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Trustees reject Hallahan's report

By SHEILA FLYNN
News Writer

The Board of Trustees rejected a proposal presented Thursday by Student Government officers that called for changes in the composition of the Campus Life Council.

Student Body President Pat Hallahan and Vice President Jeremy Lao presented the report, "A New Attitude: Student Government and the

Campus Life Council," which suggested that the body's name be changed to "Student Life Council" and that its membership be altered to include a more diverse array of representatives from the faculty, administration and student body.

"...we can make things better at the University."

Pat Hallahan
student body president

"When we all get together, we can make things better at the University," Hallahan said, stating that changes must be made to ensure that the voice of the students is more effectively and consistently heard. He complained of "stuff the

administration does that we don't know about that we would want to be a part of."

The Student Government officers told the Board they want an expanded role and more high-level dialogue because every decision made at the University either directly or indirectly affects the students.

"Therefore, we feel that [for] every decision, we should have some type of

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Security guard charged

Clark terminated by the University

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Editor

Timothy Clark, a Notre Dame security officer recently fired by the University, was arraigned earlier this week in Elkhart County for child battery on a Class B felony, said Elkhart County Prosecutor Curtis Hill.



Clark

Hill said the case is still under investigation and further charges may be filed by his office.

The Elkhart Truth reported that Clark, 32, admitted to police he dropped and shook his infant son, Samuel Clark, between Sept. 29 and Oct. 6, causing a skull fracture and broken wrist, rib, leg and facial bone. The Truth reported that police did not believe the mother, Elizabeth Clark, was involved in the incident.

The University originally put Clark on paid leave when he was arrested by the Elkhart County Sheriff's office Oct. 8 for assaulting his seven-week-

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Game day aftermath costs money, time

By KEVIN ALLEN
News Writer

After the echoes have been awoken and returned to rest, the teams have left the field and the Sea of Green has drained out of the gates, one sound still whispers through Notre Dame Stadium: the rustling of foil wrappers and the hollow sound of empty plastic cups rolling across concrete.

In other words, after everyone leaves a Notre Dame football game, one thing that is left behind is garbage — and lots of it. Outside the stadium the situation is much the same. Trash bins in the parking lots overflow with aluminum cans and litter of all kinds is sprinkled throughout campus.

The University spends a lot of money and time on the complex process of returning Notre Dame to a clean, litter-free campus after



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Many departments and organizations are charged with cleaning up the stadium after a home game. The process takes much time as well as money, and it often lasts until midday Sunday.

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Tradition crackdown continues

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

Students who are caught bringing marshmallows into Notre Dame Stadium or throwing marshmallows or other objects during Saturday's game will again be ejected from the stadium and have their ticket books confiscated by stadium personnel.

"There is nothing different in our enforcement, we are still going to be the marshmallow sheriffs," said Cappy Gagnon, coordinator of stadium personnel.

Gagnon said the crackdown on the senior tradition of throwing marshmallows during half time began because students were throwing marshmallows with rocks, coins or other hard objects in them, in addition to throwing

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McCourt entertains crowd

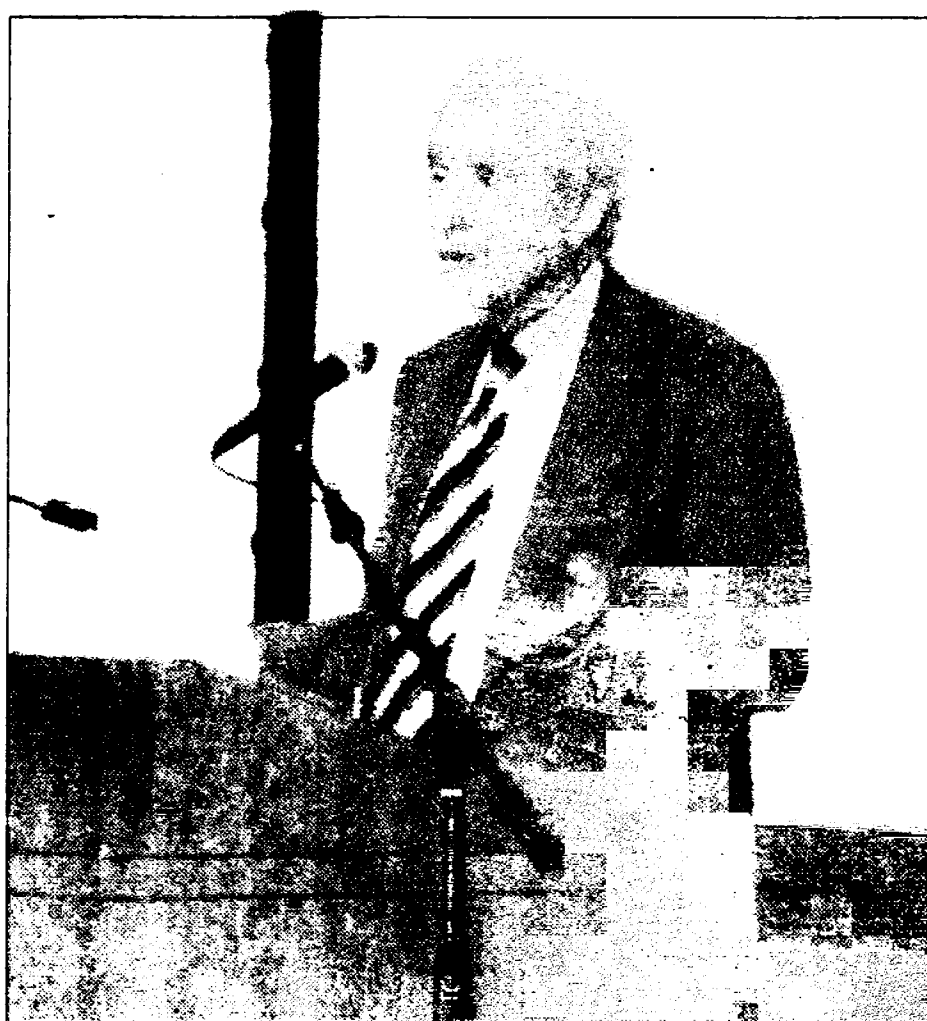
By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Editor

Frank McCourt delivered the 20th annual Red Smith Lecture to a packed Carey Auditorium Thursday, leaving many laughing as he explained his storied writing career.

McCourt, a high school English teacher, is best known for his New York Times hard cover and paper back best seller "Angela's Ashes."

McCourt said when he left Ireland at the age of 19, he knew he wanted to be a writer but did not trust himself to tell his own stories. It was not until after over 30 years of teaching students about simplicity and telling their own stories that his students inspired him to write his story in the form of "Angela's Ashes."

"I was a teacher, but more and more I wanted to be an



PAMELA LOCK/The Observer

Frank McCourt spoke on his life and writing Thursday while entertaining listeners with humorous anecdotes.

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CCC raises questions on money

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS
Associate News Editor

Funding cuts have fueled questions about the allocations made by the Club Coordination Council to campus clubs.

Each year, the CCC is charged with the vast responsibility of allocating money to each of the clubs on campus.

While the CCC does receive a large sum of money to divide between 200 student clubs, they often cannot meet each club's financial needs. This year, some clubs have seen their budgets cut from the amount they received last year.

Last spring, the CCC requested additional funding of approximately \$64,000 because accord-

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INSIDE COLUMN

A call for a change

This week in many of the dorms and buildings on campus, statements regarding Notre Dame's sexual harassment/rape policy were put up in many visible places.

While I believe that a better understanding of what does and what does not constitute sexual harassment is certainly a necessity on campus, I strongly disagree with one key point made at the end of the statement. The statement establishes the policy that all victims of sexual assault will not be prosecuted for parietals and drinking violations.

I can certainly understand the motives for such a decision. Exempting victims from these violations are meant to encourage victims to not be afraid to step forward if something terrible should happen. Exemption from parietals accomplishes this task very well, especially if the victims were forced to stay against their will, or were drugged and/or unconscious as a part of the assault.

However, their policy regarding exemption from alcohol violations is completely unfounded.

Over 80 percent of rape cases involve alcohol. If the woman or man assaulted got plastered during the evening, they should absolutely be prosecuted for it. The drinks were not poured down their throats.

Furthermore, if they had not gotten drunk, the very statistics I mentioned earlier would have dramatically reduced the possibility of rape. Getting drunk on a first date just is not a good idea, and if Notre Dame insists on prosecuting alcohol violations no matter what, less girls may be apt to drink on a first date, and there would be much less chance of assault.

Also, this dangerous exemption opens the door to a possible slippery slope of having violators falsely accuse people of rape just to avoid convictions.

You may see that as an extreme possibility right now, but if placed in the situation, the desperation that sets in can drive people to desperate measures to save their own skins.

The bottom line is that allowing alcohol exemption actually encourages the key factor in the majority of date rapes.

I strongly recommend that the sexual harassment policy be revised to be consistent with the University's general alcohol policy. The current exemption has the possibility of doing more harm than good.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Jonathan Retartha at jretartha@nd.edu

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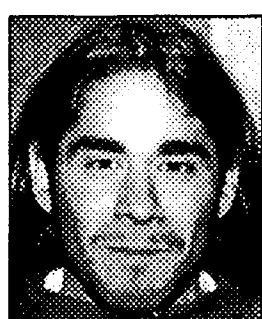
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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT'S YOUR PREDICTION FOR THIS WEEKEND'S GAME?



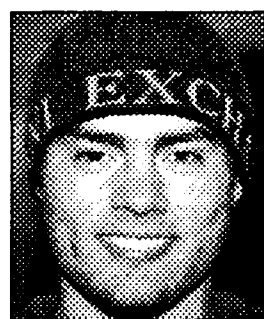
Javier Arriaza
Freshman Dillon

"We want more cheerleaders."



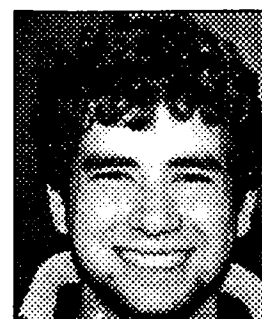
Alejandro Arriaza
Freshman Morrissey

"Should have sold my ticket."



Ale Ramirez
Freshman Morrissey

"I just want to score!"



Mario Chiu
Freshman Morrissey

"Anyone need a ticket? Call me."



Claudio GuerraCastro
Sophomore Siegfried

"Tailgate! Then leave."



Dayna Vayhinger
Junior Lewis

"50-0 if Brady Quinn starts. He's hot."



PAMELA LOCK/The Observer

A student receives a box of Krispy Kreme doughnuts in LaFortune today. As a brief break from midterm studies, the Student Union Board sponsored free Krispy Kremes today. SUB handed out about 500 doughnuts.

IN BRIEF

Friday night at midnight, join the ND Drumline for the **Drummer's Circle** — a great way to get pumped for an ND win over USC. The Drummer's Circle takes place in front of the Main Building.

The men's and women's tennis team take on USC in a **tennis exhibition** today from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Courtney Courts. Rain location: Eck Tennis Pavilion.

Edna O'Brien, author of "The Country Girls" (1960), "House of Splendid Isolation" (1994), and "In the Forest" (2002) will speak today from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. This lecture is sponsored by the Keough Institute for Irish Studies.

The Basilica of the Sacred Heart will hold a **Blue Mass** for police officers, firefighters, rescue workers and their families. The mass will be celebrated at 5:15 p.m. today.

Blues legend **John Garcia** performs in concert tonight at Legends. Don't miss his soulful performance with a mesmerizing harmonica player, David Barrett. Doors open at 8:30 p.m., and the concert begins at 11:30 p.m.

Comhaltas, a traditional Irish music and dance tour group, will play at Washington Hall tonight at 8:00 p.m. For tickets, visit the LaFortune Box Office or call (574) 631-8128.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.

OFFBEAT

Museum to Chronicle History of Funerals

FLETCHER, Ohio — When people walk into the Suber-Shively Funeral Home, they may soon get a history lesson.

The home's operators, Bart and Roxanne Shively, plan to open a museum at the funeral home they bought two years ago.

"We just thought it would be interesting for some people in the area to reflect back on how the funeral service has evolved," Bart Shively said on Wednesday of the hundreds of casket handles, burial garments and other items previous

owners collected over the past century.

The museum will be housed in two rooms of the funeral home in this western Ohio village about 35 miles north of Dayton. Admission will be free, and the couple hopes to open it by the end of next summer.

Town Hires Dog to Keep Geese From Park

GROSSE POINTE FARMS, Mich. — Officials have hired a new employee entrusted with the task of keeping a city park free of geese and the droppings they leave behind.

After other attempts to rid

Pier Park of the birds failed, city officials purchased a 2-year-old Border collie named Kate, specially trained to chase away geese.

"We now have our park back," Assistant City Manager Shane Reeside told the Detroit Free Press for a story Wednesday.

The black and white canine cost the city \$3,500, and included training for the employees who work with her.

It was money well spent, city officials say.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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Former administrators considered for Portland

Beauchamp or McDonald to replace Tyson as University of Portland president

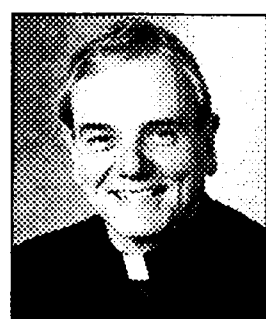
By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Editor

The University of Portland announced last week that it has narrowed its presidential search to former Notre Dame administrators, a press release stated.

Father E. William Beauchamp and Father James McDonald will be interviewed by the University of Portland Oct. 26 to 29. The position was vacated this summer when Father David Tyson resigned his post after being elected provincial superior of the Indiana Province for the Congregation of Holy Cross.

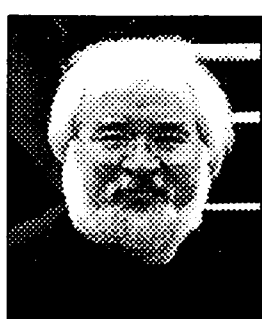
University of Portland spokesman John Furey said, "[The Board of Regents] hopes to make a decision by the end of the year, but there has been no firm decision [regarding the naming of a President]."

Beauchamp, senior vice president at Portland, served as Notre Dame's executive vice president from 1987 to 2000 and is a member of the Notre Dame Board of Trustees and Board of Fellows.



Beauchamp

Beauchamp, who attended University of the Detroit as an undergraduate, received his law and divinity degrees from Notre Dame and served as both assistant rector and rector in Grace Hall, before joining the administration in 1980. He was ordained a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1982.



McDonald

McDonald, rector of Saint George's College in Santiago, Chile, a primary and secondary school, was the associate dean of the Notre Dame Law School from 1999-2000 and assistant dean from 1997-99.

McDonald also was the assistant provincial of the Indiana Province of the Congregation of Holy Cross from 1994-97, associate rector of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart from 1990-91 and assistant rector of Sorin Hall from 1984-85. McDonald received his undergraduate degree in modern languages and Program of Liberal Studies and his masters of divinity degree from Notre Dame.

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Gigot Center to host competition

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

For the fourth straight year, the Gigot Center for Entrepreneurial Studies will host business plan competitions aimed at developing small-business awareness among students and alumni.

As the nerve center of a rapidly expanding entrepreneurship program in the Mendoza College of Business, the Gigot Center has created a growing series of such competitions. This year's lineup includes contests focused on conventional new ventures, family-run businesses and social-oriented enterprises.

Theresa Sedlack, program manager at the Gigot Center, said the competitions are becoming increasingly popular.

"The numbers continue to grow," she said. "We had 70 participants two years ago and 95 last year." She added that Gigot staffers expect the growth to continue.

In the McCloskey Notre Dame Business Plan Competition, teams of undergraduate and graduate students, alumni and others submit business ideas with the aim of capturing at least some of the \$24,000 in prize money. Teams create short executive summaries, which are reviewed by a judging panel, consisting of 95 judges with experience in business. Sedlack said the large panel allows judges the time to look at each submission in detail.

The top teams will be invited to write full business plans with the aid of \$300 planning software,

donated by Palo Alto Software. The plans will include a more in-depth business model, detailed information about products and services, and financial projections. From those entries, the panel will select finalists, who will refine their entries with the help of mentors. Finalists will present their proposals to the panel in April, at which time winners will be announced.

The judging panel includes members of the IrishAngels, an elite group of Notre Dame alumni and friends with histories of entrepreneurial undertakings. Sedlack said that Angels will serve as advisers and mentors to the competing groups, particularly with student groups.

"It's a really wonderful use of the Notre Dame network and the Notre Dame family," she said.

The McCloskey Competition has drawn business plans dealing with a wide variety of industries. Last year, the winning entry was CN Resource, a company that consults with local school districts to plan cafeteria menus and nutrition guidelines. Other entries included a university consulting firm, an aerial mapping service, a hedge fund and even a war-games simulator. Plans dealt with businesses on a local, national and international scale.

"We continue to see a real diversity of business plans, and it's really exciting," Sedlack said.

The McCloskey Competition was established in 1999 by a gift from Tom McCloskey, a 1968 Notre Dame alumnus, and his wife Bonnie. The contest is also sponsored by IdeaWorks LLC, Palo Alto

Software and Pace Global Energy Solutions.

In addition, the Gigot Center is also holding a competition aimed at family businesses. The Dorothy Dolphin Notre Dame Family Business Plan Competition, now in its second year, invites family entrepreneurs to create a business or plan the future of existing ventures. Dave Hayes, the Gigot Center's director of family business enterprise, says that family-run businesses can benefit from careful planning. "The competition encourages families to work together and plan for both business continuity and family involvement," Hayes said.

Hayes lauded the competition, which was the first of its kind when it debuted last year.

"It's a very natural fit because Notre Dame is all about family," he said. "It's the piece we thought was missing in our business plan competitions."

The competition was created by a gift from Dorothy Dolphin, founder of Dolphin Staffing, a staffing agency in Minneapolis.

The Gigot Center will also hold the Notre Dame Social Venture Plan Competition, which is similar to the other two, but deals with non-profit and social-oriented enterprises. Last year, finalists included an organization dealing with the preservation of traditional culture, a campus outreach program and a pharmaceutical ethics organization. Total awards for the competitions equal \$40,000.

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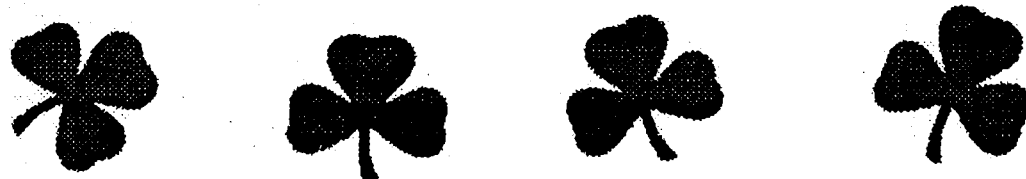
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Clark

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old baby. Clark was employed by Notre Dame as a security officer.

Though University spokesman Matt Storin said the University is no longer fielding matters related to Timothy Clark, he said, "There are two policies. When there is an investigation of wrongdoing, generally the person is put on unpaid leave. The second policy that comes into play is that if you don't show up for three days without contacting the University or having a valid reason, you are terminated and that is germane to this case."

Hill said a class B felony carries a presumptive sentence of 10 years in prison, which can be reduced to six years or be increased by a maximum of 10 additional years.

Clark remains in the Elkhart County jail with a bond set at \$80,000.

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Stadium

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a home football game. Several University departments, including Building Services, Landscape Services and the Athletic Department, collaborate with a multitude of outside organizations to make the clean-up efficient and effective.

According to Dan Brazo, athletic facilities manager at Notre Dame Stadium, the clean-up process begins well before the game is over. "After the first series, the stadium crew goes around the outside of the stadium and collects barrels and that trash is compacted," he said. "Immediately [after the game], we have a contractor come in and they hand pick [up] all the trash."

Brazo said that morning crews come in Sunday with leaf blowers to blow the smaller pieces of garbage, such as peanut shells and candy wrappers, into large condensed piles. The crews spend about five hours cleaning up on Sunday, starting at 7 a.m. and usually finishing around noon.

Best Sweeping Specialists Inc. is one of the several companies contracted to assist in the football weekend clean-ups. Tim Skinner,

president of the company, said he does not have exact figures on how much garbage his company collects from an average game, but he estimated the amount to be between 18 and 24 cubic yards of material. Best Sweeping is responsible for cleaning up the area between the inner wall of the stadium and Moose Krause Drive, which encircles the stadium.

"[The clean-up] is divided up. Quite a few people work on picking it up," Skinner said. "But in terms of litter, it's one of the biggest jobs we do." Skinner said his company's portion of the clean-up usually takes between five and six hours on Sunday morning, but that varies depending on weather conditions. Best Sweeping also sweeps the inside of the stadium prior to the games to clear out trash that was missed from the previous game, as well as leaves and other debris.

Due to limited manpower and the large volume of trash produced by the football crowds, most of the material is sent to a landfill rather than being recycled. "There's so much trash emitted from a game, there's really no way to sort it," said Brazo.

According to Alan Bigger, director of Building Services, the concession stands at the stadium use large amounts of cardboard and

most of that is recycled, but nothing else is sorted for recycling.

Bigger said his department attempted to institute a game day recycling program during the 1998 season, but the project was unsuccessful. For each home game they set up 75 cardboard recycling containers around the stadium, clearly marked for plastic bottles and aluminum cans and contained only one round hole. Bigger said the hope was to catch recyclable items before fans entered the stadium, but almost all of the containers were completely contaminated with food waste and other non-recyclables. The venture lost a significant amount of money because none of the collected recyclables could be sold, and the department has not attempted game day recycling since then.

Bigger said Building Services would be willing to try recycling again, but budget constraints mandate that volunteers would be needed to help with sorting the material and transporting the receptacles to a central location after the game was over.

Pat O'Hara, manager of Warehouse Services in the Building Services department, is in charge of the recycling program on campus and said his crew already handles a larger

than usual amount of recyclables on football weekends just from residence halls and academic buildings.

"It's a massive operation," O'Hara said in reference to handling the recyclables on football weekends. "That's basically all we do all day Monday."

Recyclables are not unloaded during the weekends because the bins look unsightly on loading docks and most people do not work on the weekends. O'Hara said his crew prepares for the job by working from 5 a.m. until 9 a.m. on the morning before a home game, placing trucks around campus in strategic locations like the Hammes Bookstore and the Morris Inn.

Bigger said that a good portion of the recyclable aluminum from games ends up getting recycled through what he called a "subterranean operation." He said community groups like Boy Scouts and church groups travel through the parking lots after the game has begun, collecting the aluminum cans. The cans can then be sold to the recycling center near downtown South Bend. Many fans also collect the plastic souvenir cups inside the stadium, he said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Bolivian Pres. pressured to resign

LA PAZ, Bolivia — Tens of thousands of Bolivians rallied to demand the president's resignation Thursday, after protest leaders rejected the government's offer to compromise over a gas export plan that triggered weeks of deadly street clashes.

Soldiers guarded the presidential palace as columns of farmers, workers, miners and indigenous groups descended on La Paz, setting off dynamite and wielding sticks demanding the president's resignation. Others waved the rainbow-colored flag that is the symbol of Bolivia's Indian community.

Over the past three weeks, demonstrators have set up roadblocks and battled police in a crisis pitting the ruling elite against a poor Indian majority over market reforms that have failed to narrow the gap between rich and poor in South America's poorest country.

Human rights groups say some 65 people have died, most of them at the hands of police and military. The government has not confirmed the deaths.

Swiss diplomat kidnapped, raped

NEW DELHI — A Swiss diplomat was abducted and raped by two men as she left the International Film Festival in the Indian capital, New Delhi.

Police mounted a citywide search for the suspects Thursday, offered a \$1,110 reward for information leading to their capture and tightened security for the festival.

"We do not know how this can happen in a city like Delhi," Press Trust of India news agency quoted Swiss Ambassador Walter Gyger as saying. "We hope the criminals are arrested soon and punished."

NATIONAL NEWS

Republicans split on energy bill

WASHINGTON — House and Senate Republicans were unable to reach an agreement Thursday on a handful of conflicts that have blocked agreement on energy legislation, despite the direct intervention of top GOP leaders.

"We're really getting close," Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., chairman of the energy talks, told reporters after what had been billed as a make-or-break meeting.

Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., said a final package is "within a hair's breadth" of being approved. While not elaborating, they said several issues remained to be ironed out.

Killer admits to additional victims

HARRISONVILLE, Mo. — A man convicted of killing three women in Kansas pleaded guilty Thursday to five more murders in Missouri, where some of the victims' bodies were found stuffed into barrels in a rented storage locker.

John Robinson Sr., 59, avoided trial and a possible death sentence in Missouri by admitting that he killed the two women and teenage girl whose bodies were found in the storage locker, as well as two other women whose bodies were never found.

William Godfrey, whose 19-year-old daughter, Paula Godfrey, has been missing since 1984, struggled to compose himself in court Thursday before describing her as an excellent student and ice skater. She was especially close to her mother, who died 10 years ago of cancer, Godfrey said.

LOCAL NEWS

Armstrong cycles through IN

INDIANAPOLIS — Lance Armstrong and a team of cyclists crossing the country to raise awareness for cancer research stopped Thursday in the city where aggressive treatment saved his life.

Armstrong, who will seek a record sixth straight Tour de France victory next year, joined other cancer survivors to promote clinical trials like the one at Indiana University Medical Center that rid his body of the disease and allowed him to return to cycling.

U.N. adopts resolution on Iraq

Security Council unanimously approves U.S. resolution in huge victory for Powell

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The Security Council unanimously adopted a resolution Thursday aimed at attracting more troops and money to help stabilize Iraq and speed its independence — a diplomatic victory for Washington after the bitter dispute over the war.

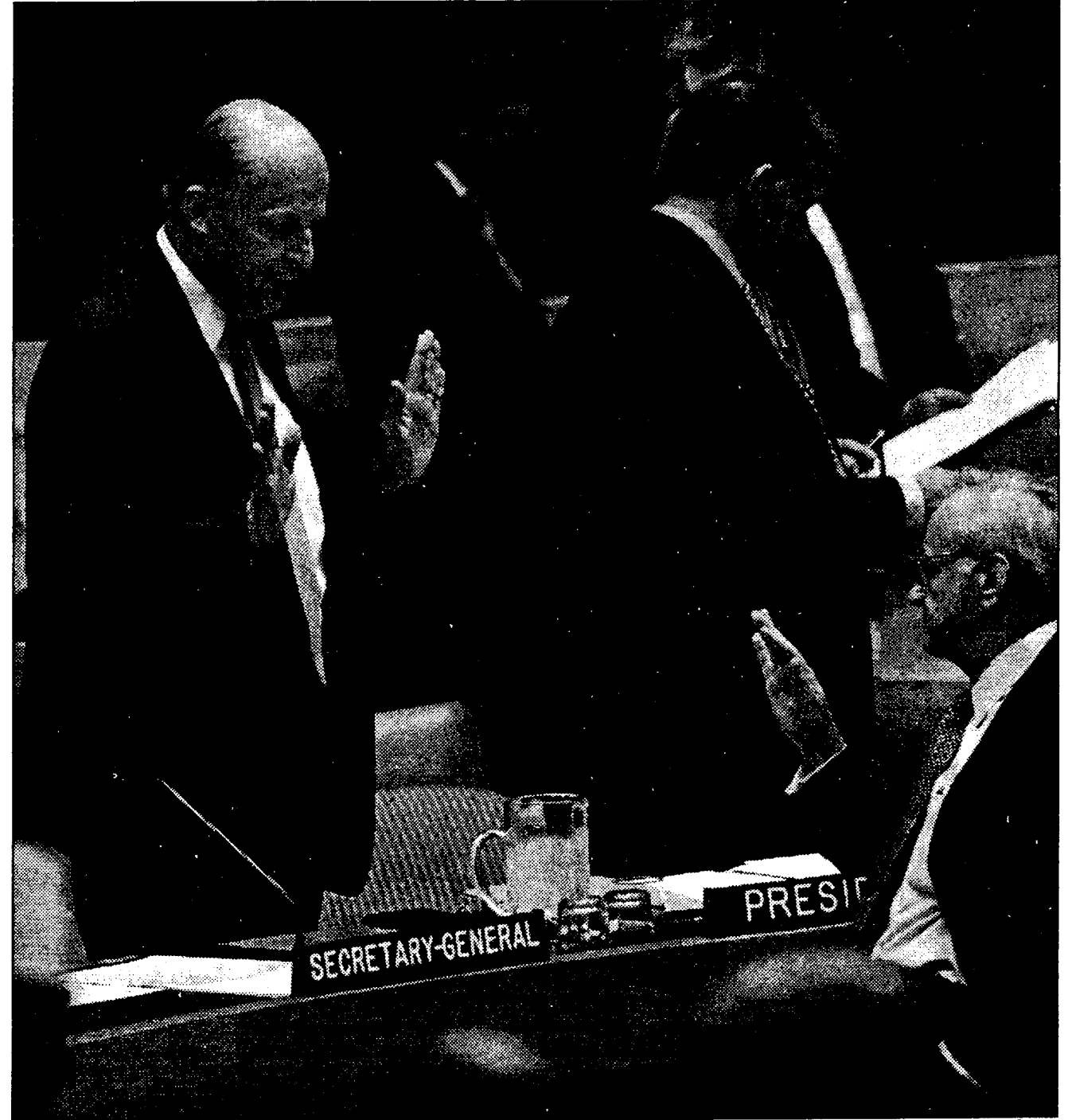
The resolution's success hinges on whether it generates additional funds for Iraq's reconstruction at next week's donors conference in Madrid, Spain, and whether countries decide to send new forces to Iraq.

In a dramatic shift, France, Germany and Russia — key opponents of the U.S.-led war against Iraq — supported the resolution. But they immediately ruled out any new military or financial help, reflecting ongoing concern about the speed with which Washington would transfer authority to Iraqis.

The resolution gives U.N. authorization to a multinational force under unified command that will be led by the United States and calls for troop contributions as well as "substantial pledges" from the 191 U.N. member states at the Madrid donors conference on Oct. 23-24.

The 15-0 vote was a coup for Secretary of State Colin Powell, who called the outcome "a great achievement" — although he cautioned that the resolution should not be seen as "opening the door to troops."

Powell led six weeks of intense U.S. lobbying and worked the phones from the early hours Wednesday. When he launched his final diplomatic blitz, U.S. officials were concerned the resolution might get only the minimum nine "yes" votes needed for adoption.



U.S. ambassador to the United Nations John Negroponte speaks with French ambassador Jean-Marc de Sabliere before the Security Council vote in New York.

A day earlier, France, Russia and Germany failed to persuade the United States to include in the resolution a timetable for restoring Iraq's sovereignty. Instead, the draft calls for the U.S.-appointed Iraqi Governing Council — in cooperation with the coalition and a U.N. representative — to provide the Security Council by Dec. 15 with a timetable for drafting a new constitution and holding elections.

The resolution makes clear that the U.S.-led occupation of Iraq is temporary and states that "the day when Iraqis govern themselves must come quickly." It urges the U.S.-led Coalition Provisional Authority now running the country to let Iraqis govern the country "as soon as practicable."

The United States also won backing from China and Pakistan, and finally and most surprisingly, from Syria, the only Arab nation on the Security Council and a staunch

opponent of the U.S.-led war.

Not wishing to revive the bitter divisions over the war itself, virtually all council members said they wanted council unity on the next steps in Iraq, even if the resolution didn't meet all their demands.

"The outcome is a clear demonstration of the will of all the members of the Security Council to place the interests of the Iraqi people above all other considerations," Secretary-General Kofi Annan said after the vote.

ENGLAND

World's Anglican leaders threaten split

Associated Press

LONDON — The world's Anglican leaders piled pressure Thursday on churches in New Hampshire and their openly gay bishop-elect, warning that if he takes office it could shatter a global communion deeply torn over homosexuality.

"If his consecration proceeds, we recognize that we have reached a crucial and critical point in the life of the Anglican Communion," the leaders of 37 national churches said after two days of emergency, closed-door talks. "We have had to conclude that the future of the communion itself will be put in jeopardy."

The Anglican primates issued a statement that also told church leaders to start thinking about new structures of "episcopal oversight" so that bishops on one side of the debate

over gays would not have to supervise congregations that rejected their views.

Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold, head of the U.S. Episcopal Church, joined in the statement. American conservatives, who are close to revolt over their church's growing acceptance of gay relationships, took that as a hopeful sign.

Griswold said he intended to be in New Hampshire on Nov. 2 for the consecration of the Rev. V. Gene Robinson as bishop — but he said "anything could happen" before then.

Asked if he would urge Robinson to withdraw, Griswold said: "I might do many things."

Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams, who is personally sympathetic to gays but has pledged to uphold the church's teaching that homosexual acts are contrary to

Scripture, said the primates had issued "an honest statement of where we are, a statement of our willingness to work together, and our recognition of the obstacles to our working together."

Archbishop Drexel Gomez, primate of the Province of the West Indies and a sharp critic of Robinson's election, said the primates had "studied, reflected, prayed and worked together, and we have done so in almost brutal honesty."

Both sides in the bitter debate found reasons to cheer the statement, and primates left the meeting with their fragile association still intact.

Supporters of gay clergy took heart that the primates agreed to appoint a commission to begin "urgent and deep theological and legal reflection" on ways out of the impasse, and to report within a year.

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say whatsoever in that decision-making process," Lao said.

The Board, however, maintained that the bylaws and structure already set forth for the CLC by the University is adequate for its purpose.

One board member said she was "impressed with the quantity and quality of resolutions" passed by the CLC, while another said he had reviewed the bylaws outlining the body and had found them well conceived and thoughtful.

The Observer has a policy of not attributing quotes to specific members of the board.

Hallahan, however, said the CLC very often ignores subjects of particular interest to students, citing student government's attempts to address RA orientation policies and teacher course evaluations as examples.

Board members refuted this claim by pointing out that he, as chairperson of the CLC, has the power to set the agenda and invite the members for discussion.

The Board also said they were "disappointed" with the Student Government's choice of topic for their presentation. Last May, Board members had recommended that Student Government re-examine and restructure itself to increase its effectiveness, and they said they had expected a more extensive report at this meeting.

"Is this your only focus — to get student voice heard?" one member asked.

"I was a little disappointed to see that you did a report on the CLC," another Board member said, reminding the student officers that last year's Board meeting had spoken to them about "the need to look at the whole Student Government."

"I really was hoping that that's where your efforts would go," she said.

Hallahan, however, said the restructuring was a process, one in which this report figured as the first step.

He asked for Board recommendations and advice about how to further improve Student Government. "Let us know where you feel our place should be," Hallahan said.

Board members, however, rejected all the student officers' requests and proposals, continuing their support of the old structures and advising Student Government to eradicate inefficiencies in other ways.

"It's bothersome to me that the student body president is coming to us and saying, 'Where do we fit in?'" one Board member said.

After the presentation, however, Hallahan said he appreciated the criticism and considers it extremely constructive for Student Government.

"We had a very, very honest dialogue, and we have a very good direction to go from here," Hallahan said.

"They were very harsh, and I thought they were great," he said. "This is where we are at; this is where we need to be."

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McCourt

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author," McCourt said. "They said I could write a book. I do what I am told and that's why I am here."

While the best selling author and New York high school English teacher entertained the audience with his witticisms and anecdotes, he detailed his desire to write since a young age.

McCourt spoke of his Irish schoolmasters who emphasized grand sentences and reprimanded him for his simplistic writing.

"You have to find your own

way in the world and in writing," McCourt said.

McCourt said his family was so poor he scraped plastic and glue from discarded wallpaper to chronicle his loosely based version of Irish history and had to steal his family's only pen and hide his wallpaper from being thrown in the fire.

His schoolmaster discovered the wallpaper at school and told him he could not write on wallpaper and gave him two composition notebooks.

"He made me uneasy because he acted differently than normal school masters who weren't supposed to pat you on the head but rap you

on the head," McCourt said.

McCourt said his closeness with this schoolmaster ended when he read aloud to the class his version of Irish history, leading many classmates to tease him as the schoolmaster commented on his imaginative version of history.

"Language was all we had and it was free ... Our tradition was oral and later literary," McCourt said.

He said he struggled to write his own story because his teachers never emphasized writing your own stories or about your community.

In college, McCourt said he failed when he tried to imitate others instead of telling

his own stories. As he continued to find his own voice, he recorded stories in over 40 years of notebooks.

Joking about this collection, McCourt said, "I keep these to remind myself what an ass I was."

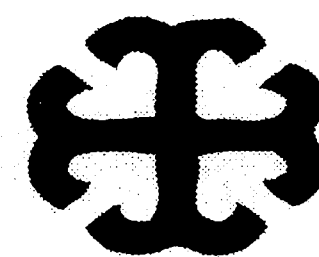
McCourt finally found a way to write his own story with "Angela's Ashes" and is currently working on book that chronicles teaching in New York.

"When I was a high school English teacher trying to get [students] to write, I said 'When in doubt, write a story,'" McCourt said.

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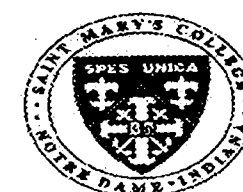
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Tween shoppers a tough sell

Pre-teen shopping power grows, but finicky tastes are difficult to predict

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Girls like eight-year-old Kelsie Templin are a challenge for the toy industry.

Unlike boys in the 8-to-12 age group, who seem easy to please with video games and action toys, Kelsie and her peers are in a fuzzy, in-between stage. Kelsie, for example, likes to collect stuffed animals, but she also enjoys more grown-up activities like shopping at Claire's Stores, creating picture frames for her room and listening to tunes by pop star singers Christina Aguilera and Britney Spears.

"I don't like action figure toys and babyish dolls," said Kelsie, who lives in Pembroke Pines, Fla.

This holiday season, toy makers and retailers are making a big effort to capture the hearts of girls like Kelsie, known in the industry as "twens."

"Everyone is trying to figure out how they can get her away from Limited Too and Claire's and get her into the toy stores," said Chris Bryne, an independent toy analyst, noting girls' ever-growing interest in clothes.

With the tween in mind, K-B Toys is expanding beyond toys and selling room decor like lava lamps and room beads. Toys "R" Us Inc., whose "R" Zone featuring video games has become a magnet for boys, is trying out a store-within-a-store that has the popular pouty-lipped Bratz dolls at its Times Square location.

"We're experimenting in uncharted [areas]," said Fred Hurley, vice president and divisional merchandise manager of K-B.

Toy makers, meanwhile, have come up with more funky-looking dolls, arts and crafts kits and products such as fur-trimmed CD players and flashy bikes that appeal to twens.

"There's more out there



Khine Thwin tries on a skull belt at a Hot Topic retail store in California. The store targets shoppers as young as 12.

for the tween girl to put in our stores," said Susan McLaughlin, a Toys "R" Us spokeswoman.

One strategy for manufacturers is to try to lure twens back to dolls. The fashion doll market has become particularly competitive, with MGA Entertainment, the maker of Bratz dolls, battling Mattel Inc., which manufactures Barbie.

Mattel is trying to keep girls from giving up their Barbies and defecting to Bratz. Last year, Mattel introduced My Scene Barbie, which has an edgier style than Barbie. This summer, the company unveiled Flavas, hip-hop inspired dolls that so far are selling slowly, according to Margaret Whitfield,

senior vice president at Brean Murray, an investment firm.

The tween market accounts for a significant 20 percent of total traditional toy sales, which reached \$21.3 billion last year, according to NPD Group, a market information company in Port Washington, N.Y.

Many of the products aimed at twens have done well since they arrived in stores over the past few months, analysts said. Hasbro Inc. has had success with Video Now, a portable personal video player, and Thintronics, a new line of phones and radios.

New arts and crafts kits

such as Mattel's Ello and Lego's Clikits have also been popular with twens.

One problem manufacturers and retailers have is developing more sophisticated toys for twens — but not so sophisticated that they're inappropriate for young girls.

Some analysts believe the lukewarm response to Mattel's Flavas is due to the popularity of Bratz, but others think Flavas may be just too edgy. The Flava dolls, which wear such urban fashions as low-slung wide leg pants, come with their own graffiti wall.

"Their clothes are torn. They shouldn't be for pre-teen girls," said Elissa Tennant, 9, from Wickliffe, Ohio, who prefers Bratz.

IN BRIEF

NYSE to fine trading firms

NEW YORK — The New York Stock Exchange will discipline and seek tens of millions in fines against five floor-trading firms as part of a widening probe into improper trading that may have cost investors millions.

The world's largest stock exchange said Thursday it will seek to compensate investors after the NYSE investigation, which found the specialist firms ignored their primary duty to directly match buy and sell orders when possible and instead, intervened from their own account for a profit.

The exchange also said it would seek improvements in the self-monitoring and start implementing surveillance software next week as a deterrent. The probe examined trades Jan. 1, 2000 through Dec. 31, 2002, and found suspect activity in about two billion shares, which is slightly more than a single day's volume.

Chicago company to buy local mall

FORT WAYNE, Ind. — A Chicago-based real estate investment trust is buying the city's largest shopping center.

General Growth Properties announced Wednesday that it plans to acquire Glenbrook Square in Fort Wayne as part of a \$550 million, three-mall deal.

General Growth said it expects to complete the purchase of the 1.2 million square-foot Glenbrook Square and The Maine Mall in South Portland, Maine, by Oct. 31. It has already acquired Sikes Senter in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Glenbrook was built in 1966 and is managed by Chicago-based Landau Heyman, which also is a part owner. L.S. Ayres, J.C. Penney, Marshall Field's and Sears are the anchor tenants.

Buying the three malls gives General Growth "the opportunity to build upon the already strong performance of three successful properties," General Growth CEO John Bucksbaum said.

The company said the deal is expected to provide General Growth with about \$39.1 million in additional net operating income in 2004.

Guidant Corp. reports drop in profits

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Medical device maker Guidant Corp. on Thursday reported a 26 percent drop in its third quarter profit, as its revenue from heart stent sales declined.

For the July-September period, Guidant said it earned \$129.1 million, or 41 cents per share, compared with a profit of \$175.1 million, or 57 cents per share, a year ago.

Sales rose to \$937.8 million from \$813.1 million.

Excluding one-time expenses, the Indianapolis-based company posted a \$183 million profit, or 58 cents per share. That was two cents a share more than analysts surveyed by

Thomson First Call had expected.

Guidant stock was up 61 cents to close at \$48.50 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Sales of implantable defibrillators, which electrically jolt the heart back into rhythm in case of cardiac arrest, rose 48 percent from a year ago.

But Guidant reported a 14 percent drop in worldwide sales of its bare-metal stents — tiny mesh-metal tubes inserted into coronary arteries to prop them open after surgery.

U.S. sales of those stents declined 26 percent during this year's second quarter as Johnson & Johnson this year won federal approval for a new drug-coated stent.

Guidant CEO Ronald Dollens said

he was encouraged by the company's overall sales growth.

"The company continues to sustain a high level of profitability as our sales mix shifts from U.S. end-user stent sales to implantable defibrillators," he said. "Our gross margin for the third quarter represents year-over-year improvement and continues to be at the high end of our historical range."

The stent market is shifting with the introduction of next-generation stents that are coated with slow-release drugs to prevent scar tissue from forming new blockages. Guidant is behind competitors in introducing a drug-coated stent, and expects to reach the market in 2005.

Tradition

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other objects. Gagnon said patrons were injured by flying objects in the past when and that NBC lodged a complaint that its camera equipment might be damaged.

Stadium personnel ejected between 12 and 15 students during the Michigan State game for either possessing or throwing marshmallows. Afterwards, some students complained that they were unaware that there was such a stiff penalty for marshmallows. To combat this problem, Gagnon said an announcement would be made during the game, probably before half time, stating that throwing

objects is prohibited.

Gagnon said that his ushers, in addition to Notre Dame Security/Police officers, would be looking for "ringleaders" during half time — students who are throwing a large amount of marshmallows. However, he would not rule out the possibility that a student who threw just one marshmallow could be ejected.

"Might we get you in the round up even if you only threw one marshmallow? It's possible, we are concerned about injuries," Gagnon said.

"We don't want to be the anti-fun police, it is just getting worse and worse each game ... throwing stuff is just juvenile."

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CCC

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ing to the request printed in the budget "over 45 clubs did not submit a budget to the council" before the CCC had to make their request to the FMB. The CCC was only granted an extra \$20,000.

This year, the CCC was allocated \$286,258, including the additional \$20,000, which was up from last year's allocation of \$258,194.

The money the CCC receives comes from the budget the Financial Management Board develops every spring. The total amount the FMB can allocate to Student Union groups comes from the every student's Student Activity fee and from part of the profits made by The Shirt. The CCC is guaranteed 36.75 percent of this total amount every year, but they can request additional money.

"The CCC interviews all the clubs and compiles a single request for money from the FMB based on the club requests. We always request more money than it is possible to get," said CCC President Seth O'Donnell.

Despite the increase in the CCC's fund, some clubs' budgets were still cut from last year.

Eric Wooldridge, president of Circle K, said the club's allocation was cut 9 percent from last year. He said that the amount of money they received from the CCC was not enough to cover all their costs for the year.

"We were able to get a donation from a former member of ours, and we've been able to cover all our plans, but not exclusively from the CCC allocation," Wooldridge said.

According to O'Donnell, these

cuts aren't the fault of the CCC.

"It's hard to compare last year to this year because this is the first year we've had a performing arts division, and it looks like there is less money per division," he said. "There are a ton of different variables [for allocating money], and there is an ever increasing number of clubs asking for money."

This year, according to O'Donnell, about 20 new clubs requested money from the CCC. Because of this, O'Donnell said that in addition to the extra money the CCC granted these new clubs, it needed to increase the money placed into its contingency fund.

"Because there are so many new clubs, we allocated more money to our contingency fund this year so that our new clubs wouldn't just die out," said O'Donnell. "All clubs are eligible for money from these [contingency] funds." So far about five clubs have appealed for more money, according to O'Donnell.

Wooldridge says Circle K plans to appeal for more funds.

"We plan on appealing for money for at least one project with another club," said Wooldridge. There are no specific plans yet for this event.

At the Campus Wide Fair on Oct. 4, any club participating and providing food was allotted \$150. O'Donnell would not specify where the money for the food allotment came from, though he did say that the event was co-sponsored by the Office of the Student Body President.

Additionally, the CCC instituted a new policy this year that required all clubs to internally raise additional funds of at least 20 percent of their allocation from CCC. According to Jaclyn Ballotta, chair of the CCC's social service division,

most clubs can do this by charging dues for their club members, but social service clubs generally do not charge dues.

"The main reason [for the 20 percent requirement] is that as we get more clubs, we are requiring that they do some sort of fundraising, so that they actively look for money in other areas," she said. "Clubs in other areas are required to charge dues, but we don't feel like people should have to pay to do service."

Ballotta acknowledges that it may be hard for a service club to raise money, but maintains that it is not something clubs cannot do.

"I agree that it is difficult for service clubs to fundraise," Ballotta said. "It doesn't have to be too much of a hardship if they are pretty proactive. We're more than willing to help in any way, shape or form."

Ballotta said that if a club has difficulties raising money, they can contact the CCC for help, but she says they have not received any great concerns from clubs on the issue.

Concerning the allocation for clubs in her division, Ballotta said, "We try to give the clubs as much as we possibly can ... We try our best to match what they got last year."

However, O'Donnell said that there is no rule regarding consistency in allocations.

"There is no policy of matching any previous allocation," he said. "Every year, a club must go through the same process ... The CCC always will request the amount of money it needs to best fund clubs. We are here to help clubs as much as possible."

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Bridgeport Diocese will pay \$21 million

Associated Press

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — The Bridgeport Diocese announced a \$21 million settlement Thursday with 40 people who said they were molested by priests as children, and the bishop publicly apologized to the victims.

The payout is believed to be the third-biggest settlement by a U.S. diocese since the scandal that has rocked the Roman Catholic Church

broke in Boston in 2002.

"Let me express my personal remorse and the remorse of the entire diocese for the harm that was caused in the lives of so many individuals," Bishop William Lori said. He said the settlement is an effort to "do what is right, just and compassionate."

Lori said all but one of the 16 priests named in the settlement are no longer active in the church.

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Progress made in CIA investigation

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Attorney General John Ashcroft said Thursday that progress is being made in the investigation into the leak of a CIA undercover officer's name.

Ashcroft repeated that he has not ruled out any option, including appointment of an outside special counsel to run the investigation, a move Bush administration critics say is necessary to ensure the probe is thorough.

"I am directing and will do everything within my power to make sure that this investigation is professional, thorough, prompt and complete," Ashcroft told reporters. "This is a matter of great concern to me. Leaks are a serious matter."

Democrats contend that Ashcroft should appoint an outside special counsel or, at the very least, recuse himself from involvement in the investigation.

"From conflicts of interest to inexplicable delays, the actions so far of the attorney general and the Justice Department make it far less likely that the culprit will be found."

Charles Schumer
senator

"From conflicts of interest to inexplicable delays, the actions so far of the attorney general and the Justice Department make it far less likely that the culprit will be found," said Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.

President Bush and Ashcroft have repeatedly expressed

confidence that a team of career Justice Department prosecutors and FBI agents will uncover who leaked the name of Valerie Plame, a CIA undercover officer married to former Ambassador Joseph Wilson.

Ashcroft said the team is making progress in the case, although he provided no

details.

Wilson has said he believes Bush administration officials leaked his wife's name to syndicated columnist Robert Novak in an attempt to discredit his contentions that the White House was manipulating intelligence to justify war with Iraq.

Church marks Pope's anniversary



Pope John Paul II celebrated his 25th anniversary Thursday at St. Peter's Square.

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — An ailing Pope John Paul II celebrated his 25 years as pontiff on Thursday, asking tens of thousands of pilgrims, his admiring Polish countrymen and the men who help run his church to pray for him, saying his future rested in the hands of God.

The festivities, made bitter-sweet by the pope's obvious ailments, highlighted John Paul's role as one of the most influential religious figures of the last century as he reached a milestone matched by only three of his predecessors.

At least 50,000 people packed St. Peter's Square for an anniversary Mass that began at 6 p.m. — about the same time a quarter-century ago that white smoke from a Vatican chimney signaled that a Polish cardinal named Karol Wojtyla had been elected the first non-Italian pope in 455 years.

As the sun set over the square, the crowd broke into applause when a weary-looking John Paul was wheeled to the altar, dressed in golden vestments and a jeweled miter, while a choir sang hymns.

He smiled after the greeting

from the dean of the College of Cardinals, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, who praised the pope for his tireless work and his endurance of "criticism and insults."

"You turned to young and old, rich and poor, powerful and humble, and always showed, according to the example of Jesus Christ, a particular love for the poor and the defenseless," Ratzinger said.

The 83-year-old pope, who suffers from Parkinson's disease, read only portions of his prepared remarks, including a prayer, and appeared pained at times. He spoke in a strong voice during his homily, but began slurring his words later in the two-hour service.

"I renew, in the hands of Mary, beloved Mother, the gift of myself, of the present and the future: everything will be done according to your will. Supreme Pastor, stay among us so that we can proceed with you securely to the house of the Father."

And in a portion read by an aide, John Paul said, "Help the pope and all those who want to serve Christ."

As the Mass ended on a floodlit square, John Paul asked for a closing hymn dedicated to the Virgin Mary, for whom he has

always had a special devotion.

Official congratulations poured in from overseas.

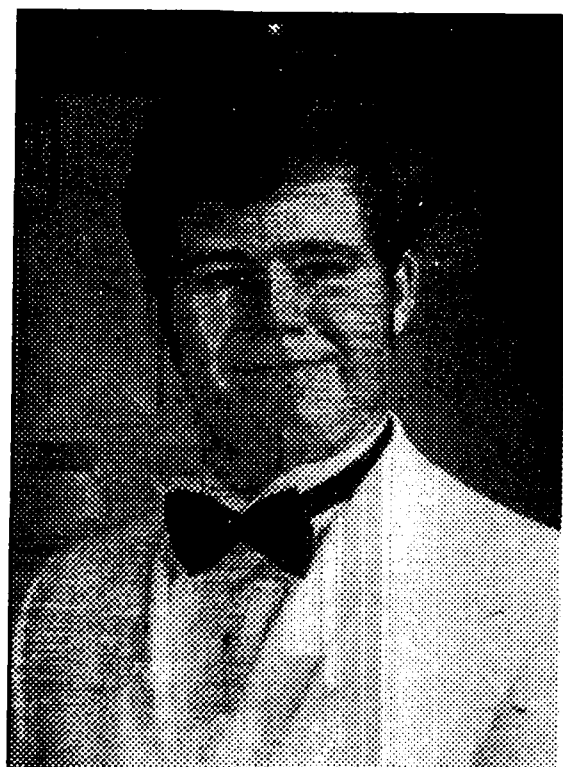
"The United States and the world are better because of his dedication to sharing his wisdom, guidance and faith," President Bush said in a statement saluting the pope.

"For the past 25 years, His Holiness has led worldwide efforts to develop a new culture of life that values and protects the lives of innocent children waiting to be born. He has also brought the love of the Almighty to people of all ages, particularly those who suffer or live in poverty, or who are weak and vulnerable."

Despite his physical limitations, the pope has pressed on.

Earlier Thursday, he appeared before cardinals to sign an exhortation on the role of bishops, delivering his speech in a weak and slurred voice and relying on an aide to read parts of it. John Paul was joined at the Mass by 149 cardinals, as well as 28 of the 30 recently named cardinals who will be installed next week.

At a meeting of cardinals Wednesday, a top Vatican cardinal, Bernardin Gantin of Benin, effectively quashed speculation John Paul might retire, saying popes serve for life.



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Weekend Events

The Following Events Are Happening At The Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore:

Author Events:

Ted Mandell, N.D. '86, will be signing copies of *Heart Stoppers and Hail Marys* on Friday, October 17th from 4:00pm to 5:30pm.

Dick Vitale will be signing copies of *Living the Dream* on Friday, October 17th from 3:00pm to 5:00pm, and again on Saturday, October 18th from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

Connie McNamara will be signing copies of *My First Notre Dame Words; Go Irish*, on Friday, October 17th from 3:00pm to 5:00pm, and Saturday, October 18th from 9:00am to 11:00am.

Bob Golic, ND '79, consensus All-American at Notre Dame, will be signing copies of *Fighting Irish* on Saturday, October 18th from 9:00am to 11:00am.

Alan Grant will be signing copies of *Return to Glory* on Saturday, October 18th from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

Jason Kelly, Sports Writer for The South Bend Tribune, will be signing copies of *Mr. Notre Dame* on Saturday, October 18th from 10:30am to 11:30am.

Rudy Ruettiger, N.D. '76, will be signing copies of *Rudy's Insights for Winning in Life*, on Saturday, October 18th from 10:30am to 12:30pm.

Coach Gerry Faust will be signing copies of *The Golden Dream*, on Saturday, October 18th from 11:00am to 12:00pm.

Peggy Rathmann, Caldecott Medal Winner, will be presenting and signing copies of *The Day the Babies Crawled Away* on Sunday, October 19th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the Visitor's Center Auditorium (adjacent to the bookstore)

Special Events:

Friday, October 17

Kennedy's Kitchen, traditional Irish band - 3-3:30 p.m.

Notre Dame Grad Band Combo, big brass sound in the lobby - 3:45-4:15 p.m.

Notre Dame cheerleaders perform, meet and greet in the lobby...4:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 18

The Undertones, Notre Dame acappella group, will perform on Saturday in the Bookstore one hour following the game.

Dan McCabe, '04, Pipe Major will perform from 8:00am to 9:45am.

Pam Clown, face painter, will be painting faces from 9:00am to Noon.

Marvin Clown, balloon artist, will perform from 9:00am to Noon.

Joe Probst, pianist, will perform from 9:00am to Noon.

The Mishawaka Youth Cheerleaders will perform from 10:30am to 11:30am.

The U93 Countdown to Kickoff radio show will air from 11:30am to 1:00pm.

The Notre Dame Bagpipe Band will perform from 11:45am to 12:15pm.

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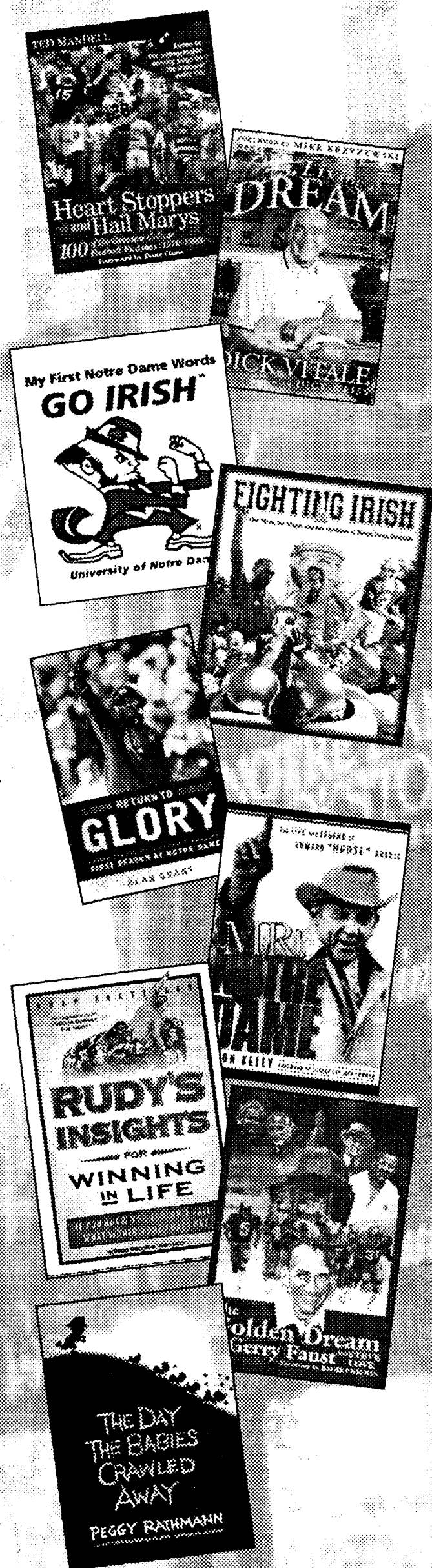
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Ferry investigation centers on pilot

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The investigation into the Staten Island ferry wreck that killed 10 passengers focused Thursday on whether the ship's pilot blacked out and slumped over the throttle before the vessel crashed into a concrete pier.

City Councilman Michael McMahon, after a briefing from city emergency and transportation officials, said the crash may have been related to the pilot's health and medication he was taking for a possible blood-pressure problem.

The pilot, Assistant Captain Richard Smith, attempted suicide after the crash by slitting his wrists and shooting himself with a pellet gun, police said.

"The assistant captain at the controls collapsed," McMahon said. "By the time the other captain could get control of the ship, it was too late."

The 310-foot ferry slammed into a concrete pier as it approached the Staten Island shore in choppy, wind-swept waters Wednesday afternoon, ripping a giant hole along its right side and severing the limbs of three passengers. Some passengers leaped into the water.

The crash left more than 60 people hospitalized, eight in critical condition. The dead, one woman and nine men, ranged in age from 25 to 52.

There was one bit of good news: A missing woman, presumed to have died in the water, turned up safe at a friend's house, police said.

The fractured ferry sat at the

docks Thursday as thousands of commuters boarded boats for the morning rush hour.

"If you look at any photograph of a terrorist attack on a bus or train in the Middle East, that's your idea of what it looks like," Staten Island Borough President James Molinaro said.

Witnesses said the vessel appeared to speed up as it approached the shore. A source close to the probe, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the captain told investigators that Smith "slumped forward" on the controls in a way that could have made the boat accelerate toward the pier.

Blood samples were taken from Smith and the rest of the crew. Early test results on Smith indicated alcohol was not a factor, according to a high-ranking law enforcement, source speaking on condition of anonymity. Authorities were still investigating whether prescription drugs played a role, the source said.

Alan Abramson, an attorney for Smith, issued a statement that said only: "The family and all concerned hope that people will not rush to judgment. Their prayers go out to all the victims."

Smith, 55, was a 15-year ferry veteran whose record gave no indication of a blood-pressure problem, said City Transportation Commissioner Iris Weinshall. Smith remained hospitalized in critical condition.

The investigation, led by the National Transportation Safety Board, was also looking into whether the pilot and captain both should have been in the pilot house as the vessel

approached the dock. Under city Transportation Department procedures, that typically happens, although it is not a Coast Guard requirement.

"If the policy of the Department of Transportation was implemented at the time of the accident, we don't know," said NTSB chairwoman Ellen Engleman.

McMahon expressed skepticism that anyone had been close to Smith: "It's hard to believe that someone who was right there could not gain control of the ship."

Smith spoke with police on Wednesday, but had not yet been interviewed in depth, Engleman said. The NTSB was already speaking with members of the crew, ferry engineers and some of the victims, she said.

Investigators were also speaking with an attorney for the ship's captain to arrange a session with him.

Engleman said her agency had "a lot of conflicting reports" about the pilot's condition before the crash. "We don't want to pass on stories or rumors," she said.

Engleman added that the NTSB investigation would consider other possible causes, such as the weather and engineering factors.

Ferry service resumed Thursday morning, with Molinaro reporting that the number of riders did not appear down. The ferries, with their free, 25-minute cruise across New York Harbor, ordinarily carry 70,000 people daily between Staten Island and lower Manhattan.

Jury selection in sniper trial slows

Associated Press

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — Jury selection in the trial of sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad slowed Thursday as several would-be jurors said they believe he is guilty in the string of shootings that terrorized the Washington area a year ago.

Only seven of 16 potential jurors interviewed Thursday qualified for the panel, with five of the nine disqualified at the defense's request, and one at the joint request of the defense and prosecution. On Wednesday, 13 of 15 potential jurors were qualified for service.

"It just seems like some jurors are harder to seat than others. This was one of those days," prosecutor Paul Ebert said after court adjourned for the day.

Facing a series of questions from defense attorneys, several potential jurors said they think Muhammad is guilty, even though they had previously said they had not formed an opinion about his guilt or innocence.

"From all the evidence at the time, I think he's guilty," said one woman, Juror 318. All jurors were identified in court by number to protect their privacy.

Another juror was disqualified because her husband works at the Virginia Beach

jail and has contact with Muhammad. Three were disqualified because they said they could not impose the death penalty or must be absolutely certain of guilt before considering it.

Seven men and 13 women have qualified for the jury. The judge must qualify seven more jurors to reach a panel of 27.

Then prosecutors and defense attorneys each can eliminate six jurors, leaving a jury of 12 plus three alternates.

Potential jurors have been quizzed individually about their views on the death penalty, their exposure to pretrial news accounts and whether they felt terrorized by the sniper spree that killed 10 people over a three-week span.

Muhammad is charged with capital murder in the Oct. 9, 2002, slaying of Dean Harold Meyers at a gas station near Manassas.

Opening statements are expected to begin Monday.

The trial was moved away from the Washington area to this southeastern Virginia city after defense lawyers argued that every northern Virginia resident could be considered a victim because the shootings caused widespread fear.

Fellow sniper suspect Lee Boyd Malvo, 18, goes on trial separately next month.

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"Catholicism and American Freedom," with John McGreevy, John A. O'Brien Associate Professor and chair of history. McGreevy will begin by examining one little-known event, the Eliot School Rebellion of 1859, in which a group of Boston Catholic boys refused to read from the King James Bible in a Boston public school. The controversy over this episode sheds light on tensions and overlaps between Catholic and American ideas of freedom, from the nineteenth-century slavery debate through contemporary arguments about abortion.

McGreevy is the author of *Catholicism and American Freedom: A History* (W.W. Norton, 2003) and *Parish Boundaries: The Catholic Encounter with Race in the Twentieth Century Urban North* (University of Chicago, 1996).



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Restore purpose to CLC

It's easy to wonder — such as the University's Board of Trustees did — why student body presidents want to present three consecutive reports discussing student government reform. After all, it was the second time a student body president had addressed the University's top policy-making body on the issue (Libby Bishop presented an outline of student government's strengths and weaknesses in the spring) and a third report may bring up creating an endowment for student government events.

But of the three student government-related reports that could be brought before the Board of Trustees, Hallahan's Thursday presentation addressed an issue that moved beyond student government reform and struck at the heart of student-administrator relations. Hallahan's proposal to change the Campus Life Council from a recommendation-only body to one with real legislative force could have corrected one of the most prevalent problems on campus.

Or it did until the Trustees' Student Affairs Committee effortlessly dismissed Hallahan's proposal and mistakenly criticized his leadership of the committee.

The Trustees who ripped Hallahan apart and questioned aloud why the student body president was wasting face time with the University's top policy-making body thought Hallahan should have addressed a different topic. But what they didn't understand was Hallahan's recommendations would have gone a long way toward improving the hostile attitude of students toward the administration.

Hallahan's report called on the Trustees to change the Campus Life Council, which it created in 1977, back into its predecessor, the Student Life Council. The Trustees who originally created the Student Life Council in 1968 as a policy-making body saw it as a way to calm conflict between students, administrators and other factions on-campus. Less

than a decade later, the trustees removed the group's legislative ability and changed its name, and students have never since had a direct impact on campus policy.

In its current form, the CLC fails as an effective body for students and administrators to work together because student life officials on the CLC consistently block recommendations that come from student representatives, even though the body's decisions carry no binding weight. Trustees who criticized Hallahan's supposed lack of leadership as the chairperson of that committee fail to understand that votes on issues vital to student interests are split along student-administrator lines, and there's little Hallahan can do to achieve a consensus. After all, administrators on the committee prevented him from even discussing, much less evaluating, resident assistant orientation procedures earlier this year. It's no surprise that students feel apathetic toward their elected government if their leaders lack the power to make decisions — or even discuss — policy.

The Student Life Council, as Hallahan suggested in the report, has the potential to reverse this sentiment and make students feel as if they have a voice in campus policy. Under Hallahan's proposal, the 18-member body would be composed of seven representatives from all branches of student government, faculty members, rectors and administrative officials. The SLC would have the ability to enact campus-wide policy.

Students were upset when the alcohol policy was unveiled a year and a half ago because they thought they weren't involved in the decision-making process. Hallahan deserves praise for recognizing the sorry state of student-administrator relations and bringing it before the University's highest level. The Board of Trustees deserves criticism for dismissing him so easily.

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Maintain spirit of senior tradition

This weekend, two sets of perennial rivals will face-off in Notre Dame Stadium. Fans who paid to see Notre Dame play USC will also see stadium personnel and students clash over the senior tradition of a half time marshmallow fight.

At the Michigan State game, students were ejected and had their ticket booklets confiscated for throwing the soft projectiles. Not since Ghostbusters has such a concerted effort been made against the light, spongy, sweet confection.

The motivation behind the crackdown is protecting the safety of the venue's patrons and employees. Coordinator of stadium personnel Cappy Gagnon said that people put rocks and coins inside the marshmallows, making them dangerous.

But the policy of ejecting any student who is caught possessing or throwing marshmallows is the equivalent of sending an

entire fire department battalion to put out a Boy Scout's campfire. The problem isn't with students who toss marshmallows — it is with students who maliciously toss water bottles or marshmallows with rocks inside of them. Instead of issuing a blanket policy against tossing marshmallows — thus eliminating a time-

honored Notre Dame senior tradition — Stadium personnel should use the video cameras and other technology available to them to punish those who throw objects that could harm others.

Students have a role in solving the problem, too. They must recognize the officials' legitimate safety concerns and not put objects inside any

marshmallows they throw or throw water bottles or other objects. But until the marshmallow policy is clarified, students who choose to participate in the tradition Saturday should do so knowing it may cost them their place in the Stadium.

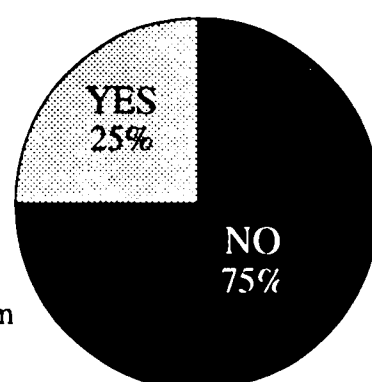
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OBSERVER POLL

Do you approve of student body president Pat Hallahan's proposal to transfer authority from Student Senate to a restructured Executive Cabinet?



*Poll appears courtesy of NDToday.com and is based on 28 responses.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It is better to debate a question without settling it than to settle a question without debating it."

Joseph Joubert
French writer

Where are the WMDs, President Clinton?

Over the last five years, leaders of the Democratic Party have blatantly led the public to assume that Saddam Hussein possessed or intended to possess weapons of mass destruction despite recent evidence which may prove to the contrary.

On Feb. 17, 1998, President Bill Clinton boldly asserted, "We want to seriously diminish the threat posed by Iraq's weapons of mass destruction program."

Bill Rinner

A Voice of Reason

Incidentally, he made no reference to an international coalition including countries such as France, Germany and Russia as imperative to any military campaign aimed at disarmament and liberation of the Iraqi people.

The very next day both Secretary of State Madeline Albright and National Security Adviser Sandy Berger issued warnings to the same effect. Albright made perfectly clear the stance of the Clinton administration by stating that the possibility of Hussein "using nuclear, chemical or biological weapons against us or our allies is the greatest security threat we face." Berger echoed her sentiments by claiming that "[Saddam] will use those weapons of mass destruction again, as he has 10 times since 1983."

These are powerful words. Granted, they came from an administration with a documented history of misleading the public in every way, shape or form, so they may be suspect. Still, I always assumed that the Democratic Party was one of peace, never interested in starting a war against a sovereign power unless an imminent threat existed.

A letter to Clinton signed on Oct. 9, 1998 by Senators Carl Levin, Tom Daschle, John Kerry and others urged the commander-in-chief to "take necessary actions ... to respond effectively to the threat posed by Iraq's refusal to end its weapons of mass destruction programs." So much for Democratic opposition to a U.S.-led war against a brutal, dictatorial regime.

Fast-forward to the year 2003. The party of "opposition" to President George W. Bush's purportedly unilateral war of aggression against a sovereign nation slams him for blatantly misleading the American public into thinking weapons of mass destruction existed at any time. In the six months since the end of major military action, occupying troops have found no smoking gun and Democrats couldn't be happier. Behind the backs they cross their fingers and hope none will surface. Understandably, no one enjoys the taste of his own foot in his mouth.

However, it is difficult to ignore the warnings that emanated from the most powerful ranks in the Democratic party, such as the statements made by Al Gore

and Senator Edward Kennedy just over a year ago. In his superior wisdom, Gore declared, "We know that [Saddam] has stored secret supplies of biological and chemical weapons throughout his country." Kennedy, perhaps harkening back to Clinton's comments a few years prior, said, "We have known for many years that Saddam Hussein is seeking and developing weapons of mass destruction."

The quotes go on, too plentiful to be listed in this limited column. The best defense they can conjure if ever anyone confronts them on these points is that Bush blatantly misled them as well by presenting skewed intelligence reports overstating the existence of the Iraqi's weapons of mass destruction programs. Hillary Clinton's allegation of a "vast right-wing conspiracy" comes to mind, starting at the top with Bush, Cheney and Rumsfeld, continuing down to the pundits like Rush Limbaugh and his disciples on Clear Channel radio.

Make no mistake, this neoconservative push to the unilateral dominate the world comes in spite of Bush's sheer incompetence and utter stupidity — a curious yet self-serving contradiction for Democrats.

As the ever-increasing field of Democratic presidential hopefuls sling more mud at Bush by claiming he and he alone inflated the claims of Iraqi weapons programs, one must conclude that they are relying on either the impeccable short-term memory or the logical ineptitude of the average American citizen. Such tactics make my stomach turn as I consider what once called itself the party of the people.

Are we to forget that Democrats have a recent history of condemning Iraq's weapons programs and suggesting

military action for their removal when their fingers point squarely at Bush? Should we exempt presidential hopefuls who approved a resolution giving the president the power to use force in Iraq and backed up their vote as more than passive acquiescence if we believe that no weapons ever existed? Can we not admit that Saddam was probably clever enough to remove any vestiges of a weapons program to neighboring friendly countries in the months before the seemingly inevitable war, or should we jump to the naive conclusion that if we can't find any smoking guns then they never existed in the first place?

Considering the angry rhetoric spewed forth by today's Democratic Party after years of believing in the existence of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction, their accusations of Bush blatantly misleading the nation reek of partisan political hypocrisy.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Gay marriage provokes many questions

In her Oct. 16 letter challenging Charles Rice's stance on gay marriage, Jess Reddinger argues that homosexuality is not "intrinsically wrong" and that the inclination to it is not disordered. She bases this statement on the idea that "deny[ing] the right of someone to express their affection for another is not only abominable, but also inconsistent of what we value as love." This statement implies that any consensual sexual act — including sodomy, fellatio, incest, violent sexual practices and polygamy — may be defended as the "right for someone to express their love for another." Reddinger cannot allow one unnatural action without allowing all of the rest. The only consistent standard on which sexual acts are allowed or disbarred is the standard of natural law, and the natural law shows that the only true expression of sexuality is between a man and a woman in a way that is open per se to child bearing.

Reddinger also states that homosexuality is not a psychological disorder as listed in the DSM-IV. While this is true, she does not explain why it is absent. According to the website of the National Association for Research and Therapy of Homosexuals, the 1974 vote of the American Psychiatric Association to remove homosexuality from the DSM-IV "was taken with unconventional speed that circumvented normal channels for consideration of the issues because of explicit threats from gay rights groups to disrupt APA conventions and research." Four years after the removal, the majority of psychiatrists still believed homosexuality was disordered.

Reddinger assumes these points when stating in the beginning of the letter that the love and nurturing a family provides is more important than its composition. Of course, the Dutch study cited by Rice proves that stable "gay" relationships are the exception, not the rule. But even if it could be shown that gay families are generally loving, stable environments, they would still be immoral because no end justifies an evil means.

Reddinger ends with the typical song and dance about how intolerant Rice is. But what does tolerance gain? A 1997 Canadian study showed that a 20 year-old homosexual man can expect a life expectancy 8 to 20 years shorter than that of the average man. If tolerance means taking a position that can rob society of so many people before their time has come, tolerance is a very strange virtue indeed.

Michael Gerardi
freshman
Keough Hall
Oct. 16

Proud of women's role in the liturgy

I was completely unconvinced by Emily Klejewski's letter, published Oct. 13, supporting the dismissal of female altar servers. Primarily, the argument does not give young men enough credit for following a call to priesthood. Klejewski claimed that young men would not want to serve alongside young women at the risk of it becoming "yet another girls' club." I would hope that a young man would not simply dismiss God's call due to the simple involvement of females in a church ministry. The discernment of priesthood is not a light matter to be influenced so strongly by such an insignificant issue.

Additionally, her argument effectively punishes girls for being "natural volunteers," as she claims. Instead of focusing energies on encouraging young men's participation, she assumes the church should deny women the opportunity to serve God as they are called to do. This line of reasoning implies that women should be excluded from other forms of church service, such as Eucharistic minister or lector, simply because it might "scare away" the young men. Klejewski might point to the Dome and use Our Lady's presence as a justification for the exclusion of women as servers, but quite honestly I am proud of the advancements that women have made in active involvement in the Mass and I would be shocked to witness the Vatican approve of such a digression.

Gabby Sopko
senior
Walsh Hall
Oct. 16

Melodic pianist en

George Davidson, a pianist in Grand Cayman, plays for hotel audiences, while recording CDs for the

By SARAH VABULAS
Scene Editor

What is something you remember from the last vacation you and your family went on together? Well, for many people who stay at the Westin Casuarina Hotel in Grand Cayman, British West Indies, the pianist who tickles the ivories six nights a week is

what they vividly remember.

His name is George Davidson. He was born in Toronto, Canada, the last of five children and the only boy. His family moved around about every six months when he was a child. They would travel on ocean liners from the United States to Jersey Island or the North of England.

These travels affected Davidson musically.

"My musical influences came from all over — the Caribbean, Jersey, Canada and the North of England," Davidson said. "I heard bar music and all types of music on the ocean liners."

He began taking piano lessons at the age of eight, but he only continued with them for about one or two months before becoming bored. He started again when he was 13 years old and continued with his lessons until the age of 16, when he and his family moved to the Cayman Islands.

"It's when we lived on the Island of Jersey that I fell in love with the piano," Davidson said. "I was influenced at age 10, but didn't start lessons until I was 13."

The last piano teacher he had played at the Ritz Carlton in

Naples, Fla; he encouraged Davidson to get a job as a piano player in a hotel, too. After moving to Cayman, Davidson and his parents were visiting the Hyatt Regency Grand Cayman and he saw a piano in the lobby. He sat down and began to play. The manager walked up and offered him a job, so at age 17, he landed his first position as a pianist.

"I played for the Governor of the Caymans every few months," Davidson said. "I've played for every governor."

Guests loved to listen to Davidson play the contemporary love songs each night. They loved him so much that they asked him if he had any recordings of his music. Unfortunately, Davidson did not, but it gave him something to work towards. He took down the names of the people interested in purchasing his music.

At age 20, Davidson made his first recording and sent it to the people who had requested it. He also began to sell the CDs to gift shops throughout Florida. He then began to travel throughout the United States, selling CDs to shops and boutiques.

"I've sold 50,000 copies now. I didn't plan on making any CDs except one — then it sold well, so I made more," Davidson said. "I have seven CDs by myself and two with a Paraguayan harpist named Eugenio Leon. I met him at The Wharf, a restaurant in downtown Georgetown in Cayman, 14 years ago."

Davidson and Leon spend a couple of months on the road each year, touring through the United States, playing charity concerts. "We started touring about four years ago to raise money for kids," Davidson said. "Now, we just tour for various fundraisers. We make about \$75,000 per year."

Check Davidson's Web site, www.georgedavidson.com, for a listing of tour dates for the 2004 year.

Davidson met his wife, Eileen, four and a half years ago while working at the Hyatt. Eileen is from Vancouver, Canada. They dated for about a year and then married. They have been married for three and a half years now. The Davidson's reside in Grand Cayman.

Davidson is a Yamaha artist. He plays and records on Yamaha Grand Pianos. "I swear by them," Davidson said. "They are great instruments."

Not only does Davidson cover popular love songs on his CDs while he plays at the Westin, but he also composes his own originals. One of his most recent compositions is a song he wrote for his wife, which appears on his album called "Allure," which was released in 2001.

"It takes a couple hours to get the melodies just right," Davidson said. "It only happens every now and then. You have to be in the right mood."

Davidson plays contemporary love songs, but with a slight twist. "My style of music is different than most," Davidson said. "Probably from living on the island."

"Loving You" is one of Davidson's first releases. This album features two of Davidson's



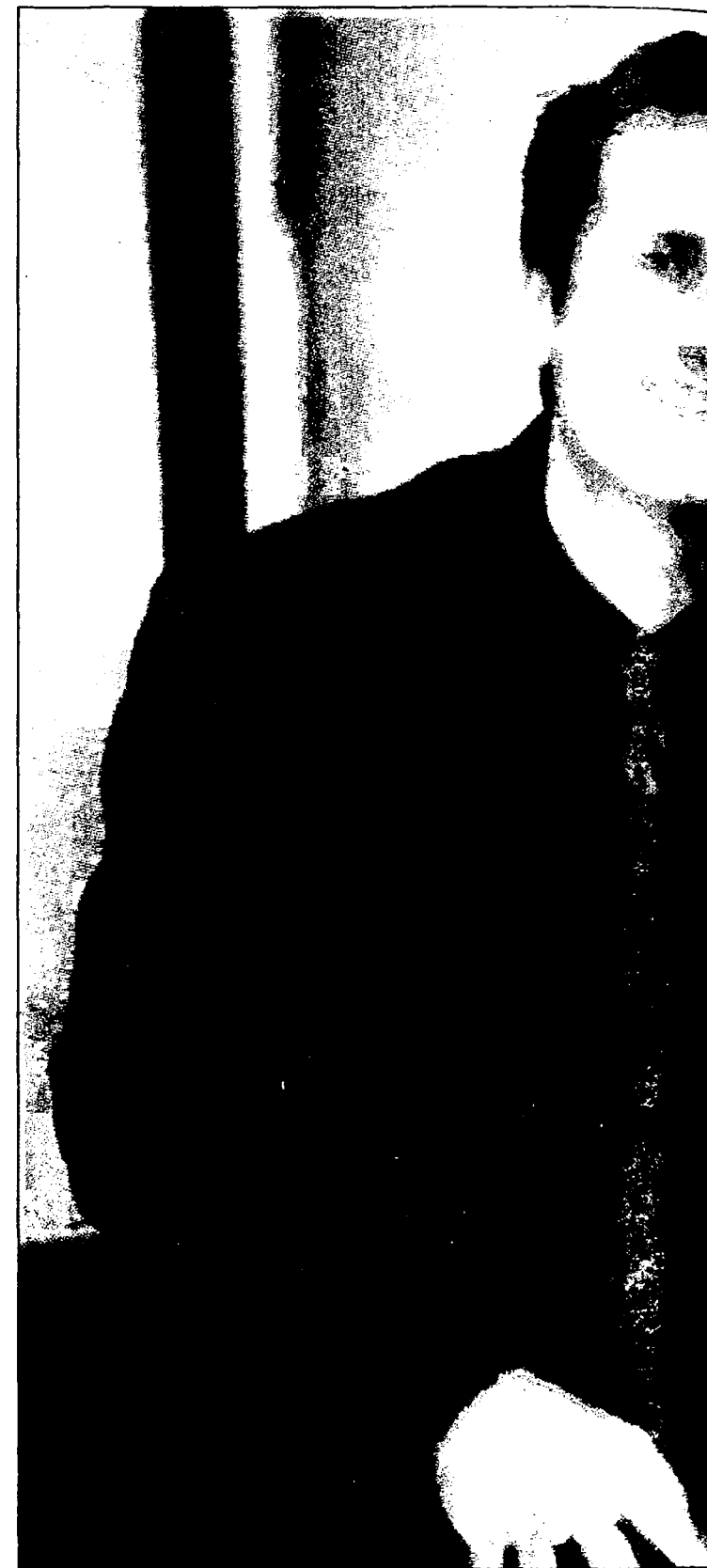
Photo courtesy of George Davidson Productions

George Davidson and his wife, Eileen, take a stroll on the beaches of their home, Grand Cayman Island.



Photo courtesy of George Davidson Productions

George Davidson has been playing the piano since he was a young boy and has recorded ten albums while continuing to play at the Westin in Cayman.



George Davidson is a Yamaha artist and plays at the Casuarina Resort in Grand Cayman. He also tours.

original compositions, "Rebecca's Rain," written for his sister, Rebecca Davidson, who is a professional photographer in Cayman, and "Loving You."



George Davidson's CDs can be found in 38 states in TV commercials. His musical influences are attributed to his travels.

Entertains audiences

Davidson, plays six nights a week for enthusiastic audiences who have a love for piano music

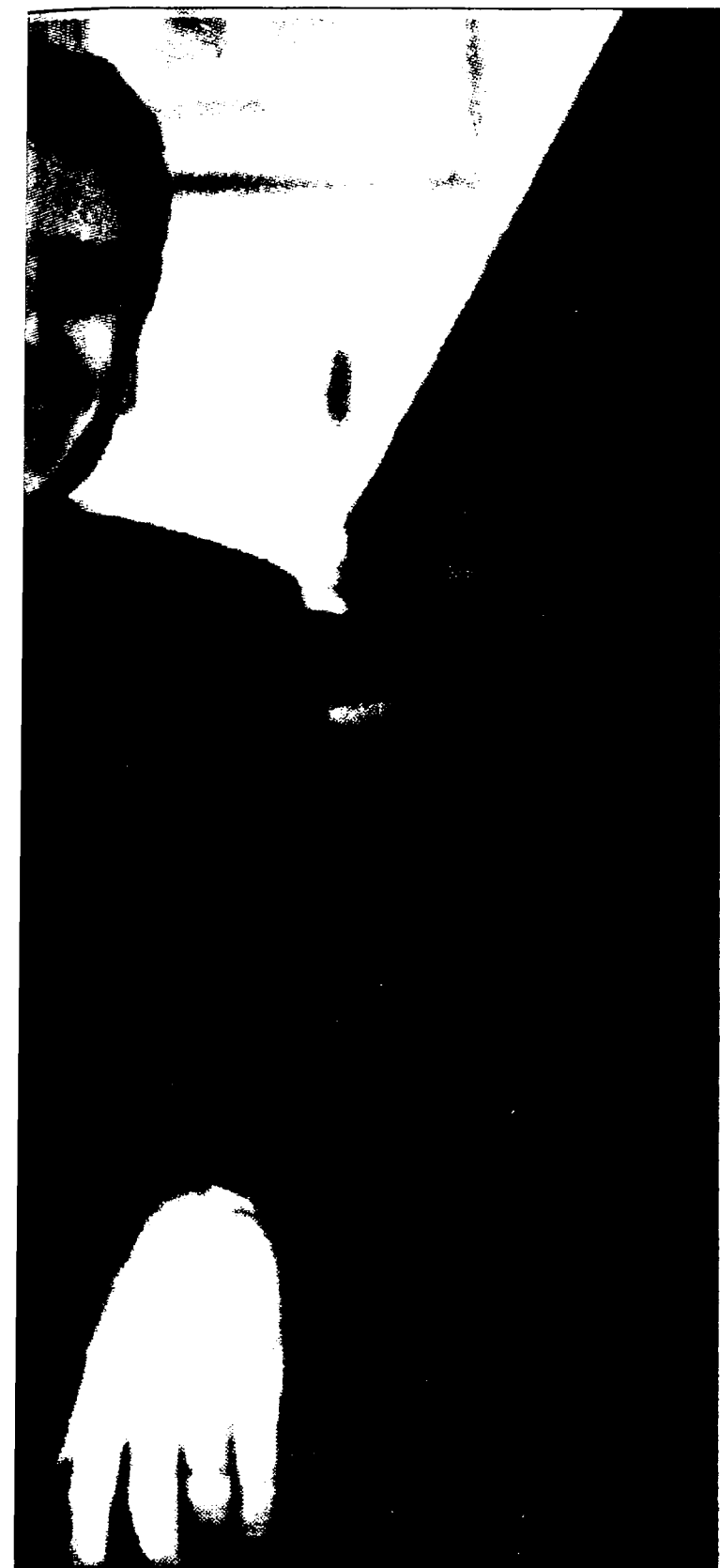


Photo courtesy of George Davidson Productions

Davidson plays the piano six nights a week at the Westin Grand Cayman, tours the U.S. for a few months each year.

George's sister, Rebecca Davidson, shoots most of Davidson's pictures for his CDs and press. Her Web site is www.rebeccadavidson.com, where you can view her work.



Photo courtesy of George Davidson Productions

Davidson travels across the United States and he will be appearing in St. Louis, Missouri, contributed to his family moving so often.

This CD is one of Davidson's most popular and considered one of his best, if not his best, among Davidson's fan base.

This CD also features "Somewhere in Time," the title track from the famed movie and "The Music of the Night," a song from the popular musical, "The Phantom of the Opera."

Davidson's next CD is called "Somewhere In My Heart," where he plays "Canon in D," "Phantom Of The Opera," and his original title track, "Somewhere in Time."

Davidson's next release is titled "For The Love of Music," which contains one original called "Leah's Tears," as well as songs from "The Phantom of the Opera," "Dr. Zhivago," "Les Misérables" and "Cats."

After the success of "For The Love of Music," Davidson recorded "My Heart Will Go On," which is also one of Davidson's best. This CD contains "La Belle Isle," a composition inspired by beautiful, sunny, Grand Cayman Island. The track "Joie de Vivre" is about the joy of life and was written for Davidson's father. "Mariage d'Amour" or "Marriage of Love" is so precise and meaningful. Yannie's song "In the Mirror" is also one of the best on the CD.

After these CDs, Davidson and Leon paired up for a release of a CD featuring Davidson on the Grand Piano and Leon playing the Paraguayan Harp. It is a beautiful combination of two talented musicians. Make sure to listen to the hauntingly beautiful "Speak Softly Love," while "Chi Mia" will become a favorite melody. Leon's composition, "Winter Rose," is one of the best. Also remember to listen to "Starry Starry Night," and two of the Beatles best loved songs, "Yesterday" and "Norwegian Wood."

Nothing brings the piano to life like the sensitivity of Davidson in his release, "Perhaps Love." The exquisite melodies of Chopin's "Etude," or "La Vie En Rose," are sure to capture your heart. "Touched" gives the feeling of being under romantic Paris skies. Let Davidson take you to Paris and linger a while, humming along to Brightman and Bocelli's "Time to Say Goodbye." The oldie "Unchained Melody," also makes an appearance on this beautiful CD.

Following the success of "Twin Strings," Davidson and Leon again paired up for the recording of a second dual album, "Twin Strings II," which features both contemporary and classical tracks.

On his CD "Allure," Davidson turns to Lev Ljova, a Russian violinist for some extra flare. "Feather Theme," from the movie "Forrest Gump," is found on the CD along with many other popular tracks. Classic song "Danny Boy" and Davidson's melodic original, "Moments in Time," make the CD worth the listen.

On Davidson's most recent release, "Reminiscing," he adds his own special romantic touch, which is sure to make you fall in love with some of your favorite oldies all over again. This is truly a classic and nostalgic

release.

Davidson is releasing a CD in December which will feature many Italian songs.

"I've just been to Italy for three weeks," Davidson said. "I wanted to do Italian songs."

Davidson's Web site features pictures of his house, his family and his dogs. You can also sample his music, purchase CDs and sheet music. His CDs are also found on Amazon.com.

Some reviews of Davidson's CDs can be found at www.solopianopublications.com.

Some of Davidson's CDs are going on sale on TV commercials in the U.S. His CDs can be found in 32 different states, including cities in Indiana like Bloomington, Indianapolis and Madison. They can be found in privately owned gift shops and gift boutiques. He recently bought a new Yamaha grand piano for his home in Cayman using the money from his CD sales.

Davidson plays at the Westin in Grand Cayman every night except for Sunday. If you or your parents visit Cayman, be sure to drop in at the Westin for a night and listen to Davidson's melodic playing.

entertaining audiences of all ages and nationalities.

But if you cannot make it to the Cayman Islands to hear Davidson live in person, be sure to visit Davidson's Web site at www.geogedavidson.com and purchase a CD or two there. You will not be disappointed.

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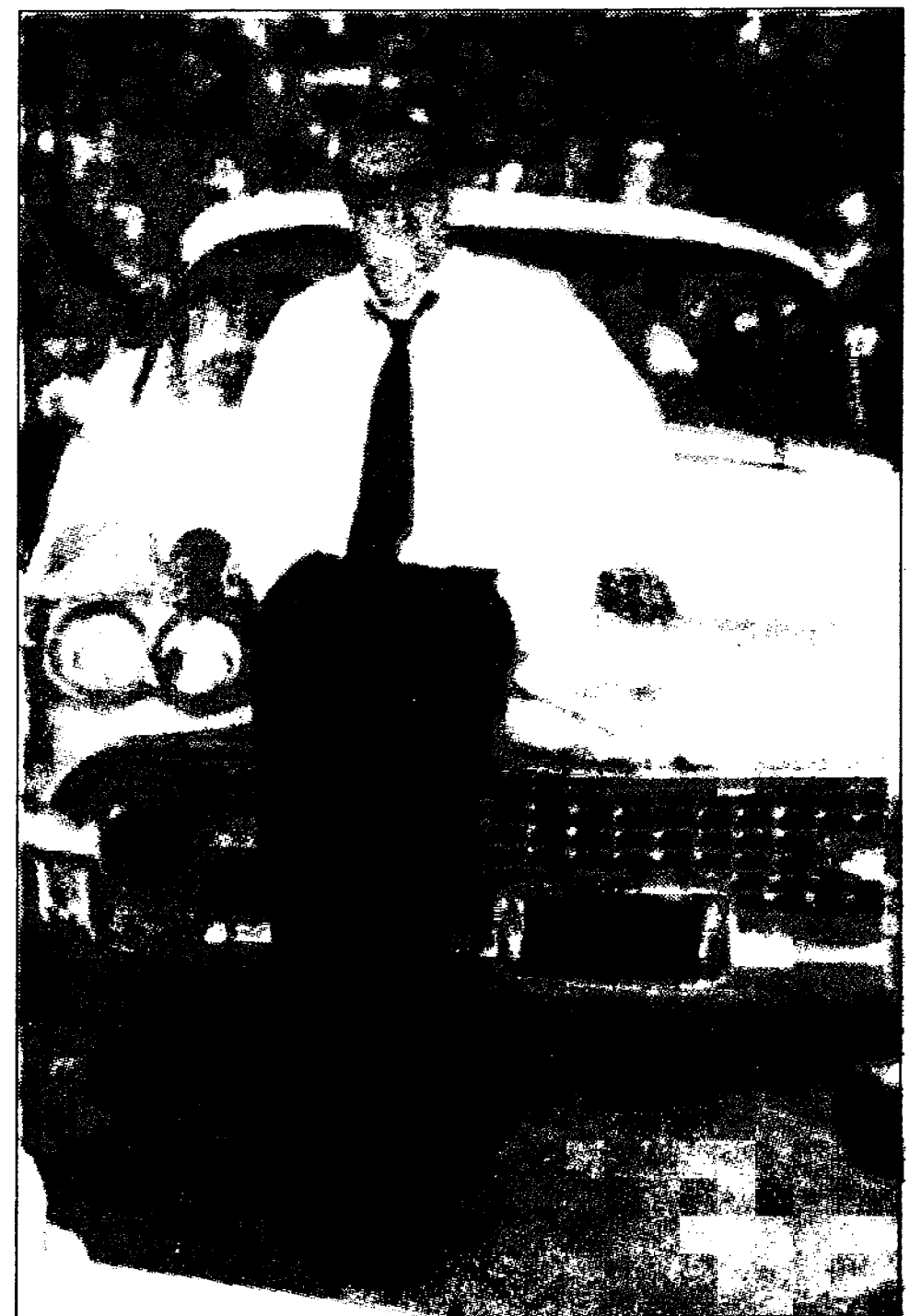


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George Davidson has written many original tracks which are featured on each of his CDs.



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George Davidson enjoys the opportunities in Grand Cayman to interact with marine life at Stingray City, a tourist spot featuring friendly stingrays.

NBA

Bryant awaits rest of prosecution evidence

Associated Press

DENVER — Kobe Bryant will probably be ordered to stand trial for rape but it remains to be seen if prosecutors have enough evidence to convict him, many legal experts said.

During a two-day preliminary hearing that ended Wednesday, both sides showed hints of their strategy. Prosecutors alleged the NBA superstar forced himself on the Eagle woman while Bryant's attorneys attacked her credibility.

"This is just the beginning in terms of the evidence and at a probable cause hearing, you put on the minimal amount of evidence that you think you need in order to get over the probable cause threshold," former Denver prosecutor Karen Steinhauser said Thursday.

"I would imagine there's going to be a lot more coming and that's why people should not make value judgments at this point in time on the strengths and weaknesses of the case."

Judge Frederick Gannett hoped to decide by Monday whether to order Bryant to stand trial on the sexual assault charge. A 19-year-old Eagle woman accused the Los Angeles Lakers' guard of rap-

ing her June 30 at the mountain resort where she worked. Bryant has said the two had consensual sex.

On Wednesday, defense attorney Pamela Mackey got the lead investigator to acknowledge the panties the woman wore to the hospital fewer than 24 hours after the alleged assault had sperm and pubic hair that did not match Bryant's. Mackey said it presented "compelling evidence" her client is innocent.

The panties were a different pair than the underwear the woman said she wore the night she met Bryant.

"I don't think they proved innocence. They raised a series of questions," said Robert Pugsley, a professor at Southwestern University School of Law in Los Angeles.

"It could conceivably set the stage for plea negotiations or some type of out-of-court settlement."

Prosecution spokeswoman Krista Flannigan said Thursday the woman and her family were doing well. "Her resolve has not weakened," Flannigan said.

Bryant has the right to a trial within six months of entering a plea, but he could waive that right.

The defense could appeal a decision to bind the case over for trial, but legal analysts say such a move would be unusual.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Changing the quarterback

Matt Leinart posts impressive statistics as successor of Heisman winner

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Matt Leinart's first pass in a college game didn't come until this year. He's proved to be a fast learner.

Halfway through his first season as a starter for Southern California, Leinart quietly and efficiently is filling a huge void.

He has thrown for four more touchdowns than Heisman winner Carson Palmer had at this time last year, and his passing efficiency rating is more than 20 points higher.

"As the season's progressed, I've felt way more comfortable taking grasp of the offense. We just want to keep this momentum going each week," Leinart said.

A year ago, USC was 4-2 and ranked 19th before Palmer and the Trojans won eight consecutive games, capped by a 38-17 Orange Bowl victory over Iowa.

This season, the fifth-ranked Trojans are 5-1, with the loss a 34-31 triple-overtime defeat at California on Sept. 27.

Leinart has thrown for 1,473 yards, with 13 touchdowns and seven interceptions — three at Cal. His passing efficiency rating is 146.9.

Palmer had passed for 1,633 yards through six games last year, with nine touchdowns, six interceptions and a 124.6 rating.

Receiver Keary Colbert

noted Leinart's rapid progress.

"He's only played six games. It's scary to think about how good he can be," Colbert said.

Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham, whose Irish host the Trojans on Saturday, is similarly impressed with Leinart.

"He's very talented and he had an opportunity to kind of see a very good quarterback perform — probably even better than that — in Palmer. He just had a fantastic year," said Willingham, who watched Palmer throw for four touchdowns in the Trojans' 44-13 win over Notre Dame last year.

"I think there's also some learning that takes place when you're that second guy just sitting and you're watching and you're learning from someone who is pretty good. But he has done an excellent job of stepping in, not being intimidated by their program or by the fact that he is stepping in and replacing Carson Palmer."

Leinart also believes he profited from watching Palmer, both on and off the field. Palmer drew some criticism when the Trojans struggled earlier in his career as their quarterback.

"I learned a lot about football, but I think mostly what I took from him was how he dealt with things, with adversity and success, how he carried himself," Leinart said. "He had a lot of adversity, and turned it around."

"He took all the criticism and didn't let it bother him, then in his senior season, he showed everybody."

Leinart has played through several nagging injuries this fall and is still limping slightly

on a sprained ankle hurt at Arizona State on Oct. 4. He went out in the second quarter, but came back to help USC score 27 consecutive points in the second half of a 37-17 victory.

"I would have to have had a broken leg not to go back out there, and even then I probably would have tried," said Leinart, a 6-foot-5, 220-pounder.

Colbert and the other Trojans appreciated the quarterback's grit.

"He showed a lot of courage and a lot of heart to come back out to play. The second half of that game, most people might not have. He's out there hobbling around, hobbling into the huddle. It was a great thing," Colbert said.

Last weekend against Stanford, Leinart finished 18-of-27 for 260 yards and threw three first-half scoring passes as the Trojans built a 41-14 halftime lead on the way to a 44-21 victory.

"I think everything he's done has made a good impression," coach Pete Carroll said. "He has shown his toughness on a couple of different occasions, especially coming back in the Arizona State game. Then he played so well last week."

"He's making a statement that he wants to be the quarterback here and be the leader."

Even though he's played well so far, Leinart may face some competition if he ever stumbles.

John David Booty, who skipped his senior year of high school to come to USC and is highly regarded by the Trojans' coaching staff, already has vaulted to No. 2 on the depth chart.

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NFL

Browns not overlooking winless Chargers

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — The San Diego Chargers return from their off week on Sunday.

Really, they've been "off" all season.

Browns defensive end Kenard Lang isn't taking any chances, however. He spent the week warning his teammates not to overlook the Chargers, the NFL's lone winless team.

Cleveland's defensive end can appreciate what it's like to be on a squad hungry for its first victory. Not long ago, Lang was on one.

In 2001, he played in Washington for Chargers coach Marty Schottenheimer, who got off to a similarly horrid start during his one — and only — season coaching the Redskins.

"When I was with Marty, we started off 0-5," Lang said, "and then we won like six straight games. I know he'll have them ready. We have to be ready for them."

Following their bye week, the Chargers (0-5) are more than ready for a win after losing nine straight and 12 of 14 dating to their second-half collapse last season.

"It's an embarrassment," running back LaDainian Tomlinson said. "This team is too good to be 0-and-whatever. It is just unacceptable and we understand that."

San Diego's players returned from the time off rested and resolved to end their skid.

They're now all alone as the league's only 0-for-2003 team following the New York Jets' win over Buffalo last week. Tomlinson said it's time to join the winners' club.

"Guys are really desperate to get a win," he said. "It's somewhat surprising that we're 0-5

because we expected big things, but hopefully we can get this thing turned around."

That's what the Browns (3-3) did.

They've rescued their season from the brink of disaster by winning three of four, including victories over Pittsburgh and Oakland the past two weeks.

The Browns can't afford a let-down against a team they feel they should beat, but that's always easier said than done.

"These are the scary ones," wide receiver Kevin Johnson said. "These are the guys who have nothing to lose and every-

thing to gain. They'll lay it all on the line."

After struggling early on, Cleveland has finally established a running game. William Green has rushed for a combined 260 yards the past two weeks, the highest consecutive-game total for a Browns back since 1986.

Quarterback Tim Couch, 2-1 since replacing the injured Kelly Holcomb, has played with a renewed confidence and is making better decisions.

But the biggest reason for the Browns' turnaround has been their defense.

HORSE RACING

Funny Cide joins field of top horses at Breeders' Cup

Associated Press

The Breeders' Cup Classic may turn into a pretty fair horse race after all.

Thanks to a late change of plans by trainer Barclay Tagg, the \$4 million Classic will feature Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner Funny Cide taking on anywhere from eight to 13 rivals.

"We welcome a Kentucky Derby winner, and in this case a near Triple Crown winner," Breeders' Cup president D.G. Van Clief said Thursday. "We think it's terrific they decided to make the trip."

With stars such as Belmont winner Empire Maker, Horse of the Year favorite Mineshaft,

Candy Ride and Moon Ballad out of the race, the presence of Funny Cide adds intrigue to the 1 1/4-mile Classic at Santa Anita on Oct. 25.

A full field of 14 was pre-entered Thursday, including Travers winner Ten Most Wanted and older horses Congaree, Medaglia d'Oro, Perfect Drift and last year's surprise winner Volponi.

Medaglia d'Oro, runner-up last year, was the early 4-1 favorite, with Funny Cide a co-sixth choice at 12-1.

"There are some horses we might have expected to be here that aren't, but there are lots of reasons," Van Clief said. "We're not feeling any pushback from the ship, though."

Azeri, the reigning Horse of the Year, was cross-entered in the Classic and the \$2 million BC Distaff, but trainer Laura de Seroux said there were no plans for the 5-year-old mare to run in the Classic against males.

"The Distaff has always been my goal," de Seroux said, adding that Azeri was pre-entered in the Classic only so owner Mike Paulson could keep his options open.

Also pre-entered for the Classic were Dynever, Evening Attire, Falbrav, Hold That Tiger, Peace Rules, Pleasantly Perfect and Toccet.

Besides Azeri, the four others horses cross-entered were Congaree, Falbrav, Peace Rules and Toccet. Official entries will

be taken Wednesday, when owners declare which race their horses will run.

The Breeders' Cup races usually determine divisional champions and Horse of the Year.

A total of 101 horses were pre-entered for the eight-race, \$14 million Breeders' Cup World Thoroughbred Championships, including eight from Hall of Famer trainer Bobby Frankel's barn.

Besides Medaglia d'Oro, Frankel will send out Sightseek to test Azeri in the BC Distaff. Azeri is the 9-5 favorite, with Azeri at 2-1.

The nation's leading trainer also has Aldebaran and Midas Eyes in the \$1 million BC Sprint, Tates Creek, Heat Haze and

Megahertz in the \$1 million BC Filly & Mare Turf, and Peace Rules likely to run in the \$1.5 million BC Mile.

Frankel is just 2-of-49 in Breeders' Cup races, but has a win in each of the last two years — Starine in the 2002 BC Filly & Mare Turf and Squirrel Squirt in the 2001 BC Sprint.

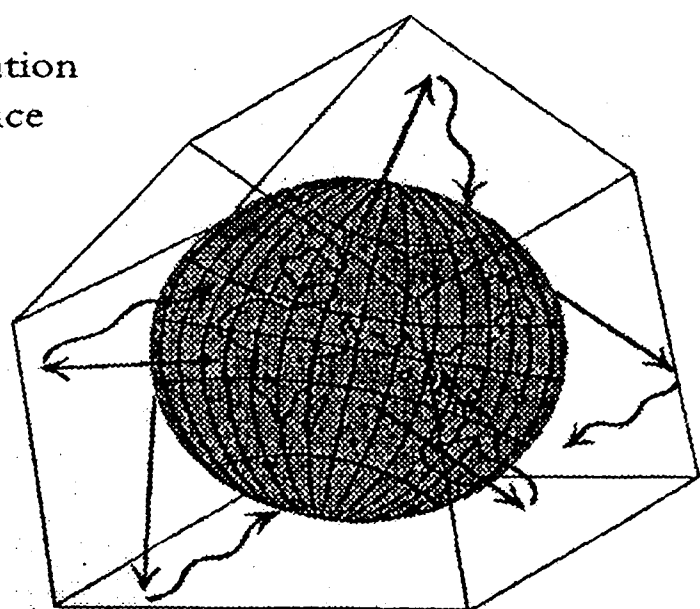
Funny Cide hasn't won since the Preakness on May 17. He finished third in two starts since — in the Belmont and the Haskell at Monmouth Park on Aug. 3. The horse owned by Sackatoga Stable of upstate New York was ill this summer but appears healthy again.

"We're confident that he'll run a good race," Sackatoga managing partner Jack Knowlton said.

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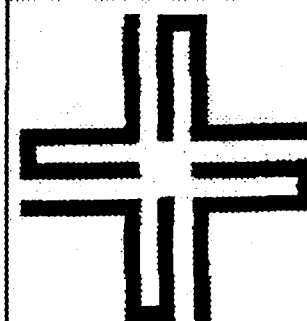
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NCAA FOOTBALL

N.C. State beats Clemson 17-15

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Philip Rivers threw two touchdown passes to tie the Atlantic Coast Conference career record as North Carolina State beat Clemson 17-15.

Rivers had scoring tosses to T.A. McLendon and Richard Washington for the Wolfpack (5-3, 2-2), who improved to 5-0 at home this season. Rivers now has 79 touchdown passes in his career, tying the mark set by Florida State's Chris Weinke.

Chad Jasmin scored the only touchdown for the Tigers (4-3, 2-2), who trailed throughout the contest. Aaron Hunt added three field goals as Clemson fell to 0-5 in nationally televised Thursday night games.

Clemson had won three of the last four meetings here, but the Wolfpack took an 11-point lead early in the fourth quarter and held off a comeback attempt by the Tigers.

The Wolfpack held a 7-6 half-time lead and increased the margin on its first drive of the second half.

With N.C. State facing a third-and-1 from Clemson's 37-yard line, the Tigers' defensive front jumped offsides. Rivers took the snap and immediately lofted a pass to Washington down the right sideline.

Washington got a step on Tye Hill, stretched out to make the catch and fell into the end zone for a 14-6 lead with 10:18 left in the third quarter.

N.C. State pushed the lead to

17-6 on a 27-yard field goal from Adam Kiker with 14:49 left, ending a 14-play drive that took five minutes off the clock. Clemson committed two personal fouls to help keep the drive alive.

The Tigers scored on their next two drives to get back into the game, beginning with a 21-yard field goal from Hunt to cut the margin to eight with 10:04 left.

After holding N.C. State to a three-and-out, Clemson put together a 65-yard scoring drive. Whitehurst found Bobby Williamson over the middle for a 23-yard pass play, leading to a 5-yard scoring run from Jasmin that cut the deficit to 17-15 with 6:01 to play.

But the Tigers came up short on the 2-point try, as Tony Elliott couldn't haul in Whitehurst's low pass to the back of the end zone.

Clemson had a final chance to tie the game, but Whitehurst's pass for Kevin Youngblood was tipped by Pat Thomas and intercepted by Dovonte Edwards with about four minutes left. The Wolfpack then ran out the clock to seal the win.

N.C. State got on the board first, putting together a 13-play, 67-yard drive that took more than 7 1/2 minutes off the clock. Rivers ended the drive with his 4-yard scoring toss to McLendon with 1:22 left in the quarter.

Late in the drive, Rivers sustained a cut on his right hand from a cleat, but still made the throw despite having blood running down his wrist.

OLYMPICS

Tests for new steroid are positive Results lead to a number of suspensions

Associated Press

Several track athletes tested positive for a steroid that until recently was undetectable and now face suspensions that could bar them from the 2004 Athens Olympics, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency said Thursday.

USADA chief executive officer Terry Madden called it a widespread "conspiracy" involving chemists, coaches and athletes that was brought to the agency's attention by an anonymous tip.

He said the inquiry began in June and has expanded to other U.S. professional sports, but wouldn't give specifics. He also refused to give details about the athletes or say how many tested positive for the steroid, known as tetrahydrogestrinone, or THG.

"What we have uncovered appears to be intentional doping of the worst sort," Madden said in a statement before his conference call from USADA headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colo. "This is a far cry from athletes accidentally testing positive as a result of taking contaminated nutritional supplements."

"Rather, this is a conspiracy involving chemists, coaches and certain athletes using what they developed to be 'undetectable' designer steroids to defraud their fellow competitors and the American and world public who pay to attend sports events."

Olympic athletes face drug tests at major competitions, as

well as random testing between events. Their samples are divided in two and stored for future reference.

The athletes whose "A" samples revealed THG have been notified and will now have their "B" samples tested. If those are positive, a review process will begin. Appeals could last for months. Track athletes found to have used steroids would face two-year bans.

THG has a chemical structure similar to the banned anabolic steroids gestrinone and trenbolone, Madden said. Though THG is not specifically named as a banned substance in world track, it would be considered a related substance outlawed under the sport's doping rules.

"This is a serious warning for cheaters," said Dick Pound, chairman of the World Anti-Doping Agency. "It shows that supposedly undetectable substances can be detected as new tests are developed."

Madden said the USADA received a call from a man in June claiming to be a track coach. The caller named athletes he claimed were using a steroid that wouldn't be detected by tests then being used by the USADA. The man later sent the agency a syringe containing the substance, Madden said.

After determining the syringe contained THG, the USADA retested 350 urine samples taken from athletes at the U.S. track and field championships in June at Stanford, as well as

100 samples from random out-of-competition tests.

Madden said USADA contacted federal authorities with the findings.

The anonymous tipster, Madden said, identified the source of the THG as Victor Conte, founder of BALCO laboratory of Burlingame, Calif. The lab supplies nutritional guidance and supplements to athletes ranging from Barry Bonds to Bill Romanowski to Marion Jones.

"Everything that the coach has identified to us up to this time is true. We are fairly certain this substance came from Victor Conte and BALCO labs," said Madden, refusing to be specific.

Conte did not respond Thursday to an e-mail inquiry from The Associated Press, and calls to BALCO went unanswered.

In an e-mail to the San Francisco Chronicle and San Jose Mercury News, Conte denied BALCO was the source of the substance.

"In my opinion, this is about jealous competitive coaches and athletes that all have a history of promoting and using performance enhancing agents being 'completely hypocritical' in their actions," Conte said.

Agents from the Internal Revenue Service and a San Mateo County narcotics task force went to BALCO last month. No arrests were made, and IRS spokesman Mark Lessler wouldn't comment on the visit.



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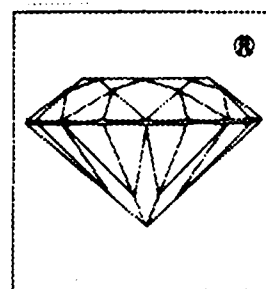


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NHL

Blue Jackets off to best start in team history

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Rick Nash has been right where he wants to be this season.

Nash had a goal and an assist and Marc Denis stopped 30 shots as the Columbus Blue Jackets beat the Chicago Blackhawks 2-1.

Geoff Sanderson added two assists for the Blue Jackets, who won their third game in a row at Nationwide Arena — the best homestand in the team's four seasons.

Columbus' 3-1-0-0 start is also a team best. Nash, the No. 1 overall draft pick in 2002, is one of the biggest reasons.

Brett McLean, called up from Norfolk of the AHL to replace the injured Alex Zhamnov, scored his first NHL goal midway through the third period. Zhamnov is expected to miss four to six weeks after undergoing back surgery Thursday.

The Blackhawks' Eric Daze also was sidelined by back pain.

The loss was the third in a row for Chicago, which has lost both of its road games while scoring just one goal.

Colorado 5, Minnesota 2

Peter Forsberg ignited a three-goal second period, Teemu Selanne crushed any hopes for a comeback in the third and the Colorado Avalanche looked flat-out dominant.

Forsberg notched a goal and an assist and Selanne scored his first goal in a Colorado uniform as the Avalanche beat the Minnesota Wild.

Forsberg scored the first of three second-period goals for Colorado, which beat the Wild

for the 12th time in 16 regular-season games. John-Michael Liles and Milan Hejduk also scored in the second for the Avalanche.

David Aebischer stopped 21 shots for Colorado to send the Wild to their third loss of the season. Andrei Nikolishin scored his first goal of the season, giving Colorado an early 1-0 lead.

Tampa Bay 5, Phoenix 1

Nikolai Khabibulin claims he gets no extra satisfaction from beating his former team. True or not, he certainly seems to play well against them.

Khabibulin made 20 saves for his fourth win against Phoenix and Martin St. Louis and Jassen Cullimore scored 25 seconds apart in the second period as the Tampa Bay Lightning beat the Coyotes.

Since being acquired from the Coyotes on Mar. 5, 2001, Khabibulin has allowed three goals in the four victories over Phoenix.

Khabibulin has given up two goals on 51 shots this season, helping Tampa Bay start the season with consecutive wins.

St. Louis put the Lightning up 2-1 from the left circle during a power-play at 8:07. Cullimore made it a two-goal game on a close-in shot at 8:32.

"I thought we had a good second period and we didn't sit back in the third," St. Louis said.

Brad Lukowich scored his first goal in 71 games for Tampa Bay. His previous goal came in last year's season opener — against Florida.

Mike Johnson had the

Phoenix goal. The Coyotes were trying to open the season with four straight wins for the first time in franchise history.

Lukowich made it 1-0 by beating Phoenix backup goaltender Brian Boucher from the top of the left circle at 6:44 of the first.

Sean Burke, who allowed just two goals in the Coyotes' first three games, was given the night off.

Atlanta 0, NY Rangers 0

The Atlanta Thrashers have never looked better. The New York Rangers have been waiting a long time to say the same.

Pasi Nurminen stopped 29 shots for the 5-year-old Thrashers, unbeaten after four games this season following a tie with the Rangers.

Mike Dunham made 30 saves for New York.

Not only is Atlanta's 2-0-2 start the best in franchise history, but the four-game unbeaten streak matches the Thrashers' best run at any point.

The Thrashers have yielded only six goals this season, after allowing an NHL-worst 284 last season. Defense is especially important now without top scorer Dany Heatley, sidelined indefinitely with a knee injury.

It was the first scoreless tie in Thrashers history.

New York (0-2-1) became the last team in the Eastern Conference to earn a point in the standings. But the Rangers, out of the playoffs since 1997, haven't scored in 157 minutes, 13 seconds.

Dunham was especially sharp from the middle of the second period on in, earning his 17th

NHL shutout.

Detroit 3, Vancouver 2

Ray Whitney picked up on the Detroit Red Wings' system pretty quickly: Score the game-winner late.

Whitney broke a 2-all tie with 1:06 left, scoring his first goal with Detroit to give the Red Wings a win over the Vancouver Canucks.

The Red Wings have won all three games by the same score, scoring either late or in overtime. Steve Yzerman scored with 1.7 seconds left in the opener, and they beat Ottawa on Saturday when Nicklas Lidstrom scored in overtime.

Dominik Hasek made 36 saves. He was at his best during a five-minute Vancouver power play in the second period. He made several saves, including a point blank stop of Todd Bertuzzi on the first shot and a rebound with 9:24 left in the period.

Detroit also got goals from Brendan Shanahan and Lidstrom. Mathieu Schneider had two assists.

Dan Cloutier made 28 saves for Vancouver (2-2-0-0), which got goals from Markus Naslund and Marek Malik.

Nashville 4, St. Louis 1

Jordin Tootoo got his first NHL point and Marek Zidlicky scored a power-play goal and assisted on another as the Nashville Predators beat the St. Louis Blues.

Tootoo, the first person of Inuit descent to play in the league, assisted on Dan Hamhuis' power-play goal at 10:53 of the second. He debuted

with the Predators earlier this month.

Zidlicky converted a pass from Andreas Johansson at the 8:18 mark of the first period, beating St. Louis goaltender Chris Osgood on the stick side from close range.

Petr Cajanek scored on a shot from just inside the blue line, beating Nashville goaltender Tomas Vokoun over the right shoulder and tying the game at 8:47 of the second period.

The Predators regained the lead at when Hamhuis scored the third power-play goal of the game. He sent a one-timer past Osgood on the glove side.

Vladimir Orszagh scored a short-handed goal at 11:23 of the third period, and Andreas Johansson, who also had an assist, scored into an empty net at 18:22.

Vokoun stopped 30 shots for his second victory of the season.

Edmonton 4, Buffalo 1

Ales Hemsky and Raffi Torres had a goal and an assist each as the Edmonton Oilers beat the Buffalo Sabres.

Ty Conklin stopped 31 shots for Edmonton, which had two straight shutout losses and hadn't scored in 1 hour, 45 minutes, 31 seconds.

Hemsky scored at 14:48 of the second after taking a pass from Torres along the boards.

Torres gave the Oilers a two-goal lead with 38 seconds left in the period, on a pass from Hemsky.

The two linemates lead the team in scoring with two goals and two assists each after four games.

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| 4 | Old Dominion | 10-0-0 | 4 |
| 5 | Saint Louis | 9-1-2 | 5 |
| 6 | St. John's | 9-3-1 | 7 |
| 7 | Washington | 8-1-2 | 8 |
| 8 | Dayton | 8-1-2 | 18 |
| 9 | Wake Forest | 7-3-0 | 14 |
| 10 | Fairleigh Dickinson | 8-2-1 | 11 |
| 11 | Florida International | 7-2-2 | 10 |
| 12 | NOTRE DAME | 7-2-3 | 6 |
| 13 | Rutgers | 7-3-1 | 25 |
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| 15 | Tulsa | 9-3-1 | 12 |
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| 17 | Hartwick College | 8-2-0 | 9 |
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| 20 | Brown | 6-3-0 | 22 |
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| 23 | Alabama | 6-3-3 | 21 |
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Women's Soccer Top 25

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| 3 | UCLA | 9-1-2 | 3 |
| 4 | Texas A&M | 10-1-2 | 5 |
| 5 | Portland | 12-2-0 | 6 |
| 6 | Virginia | 10-1-2 | 4 |
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| 8 | Pepperdine | 11-2-0 | 13 |
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| 19 | Utah | 11-2-0 | — |
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| 22 | Mississippi | 12-2-0 | — |
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PURDUE (5-1) at Wisconsin
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FLORIDA STATE (5-1) at Virginia
NAVY (4-2) at Rice
BYU (3-4) at Wyoming

AMERICAN LEAGUE PLAYOFFS



The Yankees prepare to mob Game 7 hero Aaron Boone after the third baseman hit a walk-off home run giving New York a 6-5 victory in 11 innings to defeat Boston 4-3 in the American League Championship Series.

Boone's bomb sends Yankees to Series

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wow, what a shot!

Aaron Boone set off bedlam in the Bronx on Thursday night with a lead-off home run in the 11th inning to give the New York Yankees a 6-5 victory over the Boston Red Sox for a trip to the World Series and their 39th American League pennant.

New York trailed 4-0 in the fourth inning and 5-2 in the eighth as Roger Clemens made an early exit in what looked to be the final game of his storied career.

But the Yankees bounced back, rekindling all those

painful memories that have haunted so many Red Sox fans — thoughts of Bucky Dent, Bill Buckner and decades of New York domination.

This was the fifth pennant in six seasons for the Yankees, who haven't won the World Series since 2000, and the 26th time they played these old foes — a baseball first.

The final words of the ultimate chapter revealed it was the same old story, one that the Red Sox perennially curse: pinstripes in the World Series, despair back in Boston.

Only the names change in the annual fight between

New York and New England, never the result.

Mariano Rivera didn't allow a run in his first three-inning appearance since Sept. 6, 1996. It capped a triumphant night for a New York bullpen that had failed so often. This time, it allowed just one run in eight innings, and Rivera walked off with the MVP award.

Wakefield, who relieved to start the 10th, had baffled New York with his knuckleball in Games 1 and 4 and started with a scoreless inning.

Boone, acquired from Cincinnati on July 31, then homered into the left-field seats, setting the old ball-

park shaking. There wasn't a doubt from the moment it left his bat.

It was the first pennant-winning, extra-inning homer for the Yankees since Chris Chambliss' ninth-inning shot against Kansas City in 1976.

Rivera went right to the mound, dropping to the ground and pounding the pitching rubber with his right hand. He seemed to be sobbing by the time coach Wille Randolph got to him and hugged him.

The Yankees waited for Boone at home plate, hopping with excitement, and mobbed him when he arrived.

IN BRIEF

Ullrich challenges Armstrong

INDIANAPOLIS — Five-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong answered a challenge from his chief rival Thursday, saying his team is still the one to beat in cycling's most prestigious race.

Armstrong, in Indianapolis to promote a cycling tour for cancer research, defended his U.S. Postal Service team from comments made Monday by Jan Ullrich that his new T-Mobile team was strong enough to stop Armstrong's bid for a record sixth straight Tour de France victory.

"It's a great team," Armstrong said of Ullrich's T-Mobile, "but I'm confident we have the best team in the world. But it won't be easy."

Ullrich was runner-up for the fifth time at this year's Tour de France and won the race in 1997, riding for Telekom. The team has been renamed after the cellular telephone

subsidiary of the German telecommunications giant.

"The decisive thing was that I'd been runner-up at the Tour often enough," Ullrich said Monday at a press conference announcing his move from Bianchi to T-Mobile. "I need a team that's strong enough to really challenge Lance Armstrong. I have now found it. We are the strongest team in the world."

Williams' trial moved

SOMERVILLE, N.J. — Former NBA star Jayson Williams' trial in the death of a limousine driver will be moved to a neighboring county because of heavy publicity about the case.

Judge Edward Coleman on Thursday directed that the trial, tentatively scheduled to begin in January, be held in Somerset County instead of Hunterdon County.

Williams, 35, is accused of recklessly handling the shotgun that killed limousine driver Costas

Christofi in 2002 at Williams' Alexandria Township home. He could get nearly 55 years in prison on the charges, the most serious of which is aggravated manslaughter.

Defense lawyers had asked for the move, saying the "avalanche of publicity" would prevent the seating of an unbiased jury.

The defense said news stories about Williams "contained inaccurate and highly prejudicial information which would be inadmissible at trial."

A survey conducted by defense consultants found the percentage of residents inclined to believe Williams is guilty was nearly twice as high in Hunterdon County as in Mercer or Bergen counties, defense lawyers said.

Williams was among the NBA's best rebounders when leg injuries led to his retirement from the New Jersey Nets in 2000. After the shooting, he was suspended from his job as an NBA analyst for NBC.

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the off-ice preparation for the second game of a series," coach Dave Poulin said. "It's up to them as individuals to prepare themselves."

"We talked about it after the game and they agreed that they prepared differently the second day, for whatever reason."

Notre Dame played the Ohio State series without their top goaltender, junior Morgan Cey, who was sidelined as he recovers from off-season surgery.

Sophomore Rory Walsh, who collected the win last Friday, and freshman David Brown, who stopped 36 saves in the loss to the Buckeyes filled in for Cey.

"Going into last weekend, [goaltending] was our question mark," Poulin said. "They both did a very good job last weekend. The team played well in front of both of them."

"It's put us at an extremely deep situation in goal, and that's a great positive for us."

Globke, a senior forward, was the team's leading goal scorer last season and came into this year with high expectations.

It didn't take him long to answer some of those expectations, as he scored the first Irish hat trick in an opening game since 1995.

"It's one thing to say someone's supposed to be the offensive guy, and it's another to have someone go out and do it," Poulin said. "He'll get his opportunities; he is a dominant player in this league and in this country."

Cey will remain sidelined this weekend as the Irish take on the Falcons (0-2, 0-2), whom Notre Dame defeated in all four meetings between the



Two Notre Dame players battle during the Blue-Gold game. The Irish open the home schedule against Bowling Green on Saturday.

teams last year. The Irish have a 16-3-2 record against the Falcons since the start of the 1996-97 season.

Bowling Green opened its season last weekend at Northern Michigan, dropping 2-1 and 6-3 decisions. The Falcons' goals were all scored by different players.

Bowling Green is led in net by Jordan Sigalet, who has a 3.56 goals-against average and .865 save percentage so far this season. The Falcons expect to be led offensively by

forwards D'Arcy McConvey (six goals, 23 assists last year) and Mark Wires (13 goals, 15 assists last season).

The Irish face the Falcons at the Joyce Center tonight at 7:35 p.m.

Notre Dame then travels to Bowling Green, Ohio, to play the Falcons in the second game of the series at 7:05 p.m. Saturday.

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Midfielder Luke Boughen and the Irish open a key three-game conference road trip against Connecticut on Saturday.

Huskies

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it was really a team performance," Clark said. "It's still a nice reward for Devon, though, because he's a very good player."

"Sometimes players don't get much recognition unless they get some statistics, so it's nice for him."

Notre Dame's last conference game was a 5-2 home loss to Rutgers, a game in which the Irish gave up four unanswered goals in less than 10 minutes to the Scarlet Knights. The Irish might have taken a bit of frustration out on Cleveland State, outshooting the Vikings 19-6 on the way to the shutout.

Notre Dame more than likely won't have it that easy against the Huskies (5-6-2, 3-3-2), though. Despite a losing record, Connecticut plays one of the most difficult schedules in the country and has historically been a thorn in Notre Dame's side.

The Irish have a 3-6-1 all-time record against the Huskies, and have only defeated Connecticut once

since joining the Big East in 1995. That one victory was a 3-1 win against the Huskies at Alumni Field last season.

"UConn is a very talented team, a potential conference championship team," Clark said. "The Big East is one of the toughest conferences in the country, and this is going to be a difficult group of three games."

"We just have to take it one game at a time."

Connecticut comes into Saturday's game still stinging from a 1-0 double overtime loss to St. John's Wednesday. The Huskies also lost to No. 2 Maryland 4-0 earlier this week on Sunday.

The Huskies are led offensively by Andres Rota and Steve Sealy, who have scored three and two goals, respectively.

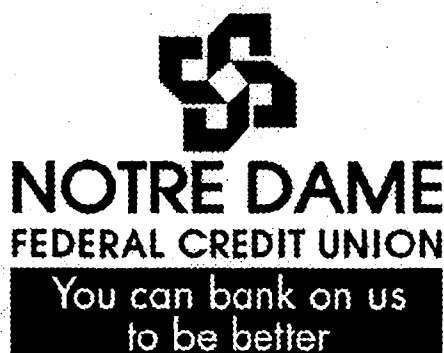
In goal, Connecticut features one of the best in the Big East in Adam Schuerman, who has a miniscule 1.13 goals-against average in 10 games this season.

After facing Connecticut, the Irish remain on the road to face Providence Wednesday.

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MEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL GOLD LEAGUE

Johnson injured but Dillon stays undefeated

By DAN TAPETILLO and
CHRIS SINUTKO
Sports Writers

Thursday night's game between the Big Red of Dillon and the Keenan Knights was a match-up between two undefeated teams looking to end the regular season on a high note.

Dillon struggled in the first half, but overcame an injury to its starting quarterback to defeat Keenan 14-8.

Prior to the game, Dillon team captain Kevin McCarthy said he knew Keenan would be a difficult opponent.

"Knowing how they played [last game], we knew it would be a tough game," McCarthy said.

Keenan was also aware of

how dangerous its opponent Dillon would be after its 42 point victory over Stanford.

"42 points is ridiculous in inner hall football," Keenan team captain Reed Langton said.

Early in the first half, Dillon faced offensive difficulties as Keenan came out strong to begin the game with a touchdown to make the score 8-0.

In addition to the strong offense, the defense was also relentless in trying to stop Dillon's drive.

Dillon was able to get on the scoreboard and even the score on a touchdown pass from quarterback Michael Johnson to McCarthy.

Later in the first half, Johnson suffered a dislocated shoulder and had to leave the game. A. J.

Cedeno replaced Johnson.

But, Cedeno scored the game winning touchdown in the second half off a quarterback sneak to make the score 14-8.

Keenan managed to drive the ball to the Dillon 7-yard line with two minutes left in the game but could not complete the touchdown.

"We just have two drives that came up short," Langton said. "[The playoffs] are a whole new beginning."

Keough 10, O'Neill 8

Keough earned its first win of the season Thursday night with a 10-8 win against O'Neill. Both teams came to play and it showed in this closely fought game.

"It was nice to finish with a win," Keough captain John

McCarthy said.

The Kangaroos came back to score 10 straight points in the second quarter. They avoided a disastrous start and came out with the victory.

On the second play of the game, Keough fumbled at its own 35. John Enterline of O'Neill picked up the loose ball and ran in the end zone for a quick six points. On the conversion, Enterline then pounded it in for another two points.

On the very next play for Keough, they fumbled it again on a bad handoff. O'Neill recovered on its opponent's 32-yard line. There could not have been a much better start for O'Neill.

However, the strong Keough defense held and sacked the O'Neill quarterback on fourth-and-four to regain the ball.

"We wasted a lot of opportunities, but we still had fun. Both teams gave 100 percent efforts and that's all you can ask for," Enterline said. "We're looking ahead to next year as we're only losing three or four guys. This year has been something to build on and we have no regrets."

O'Neill had a field goal opportunity late to win the game, but since the game was at night, the field with lights that they were playing on did not have goal posts. They could not kick a field goal so they had to score a touchdown.

Keough picked off the O'Neill quarterback.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Improved Belles hope to contain scrappy Alma attack

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Saint Mary's hopes to start its first conference winning streak of the year as it travels to face conference leader Alma today.

The Belles (13-10, 3-7 in MIAA) defeated Adrian at home Tuesday, paced statistically by Kristen Playko's 26 kills and 25 digs.

Saint Mary's lost to Alma at home in four sets Sept. 21.

Since that game, the Belles have compiled a 5-4 record including a 2-2 mark in conference matchups.

"We have improved tremendously since the last time we played Alma," coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "We're going to have to really do a good job blocking [today] if we want to stop their attack."

"They're just a real quick, scrappy team, but then again so are we."

Today's game is the first of three straight conference

games on the road for the Belles, and a key stretch for a Saint Mary's team looking to increase its conference standing.

"It's nice that we get the first place and second place team [Hope] on this road trip," Schroeder-Biek said. "We know that we're not going to get first in the conference anymore, but we can still go into this trip looking to make some damage."

"We're out to improve our standing going into the post-

season."

The Scots (20-4, 9-1) are led offensively by outside hitter Kristen Judson and middle hitter Erin Fralick. Judson has 128 kills in 32 games and Fralick has 117 kills in 34 games.

Fralick was also recently named MIAA Player of the Week.

The Scots are defensively balanced, with four players collecting over 100 digs so far this season. Fralick also leads the team in blocks with 39.

The Scots are one of the best offensive teams in the conference, leading all teams in both kills and service aces so far this season.

After today's game, the Belles will remain on the road as they travel to the Hope College Triangular Tuesday. Saint Mary's will play two conference matches at that tournament, facing Olivet at 7 p.m. and host school Hope at 9 p.m.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish host exhibitions

Special to The Observer

The men's tennis team will play host to the USC Trojans this afternoon in an exhibition match in the Eck Tennis Pavilion. Nos. 7 and 8 singles will kick off the action at 2 p.m., with Nos. 4-6 singles starting at 4 p.m. and doubles and Nos. 1-3 singles to follow.

This will mark the 16th meeting between the two squads. The Trojans lead the series 8-1 and have won five of six exhibition matches. The lone Irish official victory came in the 1992 NCAA semifi-

nals, where Notre Dame upset the top-ranked Trojans 5-1 to advance to the national title match for the first time in school history. In the teams' last meeting, Notre Dame won five of six singles matches to post a 5-2 fall exhibition win in 2001 over a USC squad that would go on to win the national championship.

The Trojans return six starters from a team that finished 14-12 in 2003 and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Junior Johan Berg is ranked No.

87 nationally in singles and seniors Parker Collins and Daniel Langre are the No. 41 doubles team in the country.

Peter Smith is in his second year as the head coach of the Trojans, with a 14-12 record at USC and a 284-147 mark in his 16 years of coaching. Prior to his stint at USC Smith spent five seasons leading Pepperdine. In his final two campaigns with the Waves, current Irish assistant Todd Doebler served as his assistant coach.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish, Trojans meet today

Special to The Observer

In a prelude to Saturday's meeting on the gridiron, the Notre Dame women's tennis team will make its lone home appearance of the fall in an exhibition against USC on this afternoon.

Today will mark the sixth meeting between Notre Dame and USC. The teams have met three times in the regular season, and the Irish lead the series 2-1. This is the third time the teams have met in the exhibition play. The

young USC team returns four letterwinners and boasts six talented freshmen. In 2003, the Trojans reached the NCAA quarterfinals and posted a final record of 22-6.

Leading the way for USC is junior Luana Magnani, who reached the second round of the NCAA singles tournament and enters the fall ranked No. 15 in the nation. Sophomore Carine Vermeulen also holds a national ranking in singles at No. 93. Richard Gallien is in his

ninth season as head coach of the Trojans. He is 139-76 at USC and 201-100 in 10 years of coaching.

The last time the teams played, the Irish upset No. 7 USC 5-2 in the opening round of the 2002 USTA/ITA National Team Indoor Championships. Notre Dame won the doubles point and four of six in singles to take the decision. The Trojans had defeated the Irish by the same score in an exhibition match earlier that season, in October 2001.

Barbados

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Caribbean island nation, the team will play three games and practice at least once a day. The final full day the squad is in Barbados, next Friday, will be basketball-free. Instead, the Irish will take a day-long cruise.

"Great weather alone, it's going to be a great time," Jordan Cornette said. "I think it will be good for this team, because I think it will be a great advantage. We get to go down there and see what the young guys can do. We can get a feel for our lineup before we even actually get into exhibition play."

Brey has said he'll use the foreign tour to tinker to help the younger members of the Irish gain valuable experience. He also wants to experiment with unique lineups to try to find combinations that work well together even before the Irish play their first exhibition game.

"There's not a lot riding on it, so to speak," Brey said. "You can't experiment against [Notre Dame's first opponent] Northern Illinois. Hopefully, that gives us a head start."

For the Irish, who have been scrimmaging against each other non-stop in their 10 practices since the team began working out Sept. 4, the Barbados tour offers them an opportunity to play against other opponents in game-like conditions.

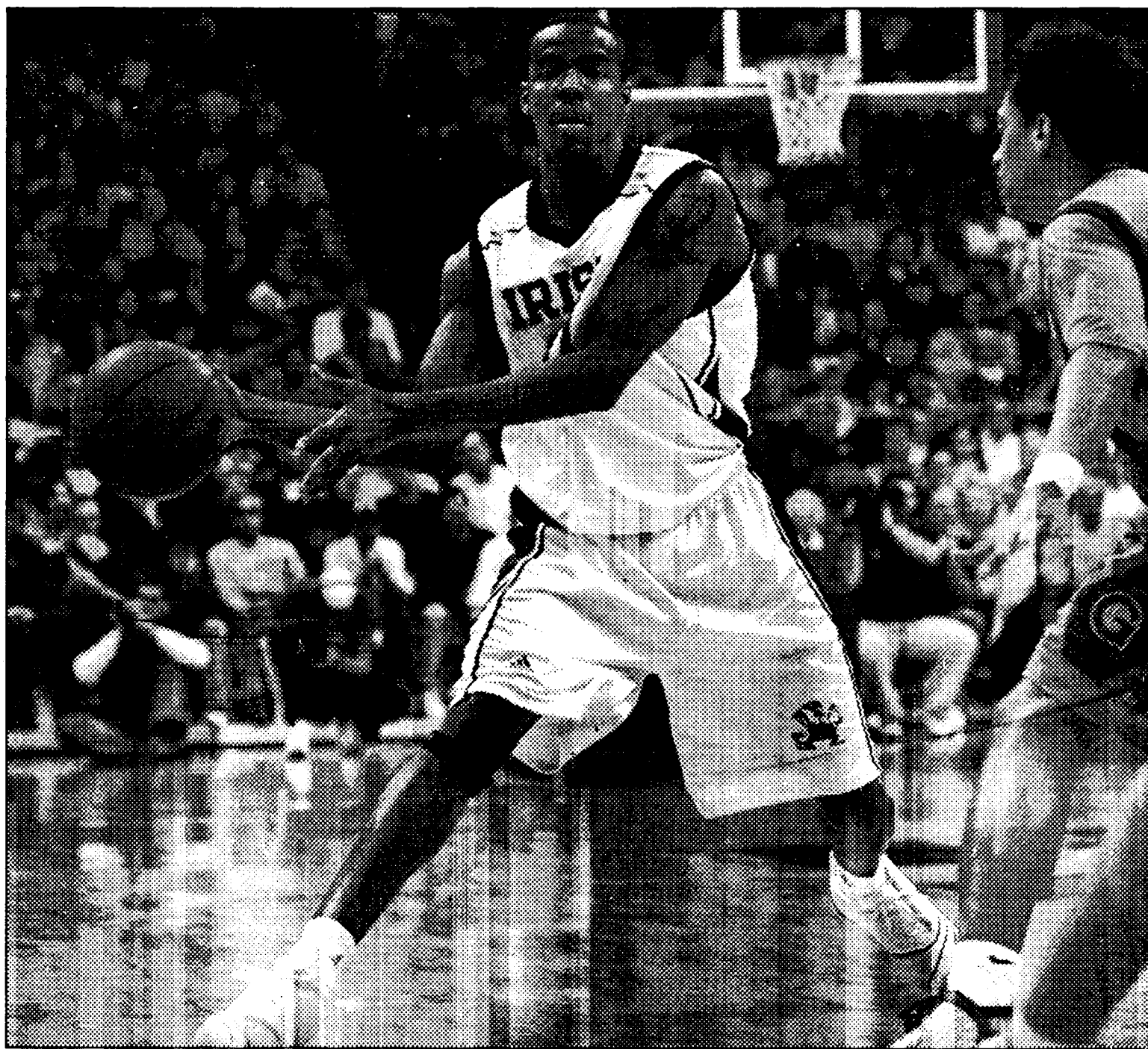
"Every time we go out there, it's a game-like intensity in practice. I expect the same out of these scrimmages," Cornette said. "I think it will be more of a game-type preparation having the scoreboard and having the refs out there."

In Barbados, the Irish will play the Barbados national team as well as a team from London. A reporter from ESPN planned to follow the Irish around during their week-long trip to provide a behind-the-scenes look at preseason basketball preparation.

The only Notre Dame player not making the trip is transfer Dennis Latimore who, because he is sitting out this season per NCAA regulations, cannot begin practicing with the team until later this month.

"I like the fact that we get to go to one place and stay there," Brey said. "It's going to be a retreat atmosphere."

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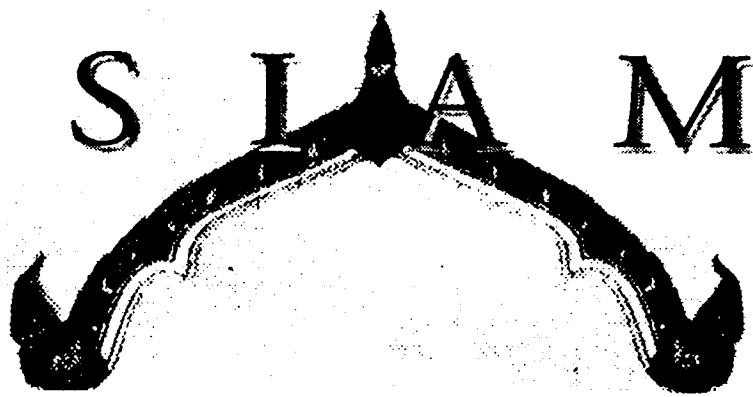


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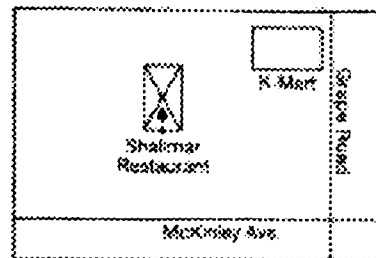
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Rivalry

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Waldrum said. "They always hover around the top six or eight in the country at the end of the season and should be there again this year."

The Huskies present a formidable challenge for the surging Irish, having already defeated a top five team by winning at Portland. They also were the last Big East team to defeat the Irish at home, winning in 1995. The Irish have won their last 48 games against Big East teams at Alumni Field.

The Huskies will also be looking to avenge last year's loss to the Irish, as unranked Notre Dame shook off a 1-0 halftime deficit with three goals in the second half to beat the No. 9 Huskies 3-1. The Irish dominated the second half, ending up with an overall 9-0 shot advantage for the half and

17-4 for the game.

"They've changed their system a little bit this year in their mid-field, so we need to be able to deal with that, and they definitely will use last year's loss as some added fuel for this game," Waldrum said.

Connections between the two teams also add to the rivalry. Irish

senior Amy Warner will be reunited with former high school teammate Kristen Graczyk, who is one of the top scorers for the Huskies. Both players, who hail from La Cueva high school in Albuquerque, N.M., have been named Big East Offensive Player of the Week in the past two weeks, with Warner being the current honoree.

In addition two Irish players, defender Vanessa Pruzinsky and goalkeeper Erika Bohn, hail from the state of Connecticut and have a number of connections with Husky players.

The Irish head into the game with six consecutive shutouts, two

shy of the team record. The current shutout streak covers 584 minutes, about a game and a half shy of the team record of 726 minutes by the national championship team in 1995. The Irish have outscored their opponents 55-5, including 26-1 on their current homestand.

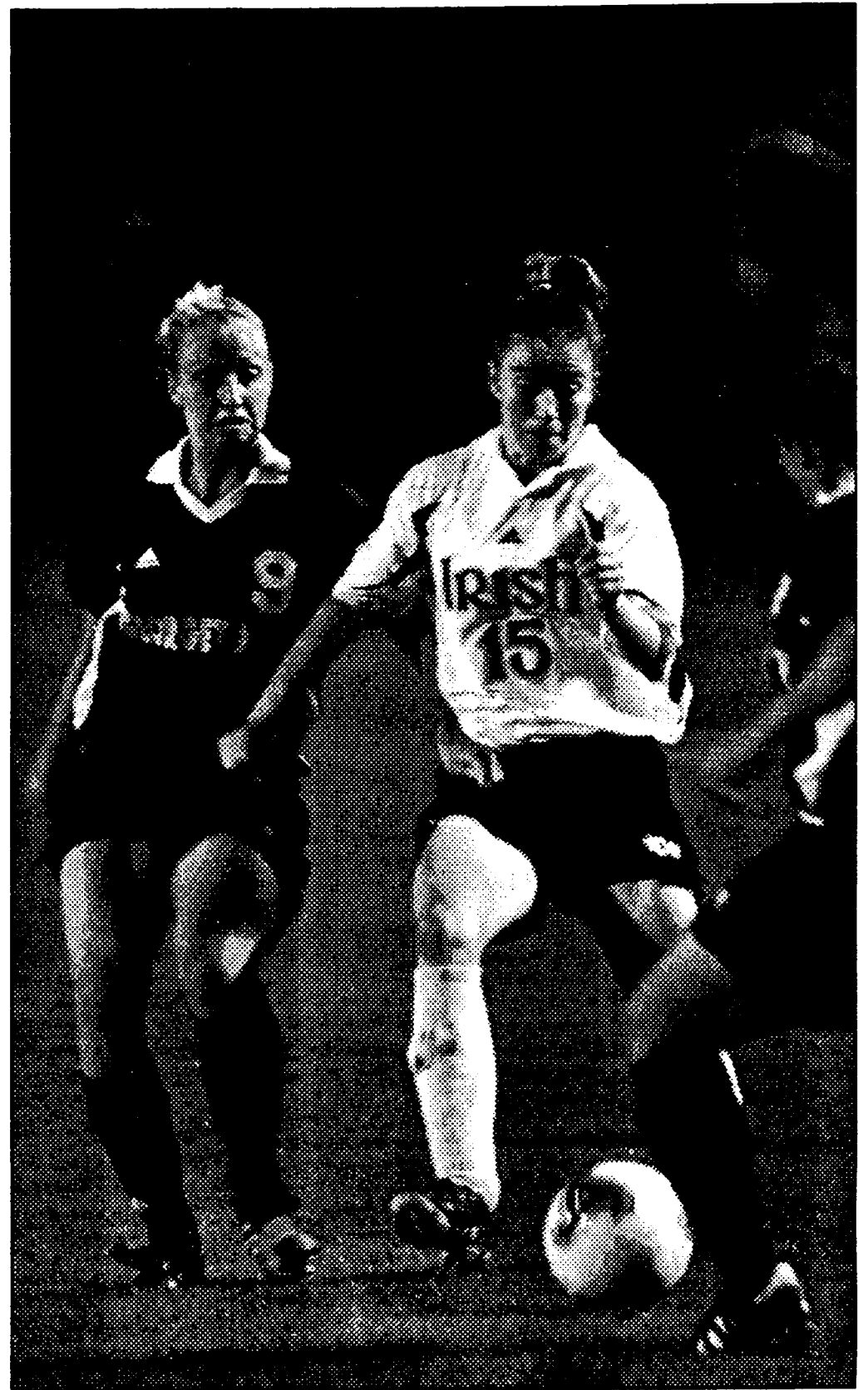
"It's amazing how much confidence we have, all the way from the freshmen to the seniors, in both ourselves and team," senior defender Melissa Tancredi said. "It's a different quality of play and the effort and intensity given in practice shows on the field."

The Irish defense has shown a strong blend of youth and experience. Tancredi, who has been named to the Soccer America Team of the Week and declared Big East Defensive Player of the Week two weeks in a row, provides the experience along with Pruzinsky, while freshmen Christie Shaner and Kim Lorenzen have also delivered consistent performances in the back for the Irish.

"I don't think anyone expected them to come in as good as they did, even Shaner and Lorenzen," Tancredi said. "They've done so well just being thrown in there. It's become very easy for me to count on them to do their job."

After facing Connecticut, the Irish will finally go on the road for their last three Big East divisional games of the season. The Irish take on Pittsburgh Sunday before traveling to Rutgers and Seton Hall next weekend. At 3-0, the Irish will be looking to go undefeated in the division a year after finishing tied at 3-3.

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Freshman midfielder Lizzie Reed dribbles past Georgetown defenders earlier this season.

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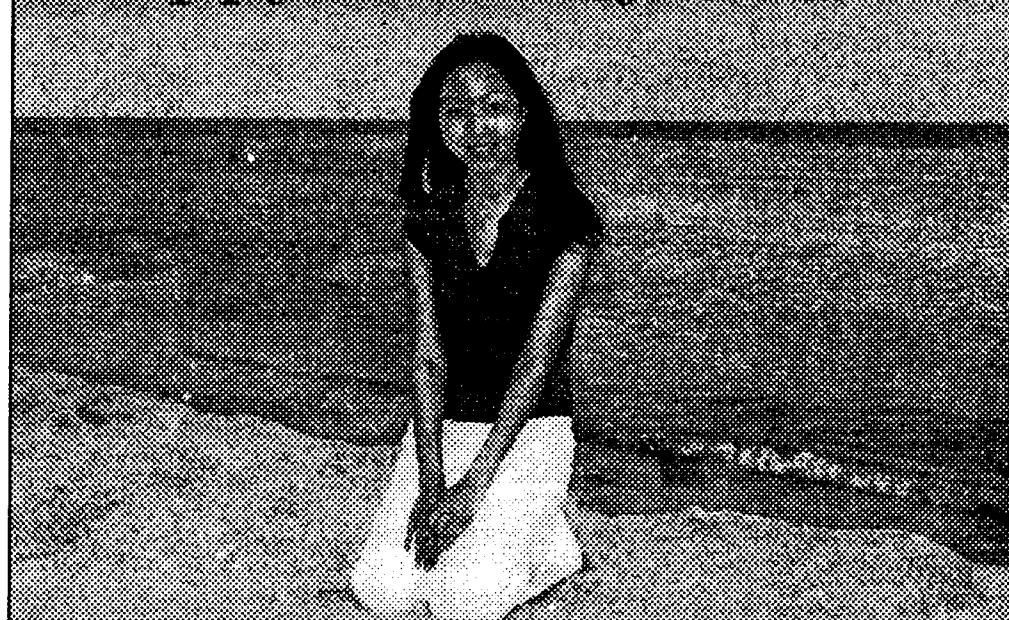
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Hope

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vulnerable position that allowed for Hope's game-winning goal. He said the teams match up very well for this game.

"It's a great match-up of how we defend and they control the ball," Haring said.

Saint Mary's will be without two key players for the game. Striker Wendy Irvin injured her ankle against Adrian last week and is out indefinitely, according to Haring. She did not break the bone but could have ligament damage that would keep her out for possibly the remainder of the season.

Defender Shannon Culbertson will also miss the game because of a red card last game. Haring said the penalty was uncalled for and inappropriate for what Culbertson did. Either way, the team will look for other players to cover for the losses of those two players.

"You deal with the cards you're dealt. We're going to be asking some freshmen and other players to step up," Haring said. "They are going to get quality minutes in a very important game."

The game could have a major effect on the outcome of the MIAA this season. A win and Hope moves nearly out of reach of Saint Mary's.

Saint Mary's has six conference matches left and would be behind Hope by six points. Teams receive two points for a win, one point for a tie and zero points for a loss. If the Belles do lose to Hope, it will also give the Flying Dutch the tie-breaker even if the Belles make a run.

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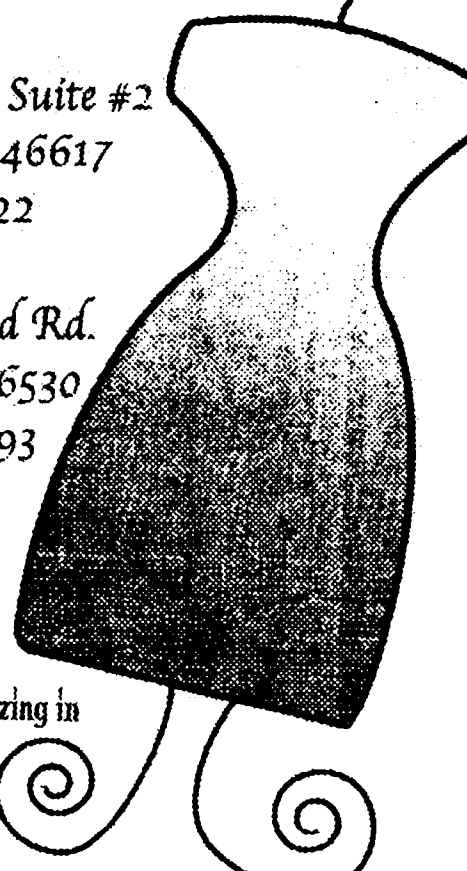
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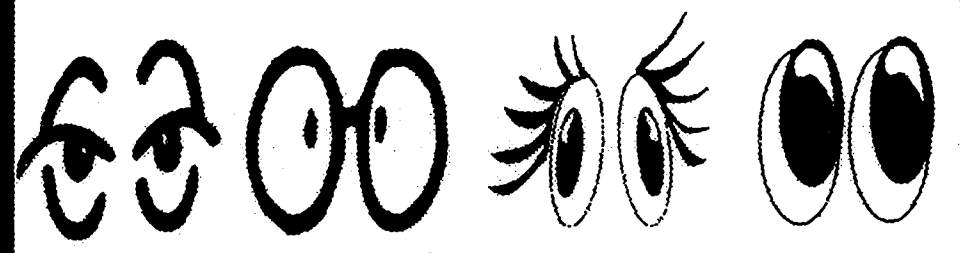
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ND CROSS COUNTRY

Pre-National meet preparation for Big Easts

National powers await Irish at Northern Iowa this weekend

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

Saturday at the Pre-National meet at the University of Northern Iowa, both the men's and women's cross country teams will have their first taste of the competition they will face at the national championships in November.

Both squads are coming off victories two weeks ago at the Notre Dame Invitational, which included a sampling of some top 25 teams. Saturday's event is important for the Irish as strong performances could help them obtain at-large bids to the National Championships if they do not automatically advance to the title race by finishing in the top two at the NCAA Great Lakes Regional Nov. 15.

The Irish women are currently ranked fifth nationally and Saturday will be the strongest competition they have faced so far this season. Notre Dame will contend with the likes of No. 1 BYU, No. 8 Georgetown, No. 23 Princeton and No. 22 Michigan. The Irish, who have three victories in three races this season, will be running without sophomore Loryn King, who is now out for the season due to injury. Additionally, an injury will keep senior Maggie Nelson from running.

But the Irish will have the services of their top runners, the All-America duo of sopho-

more Molly Huddle and junior Lauren King. Huddle took first place at the Notre Dame Invitational, and King took second. Senior Megan Johnson will also be aiding the Irish. Nelson took 21st at the race two weeks ago.

The Irish will also be supported by senior Katie Wales, sophomore Jean Marinangeli and junior Kerry Meagher, who finished seventh at the Notre Dame Invitational. Additionally, sophomore Stephanie Madia, a top runner as a freshman, will be participating in her first race of the season.

Last season the men, who are currently ranked 15th, were one of the last teams to receive an at-large bid to the national championship meet. For the first time this season, the Irish will be able to find out just where they fit among the country's top teams, allowing them to gauge their progress towards their goal of a top ten finish at the national championship race.

Notre Dame will likely be led by sophomore Tim Moore, who two weeks ago finished third in the competitive Notre Dame Invitational, which was his first race of the season. Senior Todd Mobley is also expected to aid the Irish effort. Mobley, a former All-American, has been in the process of getting back to his old form after an injury one year ago at the Pre-National meet caused him to miss the Big East



CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

The Irish will see nationally ranked opponents this weekend at the Pre-National meet. In two weeks, both teams will compete in the Big East championships.

Championships and hurt his performance in the post-season races.

An Irish newcomer, freshman Kurt Benninger, will be an important asset to the team. Benninger was third for Notre Dame at the race two weeks ago, when he crossed

the line in 12th place overall. Junior Sean O'Donnell and sophomore Kaleb Van Ort as well as seniors Brian Kerwin and David Alber will also be representing Notre Dame as the Irish contend against 43 nationally ranked teams, including No. 3 Northern

Arizona, No. 5 Colorado and No. 11 Ohio State.

In two weeks, both teams will travel to the Bronx for the Big East Championships.

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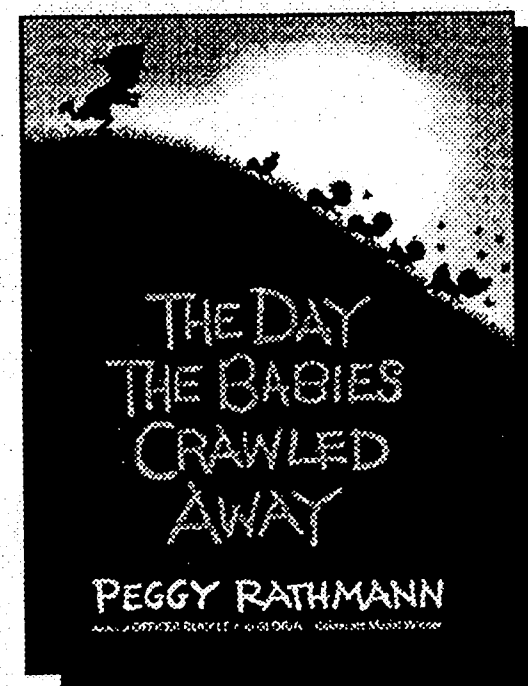
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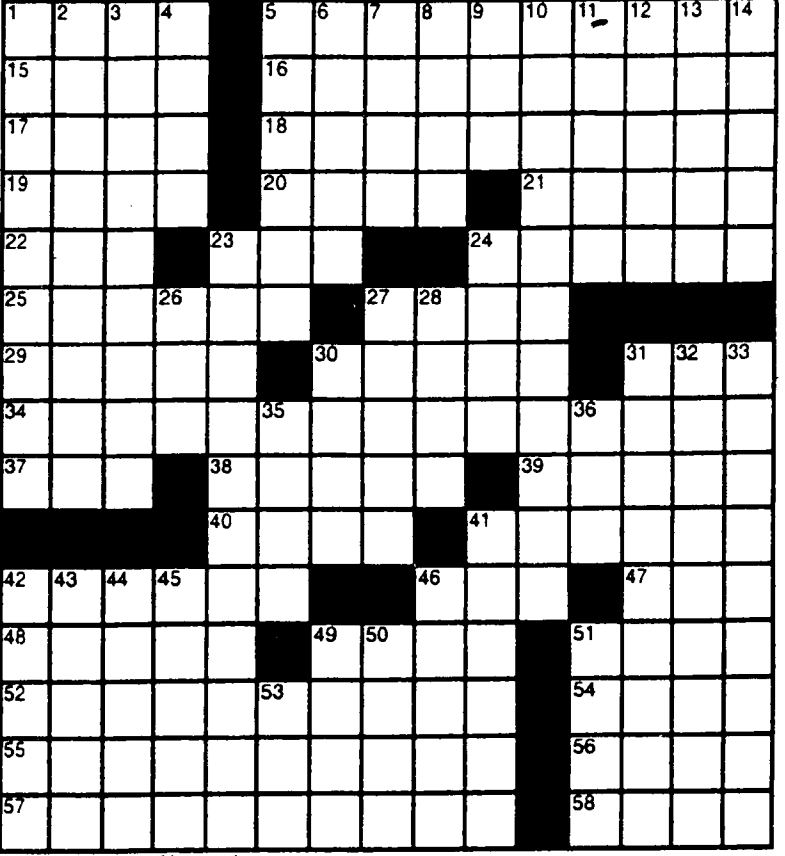
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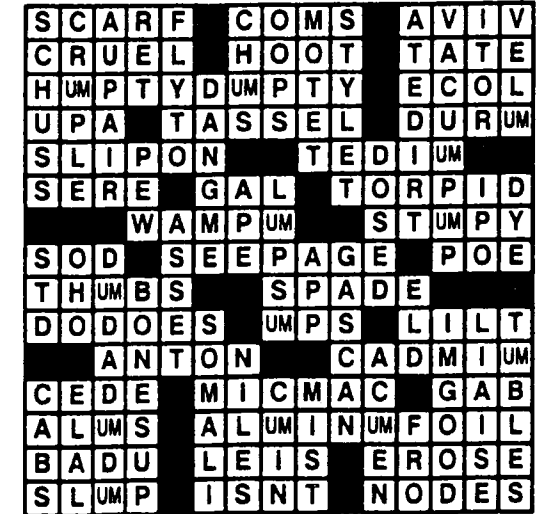
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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish to practice in Barbados over fall break

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Some students are going home for fall break. Others are heading to Boston for the Irish-Eagles football game next Saturday.

The Notre Dame's men's basketball team is heading to Barbados.

"We thought this would be a good thing to do," Irish coach Mike Brey said of the foreign trip. "They're good workers, but I see a little bit more bounce in their step knowing

they're going to Barbados."

NCAA regulations stipulate that a team may take a foreign tour once every four years and practice up to 10 extra times before the traditional start of practice to prepare for that tour. And normally, most basketball teams take their trip in

the summer.

But unlike many schools, the Irish have a week-long fall break. So Brey decided to take the team's foreign tour then so the freshmen could participate. Had the Irish left for Barbados in the summer, freshmen Colin Falls, Omari Israel and Russell

Carter couldn't have come along because they weren't technically college students yet.

The Irish leave for Barbados Saturday morning and return a week later. While in the tiny

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SMC SOCCER

Win over Hope key for Belles

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

A golden opportunity awaits the Saint Mary's soccer team this weekend.

Standing in a tie for second-place with 12 points in the MIAA, the Belles have a chance to cut conference leader Hope's advantage when the two teams face off Saturday at Saint Mary's.

"We put everything in our own hands for the outcome of the season," coach Peter Haring said.

The Flying Dutch and Belles met earlier in the season, with Hope winning in overtime 1-0. Haring said the Belles played well in that game, but got into a

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Renewal of a rivalry

Big East powers Notre Dame and Connecticut meet



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Senior forward Amy Warner jukes around a Miami defender. The No.2 Irish enter its match with Connecticut with a 14-0-1 record.

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

One sign of an intense conference rivalry comes when the teams play each other in years when the conference doesn't schedule a game between the teams. That will be the case tonight when Notre Dame takes on the Connecticut Huskies in a non-conference game between the teams that have historically dominated the Big East.

The Irish come into the game ranked No. 2 in the country with a 14-0-1 record, while the Huskies are No. 14 with an 8-3-3 record. The Irish are atop the Mid-Atlantic Division of the Big East, while the Huskies share the top spot in the Northeast Division. "Connecticut is our oldest rival," Irish coach Randy

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MEN'S SOCCER

Irish make conference road trip



TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

Chad Riley leads Notre Dame with eight assists.

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Earlier this week, Notre Dame succeeded in showing the Big East that they are still a force to be reckoned with. Now, they'll have to show it to their opponents in person.

The Irish begin a key three-game conference road trip as they face Connecticut on the road Saturday at 7 p.m.

Notre Dame (8-2-3, 3-2-1 in the Big East) is coming off its best offensive performance of the season, a 6-0 drubbing of Cleveland State on the road Tuesday. It was the first time

under head coach Bobby Clark the Irish have scored six goals.

"I think there's been a few games over the years where we could have scored this many goals," Clark said. "We don't necessarily go into the game looking to score that many, but when the goals come, we're definitely going to take them."

The Irish were paced offensively by senior forward Devon Prescod, who scored the first hat trick for the Irish since Sept. 25, 1994.

"I think it was great that Devon scored those goals, but he would be the first to say that

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HOCKEY

Home schedule opens tonight

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

The Irish are hoping the good start on the road last weekend will help jumpstart the rest of their season.

After opening the season with a split on the road against Ohio State, the Irish will face CCHA opponent Bowling Green in a home-and-home series.

Notre Dame will face the Falcons at the Joyce Center tonight and then take on

Bowling Green on the road Saturday.

Tonight's game will be the home opener for the Irish (1-1, 1-1 in the CCHA) this season.

Notre Dame defeated Ohio State last Friday by a score of 5-2, paced by a Rob Globbo hat trick. The Buckeyes came back to split the series however, defeating the Irish 3-1 the next day.

"I think that the thing we most need to improve on is

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

CROSS COUNTRY
Pre-National meet
Saturday
The men's and women's teams head to the University of Northern Iowa.
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MEN'S TENNIS
USC at Notre Dame
Today, 2 p.m.
The Irish host the Trojans in an exhibition at Eck Tennis Pavilion.
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WOMEN'S TENNIS
USC at Notre Dame
Today, 4 p.m.
Notre Dame leads the regular season series 2-1.
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INTERHALL FOOTBALL
Dillon 14
Keenan 8
Keough 10
O'Neill 8
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SMC VOLLEYBALL
Saint Mary's at Alma
Today
The Belles will focus on defense to defeat league opponent Alma.
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New York 6
Boston 5
The Yankees' Aaron Boone hit the game-winning solo home run to beat the Red Sox in game seven.
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**COMING
OUT OF THE
SHADOWS**

"Football was a way to relieve my
frustrations, in a legal sort of way."



Photo Illustration by SHAWNA MONSON and MIKE HARKINS

Irish ready for revenge after last year

USC quarterback Carson Palmer drove the train that ran over Notre Dame's season in 2002.

Just to put into context how dominant the Trojans were against the Irish in late November of last season, USC put up total yards of offense

— 610 — than any other opponent had in the previous 1,081 games of Irish football history, dating back to 1887. Much of that credit went to Palmer, who wrapped up the Heisman Trophy with last year's big win against the Irish.

The Irish offense didn't help the cause, either, by gaining all of 109 yards and scoring as much as the club chess team.

After that thrashing, you better believe the Irish want revenge.

"We went out there and got our butts kicked," Dwight Ellick said. "I feel like they tried to embarrass us on national television. We really didn't like that. We are going to come out this week and try

to show them that last year's game was not Notre Dame football."

Throw out Notre Dame's sub-par 2-3 record. Who cares that the team has tough games against Boston College and Florida State left on the schedule. None of that matters Saturday.

That's because the players from the 2002 Notre Dame team still have vivid memories of that terrible game. They remember what it felt like to have USC knock them on the ground, then kick them in the head.

They remember the signs that said, "The glory stops here."

They remember the hope they had entering that game — a chance to earn a BCS bowl berth — and the empty feeling they had leaving it, as a team that had just been embarrassed in front of the nation.

And they remember trying to figure out how that beating could happen.

Graduated offensive lineman Jordan Black simply said he wanted throw up after the game. He and every other

Notre Dame player and fan in the country felt the same that night.

The USC loss has been on the Irish players' minds this week. Notre Dame may have had several big games this season — Washington State at home, Michigan and Pittsburgh on the road — but none of those will mean as much to the players as facing USC Saturday.

Linebacker Courtney Watson had to be shocked at the way the Trojans offense moved the ball up and down the Rose Bowl field all night. After the game, he tried to justify that the Irish defense was still a good unit — few believed him.

Vontez Duff couldn't stop USC's star freshman receiver Mike Williams from grabbing 10 passes for 169 yards and two touchdowns during the game or stop him from ripping

the Irish secondary after the game, saying the unit wasn't good at all.

You better believe those two, along with all the 2002 players will be rallying around last season's game.

The Irish find themselves in

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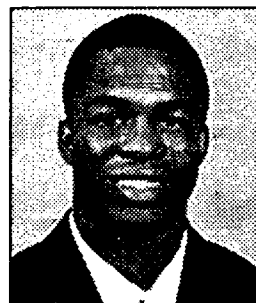
game hype



Tyrone Willingham
Irish head coach

"We are really psyched about this game."

"You are always hoping your team hits some type of stride."



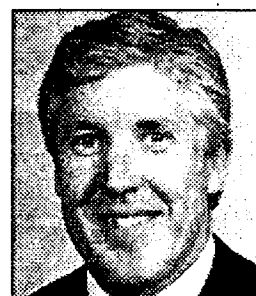
Dwight Ellick
Irish cornerback

"The 'Wild Bunch' — I don't know about that. We are pretty good too."



Darrell Campbell
Notre Dame defensive tackle

"This is a big match-up. It's very significant to us."



Pete Carroll
USC head coach

a very different position heading into this season's game than in 2002. They aren't ranked in the top 10 in the nation. There will be no BCS berth opportunity. And they aren't expected to give the Trojans much of a game.

But Notre Dame has something very crucial in its favor. The Irish faithful have been waiting almost a year for USC to march its Trojan horse back into South Bend. The players have been waiting a long time for a chance to knock down some yellow and red jerseys. The chance for payback is inching closer.

When the Irish take the field Saturday, they will have a mission. It will be more than just winning the football game and upsetting a top five team at home. It will be getting back at a team that trashed them in front of the nation and sent a near-fatal blow to an otherwise successful season. It will mean an opportunity to win for the seniors of last year that still feel hatred for USC. But most importantly, the game is a chance for Notre Dame to get revenge on a team that disrespected them. A chance to ruin USC's season.

A chance to take down Troy.

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Controlling his anger

Notre Dame provides Campbell with a chance to vent his early-life frustrations

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Maybe the reason Darrell Campbell rips through offensive linemen is because he's learned to harness the rage he felt at never, ever having Darrell Campbell Sr. be a part of his life.

Maybe the reason Campbell appreciates Tyrone Willingham's attempt to turn football players into a men is because, for the longest time, he never really had one in his life.

Maybe the reason Campbell respects Willingham and position coaches Kent Baer and Greg Mattison so much is because they act as fathers to a player who never experienced a relationship with his biological one.

"Me growing up and not having my biological dad there, or him not doing the things that he was supposed to do when he was there," Campbell shrugged, "that's all the more testament to what a man is not."

The anger has always existed. Campbell just had to learn how to find a place to control it.

Luckily for Notre Dame, he did.

Worrisome of commitment

Campbell was three years old when his father exploded into a fit of rage, climbed into his blue Buick and drove away from his son and his wife. Since Jeannette Campbell filed for divorce 19 years ago, her son can count on one hand the number of times he'd seen his father.

That's not to say he didn't want to see him. Campbell often cried that he wanted to talk to his dad, not understanding why he couldn't have a father in his life like the rest of his friends did.

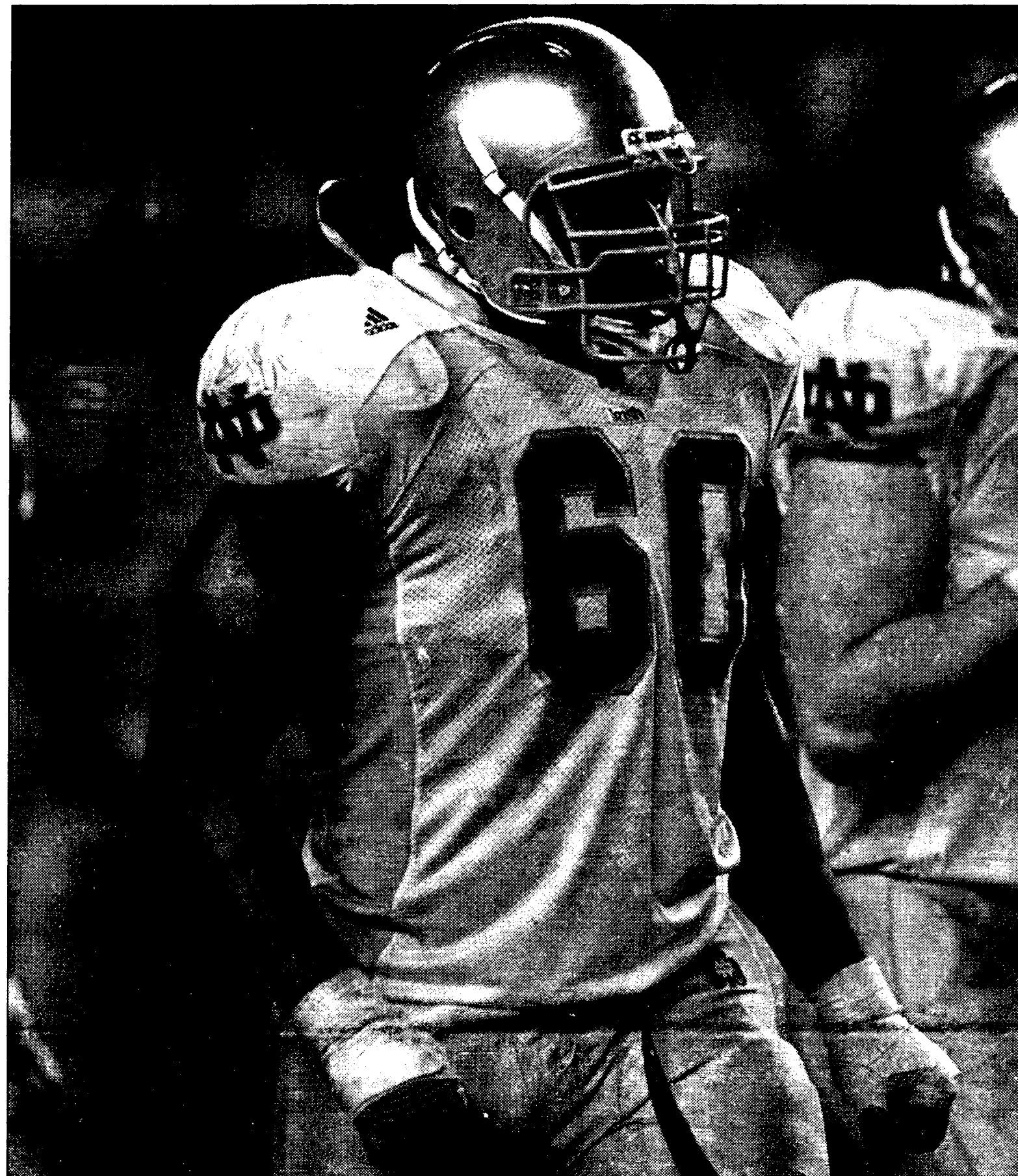
"There weren't really instances where he came through," Campbell said. "There were only glimpses, and they only lasted for a moment in time, and then they were gone."

"For those moments, I almost had him, but at the same time, I was so far away."

Jeannette, however, was determined to raise her son not to follow in his father's footsteps. With a strict hand, she made sure he excelled in the classroom, treated people with respect and made sure he kept his word to others. Sports, however, came after the homework and the chores were done.

Ironically, the long hours Jeannette worked at a Chicago power plant brought the two-person family more than money. It also gave Campbell a father figure.

Jeannette married Milton McGee, whom she had met at work, in 1995 when Campbell was 12 years old. But Campbell wasn't so accepting of his new stepfather at first. McGee couldn't understand how important Campbell Sr. was to his stepson, and Campbell Jr. couldn't under-



Notre Dame defensive tackle Darrell Campbell gets ready to line up at Pittsburgh last weekend. Campbell has overcome his father leaving his family at the age of three to become a well-rounded man.

stand how badly McGee wanted to give him the father's love Campbell had been missing his entire life.

"What Milton did was give me the space to kind of make the determination for myself when I was growing up to know who to put my faith in," Campbell said. "But at the same time, he stayed there and gave me everything I needed to let me know he was there."

That was something Campbell's biological father had never done. But Campbell didn't understand that yet.

Relieving his frustration

Time after time, Campbell had hoped his biological father would come back into his life. Time after time, he was let down.

There was the eighth grade graduation, where the father promised his ex-wife he would show up to see his son give a welcoming speech. As Campbell stood at the podium speaking, his eyes were fixed on the rear doors to the auditorium, waiting for his father to walk in. He never did.

While Campbell inexplicably waited for his true father, McGee unwaveringly waited for Campbell.

"We were on a rollercoaster going up at that point, and it stopped because I detoured and focused on my biological father instead of focusing on him," Campbell said. "It takes a man who really loves his son to step back and say, 'Go ahead, do what you have to do — just know that I'm here if you need me.'"

As much as Jeannette and Milton tried to alleviate Campbell's loss, they couldn't. "There was a lot of anger, a lot of animosity, a lot of hard times, hard feelings that I had to deal with," he said.

So Campbell, a future English major, turned to writing and poetry as a way of expressing his feelings. He turned to football as a way of venting his anger.

"That was a way to relieve my frustrations on people," Campbell grinned wickedly, "in a legal sort of way."

He just didn't know how good he'd be at it.

Change of plans

Two national publications named Campbell, who had emerged as a terrifying defensive force, one of the top 100 players in the nation. USA Today gave him honorable mention All-American status. He was his high school football team's MVP for three years, qualified for the state track meet, played basketball, wrestled and even played baseball for a year.

When football recruiters tripped over themselves trying to land the highly-coveted Campbell, the choice was easy. He picked Northwestern.

"My mom was just bleeding purple," Campbell said, who committed to the Wildcats because of the school's strong academic reputation. "She had purple coming out of every orifice, purple robes, purple everything."

But his commitment didn't deter Notre Dame or Mattison, the coach assigned to recruit Campbell.

Even though Campbell never took a visit to Notre Dame, Mattison loved everything about the talented defensive prospect. One night, he drove to watch Campbell at a wrestling meet. Before he left, he told Campbell he was making a mistake if he didn't at least check out Notre Dame once.

"I liked the kid," Mattison said, "and I felt in my heart that he belonged at Notre Dame."

So Campbell drove two hours east on the Indiana Toll Road to visit Notre Dame. There, he got the royal treatment — seeing his name on an Irish uniform, wine and dined by a coaching staff begging for his

services, a tour of everything Notre Dame.

But it took a conversation from someone he had never met before coming to Notre Dame to convince Campbell to play for the Irish.

"If you want to be good, go someplace else," alumni association president Chuck Lennon told the prospect during his visit. "If you want to be great, come here."

Coming into his own

Buoyed by his trip to Notre Dame — and the fact that Northwestern coach Gary Barnett had left the school for Colorado — Campbell changed his mind and decided to play for the Irish. His mother wasn't happy.

"His mom is a very loving mother and taught him that he's a man of his word," Mattison said. "I don't think she understood that until you sign the name is when you become attached to the university. She wanted him to go where he originally said he was going to go."

With Mattison's prodding, who promised Jeannette Notre Dame had everything Northwestern had academically, Campbell's mom started wavering. With McGee's calming influence, she caved in and allowed Campbell to go to Notre Dame.

"She probably wasn't convinced until the first time she came up here and saw the alumni," Campbell said. "Up until that point, she was like, 'Yeah, you're making a mistake.'"

Since then, Jeannette Campbell has seen her imposing son wreak havoc on opposing offenses and graduate from the University last May with a degree in English and computer applications. In his four-year Notre Dame career, Campbell has started 27 of the 37 games he played in, recorded 75 tackles and 10 sacks.

But Campbell knows he owes who he is now to his mom and his dad. Not his biological dad,

who has pulled a disappearing act one too many times, but McGee, who Campbell always introduces as his father.

As for Darrell Campbell Sr.? Twice, he contacted his son to try to re-establish a relationship. Twice, he left

phony contact information, leaving Campbell frustrated again. If his biological father called again, Campbell would talk with him, but nothing more.

No longer will Campbell chase a blue Buick. Instead, he's hunting down quarterbacks.

"I'm older, I'm 22 years old. I'm coming into my own," he said. "The weaning way from the childhood where the son always wanted his father to be there, it's kinda gone."

"He'd have the biological tag, but he wouldn't be my father."

It took Campbell a while, but he found plenty others who want to fill that role.

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"I liked the kid and I felt in my heart that he belonged at Notre Dame."

Greg Mattison
Irish defensive line coach

Notre Dame
Fighting Irish
Record: 2-3
AP: NR
Coaches: NR



Tyrone Willingham
head coach

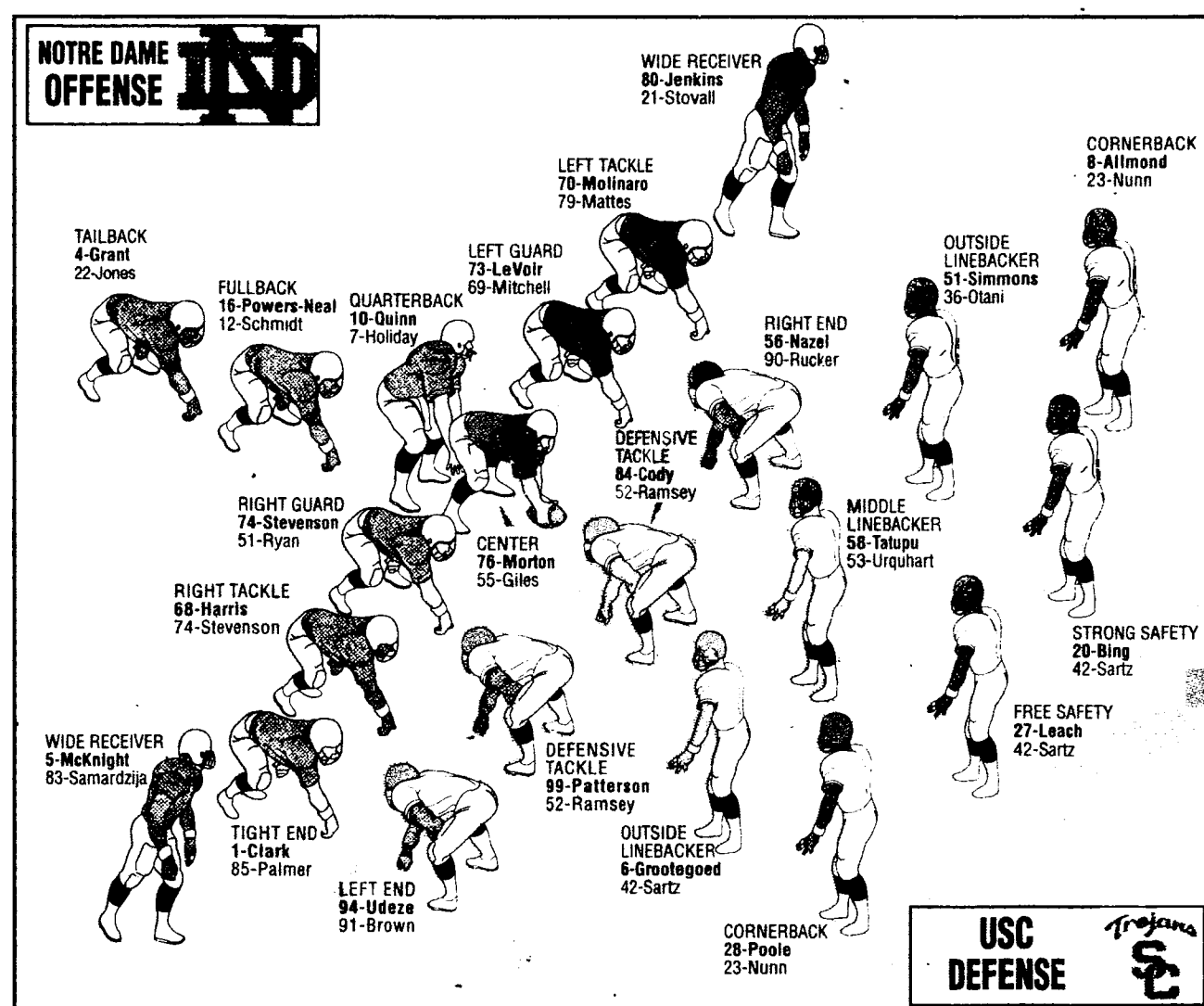
Tyrone Willingham
second season at
Notre Dame
career record:
56-42-1
at Notre Dame:
12-6
against
USC: 4-4

Roster

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. | YR |
|-----|--------------------|-------|------|-----|----|
| 1 | Jared Clark | TE | 6-4 | 230 | SR |
| 2 | Freddie Parrish | DB | 6-1 | 195 | FR |
| 4 | Ryan Grant | RB | 6-1 | 211 | JR |
| 5 | Rhema McKnight | WR | 6-2 | 207 | SO |
| 6 | Carlos Campbell | CB | 5-11 | 194 | JR |
| 7 | Carlyle Holiday | QB | 6-3 | 214 | SR |
| 8 | Matt Krueger | QB | 5-10 | 180 | SR |
| 9 | Quentin Burrell | FS | 6-0 | 180 | JR |
| 10 | Jason Beckstrom | CB | 5-10 | 186 | SR |
| 11 | Pat Dillingham | QB | 6-1 | 209 | JR |
| 12 | Brady Quinn | QB | 6-4 | 210 | FR |
| 13 | Marcus Wilson | RB | 5-11 | 199 | JR |
| 14 | Josh Schmidt | FB | 6-1 | 220 | JR |
| 15 | Nicholas Setta | K/P | 5-11 | 184 | SR |
| 16 | Gary Godsey | TE | 6-6 | 259 | SR |
| 17 | Preston Jackson | CB | 5-9 | 177 | SR |
| 18 | Rashon Powers-Neal | FB | 6-2 | 227 | JR |
| 19 | Stan Revelle | QB | 5-11 | 183 | JR |
| 20 | Geoffrey Price | P | 6-3 | 180 | FR |
| 21 | Ronnie Rodamer | WR | 6-4 | 211 | SR |
| 22 | Glenn Earl | FS | 6-1 | 205 | SR |
| 23 | D.J. Fitzpatrick | K/P | 6-1 | 192 | JR |
| 24 | Travis Thomas | RB | 6-1 | 200 | FR |
| 25 | Maurice Stovall | WR | 6-5 | 221 | SO |
| 26 | Julius Jones | RB | 5-10 | 210 | SR |
| 27 | Chase Anastasio | WR | 6-2 | 190 | FR |
| 28 | Dwight Ellick | CB | 5-10 | 177 | JR |
| 29 | Nate Schiccatano | RB | 6-3 | 224 | SO |
| 30 | Garron Bible | FS | 5-10 | 197 | SR |
| 31 | Lionel Bolen | SS | 6-0 | 206 | JR |
| 32 | Mike Profeta | TB | 5-11 | 208 | SR |
| 33 | Cole Laux | FB | 5-10 | 229 | SR |
| 34 | Tom Zbikowski | DB | 6-0 | 185 | FR |
| 35 | LaBrose Hedgemon | DB | 5-10 | 180 | FR |
| 36 | Mike Richardson | DB | 6-1 | 188 | SO |
| 37 | Jake Carney | DB | 6-0 | 180 | SO |
| 38 | Jeff Jenkins | RB | 6-0 | 211 | SO |
| 39 | Courtney Watson | ILB | 6-1 | 234 | SR |
| 40 | Vontez Duff | CB | 5-11 | 194 | SR |
| 41 | Ashley McConnell | FB | 6-0 | 240 | FR |
| 42 | Isaiah Gardner | DB/RB | 5-10 | 190 | FR |
| 43 | Matt Mitchell | DB | 5-9 | 184 | SO |
| 44 | Brandon Hoyte | ILB | 6-0 | 226 | JR |
| 45 | David Bemenderfer | SS | 5-11 | 195 | SR |
| 46 | Nate Schomas | WR | 5-10 | 165 | SR |
| 47 | Mike Goolsby | LB | 6-3 | 243 | SR |
| 48 | Ambrose Wooden | WR | 6-1 | 190 | FR |
| 49 | Anthony Salvador | LB | 6-2 | 226 | SO |
| 50 | Justin Tuck | DE | 6-5 | 246 | JR |
| 51 | Carl Gioia | P | 5-11 | 165 | FR |
| 52 | Corey Mays | ILB | 6-1 | 238 | JR |
| 53 | Mitchell Thomas | LB | 6-2 | 210 | FR |
| 54 | Jerome Collins | OLB | 6-4 | 250 | SR |
| 55 | Derek Curry | ILB | 6-3 | 228 | SR |
| 56 | Cedric Hilliard | NG | 6-2 | 295 | SR |
| 57 | Jamie Ryan | OT | 6-5 | 290 | SO |
| 58 | Joe Brockington | LB | 6-1 | 215 | FR |
| 59 | David Fitzgerald | OL | 6-4 | 271 | SO |
| 60 | Zachary Giles | C | 6-3 | 281 | JR |
| 61 | Nick Borsetti | LB | 6-1 | 205 | FR |
| 62 | Dwight Stephenson | LB | 6-3 | 237 | FR |
| 63 | Paul Jancha | LS | 6-1 | 245 | SO |
| 64 | James Bent | OL | 6-2 | 253 | SO |
| 65 | Darrell Campbell | DT | 6-4 | 288 | SR |
| 66 | Scott Raridon | OT | 6-7 | 300 | SO |
| 67 | Casey Dunn | OT/OG | 6-4 | 255 | JR |
| 68 | Sean Milligan | OG | 6-4 | 291 | SR |
| 69 | Derek Landri | NG | 6-2 | 265 | SO |
| 70 | Ryan Harris | OL | 6-5 | 270 | FR |
| 71 | Darin Mitchell | OL | 6-4 | 280 | JR |
| 72 | Jim Molinaro | OT | 6-6 | 301 | SR |
| 73 | David Kowalski | OG | 6-2 | 249 | SR |
| 74 | James Bonelli | OG/OT | 6-6 | 282 | SO |
| 75 | Jeff Thompson | C/OG | 6-4 | 287 | JR |
| 76 | Mark LeVair | TE | 6-7 | 309 | JR |
| 77 | Dan Stevenson | OG | 6-5 | 297 | JR |
| 78 | Chris Frome | DE | 6-5 | 264 | SO |
| 79 | Bob Morton | C | 6-4 | 299 | SO |
| 80 | Greg Pauly | DT | 6-6 | 291 | SR |
| 81 | John Sullivan | OL | 6-4 | 280 | FR |
| 82 | Brian Mattes | OT | 6-6 | 250 | SO |
| 83 | Omar Jenkins | WR | 6-2 | 204 | SR |
| 84 | Chinedum Ndukwe | WR | 6-3 | 190 | FR |
| 85 | Matt Shelton | WR | 6-1 | 172 | JR |
| 86 | Jeff Samardzija | WR | 6-4 | 190 | FR |
| 87 | Mike O'Hara | WR | 5-10 | 174 | SO |
| 88 | Rob Woods | WR | 6-2 | 205 | SO |
| 89 | Billy Palmer | TE | 6-3 | 251 | SR |
| 90 | Marcus Freeman | TE | 6-4 | 242 | SO |
| 91 | Patrick Nally | TE | 6-3 | 243 | SR |
| 92 | Anthony Fasano | TE | 6-4 | 253 | SO |
| 93 | John Carlson | TE | 6-6 | 230 | FR |
| 94 | Brian Beidatsch | DL | 6-4 | 283 | JR |
| 95 | Craig Cardillo | K | 6-0 | 165 | SO |
| 96 | Kyle Budinscak | DE | 6-4 | 270 | SR |
| 97 | Dan Santucci | DE | 6-5 | 270 | SO |
| 98 | Victor Abiamiri | DL | 6-5 | 245 | FR |
| 99 | Travis Leitko | DE | 6-6 | 264 | SO |
| 100 | Trevor Laws | DL | 6-2 | 290 | FR |
| 101 | Jason Sapp | DE | 6-3 | 256 | SR |

NOTRE DAME
2003 Schedule

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| Sept. 6 | WASHINGTON ST. - W |
| Sept. 13 | at Michigan - L |
| Sept. 20 | MICHIGAN ST. - L |
| Sept. 27 | at Purdue - L |
| Oct. 11 | at Pittsburgh - W |
| Oct. 18 | USC |
| Oct. 25 | at Boston College |
| Nov. 1 | FLORIDA STATE |
| Nov. 8 | NAVY |
| Nov. 15 | BYU |
| Nov. 29 | at Stanford |
| Dec. 6 | at Syracuse |



COACHING

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IRISH RUSHING

IRISH PASSING

NOTRE DAME

Willingham got the Irish up last weekend to pull off the upset in Pittsburgh. Until that point, however, the year had been a disappointment. Again, Willingham will need to get everything from his players if they are to have a chance against USC.

Quinn didn't throw the ball very well against the Panthers, but he didn't need to, as the Irish had 352 yards rushing. Still, he took a step or two back last week in his progress as the Irish starter. But at Purdue, Quinn threw for 297 yards.

The Irish rushing game was hitting on all cylinders for the first time last week as they amassed 352 yards on the ground. Jones had a record-breaking day, and the offensive line dominated the line of scrimmage against the Panthers.

Notre Dame's rushing attack kept pressure off Quinn against the Panthers. Even though they didn't throw the ball much last week, the Irish will need the running game again against USC to set up the pass. Quinn had trouble last week finding his receivers.

USC

Carroll has resurrected the USC program. Last year, he took the Trojans to the Orange Bowl and had a Heisman Trophy winner. Offensive coordinator Norm Chow is considered one of the best offensive minds in the game.

Leinart has done a remarkable job in stepping into the spotlight and filling in for Heisman Trophy winner Carson Palmer. The sophomore has a 146.9 passing efficiency rating this season with 13 touchdowns and seven interceptions.

The Trojan defensive front is one of the most formidable units in college football. It ranks fifth in the nation in rushing defense, allowing only 73.7 yards a game. The Trojans have allowed only three rushing touchdowns in 2003.

The Trojan pass defense has been susceptible to attack this year, yielding 270 yards a game through the air. The Trojans rank 104th in the country in pass defense, but they play in the pass-happy Pac-10. USC has allowed 10 touchdowns through the air.

ANALYSIS

Carroll is one of the hottest coaches in college football today. He has the Trojans in contention for a national title. Willingham's team has struggled to a 2-3 record this year, but got a big win last week against the Panthers.

For the second straight week, the Irish will face a quarterback in Leinart hyped as one of the best in the nation. He has the edge over the rookie Quinn. Leinart has completed 59 percent of his passes this season and ranks 18th in the nation in passing efficiency.

The Irish rushing attack finally came together last week against the Panthers, but the Trojans should offer a much bigger challenge up front. The Irish offensive line will not be able to push around guys like Cody and Udeze as they did against the Panthers.

Notre Dame's success on the ground last week may give it some help in the passing game as the Trojans may elect to bring extra defenders up to stop the run. Quinn will have to be more effective than he was against Pittsburgh.

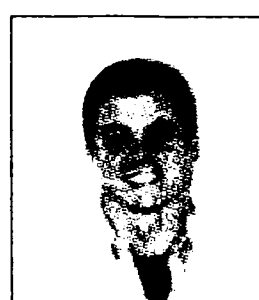
Irish
experts



Andrew Soukup
Editor in Chief

Upset? No way. USC is too good on offense and too dominant on defense for the Irish to knock them off. While the Irish will probably unveil a few wrinkles in their offense to keep the Trojans off-balance, they won't be able to duplicate their offensive firepower of its last two games. Notre Dame will come out fired up, but emotion can only carry a team so far.

FINAL SCORE: USC 27
Notre Dame 17



Joe Hettler
Sports Editor

Notre Dame isn't as skilled as USC and should be big underdogs. But the Irish have been waiting for this game for a year and the players will be more hyped than usual. The defense will build off of last week's domination, while the offense must find a way to rush the ball. If the Irish can run the ball, they'll have a chance to score some points and pull off the huge upset.

FINAL SCORE: Notre Dame 24
USC 23

HEAD

USC Trojans

Record: 5-1

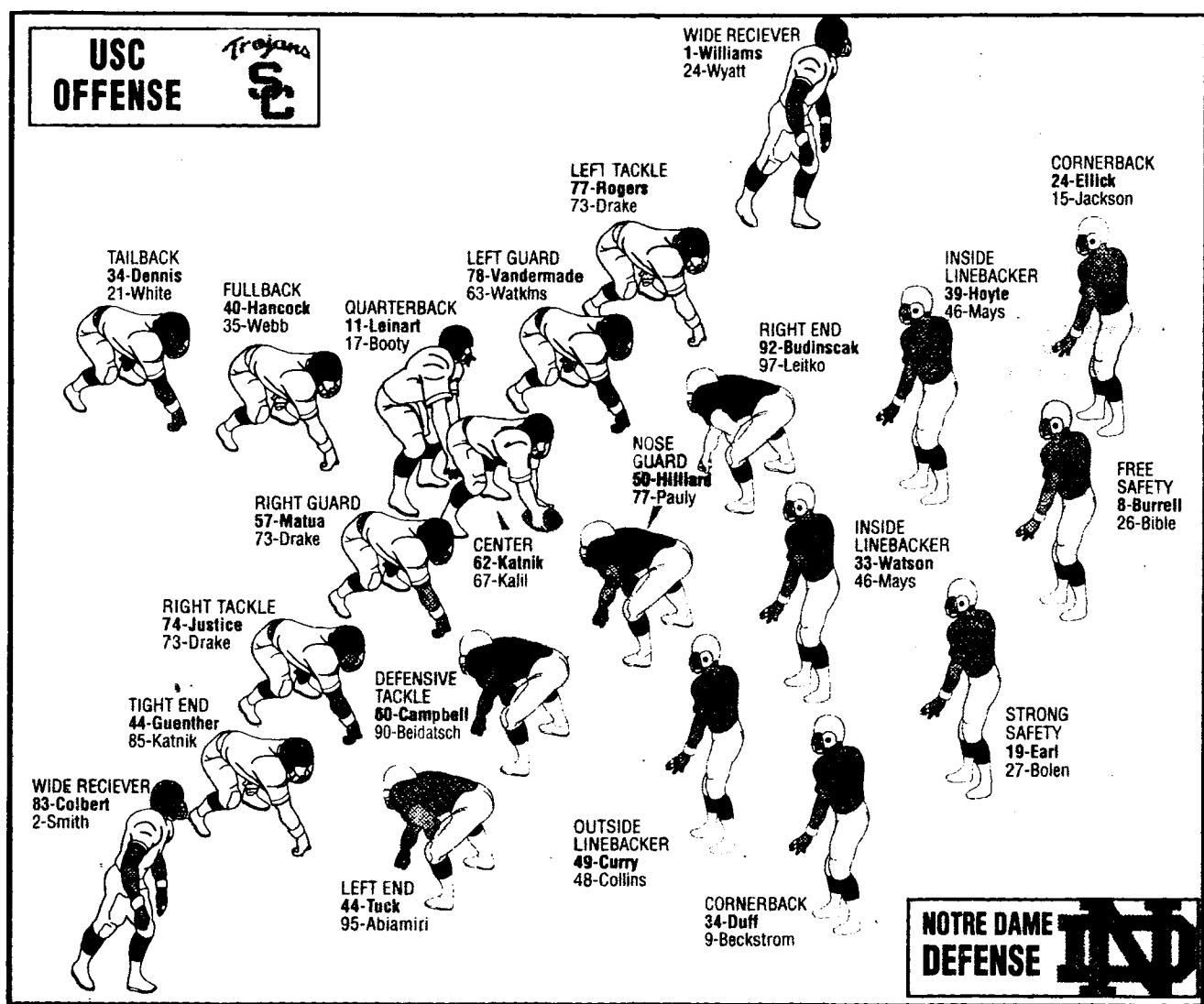
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Pete Carroll
third season at
USC
career record:
23-9
at USC:
23-9
against Notre
Dame: 1-1



Pete Carroll
head coach



USC 2003 Schedule

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| Aug. 30 | at Auburn - W |
| Sept. 6 | BYU - W |
| Sept. 13 | HAWAII - W |
| Sept. 27 | at California - L |
| Oct. 4 | at Arizona State - W |
| Oct. 11 | STANFORD - W |
| Oct. 18 | at Notre Dame |
| Oct. 25 | at Washington |
| Nov. 1 | WASHINGTON ST. |
| Nov. 15 | at Arizona |
| Nov. 22 | UCLA |
| Dec. 6 | OREGON STATE |

Roster

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. | YR |
|-------|---------------------|-------|------|-----|----|
| 1 | Mike Williams | WR | 6-5 | 230 | SO |
| 2 | Steve Smith | WR | 6-1 | 190 | FR |
| 4 | Whitney Lewis | WR | 6-1 | 225 | FR |
| 5 | Reggie Bush | RB | 6-0 | 190 | FR |
| 6 | Matt Grootegoed | LB | 5-11 | 215 | JR |
| 7 | Sandy Fletcher | QB | 6-1 | 195 | SR |
| 8 | Brandon Hance | QB | 6-1 | 195 | JR |
| 8 | Marcell Allmond | CB | 6-0 | 200 | SR |
| 9 | Chris Barrett | DE | 6-5 | 250 | FR |
| 9 | Andre Woodert | RB/S | 6-0 | 210 | SO |
| 10 | Matt Cassel | QB | 6-5 | 220 | JR |
| 11 | Matt Leinart | QB | 6-5 | 220 | SO |
| 13 | Billy Hart | QB | 6-2 | 200 | SO |
| 14 | Tom Malone | P | 6-0 | 190 | SO |
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| 17 | Chris Bogue | S | 5-10 | 190 | JR |
| 17 | John David Booty | QB | 6-3 | 200 | SO |
| 18 | John Walker | CB | 6-2 | 200 | SO |
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| 40 | Brandon Hancock | FB | 6-1 | 235 | SO |
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| 75 | Kyle Williams | OG/OT | 6-6 | 290 | FR |
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| 83 | Keary Colbert | WR | 6-2 | 210 | SR |
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| 88 | Owen Hanson | TE | 6-2 | 225 | JR |
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| 92 | Manuel Wright | DT | 6-5 | 285 | FR |
| 94 | Kenechi Udezue | DE | 6-4 | 285 | JR |
| 95 | Travis Toff | DT | 6-4 | 255 | FR |
| 96 | Lawrence Jackson | DE | 6-5 | 250 | FR |
| 97 | Alex Morrow | DE | 6-5 | 265 | FR |
| 98 | Ryan Watson | DT | 6-3 | 285 | FR |
| 99 | Mike Patterson | DT | 6-0 | 285 | JR |

TROJAN RUSHING

The Trojans have three talented backs that can run the ball in sophomore Dennis and freshmen White and Bush. Each of the three average over four yards a carry. White leads the squad with seven touchdowns on the ground.

Because of the play of the Irish defensive line and linebackers, the Panther rushing game was almost non-existent last week. Notre Dame ranks 25th in the nation in rushing defensive this season, yielding only 105.6 yards a game and 2.75 yards per carry.

The Irish have shown that they can stop the run. With the exception of Chris Perry and Michigan, Notre Dame has had little trouble in stopping opposing backs. The Trojans are talented, but the Irish should be able to keep them at bay.

TROJAN PASSING

Leinart and the talented Trojan receiving corps of Williams and Colbert have had success throwing the ball this year. The Trojans have passed for 260 yards a game with 13 touchdowns and seven interceptions. Williams has 39 catches for 631 yards on the season.

Duff and the Irish defense shut down Larry Fitzgerald last week, and they will have their work cut out for them this week with Williams. But the Trojans' trump card this week is Colbert, their No. 2 receiver. It will be a tough task for the Irish to stop both.

Last year, the Trojans threw all over a talented Irish secondary for 425 yards. If Notre Dame is not careful, USC could have that same type of day. Leinart is not Carson Palmer yet, but he is a very good quarterback. Williams is one of the nation's best.

SPECIAL TEAMS

The absence of Setta will hurt the Irish kicking game this week. Setta is 9-for-10 on the season on field goals. Fitzpatrick was only 2-for-4 last week. For the second time this season, the Irish yielded a long punt return that lead to a touchdown.

Malone is the top punter in the nation, averaging 49 yards per kick. He has had a punt blocked. Killeen is 11-for-13 on field goals and one of the nation's leaders. Both Allmond and Bush average over 20 yards per kick return.

Without Setta, there are some questions with the Irish kicking and punting games. Fitzpatrick may not have the experience or leg strength to deal with a potential game-winning kick. The Trojans have an outstanding kicking game with Killeen and Malone.

INTANGIBLES

Notre Dame has a lot of things on its side heading into the matchup with USC. The Irish want revenge for a 44-13 drubbing at the hands of the Trojans last year. They have a chance to upset a top-five team at Notre Dame Stadium.

The Trojans have very little to gain in their matchup with the Irish, but just about everything to lose. With a 5-1 record, the Trojans will be a heavy favorite. They are in the running for a national title this year, but the Irish could end that with a win.

While the Irish may not have the better record this year, they have almost all the intangibles on their side. They get a home game with a highly-ranked rival and a chance to make a statement to the world. They will also be hungry for revenge after last year's loss.



Matt Lozar
Associate Sports Editor

The Irish offense can't be one-dimensional against the Trojans. Tyrone Willingham put it best when he said he needs the passing yards against Purdue and the rushing dominance from Pittsburgh. It'll be close like always at Notre Dame Stadium, but the Trojans have too much talent and will pull out a heated contest.

**FINAL SCORE: USC 23
Notre Dame 20**



Chris Federico
Sports Writer

The Irish finally played to their potential last week against Pittsburgh and had their best game of the year. But the Irish will need to play even better and get some lucky breaks to beat USC this week. The Trojan defensive line will provide a bigger challenge for the Irish than the Panthers did last week.

**FINAL SCORE: USC 24
Notre Dame 17**

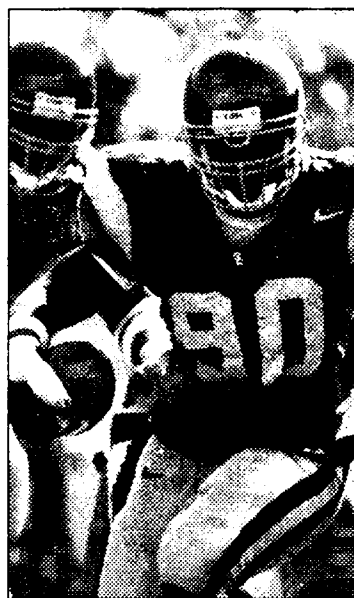
Sizing up the Irish and the Trojans

| AVERAGE PER GAME | NOTRE DAME'S OFFENSE VS USC'S DEFENSE | | USC'S OFFENSE VS NOTRE DAME'S DEFENSE | |
|---------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| | | | | |
| total yards gained | 297.8 | | 406.2 | |
| total yards allowed | 343.7 | | 293.2 | |
| rushing yards gained | 143.4 | | 145.8 | |
| rushing yards allowed | 73.7 | | 105.6 | |
| passing yards gained | 154.4 | | 260.3 | |
| passing yards allowed | 270 | | 187.6 | |
| kick return yards gained | 56.8 | | 51.3 | |
| kick return yards allowed | 93.7 | | 47 | |
| punt return yards gained | 37.8 | | 19.8 | |
| punt return yards allowed | 12.5 | | 43.8 | |
| yards per punt | 40.4 | | 47.2 | |
| punts blocked | 0 | | 0 | |
| turnovers lost | 14 | | 13 | |
| turnovers recovered | 21 | | 11 | |
| yards penalized | 57 | | 55.5 | |
| yards penalized | 63.2 | | 57.3 | |
| points scored | 15 | | 38.5 | |
| points allowed | 20.3 | | 24.6 | |

KEY MATCHUP

USC
DEFENSIVE LINE

NOTRE DAME
OFFENSIVE LINE



USC has one of the best defensive line units in the nation, allowing just over 73 yards per game. Notre Dame's offensive line and running backs helped ignite last week's victory over Pittsburgh.

If the Irish can have success running the football, Notre Dame will have a good chance of success against the Trojans defense. But if USC can shut down the Irish rush, it could be tough for Notre Dame to score points.

by the numbers

number of yards USC gained last season against Notre Dame — the most in one game by any opponent ever **610**

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Ellick works his way into starting lineup

Consistency combined with speed is the key

By MATT LOZAR
Associate Sports Editor

Dwight Ellick has something you can't teach — and he's not afraid to tell anyone about it.

"I don't think anybody in the country's faster than me," the Irish cornerback said. "I feel I'm the fastest man in the country."

As a senior at Wharton High School in Tampa, Fla., Ellick won the Class 4A state title in the 100 and 200-meter dash. Ellick's speed has helped him as member of the Notre Dame special teams units in all three of his years with the Irish.

This year, Ellick started in a reserve role for the Irish, but worked his way into starting lineup last weekend at Pittsburgh. While the coaching staff always knew about his speed, Ellick needed to show more than that in practice to become a starter.

"I think the biggest thing was consistency. He was able to play the coverage and not have mental blows and just be consistent in what we were asking him to do," Notre Dame secondary coach Trent Walters said. "You can always use speed, but you have to use speed that is under control. He has been able to control his speed and play with consistency."

Ellick came to Notre Dame in 2001 with hopes of jumping right into the starting lineup, but that changed pretty quickly. Former All-American Shane Walton and current teammates Jason Beckstrom and Vontez Duff taught him a lot about what it takes to be a collegiate cornerback on the field. Coming from a high school that had two simple zone coverage packages and a man-to-man

defense, the playbook at Notre Dame was a lot thicker than Ellick usually saw.

But Walton kept telling Ellick to stay dedicated to the game and continue to learn the playbook, because Ellick's speed would take care of the rest.

"My freshman year I was just trying to learn the playbook as much as the other guys. [Walton, Duff and Beckstrom] helped me a lot and taught me some tricks of the trade to help me as I go," Ellick said. "When

Shane left, he told me, to go out there and work hard. If you do everything you got to do, with my speed and everything I got going for me, eventually I'm going to start. I kept that in mind."

The hard work in practice finally paid off for Ellick with his first start last week, which saw the Irish secondary contain All-American candidate Larry Fitzgerald and shut down the Pittsburgh passing

attack in the second half.

The best passing offense the Irish have seen this year invades South Bend Saturday. Ellick and the other cornerbacks know it and are ready for the challenge. Trojan receiver Mike Williams and company bring to the table.

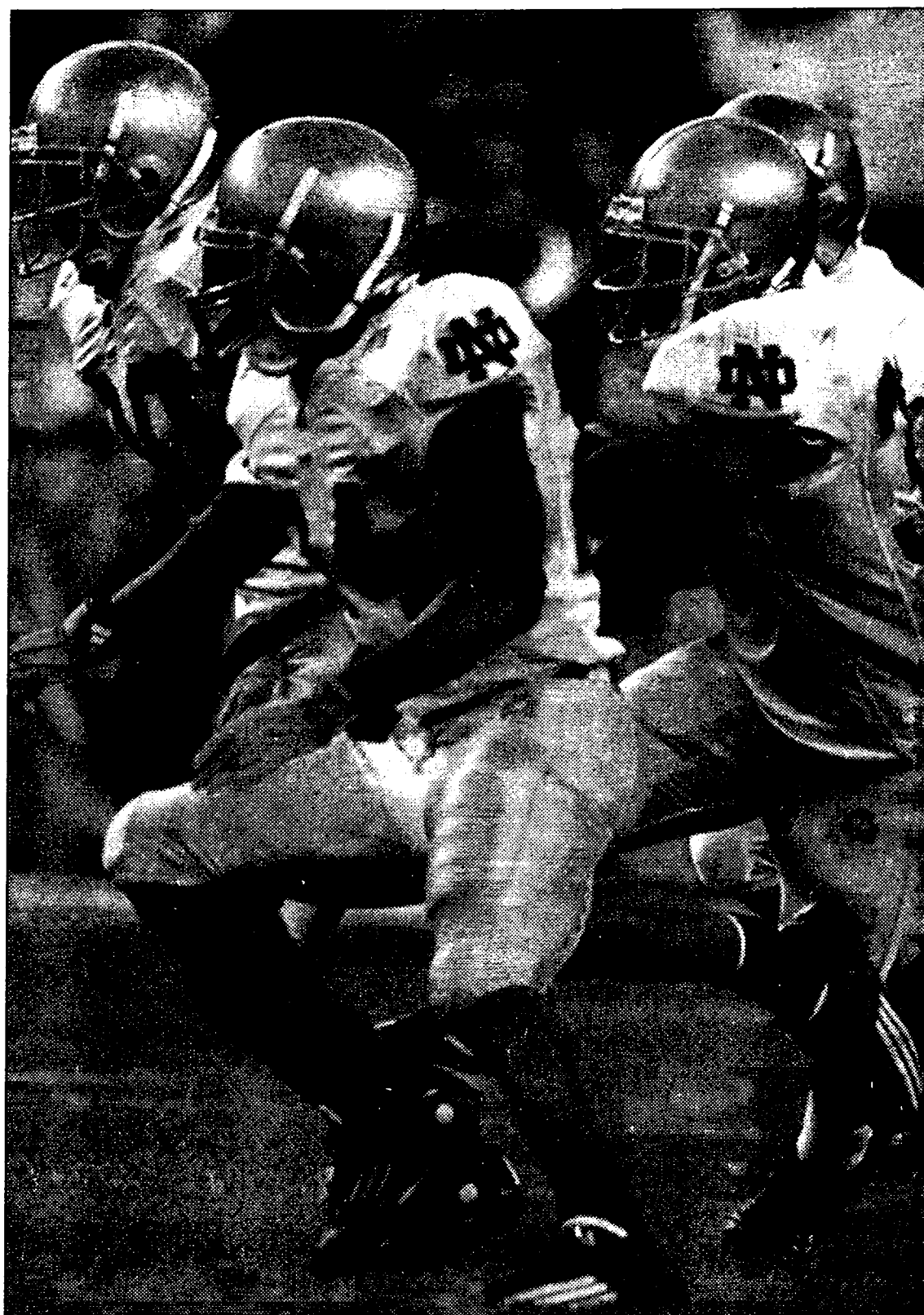
"They are pretty good. Mike Williams isn't the fastest guy in the world. But he is big, strong and physical. Keary Colbert is a little blazer," Ellick said. "We can go out there and match up with them. If they want to get physical, we'll be physical. If they want to jump and fight it out, we'll fight it out. Whatever they want to do, we'll match it."

"Whatever they bring to the table, we'll bring that and then some."

"I don't think anybody in the country's faster than me. I feel I'm the fastest man in the country."

Dwight Ellick
Irish cornerback

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Cornerback Dwight Ellick (front left) gets ready to block on a Notre Dame kick return last week at Pittsburgh.

Another week, another top receiver for Duff

Irish ready for next big test in Williams

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Writer

There is no rest for the weary.

Nobody knows that better than Notre Dame cornerback Vontez Duff.

Last week, Duff matched up nearly all game with one of the nation's best receivers in Pittsburgh's Larry Fitzgerald. The undersized Duff, who gave up two inches and 31 pounds to Fitzgerald, more than held his own, preventing the Panther receiver from getting even a single reception in the second half of Notre Dame's 20-14 win.

This week, the task doesn't get any easier against Southern California's Mike Williams, who brings speed and size in his 6-foot-5, 230-pound frame.

"I think Vontez has done a great job all year," Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham said. "We've matched him up against some of the better players in the country to date, and he's stood the test very well."

Like Fitzgerald, Williams is one of the best in the business. Last year, he burned the Irish — and Duff — for 10 catches and 169 yards with two touchdowns. But for Duff, guarding such a talented receiver is nothing new, having defended players like Fitzgerald, Washington State's Devard Darling or Michigan's Braylon Edwards.

"Whether it's Michigan or Michigan State or Washington State, whoever it is, I just have to play my game and have confidence in myself and our team that we'll get the job done," Duff said.

"It's just another No. 1 to me," he added, commenting on the fact that almost every great receiver he's seen this year — including Fitzgerald, Williams and Michigan's

Braylon Edwards — has worn the number one.

But according to Irish defensive coordinator Kent Baer, the number on their jerseys is where the similarity ends for Fitzgerald and Williams. While both are big, physical receivers, the two have different styles of play and operate in vastly different offenses.

"It's a whole different offense," Baer said. "They're still different guys. About the only similarity is they wear number one."

One thing Williams has that Fitzgerald did not is many other weapons on offense.

For instance, Williams has the benefit of a speedy and dangerous receiver on the other side of the field in senior Keary Colbert to take some of the defensive pressure off the sophomore.

The Trojans also have three running backs in Hershel

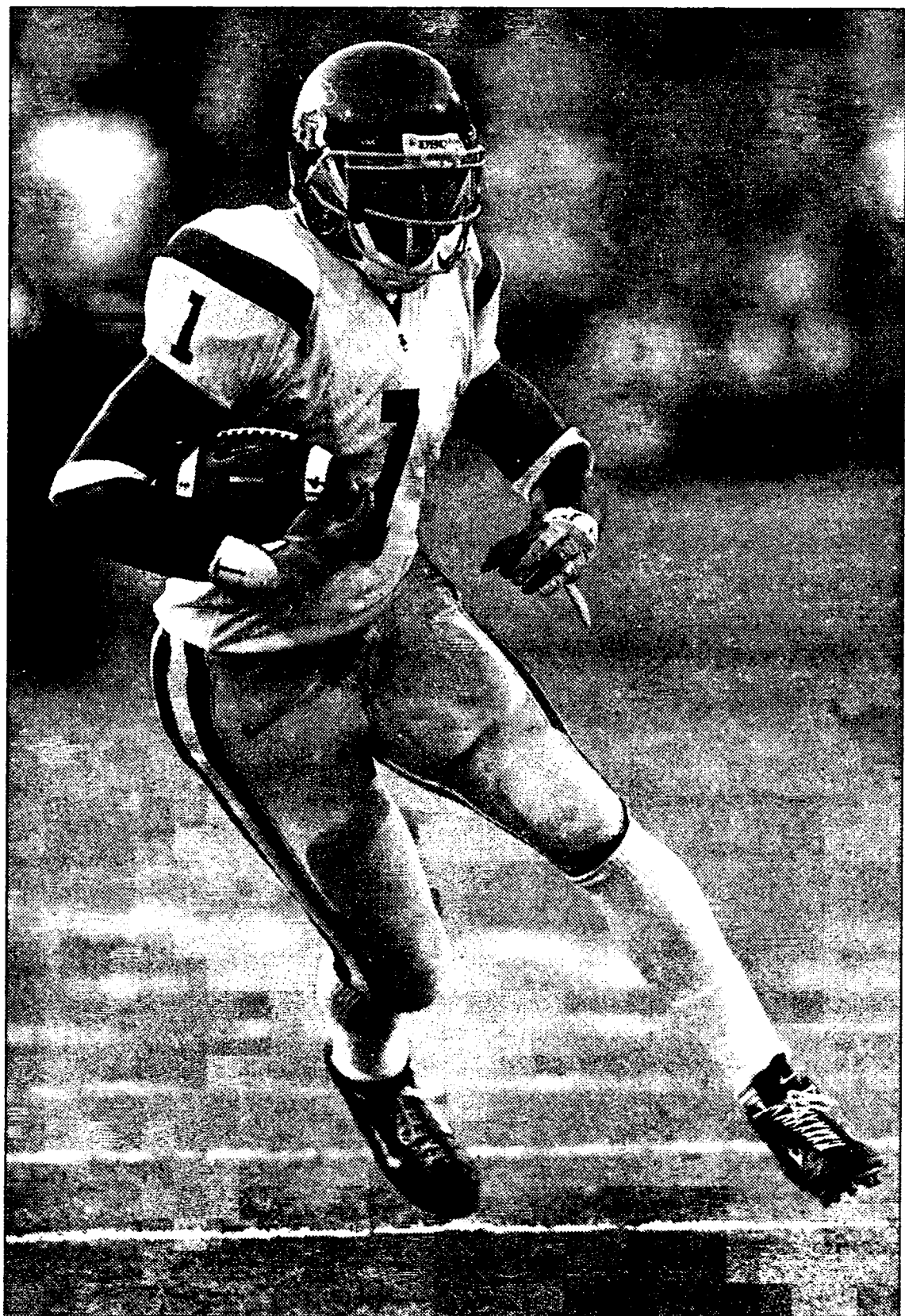
Dennis, LenDale White and Reggie Bush that each average over four yards a carry and have 11 touchdowns between them.

"They have great receivers," Baer said. "Keary Colbert is as good as there is. He's fast, and he's really their go-to guy as much as No. 1 [Williams]. That's their offense — good speed, and they spread the field. It's what they do."

Like last week, Willingham believes that the onus of stopping the Trojan passing game lies not just on Duff and his coverage of the big receiver, but on the entire defense.

"It's not just a test of one individual, because if any offense has all day to throw the ball, then their receivers are going to get open regardless of how good your coverage is," Willingham said. "So it has to be a total team effort, and I think we've done a good job of playing good team defense so far."

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USC wide receiver Mike Williams has 39 catches for 631 yards and seven touchdowns so far this season.

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