he said. "But we need to play like that the whole game."

Saturday, in front of a sold out crowd, the Irish again had to come back from an early deficit after a MSU power play goal.

Twelve minutes into the first period, Spartan forward Brian Maloney was somehow able to pick the puck out of a scrum in front of the net and flip it over a helpless Cey, who was pinned to the ice under Maloney's teammate Ash Goldie. Despite complaints from the Irish, the goal counted.

Six minutes into the second period, the Irish responded with a power play goal of their own. From inside the right circle, Irish defenseman Evan Nielsen made a beautiful centering pass to forward Aaron Gill, who beat Migliaccio from the slot to tie the game.

The tie was short-lived, however, as the Spartans went back ahead just five minutes later. After Cey had trouble handling the puck behind his net, the Spartans' John-Michael Liles was able to score into the vacated goal.

Cey responded to that bobble toward the end of the period, when he stopped Slater — who returned to action Saturday — on a penalty shot. With Irish defenseman Neil Komadoski called for hooking Slater on a breakaway attempt, the Spartan forward tried to beat Cey high with a wrist shot, but the Irish goalie was able to get a glove on it and deflect it just high.

It was Cey's second penalty shot save of the season. He also stopped Michigan's Milan Gajic in a game earlier in the year.

"That stop was huge," said Poulin. "They had all the play and momentum at that point."

Even though the Spartans were able to take a 3-1 lead in



ANDREW KENNA/The Observer

Junior defenseman Neil Komadoski sets up a pass for the Irish during Saturday's match with Michigan State. After falling to the Spartans on Friday, the Irish forced a tie Saturday.

the third on an odd-man rush, one. the momentum that Poulin spoke of finally shined through.

With just more than four minutes left in the game, the Irish were able to score two goals just 18 seconds apart to salvage the tie.

With the Irish on the power play, Stastny was able to deflect a centering pass by Irish defenseman Cory McLean past Migliaccio to cut the deficit to

"The freshmen had tremendous energy tonight. The crowd was great, and yet I thought our team played composed."

Dave Poulin
Irish coach

Moments later, Irish freshman forward Tim Wallace scored just his third goal of the season, to bring the crowd to its feet, after Migliaccio gave up a rebound off a shot by freshman Tony Gill.

"The freshmen had tremendous energy tonight," said Poulin. "The crowd was great, and yet I thought our team played composed."

The teams played a scoreless

overtime, with both Cey and Migliaccio coming up with big saves. At one point in the extra period, Cey made three consecutive point-blank saves as Spartan players crashed the Irish net.

"[Morgan] made some huge saves down the stretch," said Poulin. "He robbed some high-profile players."

With one streak snapped, the Irish hope that they can finally get that elusive win next week-end at home against Ohio State.

"We have to keep the energy level up [for Ohio State]," said Poulin. "That's why even just this one point is important."

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Irish came in the starting line-up. After extended discussions with her assistants, head coach Muffet McGraw posted to try bringing freshman pod player Courtney LaVere off the bench in order to spark what could be an inert Irish team. She gave classmate Megan Duffy her first career start.

LaVere, who had held the starting spot since Notre Dame's Dec. 31 game against Marquette, provided just what the Irish needed.

With just under 15 minutes remaining in the first half, LaVere came off the bench and sparked a 9-0 Irish run.

"I really didn't care [about getting the start]," LaVere said. "I just want to do my job. We knew we were going to have a good size advantage. People were able to get the ball down low to me, and we had a good defensive effort to go with that."

The decision was a hard one for McGraw, but saw a big payoff in the end. LaVere added a fifth double-double to her season total with 20 points and 12 rebounds.

"We thought bringing [LaVere] off the bench could fix a problem," McGraw said. "It was a big decision because she has played so well as a starter. For someone to come off the bench and be the team's leading scorer and rebounder, that's real impressive."

What was also noticeably different about Saturday's game was Notre Dame's control of the ball. The Irish have been plagued by their own mistakes in recent losses to Rutgers and Connecticut, but managed a season-low 12 turnovers against Villanova. In addition, although the Wildcats had only five turnovers, three were forced by the Notre Dame defense. Villanova had three turnovers on shot clock violations.

"That gave us some confidence in our defense," McGraw said.

The victory snapped Villanova's nine-game home winning streak and provided Notre Dame with its seventh true road victory. DePaul is still the only team that has defeated the Irish on the road. The Irish will have a few days to recover before heading back on the road to face Boston College Wednesday.

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MENS TENNIS

Irish men get off to slow dual meet start

By **JOE LINDSLEY**
Sports Writer

With two losses to Big Ten opponents over the weekend, the No. 27 Irish are off to an 0-2 start for the spring season. Ohio State defeated Notre Dame 6-1 on Sunday in Columbus, and Indiana triumphed 4-3 Friday at the Eck Center.

Sophomore Brent D'Amico was the only Irish player to win on both days, and he had the one Irish victory against Ohio State.

D'Amico, playing Dennis Mertens at No. 2 singles, won in straight sets, 6-2, 6-3. That turned out to be the only bright spot for Notre Dame after three close matches turned in favor of the Buckeyes.

Freshman Patrick Buchanan, in his second loss, was defeated by Kevin McLean, 4-6, 6-4, 1-0 (11-9). Junior Luis Haddock, an Irish captain ranked 72nd nationally, fought with No. 45 Vince Ng at the No. 1 flight. Ng survived the battle, 7-6 (7-3), 6-0. Junior Matt Scott, No. 119 in the nation, was prepared to upset No. 7 Jeremy Wurtzman. Scott led in his first set before Wurtzman triumphed, 7-5, 6-3. Senior Brian Farrell and freshman Eric Langenkamp came away with the other singles losses, both in straight sets.

The Buckeyes easily commanded the doubles point with their 8-3, 8-6, and 8-1 wins. Friday's match was considerably closer.

The Irish began well with their clinching of the doubles point. D'Amico and Scott defeated Zach Held and Ryan Recht, 8-5. The Recht/Held duo last year was able to triumph over the Irish pair of Casey Smith and Javier Taborga,

who were ranked fifth nationally. Haddock and Brian Farrell then won 8-1 over Viktor Libal and Peter Novotny.

In singles play, Haddock won easily at No. 1 over Libal, 6-4, 6-2. D'Amico defeated Novotny 7-5, 6-4. Scott suffered the same fate Taborga experienced last year at the hands of Jakub Praibis, and he lost 6-1, 7-6.

Langenkamp lost in straight sets, 6-4, 7-5, and Farrell and Buchanan both lost in three sets.

The Irish have rockier road ahead of them, especially with No. 2 Illinois traveling to the Eck Center Wednesday. Last year, the Illini prevailed 4-1 over the Irish in the Round of 16 at the NCAA tournament.

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WOMENS TENNIS

Young Irish top Badgers

By **JOE LINDSLEY**
Sports Writer

Last May, Wisconsin knocked Notre Dame out of the NCAA tournament.

Although the Badgers returned many of their players this season, the Irish did not.

Yet No. 22 Notre Dame defeated No. 30 Wisconsin in Madison, 5-2.

And for the Irish, the match was not a venue for vengeance. Instead, it was an opportunity to show what their young team could accomplish.

Junior Alicia Salas, who was victorious in both singles and doubles, led the Irish effort and improved to 2-0 in dual match play this

season. Salas, after her 6-4, 7-5 victory over Shana McElroy, is now 13-4 overall for 2002-03 and 29-3 in dual match play for her career.

Freshman Lauren Connelly joined Salas to clinch the doubles point for the Irish with the duo's 8-6 victory at No. 2 doubles over McElroy and Lara Vojnov.

That Irish pair is now 5-2 for the season. Unlike Salas, Lauren Connelly was limited to one victory for the day, and she was defeated in singles play by Wisconsin's Lindsay Martin.

The other contributors to the doubles point were senior Katie Cunha and freshman Kristina Stastny, who triumphed over Wisconsin's Katie McGaffin and Linde Mues, 8-3.

In singles, junior Caylan Leslie, in her second dual match after a 14-month injury hiatus, gave Mues the blues with her 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 comeback triumph at No. 2 singles.

Sophomore Sarah Jane Connelly survived the Badgers' Vojnov, 6-7 (5-7), 6-0, 6-3.

Freshman Jennifer Smith rounded out the Irish victories with her 5-7, 6-0, 6-1 performance over Teresa Gonzaga.

With Sunday's performance, the Irish are now 2-0 in dual match play. The Irish will travel to Evanston, Ill. Thursday for a match against the No. 12

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Overtime

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bench, Carroll rallied his team around them, reminding the Irish what happened the last time Notre Dame played an overtime game.

"I said, 'Think back to Georgetown, we've done this before,'" Carroll told the South Bend Tribune, referring to Notre Dame's quadruple-overtime victory at Georgetown last season. "We were more prepared than they were and we were going to do this. I just wanted to remind everybody to be confident."

Thomas got the Irish going quickly in overtime, making a

nifty pass underneath the basket to Dan Miller. After an Eagle free throw, the Irish then scored nine of the game's next 11 points to pull comfortably ahead, 92-83.

Even as Boston College mounted a comeback, drawing the score to within four, the Irish demonstrated exceptional poise from the free-throw line, connecting on 12-of-17 free throws in the overtime period.

The Irish had the chance to put the game away early, but never did. After taking a comfortable 47-37 lead in the first half, the Eagles then scored the first 11 points of the second half to take a one-point lead.

The two teams then see-

sawed back and forth for most of the half, trading baskets and leads at will. The biggest lead for Boston College came

through the second half, when they led 55-50.

But the Irish slowly began chipping away at the lead, and when Thomas drilled a long 3-pointer with less than five minutes to go, the Irish led 71-65.

The two teams then traded baskets, and with 1:29 remaining, Troy Bell hit a pair of free throws to pull the Eagles to 81-80.

After Jordan Cornette and Thomas missed a pair of shots, Cornette forced a jump ball with Bell, which gave the Irish the ball with 41.9 seconds remaining and had Eagles

coach Al Skinner screaming at the officials.

Thomas was then fouled with 37.6 seconds left, but only

made one of two free throws. Torrian Jones then fouled Bell, who finished with a game-high 31 points, who made both free throws to set up

one final attempt for the Irish. But Thomas' wild last-second attempt bounced off the backboard, and the game went into overtime.

"We knew it was coming," Brey said. "There's no way I went in at halftime thinking this was going to be an easy game."

Mike Brey
Irish coach

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FENCING

Irish shine at Ohio State Duals

◆ **Mens squad wins all six of its matches, women go 5-1 with a loss to host Buckeyes**

By **MATT LOZAR**
Sports Editor

After seeing the womens foil team turn in a 45-1 performance at last year's NCAA Championships, the mens foil team wanted to get some recognition of its own.

Led by a 51-2 performance from the mens foil team, the Notre Dame mens fencing team won all six of its dual meets Saturday and swept the Ohio State Duals.

The wins made the beginning of a new season, after a disappointing third-place finish at last year's national championships, even sweeter.

"It was great. I have been looking forward to starting the season since last season," sophomore Derek Snyder said. "I really wanted to improve on how we did last season."

The foil team led the Irish to a 16-11 victory over the Buckeyes in going 8-1 against Ohio State. Snyder and foil captain Ozren Debic each went 3-0, and senior Forest Walton was 2-1.

"I think it says a lot. We are

healthier and more prepared psychologically and physically this year," Snyder said. "It shows that there are better things to come. We can do better at NCAAs."

Going against one of the best sabre squads in the country, the Notre Dame mens sabre team struggled against the Buckeyes, turning in a 2-7 record.

Seniors Gabor Szelle and Matt Fabricant each went 1-2 against Ohio State, but those were their only losses as each was 11-2 on the day.

The epee team held its own against the Buckeyes, going 6-3. Sophomore Michael Sobieraj continued his dominance in the regular season with a 3-0 record against

Ohio State, 9-0 record on the day and a 37-1 record in his two-year career.

With the six wins, the mens team extended its dual meet winning streak to 65.

The biggest question mark heading into this year for the womens team was its sabre squad, and that weakness showed in the 15-12 loss to Ohio State.

Junior Maggie Jordan finished 13-2 for the day but was only 1-2 against the Buckeyes.

With junior captain Destanie Milo missing the competition due to an illness, the Irish were forced to go

deep into their squad, and the inexperience showed. Sophomore Tiffany Muller and junior Danielle Davis came into the weekend with limited experience and combined for a 0-6 record against the Buckeyes.

Notre Dame's two national champions turned in perfect days, with junior epeeist Kerry Walton going 3-0 against the Buckeyes and 14-0 overall.

Sophomore foilist Alija Kryczalo was also a perfect 3-0 against the Buckeyes and was 9-0 on the day.

Walton improved her career regular season record to 64-5, while Kryczalo is now 48-2.

The mens and womens teams each defeated Case Western Reserve, Minnesota, Lawrence University, Michigan State and Cleveland State with ease.

This Saturday, No. 1 Penn State comes to the Joyce Center for a showdown with the second-ranked Irish at the Notre Dame Duals.

After seeing the Nittany Lions claim the crown last year, the Irish are ready for some regular-season revenge.

"We are all looking forward to it immensely," Snyder said. "I am especially since I have a grudge with Penn State. I have some friends on the team and I didn't perform at NCAAs as well as I could have against Penn State."

"I want to make up for that and show that we are going to be more serious at NCAAs this year."

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"[Winning all six matches to start the season] was great. I have been looking forward to starting the season since last season."

Derek Snyder
foil

SMC BASKETBALL

Belles bitten by Bulldogs' late surge

By **TREY WILLIAMS**
Sports Writer

As the sports cliché goes: you win some, you lose some.

Every sport has a last place finisher. It's just unfortunate

for the **S a i n t M a r y ' s** basketball team that they have played this role for longer than any athlete would like.

Hopes of resurgence for the

Belles were dashed Saturday afternoon, as they suffered a 65-48 loss to Adrian College, leaving them in their last place MIAA standing for at least a few more days.

The Belles (5-12), tied for last in the MIAA with a 1-5 conference record, had hopes of an upset over the fifth ranked Bulldogs (10-5), but came up short in the second half.

"We came out strong in the first half," said guard Katie Boyce "But we just couldn't keep our rhythm going into the second half."

Pacing right behind the Bulldogs with a 28-27 halftime deficit, the Belles had obviously come ready to play.

However, they hit a wall in the second half, scoring only 28 points to Adrian's 37.

"It's been a constant problem with this team," said Boyce

"We either play well in the first half or the second half. One thing that we have to learn is playing 40 minutes of basketball without letting up."

From a statistical point of view, the Belles had a tough game all around. Emily

Creachbaum, a usual strength in the Belles' offense, was limited to only 11 points, while freshman Anne Hogan stepped up, tacking on 12.

Meanwhile, the Bulldogs used to their depth to dominate the scoreboard, with four players racking up points in the double digits.

"Coach [Suzanne Bellina] often talks to us about capitalizing on our opponents' mistakes," said Boyce "We weren't able to do that."

There were definitely enough mistakes to capitalize. Adrian scoring leader Sarah Vincke shot a cold 4-of-15 inside and 0-7 from the perimeter.

As a team, the Bulldogs only hit 45 percent of their shots overall, and did not make a single shot from 3-point range.

Saint Mary's will have yet another chance at redemption, as they face third-ranked Alma College at home Wednesday.

"We came out strong in the first half. But we just couldn't keep our rhythm going into the second half."

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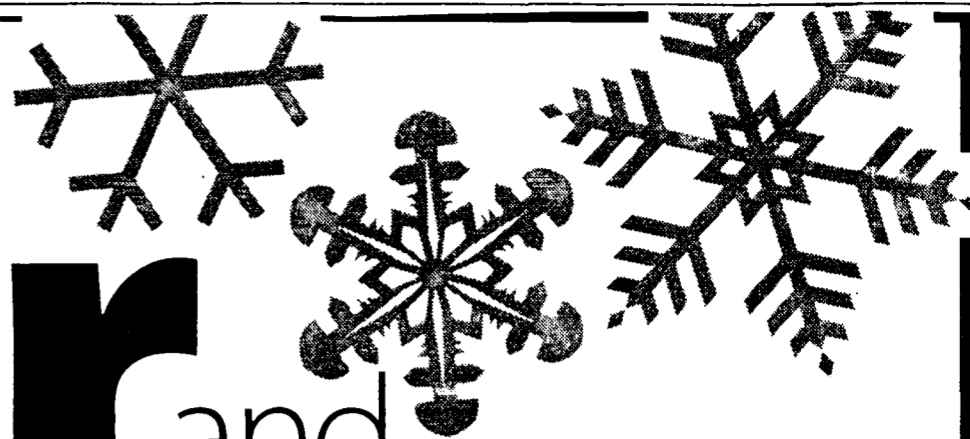
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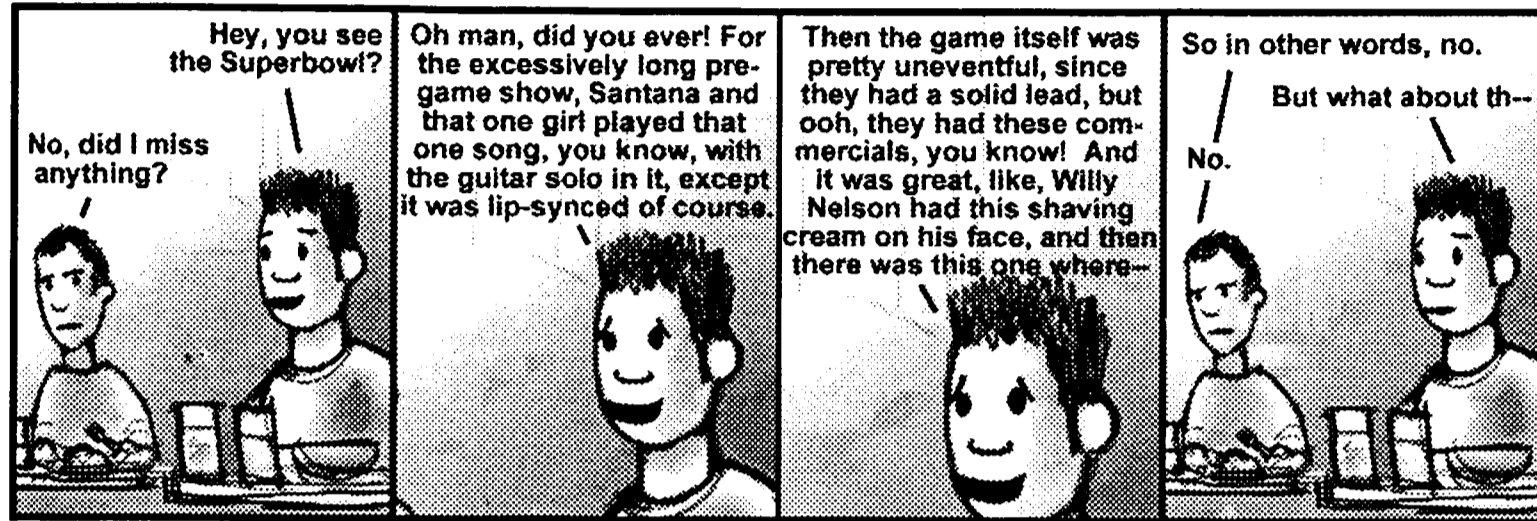
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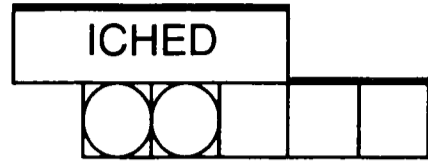
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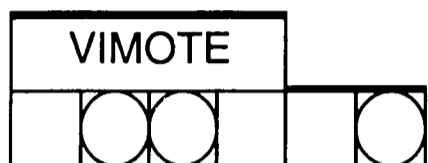
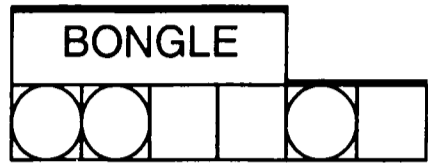
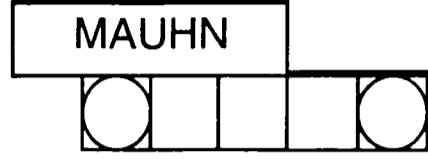
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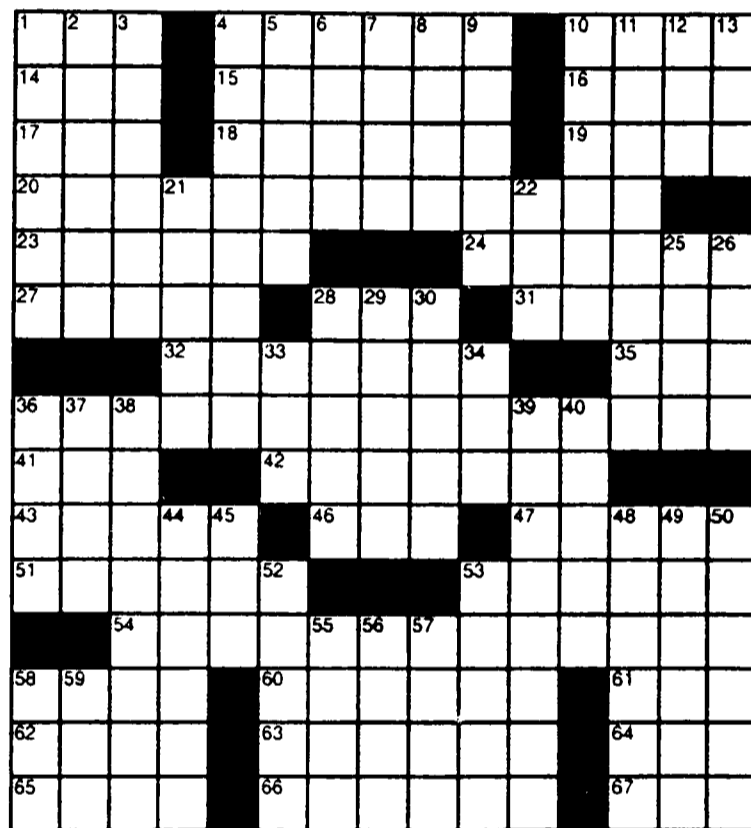
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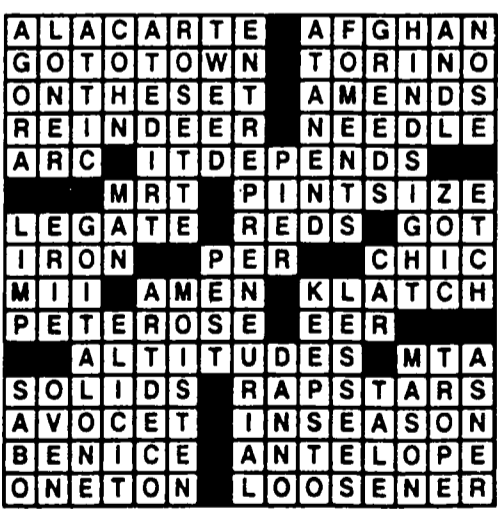
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SPORTS

Monday, January 27, 2003

MENS BASKETBALL

Irish ground upset-minded Eagles

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Almost an hour and a half after he drifted in and out of consciousness lying on the floor of the Conte Forum, Matt Carroll once again found himself staring up at the ceiling.

Only this time, his teammates weren't watching worriedly, they were screaming ecstatically.

Carroll had just been fouled after drilling a 3-pointer, and he hit the subsequent free throw to deliver a backbreaking blow in overtime to an upset-minded Boston College squad. Carroll's rare four-point play gave the Irish a five-point lead, helping No. 16 Notre Dame edge past the Eagles 101-96.

"I'll live with Matt Carroll, shooting that thing with our life on the line, forever," Irish head coach Mike Brey said of the senior guard who left the game for 41 seconds after getting fouled hard in the first half. "I can watch the Super Bowl with a free mind."

The Irish, who earned their second Big East road win in as many games and are off to their best start ever in the Big East, blew a 10-point halftime lead and watched the Eagles nearly pull off a stunning upset.

In fact, the Irish had a golden chance to win the game at the end of regulation. But Chris Thomas, who scored 25 of his 28 points in the second half, dribbled the ball for Notre Dame's entire possession and forced up a terrible shot from the right elbow, sending the home crowd into a frenzy and the game into overtime.

Yet as the Irish walked to their

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Notre Dame guard Matt Carroll goes up for a shot earlier this season against DePaul. Carroll's four-point play in overtime helped seal the 101-96 victory for the Irish against Boston College Saturday.

HOCKEY

Winless streak continues

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

The good news for the Irish on Saturday was that they finally didn't lose the game.

The bad news is that they still haven't won a game in their last seven contests, either.

After losing to visiting Michigan State in a 2-1 heartbreaker on Friday, the Irish were able to break their three game losing streak with a 3-3 tie against the powerful Spartans on Saturday.

"I'd be happier with more than one point on the board," said Irish coach Dave Poulin. "We battled and should have made more than one point this weekend. The puck is just not going our way."

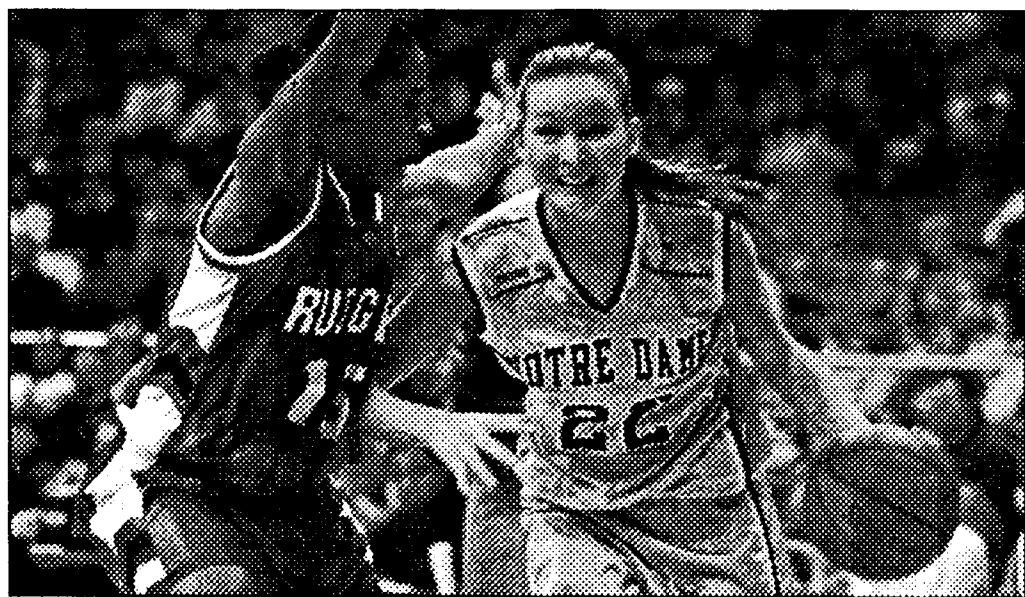
Friday, the puck seemed to be going the way of Spartan sophomore goaltender Matt Migliaccio. Despite the Irish holding a 41-25 lead in shots against, Migliaccio stole the win for the Spartans by saving all but one of those Irish shots on his way to being named first star of the game.

Irish goaltender Morgan Cey got a little help from the right goalpost toward the end of the first period. Spartans' leading scorer Jim Slater skated in on a breakaway, but hit the post when he tried to beat Cey up high. After missing, Slater was injured by an errant stick to the

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WOMENS BASKETBALL

Late lead finally preserved as Irish top 'Cats



BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Guard Alicia Ratay drives around a Rutgers defender earlier this season. Ratay and the Irish held on to defeat Villanova 58-56 Saturday.

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Reading a recap of Saturday's game against Villanova may recall memories of the recent Irish loss to Rutgers — the Irish hold a double-digit lead late in the game, the opposing team ties, things start to look bad for Notre Dame.

But watching Saturday's victory against the Wildcats would tell a very different story.

Although Villanova made a run to tie the Irish, who led by 11 with seven minutes left, Notre Dame's 58-56 win showcased a more confident, focused Irish team than has

taken the court in any of their recent losses.

"I though we really played a smart game," sophomore Jacqueline Batteast, who scored 12 points and added nine rebounds, told the South Bend Tribune. "We knew they would make a run, and we knew we could make ours. We played 40 intense minutes."

The final few of those 40 minutes were crucial.

With 2:24 left to play, Wildcats Trish Juhline hit a trey that tied the game at 51, and images of the loss to Rutgers started to come to mind. But this time in the final minutes of the game, Notre Dame

made sure its game worked.

In the final 2:30, Alicia Ratay hit two field goals and Le'Tania Severe hit three free throws, while the defense took away any Wildcat three-point attempts to give the Irish the two-point victory.

"You can't get eight or 10 points behind with four minutes to go and expect to win every time," said Wildcats head coach Harry Peretta. "I think we've done it three times this year."

But the final two minutes weren't the only things that were different about Notre Dame.

The most obvious change for the

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

SUPER BOWL XXXVII

Tampa Bay 48
Oakland 21

The stingy Buccaneers defense returned three intercepted Rich Gannon passes for touchdowns.

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MENS TENNIS

Ohio State 6
Notre Dame 1

Indiana 4
Notre Dame 3

The Irish begin the dual meet season 0-2.

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WOMENS TENNIS

Notre Dame 5
Wisconsin 2

The No. 22 Irish defeated the No. 30 Badgers in Madison.

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FENCING

At the Ohio State duals held Saturday, the men swept the meet with a 6-0 overall record, while the women fell to host Ohio State to finish 5-1.

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MENS SWIMMING

Northwestern 172
Notre Dame 126

The Irish fell to the Wildcats in the final home dual meet of the season.

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SMC BASKETBALL

Adrian 65
Saint Mary's 48

The Belles were unable to keep up with the Bulldogs in the second half, after only trailing by a point at halftime.

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