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NY Times columnist Brooks speaks at ND

Best-selling author discusses polarization of American politics through five influential books

By DOLORES DIAZ
News Writer

David Brooks, a New York Times columnist and a best-selling author, traced the polarization of American politics through the last 50 years in a talk given Tuesday in Carey Auditorium.

Brooks is best known for the book "Bobos in Paradise: The New Upper Class and How They Got There" and his work as a political analyst on "The News Hour with Jim Lehrer."

In his talk, Brooks said that the American public had become isolated within its individual groups and that government, the only common ground that these sectors had to interact, had become increasingly divided.

"We're segmenting off into different cultural zones and what I think happens is that every place becomes more like itself," Brooks said. "You have less and less in common with other people 30 miles down the road."

Brooks presented his Five Book Theory that traced the polarization of politics through five influential books of the past 50 years. The books began representing a traditional politic that altered through the Vietnam War and various scandals and resulted in the polarization of American government.

The first book, Theodore H. White's "The Making of the President, 1960," was representative of traditional American politics, said Brooks.

"The message of that book was white men in power; when you read that book you get a sense of how Washington was in the 1960's — white men,

white shirts," he said.

Brooks said tradition then tumbled with the Vietnam War and the release of David Halberstam's "The Best and The Brightest." Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward's "All the President's Men," saw the Nixon years and the infamous Watergate scandal in which President Richard Nixon was implicated in the involvement of the 1972 break in and electronic bugging of the Democratic National committee.

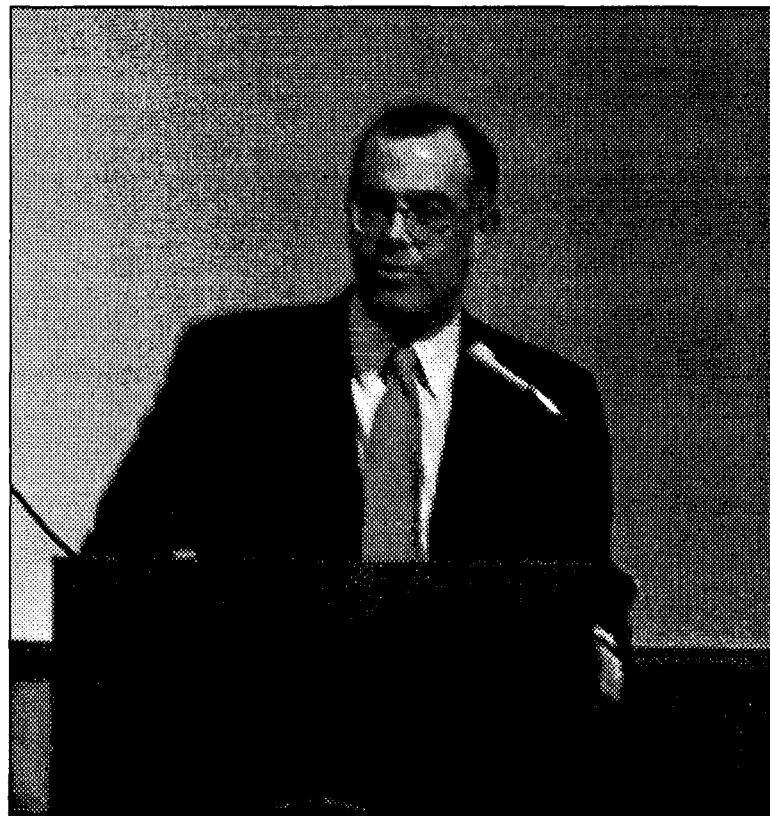
"The politics of scandal began to overtake," Brooks said.

In his opinion, "The Real Anita Hill" by David Brock was "the politics of scandal turned into blood-sport" and gave birth to the age of Clinton in which scandal became deeply

"It could be that American people are just sick of scandals. From now on maybe scandal mongering won't have such a big effect. Maybe that's the way out of it."

David Brooks
columnist
New York Times

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BUG DAVISSON/The Observer

New York Times columnist and author of the best-selling book "Bobos In Paradise" David Brooks lectures at Notre Dame Tuesday.

Sayers' fund received warmly

Faculty, staff react positively to minority scholarship initiative

By MATTHEW SMEDBERG
News Writer

Faculty and staff have responded positively to the Friday announcement made by Valerie Sayers detailing a scholarship fund for minority students, to be supported by faculty through contributions from payroll deductions.

Sayers, who made the announcement in her acceptance speech for the Shedy Award for Excellence in Teaching, is a professor in the English department.

"[Sayers'] initiative is an interesting approach," said John Affleck-Graves, University vice president and associate provost. "It is important that we all work hard to achieve [a diverse campus] both in our student body and in the faculty."

Iris Outlaw, director of Multicultural Student Programs and Services, agreed. She said she also hopes to see faculty initiatives aimed at supporting



Sayers

diversity among their own ranks.

"I admire the faculty in creating this scholarship. I also believe that they should consider establishing support programs for their colleagues of color," she said. "Per my perspective, if students see diversity in the faculty ranks, they [will] think that the University is attempting to meet the challenge of diversifying all areas of the Notre Dame community."

Sayers said she was donating the monetary part of the Shedy Award to the new fund to help it get started. It is unclear how many faculty are likely to contribute, but Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters, is one of several to pledge support.

"Those of us who contribute to such an initiative with our own personal funds will benefit not only from the quality and kind of student we attract, but also from the stronger emotional connections we will gain to Notre Dame in the process," Roche said. "Contributing to such an initiative allows us to commit to the University's highest ideals in a way that transcends and complements our intellectual contributions."

Affleck-Graves also said that "[We] have a very generous faculty who contribute to a multitude of important causes from United Way to the missions in Uganda and Bangladesh, so my presumption is that there will be support for this proposal."

Carol Mooney, also a vice president and associate provost, applauded the measure while noting that it cannot stand alone. Efforts to build diversity, she said, "are built piece by piece, like a mosaic; when enough pieces are in place, a clear and coherent picture emerges."

"This particular piece is especially powerful because it is built on the commitment of individual members of the community."

Other pieces of this mosaic should include "programs for underrepresented students which encourage them to pursue terminal degrees," said Outlaw, as well as measures to help ensure "that we see more than the Western and European ideology. There have been significant contributions from members of other ethnic backgrounds."

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Saint Mary's to host Showcase of Careers

By ANNIE BASINSKI
News Writer

Representatives from 59 local and national organizations will recruit students for employment and internship positions at the Saint Mary's annual Showcase of Careers event Thursday.

Jeff Roberts, associate director of career opportunities, said Showcase of Careers is the "premiere event" that the Counseling and Career Development Center sponsors.

"It's a wonderful networking opportunity — a great way of developing contacts and connections and a way for students to explore a wide range of job possibilities in a time efficient manner," Roberts said.

Organizations slated to appear include businesses, graduate schools, volunteer organizations and government service programs. AFLAC, Army ROTC, Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Camp Tecumseh YMCA, Kaplan Educational Services and the

Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) will be among the organizations that will be represented. The number of organizations represented in this year's Showcase is a significant increase from the 38 present during last year's career fair.

"It's exciting, because representatives from these organizations will bring hundreds of new opportunities for our students to explore," Roberts said.

A resume drop will also be available for those organizations that are unable to send representatives to attend the fair.

Before attending the fair, Roberts suggests that students review the C&CDC Web site, which provides a link called "Making the Most of a Career Fair" that contains information about the organizations scheduled to appear and offers tips for ways to approach an employer or graduate school representative. The site also provides students with suggestions for appropriate questions to ask representatives.

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INSIDE COLUMN

The great divide

There's an obvious divide between Notre Dame coaches. There are the greats. There are the goods. And there are the merely lamentable. Rockne. Leahy. Parseghian. The greats. Nine consensus championships between them, scores of All-Americans and a place in the history books for all.

Kate Gales

Wire Editor

Devine. Holtz. The goods. A championship ring apiece. Two men of sheer determination, perhaps without the genius of Rockne, but who ultimately got the job done. Devine sometimes struggled through his seasons, but with a quarterback like Joe Montana, who could be denied a championship?

Holtz started his first season 6-5. However, he led the Irish to a national championship in 1988 — our most recent win. His all-time winning record over 11 seasons was 100-30-2.

Then there are the coaches that are forgotten in the eyes of our Irish history. Gerry Faust, Bob Davie, Terry Brennan, Joe Kuharich. No titles. No memorials. My dad, who entered school the year after the 1977 championship team, is still bitter about watching Faust painfully weaken the football program.

It's a funny thing about those titles, though. They set the good coaches apart from those who have been forgotten by the casual follower. In all of Notre Dame football history — and a more storied history has perhaps never existed — a coach has won a title in his third year.

If he doesn't have a national championship in the third year of coaching, he's out.

And the Willingham era is soon approaching that great divide.

Ty is already in the record books as the first-year coach with the most wins and the first African-American head coach at Notre Dame.

However, his 10-2 first season could almost cause him more problems than glory. The rebuilding stage crucial to any program, especially one in transition from the complicated West Coast style of offense, will take time — time that fans are loath to give. Davie, Ty's highly criticized predecessor on the gridiron, in fact left a standout defense that was sorely missed this year.

It remains to be seen whether Ty will be remembered as a good, as a great, or hardly at all. His second year seems to be ending on an upward swing. With a few more wins and possible bowl bid, perhaps the Irish will gain confidence in themselves. The third-year divide may not bring a title to the land of Rockne, but hopefully it will see a program on its way to living up to the shadows of the past that permeate the campus of Notre Dame.

Contact Kate Gales at kgales@nd.edu. The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

CLARIFICATION

In the Nov. 18 edition of The Observer, a letter to the editor written by Justin Brandon said some students were escorted out of the Stadium in handcuffs after throwing marshmallows during the BYU game. Saturday. Cappy Gagnon, the coordinator of Stadium personnel, said no students were handcuffed by NDSP officers. Gagnon also said ushers do not carry handcuffs.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT WILL HAPPEN BEFORE NOTRE DAME GETS CO-ED DORMS?

					
Megan Lloyd	Alanna Lungren	Christa Moen	Martia Murphy	Katie Szewczuk	Carrie Peters
Junior Off-Campus	Senior Off-Campus	Senior Off-Campus	Senior Welsh Family	Senior Off-Campus	Senior Off-Campus
"The devil on ice skates ... that's why I live off campus."	"When feminism isn't considered a dirty word."	"Co-ed is not in the vocabulary of the administration."	"They'd have to start listening to students — which will never happen."	"It won't."	"When pigs can fly."



Students in the senior section sing "Notre Dame Our Mother" at the final home football game Saturday against BYU. The Irish defeated BYU 33-14.

OFFBEAT

Russian School Tries Out Pay Toilets
MOSCOW — Pay toilets are not unusual, but in school?

For a short time, students at a high school in the southern Russian city of Taganrog had to do more than raise their hands and ask for permission to use the bathroom — they had to fork over cash, NTV television reported Tuesday.

School officials instituted a plan to charge pupils for toilet trips in order to pay for repairs that were needed after students vandalized bathroom fixtures, NTV said. City education

authorities quickly halted the practice, NTV reported, without saying how much they had to pay.

Man's Finger Stuck In Pay Phone for Hours
EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill. — A man and a pay phone were rushed to a hospital after he got his finger stuck in the coin return slot while trying to retrieve his 50 cents.

Emergency room doctors gave Emanuel Fleming a painkiller Monday and pried his middle finger loose using a wooden device and lubricant, ending the three-hour ordeal.

"The bone in my finger felt like it was going to break. My finger was numb. It was very painful," said Fleming, an elementary school janitor.

Fleming had tried to call his wife, but the line was busy. Two passers-by tried to help. When they failed to free him, Fleming used his other hand to dial 911.

Emergency crews and a representative of the company that owns the phone were sent to the scene. But they were also unable to free Fleming.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Daniel Frank, director of Judaic Studies Program at University of Kentucky, will present "Friendship and the Possibility of Charity" today from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. in DeBartolo room 119.

Gather a group of friends and play drop-in volleyball tonight from 7 to 11 p.m. at Rolfs court 4.

The Tennessee Williams play "The Glass Menagerie" opens Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets can be purchased at the LaFortune Information desk.

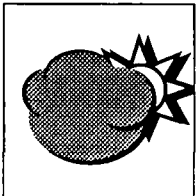
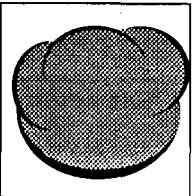
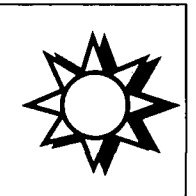
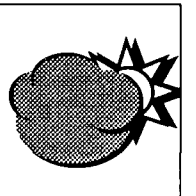
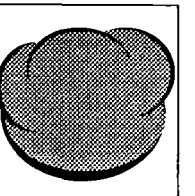
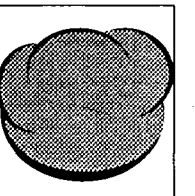
Come for food, fellowship and fun at Theology on Tap at Legends tonight from 10 p.m. to midnight.

The last part of a 4-part series entitled "The Gospel According to Bono" will be held tonight from 10 to 11 p.m. in Coleman Morse Lounge. Practice solidarity with Africa and pray for justice and an end to poverty and AIDS.

SUB presents the movie "Pirates of the Caribbean" Thursday beginning at 10 p.m. in DeBartolo room 101.

Fr. Dave Schlaver will speak in the O'Neill Hall Chapel about Mother Teresa of Calcutta and the Call to Service Thursday at 9 p.m. Using the life of Mother Teresa as a model of Christian charity, Fr. Schlaver will speak about how Christians may come to appreciate and act upon a call to service in their lives. Mass and free food will follow Fr. Schlaver's presentation.

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

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Hungaria honors Fr. Gabriel

Professor emeritus awarded honorary degree in native country

Special to the Observer

Abbot Astrik L. Gabriel, director and professor emeritus in the University's Medieval Institute and director of the Frank M. Folsom Ambrosiana Microfilm and Photographic Collection, received an honorary degree Monday from Pazmany Peter Catholic University of Budapest.

Father Dr. György Fodor, rector of the Hungarian university, traveled to Notre Dame with several colleagues to confer the degree during a private reception and dinner on campus.

A Hungarian native, Dr. Gabriel, 95, has been a member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1948. He is a corresponding member of the French, Bavarian and Hungarian Academies of Sciences; has been decorated by the governments of France (officer in the Palmes Académiques and knight and officer in the Légion d'Honneur) and Italy (Commander of the Order of Merit); and in 1976 received the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice from the Holy See. The French academy awarded its Thorlet and Dourlans Prizes for his books, "History of Ave Maria

College" and "Chartularium Auctarii of the University of Paris."

As director of the Medieval Institute from 1953-74, Dr. Gabriel oversaw the microfilm reproduction of the manuscripts and drawings of the Biblioteca Ambrosiana in Milan. The University named its Collection on the History of Universities in his honor. Dr. Gabriel also has served as a visiting professor at Harvard University and twice as a member of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton University.

Young adults split on gay marriages

Older Americans opposed by 4-1 margin

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Younger adults are evenly split over gay marriages, but older Americans are opposed by a 4-1 margin, according to a poll examining attitudes about homosexuality.

The poll, released Tuesday by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press, found that opposition to gay marriage increased the older people became.

While younger people in general were more apt to approve of gay marriage — those between ages 20 and 30 were about evenly split on favoring or opposing — the poll found that among those in their 60s and 70s, opponents outnumbered supporters by more than four to one.

Opposition to gay marriage has grown since midsummer, with 32 percent favoring it and 59 percent opposing it. In July, 53 percent said they opposed gay marriage, and 38 percent approved.

Political attitudes sharply affected beliefs about gay marriage. Four in five of those who say they would vote to re-elect President Bush oppose gay marriage, while those who prefer that a Democrat win the presidency

are evenly split on the question.

Massachusetts' highest court ruled Tuesday that the state constitution gives same-sex couples the right to marry but stopped short of allowing marriage licenses to be issued to couples who challenged a ban on gay marriage. The Supreme Judicial Court's 4-3 ruling ordered the state Legislature to come up with a solution within 180 days.

The Pew poll showed the public to be evenly divided on whether gays and lesbians can alter their sexual orientation, with white Evangelicals are the most likely to think homosexuals can become heterosexual, the poll said.

"Evangelicals are far more likely to say homosexuals can change, Catholics and main-line Protestants fall in the middle and more secular people are most likely to say they cannot change," said Scott Keeter, a pollster with the center.

The survey reinforced the finding that religious attitudes sharply affect feelings on gays and homosexual behavior. Those with a high level of religious commitment oppose gay marriage by 80 percent to 12 percent.

Thunderstorms hit Deep South

Associated Press

ACKSON, Miss. — A line of thunderstorms moving across

the Deep South on Tuesday unleashed an apparent tornado in Mississippi and roared into Alabama with enough wind to topple trees and knock out power to 50,000 customers.

At least 54 people were injured from Texas to Alabama.

Most of the Alabama power outages were between Birmingham and Tuscaloosa, where winds up to 50 mph knocked out car windows and blew down a billboard at a Tuscaloosa convenience store around lunchtime.

Police in Tuscaloosa said one

person was hurt as flying debris and stiff winds knocked out windows in several cars and a school bus. Shingles were peeled off the roof of a drug store.

Earlier, in Louisiana, about 40,000 customers were without power for a time west of New Orleans. Waterspouts forced temporary closure of the 24-mile causeway spanning Lake Pontchartrain, and rain swept across metropolitan New Orleans.

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Michael Jackson's CA ranch searched

Associated Press

LOS OLIVOS, Calif. — Officers conducting a criminal investigation searched Michael Jackson's Neverland Ranch on Tuesday. The purpose of the raid was not disclosed.

Court TV cited unidentified sources as saying the search warrant was tied to sexual-abuse allegations brought by a 12- or 13-year-old boy. Sheriff's officials and the district attorney's office refused comment.

Jackson spokesman Stuart Backerman also refused to comment on any allegations and said neither he nor Jackson knew the details of the investigation.

Sixty to 70 investigators from the Santa Barbara County sheriff's and district attorney's offices served a warrant as part of an "ongoing criminal investigation," Sgt. Chris Pappas said. No immediate arrests were made.

Backerman said Jackson and his three young children were not at the ranch at the time and have been in Las Vegas, where Jackson is making a video.

Jackson denounced media coverage of the search in a statement released by Backerman to The Associated Press.

"I've seen lawyers who don't

represent me and spokespeople who do not know me speaking for me. These characters always seem to surface with dreadful allegations just as another project, an album, a video is being released," the Jackson statement said.

The 45-year-old singer who had international hits with the albums "Thriller" (1982), "Bad" (1987) and "Dangerous" (1991) saw his career begin to collapse in 1993 amid allegations he molested a boy. Jackson has maintained his innocence, and charges were never filed. He reportedly paid a multimillion-dollar settlement.

Jackson is also connected to Hollywood private eye Anthony Pellicano, who began serving federal prison time Monday for possessing illegal explosives. Pellicano is under investigation on suspicion he secretly taped conversations of celebrities and their lawyers.

Pellicano, 59, worked for Jackson as a spokesman and security consultant during the abuse investigation.

The search came on the same day Epic Records released "Number Ones," a greatest hits collection featuring Jackson's new single, "One More Chance." On Nov. 26, CBS is scheduled to air a Jackson special consisting mainly of old concert footage.

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entrenched in the political system.

"During that period what happened was the machinery of scandal became institutionalized [and] became politics itself," Brooks said. "One of the things I discovered was that scandal could destroy legislation."

The final book of the theory described the complete polarization of American politics.

"You've got a monopoly on virtue. ...The other side is wrong, but not only are they wrong, they're illegitimate. It's

a team sport — your team versus our team," Brooks said.

However, he also pointed to the education system as a possible factor in this polarization, citing that the educated are more likely to vote straight ticket, and may be partly responsible for the disappearance of the middle voter that now makes up a mere eight percent of the vote as opposed to the previous 17 percent.

"It could be that as you get more educated, you get more partisan, which would be ironic."

Brooks concluded with a hope that the American public may be the one to break the cycle of scandal politics. He

cited the October election of Arnold Schwarzenegger to the California governorship despite scandal as a possibility that the public could rise above the "us-and-them" mentality.

"It could be that American people are just sick of scandals. From now on maybe scandal mongering won't have such a big effect. Maybe that's the way out of it," Brooks said.

Brooks visited Notre Dame as journalist-in-residence, sponsored by the University's John W. Gallivan Program in Journalism, Ethics and Democracy.

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Careers

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The C&CDC Web site also has a link to the Saint Mary's Career Workbook which has a chapter called "Job Search Fundamentals" that further outlines the job search process.

Another way for students to prepare for the Showcase is to attend a workshop that will expand on the topic of job search essentials. Workshops will be in the West Wing of The Noble Family Dining Hall from 12:30 to 1 p.m. and 5:30 to 6 p.m. today.

Roberts advises juniors and seniors who plan to utilize

the career fair to make connections with potential employers to bring copies of their resumes and to dress in formal business attire. Underclassmen who will use the fair as a way to learn more about future career opportunities should be prepared to ask questions about ways they can begin to take steps to become more qualified job applicants. Roberts said these students should dress in business casual attire.

In addition to learning more about career and graduate school possibilities, students can meet and make connections with Saint Mary's alumnae, who will represent at least ten of the organizations. "In tight economic times,

networking is one of the keys for success in the job search," Roberts said.

The C&CDC invites all Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and Holy Cross students who wish to seek information about post-graduate opportunities to attend the career fair.

Saint Mary's senior Michelle Biersmith, who plans to attend the fair said, "It's a good opportunity to see what's out there, to make connections with alumnae and to get a feel for what job opportunities are available."

The career fair will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. in LeMans Hall.

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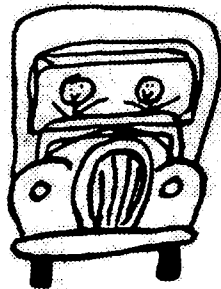
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Colombian grenade attacks U.S.

BOGOTA — American citizens were the intended targets of weekend grenade attacks on two bars in a trendy section of Bogota, the U.S. Embassy said in a statement Tuesday.

Distributed to U.S. citizens in the Colombian capital, the embassy statement said the threat against Americans continues. It warned U.S. citizens to avoid trendy venues and commercial centers.

"Colombian authorities have informed the Embassy that the grenade attack ... in Bogota's Zona Rosa on Nov. 15 was apparently intended to kill or injure American citizens," the statement said.

A man, identified by police as a member of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, threw hand grenades into two bars Saturday night, killing one person and injuring 72 others, including at least one American.

Sharon, Qureia to discuss peace

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Israeli and Palestinian premiers will meet soon, Israel's prime minister said Monday, opening prospects for talks to end more than three years of conflict as a top Egyptian official came to the West Bank to promote a cease-fire.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said he would meet his Palestinian counterpart, Ahmed Qureia, "in the coming days." It would be their first summit since Qureia took office more than a month ago.

Reacting, a Palestinian official said no date had been set, and careful preparations had to be made before a summit meeting.

NATIONAL NEWS

Peterson will stand trial

MODESTO, Calif. — Scott Peterson will stand trial on murder charges that could bring the death penalty in the slaying of his pregnant wife, Laci, and her unborn son, a judge ruled Tuesday.

Superior Court judge Al Girolami said prosecutors presented enough evidence over 11 days of testimony to show probable cause that Peterson killed his wife and dumped her body in San Francisco Bay.

Prosecutors presented a web of circumstantial evidence that pointed toward Peterson from the moment he phoned his in-laws after returning home from what he said was a fishing trip on Christmas Eve last year.

The remains of his wife and son washed ashore in April about three miles from where Scott Peterson said he was fishing.

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LOCAL NEWS

Remy sues for patent violations

INDIANAPOLIS — Delco Remy International has filed a lawsuit accusing three companies that make auto parts for the aftermarket of violating its patents.

The suit filed Monday in U.S. District Court in Indianapolis alleges the companies copied the Anderson-based manufacturer's automotive starter and alternator designs.

Named in the lawsuit were Unipoint Electric Manufacturing Ltd. of Taiwan; NSA Corp. of Sterling, Va.; and Unit Parts Corp. of Oklahoma City.

Bush visits London amid protest

Demonstrations ensue as Bush meets with top British officials on state visit

Associated Press

LONDON — As police braced for massive demonstrations against the war in Iraq, President Bush opened a state visit with America's staunchest ally Tuesday, arguing that the use of force sometimes is the only way to defend important values.

Bush's three-day state visit comes at a time of mounting death tolls among coalition troops, fresh terror threats and widespread unhappiness among the British and other Europeans over Prime Minister Tony Blair's close support for Bush's Iraq policies.

The president and his wife, Laura, were greeted Tuesday evening at Heathrow Airport by Prince Charles. The Bushes then flew on a U.S. Marine helicopter to Buckingham Palace, where they were spending three nights as the guests of Queen Elizabeth II.

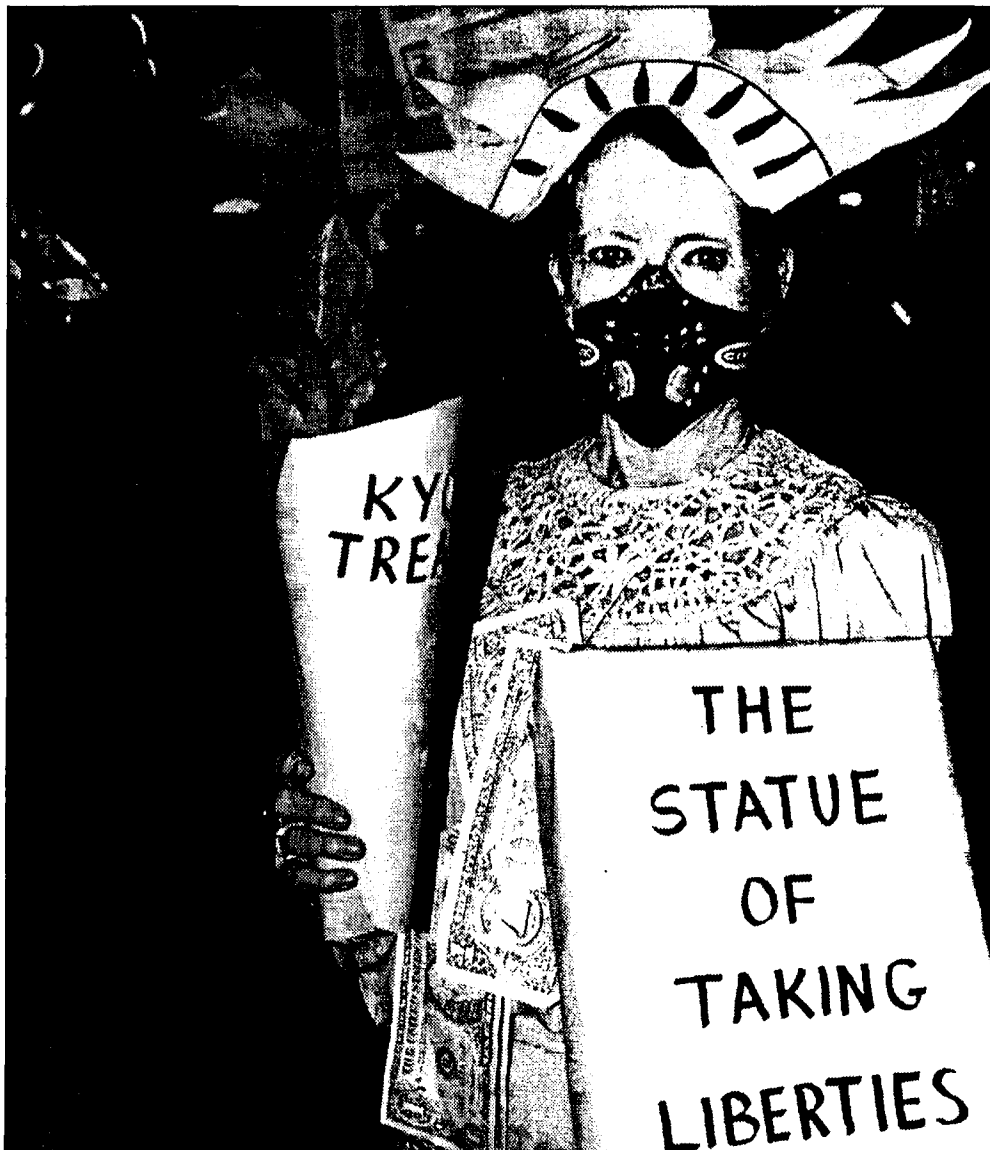
The relative quiet of the airport greeting provided a contrast to expected noisy anti-war and anti-Bush protests in other parts of the city.

Hundreds turned out for the first of a number of planned protests on Tuesday, and London police prepared for larger demonstrations over the next few days, including a march on Thursday past Parliament that organizers said could draw 100,000 demonstrators.

In a speech on Wednesday, Bush will argue that war is sometimes necessary as a last choice, said a senior administration official traveling with him on Air Force One.

"History has shown that there are times when countries must use force to defend the peace and to defend values," Bush was to say.

But Bush did not plan to elaborate further on when it is necessary to go to



Agence France Presse

A protester stands at a rally on Tuesday as President Bush arrived in London on a state visit. Bush's environmental policies came under heavy fire.

war.

He also is expected to renew his call for countries across the globe, particularly in the Middle East, to embrace democracy.

The president will acknowledge that the Iraq war and occupation are unpopular, the official said. "It has been a difficult time, when the alliance has been asked to do difficult things," the president will suggest, said the official, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Bush also will praise the British for overcoming adversity in the past in defending freedom and democratic values.

Both British and U.S. officials sought to put the best face on a visit that seemed likely to be remembered more for anti-war street demonstrations than for the celebration of the Anglo-American alliance that had been intended by both governments.

Recent polls indicate the British public holds Bush in generally low regard and views Blair's stalwart support for him as a liability.

Prince Charles greeted the Bushes as they descended, hand in hand, the steps of Air Force One. Also greeting them was Will Farish, the U.S.

ambassador to Britain and a longtime Bush family friend and GOP fundraiser.

The group then walked along a red carpet between troops and met for a few minutes in an airport reception building.

A larger arrival ceremony was planned for Wednesday at Buckingham Palace. After his speech on the trans-Atlantic alliance, Bush was to meet with British families who lost loved ones in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks and attend a banquet at the palace.

On Thursday, Bush was to tour London and meet with British soldiers who fought in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Al-Qaida linked to Turkey bombing

Associated Press

ISTANBUL — Turkish authorities concluded Tuesday that two deadly synagogue bombings were carried out by Turkish militants inspired by — and perhaps working for — the al-Qaida terror network. The finding fuels growing suspicions that Osama bin Laden's reach extends to NATO's sole Muslim member.

As the government wrapped up DNA tests on the remains of the two suicide bombers, hundreds of Jewish and Muslim mourners buried the six Jews who died in Saturday's blasts, which also killed 17 Muslims and wounded more than 300 people.

Foreign Minister Abdullah Gul told The Associated Press that the bombers, who detonated their explosives-laden trucks outside Istanbul's main synagogue and a second one three miles away, were Turks and that they had Turkish accomplices in planning the attack.

"It will be determined whether these people worked directly with al-Qaida or are just sympathizers," Gul said by telephone from Stockholm, Sweden.

"The first impression is that these people seemed to have the same mindset of al-Qaida, they have the same concept, they are from the same school," he said.

Bin Laden's terror network

claimed responsibility for the bombings Sunday in messages to two Arabic-language newspapers. It was not possible to authenticate those claims.

An al-Qaida link would make Turkey, a predominantly Muslim but secular nation, into a new front on the U.S.-led war on terror. That could bring Turkey, already a key U.S. ally, even closer to Washington after months when the relationship has been rattled by differences over the war in Iraq.

The role of local militants in the attack could also embarrass the government of Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan, which has its roots in an Islamic fundamentalist party.

GOP fundraisers strike back

Group plans to rival Democratic effort by billionaire George Soros

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — One of President Bush's lawyers during the 2000 Florida recount is creating a group to spend millions advocating Bush's reelection, hoping to counter efforts by billionaire George Soros and others to help Democrats capture the White House.

Attorney George Terwilliger and Republican political consultants Frank Donatelli and Craig Shirley are asking the Federal Election Commission for advice on whether their plan is legal under the new campaign finance law, according to a copy of the letter.

The law bars the use of so-called soft money — corporate, union and unlimited contributions — in connection with federal elections. National party committees and federal candidates are banned from collecting soft money for any purpose.

Outside groups can still take the big checks, however.

Several Democratic-leaning groups have sprung up in the months since the law took effect last November, including many who say they plan to raise tens of millions of dollars for voter registration and other activities aimed at defeating Bush next year. Their leaders, who include former AFL-CIO political director Steve Rosenthal, have said the groups are nec-

essary to counter record-breaking fund raising by the GOP and Bush. The president is expected to raise more than \$170 million for next year's primaries with no Republican rival.

Depending how they register with the Internal Revenue Service, such groups may not have to disclose details of their donations or spending.

Republican National Committee Chairman Ed Gillespie has complained repeatedly about the anti-Bush groups, saying he doesn't understand how they can be allowed under the new law. He has so far declined to file a complaint with the FEC and has left open the possibility that pro-Bush groups may form if opposition organizations face no punishment for their activities.

Terwilliger, Donatelli and Shirley have decided not to wait. They are starting a group called "Americans for a Better Country" to raise both soft money and limited "hard money" contributions for various activities, aiming to match the Democratic-leaning groups dollar for dollar.

"Every day that goes by we're getting further and further behind. We're under a year before the election right now and we're already playing catch-up," Donatelli said

Tuesday, referring to the outside groups. Bush has out-raised all his rivals combined, with more than \$106 million.

Rosenthal said his efforts are aimed at bringing more people into politics. He is head of the Partnership for America's Families, focused on voter outreach in presidential swing states, and a founder of America Coming Together, which has collected millions from Soros and others for efforts to defeat Bush.

"This administration has spent the last three years writing and rewriting laws and regulations to benefit their contributors," Rosenthal said. "There's no news in Republicans setting up fly-by-night groups to raise unlimited funds from undisclosed sources."

Donatelli said his group has several prospective donors lined up, and is waiting for advice from the FEC before it goes ahead with its plans full-scale. It will register with the IRS and FEC as a political organization and will have to disclose its donors and spending.

"For both fund-raising and political purposes, ABC wishes to state in a press release announcing its launch that its purpose is to re-elect President Bush and defeat the Democratic nominee," the group's letter to the FEC says, asking whether that and other activities are allowed under the law.

"The Commission owes a duty to the regulated community to set parameters and rules in this area," they wrote.

"Every day that goes by we're getting further and further behind."

Frank Donatelli
Republican political consultant

Schwarzenegger calls for \$15 million bond

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO — Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger proposed Tuesday that California borrow up to \$15 billion to keep the state running until its huge budget deficit can be brought under control.

Schwarzenegger offered bare details of his plans for closing the looming budget gap — which he has estimated at more than \$24 billion — even as he called the Legislature back into session to take up his proposal.

In his first news conference since taking office Monday, Schwarzenegger called on lawmakers to place the bond measure before California voters in March. He also wants the Legislature to put a state spending cap on the same ballot that would "never again ... allow politicians to overspend."

A more immediate challenge to Schwarzenegger and legislators is closing a \$7.2 billion gap — \$3.2 billion for the current year and \$4 billion for next year — created Monday when the new governor eliminated an unpopular tripling of the car tax.

Although Schwarzenegger said Tuesday he expects lawmakers to replace the lost revenue from the car tax, he gave little insight into where the money might be found. Cities and counties rely on the car tax money to pay for many services, including law enforcement and public safety.

Schwarzenegger did say lawmakers could find \$11 bil-

lion in savings in the workers' compensation system.

"We are instructing the Legislature to act," Schwarzenegger said in a brief interview following his press conference. "I will have them act quickly. They [local governments] will never be out of money because it is very important that we support local government."

Many Democratic leaders have said they're not prepared to impose spending cuts to make up the lost car tax money.


Senate President John Burton has said he believes that paying for the car tax reduction is the governor's problem, and he won't support eliminating health and social services.

Assemblywoman Jenny Oropesa also said Schwarzenegger cannot simply push the problem into the Legislature's lap. "It is now up to our new governor to show us how local government can be made whole, which he promised to do."

Schwarzenegger also told reporters Tuesday he would follow through with layoff plans negotiated by Davis with state workers but that no employees would lose their jobs until after Christmas.

The bond money would replace about \$12 billion in borrowing already in the existing budget. Schwarzenegger has not said how many years it would take to pay off the bonds.

The Legislature would have to act before Dec. 5 to get either proposal on the ballot.



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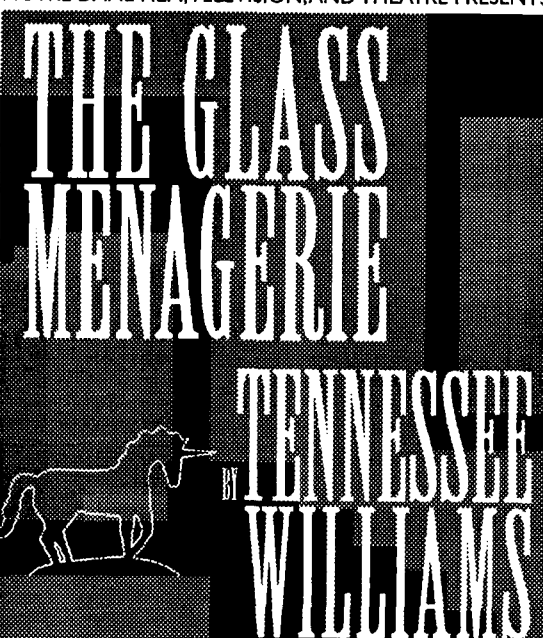
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NASDAQ	1,881.75	-27.86
NYSE	5,939.05	-24.30
S&P 500	1,034.15	-9.48
NIKKEI(Tokyo)	9,897.05	0.00
FTSE 100(London)	4,354.70	+15.80

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	0.00	0.00	25.15
SUN MICROSYS (SUNW)	+1.96	+0.08	4.16
INTEL CORP (INTC)	-1.21	-0.39	31.84
JDS UNIPHASE (JDSU)	-2.52	-0.08	3.13
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-1.45	-0.32	21.73

Treasuries			
30-YEAR BOND	-0.42	-0.21	50.16
10-YEAR NOTE	-0.50	-0.21	41.67
5-YEAR NOTE	-0.22	-0.07	31.35
3-MONTH BILL	+0.86	+0.08	9.36

Commodities			
LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	+1.43		31.70
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U.S. and EU argue steel trade

Tit-for-tat trade war policy could lead to new tariffs, affect industry worldwide

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Florida citrus growers could soon be squeezed, Louisiana rice farmers boiled, California nut producers shelled and North Carolina pajama-makers fleeced.

They would be just a few of the victims caught in the crossfire of an increasingly bitter trade fight between the European Union and the United States over steel. Free-traders fear the biggest victim of all could be America's half-century of support for expanding global commerce.

"In this situation you could trigger a perfect storm of unintended but very serious consequences," says Fred Bergsten, head of the Institute for International Economics, a Washington think tank.

The prospect of a tit-for-tat trade war has increased with the decision by a World Trade Organization appeals panel that the Bush administration violated global trade rules by imposing tariffs of up to 30 percent on various types of foreign steel imports in March 2002.

If the administration does not remove the steel tariffs by mid-December when the WTO ruling becomes final, the EU says it will retaliate by imposing tariffs of up to 30 percent on \$2.2 billion of American exports to Europe.

The 15-nation EU carefully chose its target list to inflict significant political pain in key battleground states in next year's presidential election. It put President Bush in the uncomfortable position of either withdrawing the tariffs and angering steel producers such as West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana or offending a host of states whose industries will be hit by the Europeans' penalty tariffs.

"The EU drew up its list with diabolical cleverness



PA Photos

U.S. Secretary of the Treasury John Snow addresses the Confederation of British Industry. He insisted that the U.S. and EU are not heading for a trade war.

to target products from a number of states that will be in play in the 2004 presidential race," said Brink Lindsey, a trade specialist at the Cato Institute think tank.

The target list runs the gamut from citrus products, aimed at Florida orange juice and Texas grapefruit, to rice, which would hit states such as Louisiana and Arkansas.

Farmers in California, the biggest electoral prize of all, would feel the sting of the EU tariffs on such products as nuts, dates, figs, avocados and grapes.

Other foods targeted for tariffs are various types of apples, pears, apricots, cherries and frozen and dried vegetables.

In a strike at such big textile and apparel manu-

facturing states as North and South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama, a wide array of clothing has been targeted, including underwear, overcoats and pajamas.

The EU list is eclectic, with other targeted items ranging from toilet paper to writing paper and from fire engines and hay balers to yachts and canoes. A large number of U.S.-made steel products were included to strike at the industry that generated the trade fight in the first place.

By the EU's accounting, the products targeted total \$2.2 billion in annual U.S. exports to the European trading bloc, less than 2 percent of the \$143.7 billion in American goods shipped there last year.

However, for the particu-

lar industries targeted, the impact could be significant in terms of lost sales given that this country's global competitors will not face the higher tariffs.

"This won't reverse the economic recovery, but there will be a lot of U.S. industries that are hurt," said economist Gary Hufbauer at the Institute for International Economics.

Stephen Lamar, senior vice president of the American Apparel and Footwear Association, said that just the threat of the tariffs was already having a disruptive impact on U.S. clothing manufacturers, forcing some to ship early and pay expensive warehouse costs in an effort to beat imposition of the higher duties.

IN BRIEF

Trade tensions increase with China

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration increased trade tensions with China on Tuesday by announcing it will limit clothing imports to protect struggling U.S. companies, even as it searched for a compromise to end a bitter trade dispute with Europe over steel.

Commerce Secretary Don Evans said the administration was granting an industry request to impose quotas on Chinese imports of knit fabric, dressing gowns and robes and bras in an action that Evans said "demonstrates our commitment to our trade rules and America's workers."

The action was the latest response by the administration to America's soaring trade deficit with China, which hit a record \$103 billion last year, and which American manufacturers believe is largely to blame for the hemorrhaging of U.S. factory jobs over the past three years.

"Clearly, the enormous surges we have seen in Chinese imports in these categories, and the damage they have caused to our industry, workers and communities warranted such action," said Cass Johnson, head of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute.

NYSE approves new board

NEW YORK — The New York Stock Exchange's members voted to install a new independent board aimed at minimizing conflicts of interest and potential investor abuses, according to preliminary results. Federal regulators still must approve the measure.

The NYSE's 1,366 members, made up largely of securities and trading firms, approved interim chairman John Reed's package of reforms, the exchange said Tuesday.

Reed's plan eliminates the current 27-member board in favor of six to 12 directors who will oversee regulation and compensation. A separate executive panel of the securities industry will handle operations, such as listing standards.

The reforms follow public outrage over the lavish \$188 million compensation package of former chairman Dick Grasso, which forced his ouster Sept. 17.

The exchange said a new board of eight directors will be installed immediately.

SEC targets mutual funds abuses

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senators urged the head of the Securities and Exchange Commission on Tuesday to end a turf war with state regulators and go after mutual fund abuses.

At the same time, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and Treasury Secretary John Snow cautioned Congress against passing mutual fund reforms that could cost investors more in fees and diminished returns.

It was the first public statement by Greenspan and Snow on proposed legislation to deal with mutual fund

abuses. Several senators and House members of both parties are proposing measures to overhaul the way the \$7 trillion industry operates.

SEC Chairman William Donaldson, coping with the worst crisis of his 10-month tenure, faced tough questioning and admonitions at a hearing. Some 90 million people have money in U.S. stock mutual funds. Half of all American households invest in them, and they often are a principal vehicle for retirement savings and college funds. Before the recent scandal, they were regarded as safe investments.

"There's a real urgency here," Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., chair-

man of the Senate Banking Committee, told Donaldson.

State regulators in Massachusetts and New York have sharply criticized the SEC's handling of trade abuses and its recent partial settlement of civil fraud charges with Putnam Investments, a major mutual fund company.

New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer first raised the charge that preferential trading deals for big-money customers of many fund companies could be siphoning billions of dollars from ordinary investors. He denounced the SEC after the Putnam settlement last Thursday.

NASA struggling to develop repair kit

Inspection tools still needed for shuttle

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL — NASA is still struggling to develop a tool for inspecting the outside of the space shuttle and a repair kit for gashed wings — hurdles that could prolong the grounding of the fleet since the Columbia disaster.

Shuttle program manager Bill Parsons said Tuesday the space agency remains on track for a launch as early as next September or October.

"We have all the confidence in the world we can get there," Parsons said. But he cautioned: "There are a number of areas out there that could create bumps in the road for us and we're going to have to keep a close eye on things."

Atlantis is in line to fly next, on a trip to the international space station that would be used to test various shuttle-repair methods.

Since the February disaster, NASA has made considerable progress in devising a technique to fix holes in the silica glass fiber tiles that cover much of each shuttle. Spacewalking astronauts would use a caulking gun to inject a salmon-colored, puttylike material into a gap.

It is proving much more difficult, however, to develop a repair kit for the reinforced carbon panels that protect the leading edges of the shuttle wings from the searing heat of re-entry.

A hole in the edge of Columbia's left wing led to its destruction over Texas; a piece of fuel-tank foam insulation gashed it there during liftoff.

Engineers also are having trouble putting together an extension boom with cameras and laser sensors that could be used by astronauts to inspect the outside of their orbiting ships for damage.

James Halsell, a shuttle commander who is leading the return-to-flight effort, stressed that safety — and not a schedule — will determine when the next shuttle takes off.

"We're trying to launch when we can safely, and if that means we launch in September, fine. If it means we don't launch a flight, any flights, in 2004, that's fine, too. It will be when it happens," Halsell said.

Although Columbia accident investigators said the seven astronauts might have survived if their cabin had been stronger and better protected, NASA is not considering a redesign, at least for now, Parsons said.

"There are a number of ways to look at crew survivability, and the best way we can is to make sure that there's a safe launch and a safe on-orbit and a safe return back to Earth," he said.

Shuttle mission managers, meanwhile, are holding drills to improve their communication and decision-making. The Columbia Accident Investigation Board blamed the space agency's broken safety culture, in large part, for the tragedy.

This week, NASA is giving employees time at work to read and discuss the board's report, which was released in August. Copies were distributed widely throughout the space agency.

Also on Tuesday, NASA named a new Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel and said it would provide stronger, more focused oversight. The entire panel resigned in September after being criticized by Columbia investigators and members of Congress for being ineffective.

Mass. court approves gay unions

Ban on gay marriage ruled unconstitutional

Associated Press

BOSTON — In the nation's most far-reaching decision of its kind, Massachusetts' highest court declared Tuesday that the state constitution guarantees gay couples the right to marry — a ruling celebrated with a popping of champagne corks and the planning of spring weddings.

"Without a doubt, this is the happiest day of our lives," said Gloria Bailey, who with her partner of 32 years was among the seven gay couples who had sued the state in 2001 for refusing to issue them marriage licenses.

In its 4-3 decision, the Supreme Judicial Court gave the Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples.

Although courts in other states have issued similar rulings, some legal experts said this one goes further in its emphatic language and appears to suggest that gay couples should be offered nothing less than marriage itself — and not a lesser alternative such as civil unions, which are available in Vermont.

The ruling was another milestone in a year that has seen a significant expansion of gay rights around the world, including a U.S. Supreme Court decision in June striking a Texas ban on gay sex. Canadian courts also legalized gay marriage over the summer.

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Margaret Marshall
Chief Justice

The dissenting justices argued that the court was treading on lawmakers' territory. "Today, the court has transformed its role as protector of rights into the role of creator of rights, and I respectfully dissent," Justice Francis Spina wrote.

The decision prompted complex legal questions about the next step and about when the nation's first gay marriage licenses will be issued, if ever.

Republican Gov. Mitt Romney denounced the ruling but said there is little the state could do beyond pursuing a constitutional amendment.

"I agree with 3,000 years of recorded history. I disagree with the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts," he said. "Marriage is an institution between a man and a woman ... and our constitution and laws should reflect that."

But the soonest a constitutional amendment could be put on the ballot is 2006, potentially opening a window of a few years in which gay marriage licenses could be granted.

Vermont's high court issued a similar decision in 1999 but told the Legislature that it could allow gay couples to marry or create a similar institution that confers all the rights and benefits of marriage. Lawmakers chose the second route, leading to the approval of civil unions in that state.

The Massachusetts decision makes no mention of such an alternative, and instead points to a recent decision in Canada that changed the common-law definition of marriage to include same-sex couples and led to marriage licenses being issued there.

The state "has failed to identify any constitutionally adequate reason for denying civil marriage to same-sex couples," the court wrote, adding that denying gays the right to marry deprives them "of membership in one of our community's most rewarding and cherished institutions."

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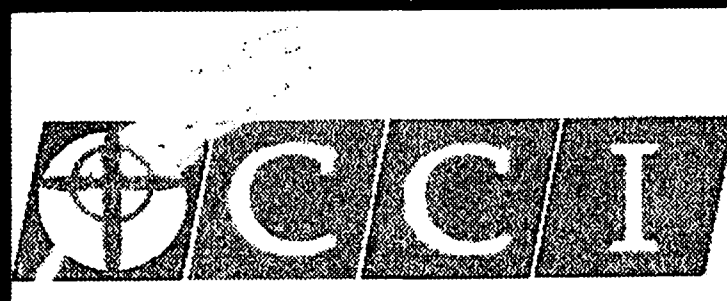

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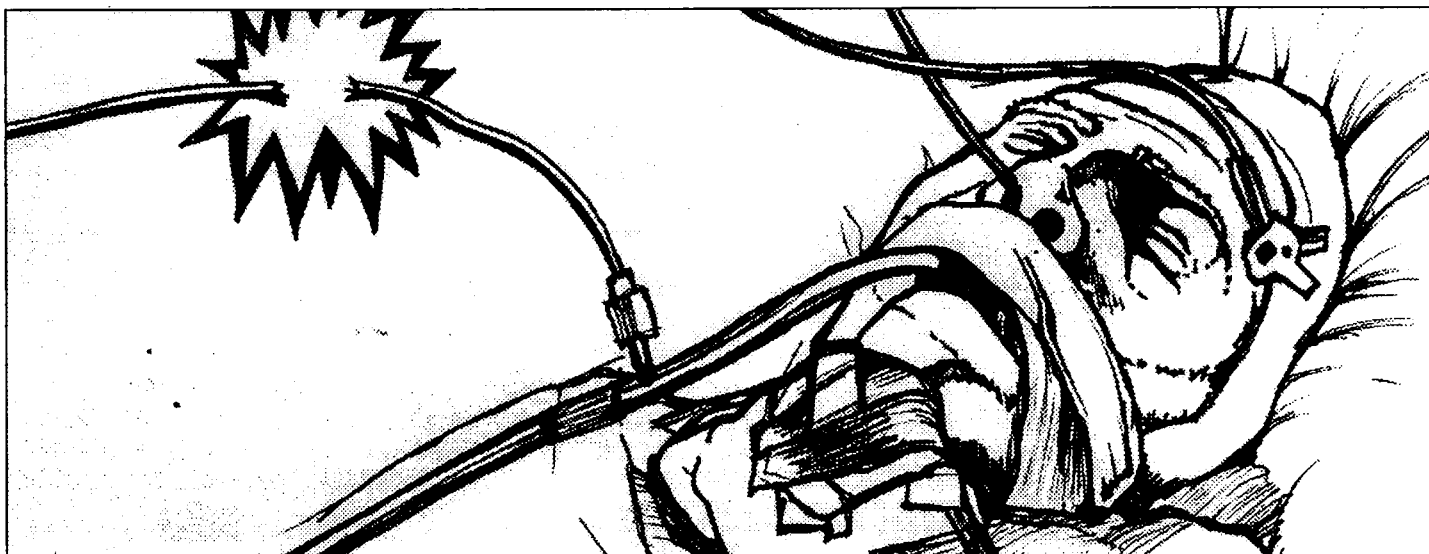
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Euthanasia threatens dignity of life

Since 1990, when she suffered a cardiac arrest, Theresa Marie (Terri) Schiavo has been in what a Florida court found to be a "persistent vegetative state." Other experts claim she is not PVS and can be rehabilitated. Terri's husband, Michael, obtained a court order to remove her feeding tube on the ground that Terri, before 1990, had orally said to Michael, his brother and his brother's wife that she would not want "tubes" to keep her alive.

Charles Rice

Right or Wrong?

Terri's parents deny that Terri would want to be starved to death. Six days after the tube was withdrawn, the Florida legislature authorized Governor Jeb Bush to prevent the withholding of nutrition and hydration "from such a patient." The Governor did so. Terri is receiving nutrition and hydration while the courts consider the case.

The court granted Michael's request to end Terri's life despite a clear conflict of interest. In 1993 Michael recovered \$1.1 million from doctors whose misdiagnosis resulted in Terri's PVS. An undisclosed part of that award has been used for Michael's legal fees in seeking to end Terri's life. "This fund remains sufficient to care for Theresa for many years," said the Florida Court of Appeal in 2001. "If she were to die today, her husband would inherit the money. ... If Michael ... divorced Theresa ... the fund remaining at the end of Theresa's life would ... go to her parents." Financially, Michael has much to gain from Terri's death. Also, Michael has been living for the past seven years with Jodi Centonze; they have one child and she is pregnant with another. Michael has stated that he plans to marry Jodi after Terri's death.

The law allows a competent adult to starve himself to death, which is a form of suicide. Because Terri is incompetent, the decision was made for her by others that she would want to be

starved and dehydrated to death. In this light the event has the character not of suicide but of homicide. Which leads to a point that tends to be overlooked here.

The only reason anyone has heard about this case is because Michael and Terri's parents disagree. He wants to kill her. They want to keep her alive. What Michael proposes happens every day without publicity in cases where the relatives or other care-givers are in agreement that it is time for the patient to die.

In 1990, the Supreme Court of the United States allowed the starvation of Nancy Cruzan at the request of her family on "clear and convincing evidence" that Nancy would want that. In the 1997 case of Vacco v. Quill, the Court upheld New York's prohibition of assisted suicide but gave the green light to "palliative care" including sedation which results in the unintended death of the patient.

Except in a most unusual case, how can you tell that the doctor's intent in sedating the patient was to kill rather than to relieve pain? Euthanasia by withdrawal of feeding or by sedation, where the family or other care-givers are in agreement, is moving beyond the practical reach of the law. As the Florida Supreme Court said in the 1990 Browning case, the family or guardian can starve a patient to death "without prior judicial approval" if the patient, when competent, made "oral declarations" showing a desire to forego feeding.

Under Catholic teaching a feeding tube may be withdrawn if it is intolerably painful, if it no longer sustains bodily life because the patient can no longer absorb the nutrients, or if the patient is in the closing hours or minutes of the dying process when nature can be

allowed to take its course and the withdrawal of feeding will not be a cause of death. It is immoral, however, to remove the tube or to do anything else with the intent to kill the patient. In the objective moral sense, that is murder.

Terri Schiavo is not dying. She has an indefinite life expectancy, she is not in pain and her bodily life is sustained by the feeding tube (the role of that tube is not to cure her PVS but merely to sustain her bodily life). The purpose of removing Terri's feeding may have been to end a life considered burdensome to herself or others, but the specific intent was to achieve that purpose by an intrinsically evil act, i.e., the intentional killing of the innocent.

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But what's the big fuss over Terri Schiavo? Every day uncounted, but surely numerous, people like Terri are murdered, in the moral sense of that term, because their relatives or care-givers are united in deciding to do to them what Michael

Schiavo wants to do to Terri. And nobody notices. The lawyers and judges provide us an excuse to ignore in such cases the corporal works of mercy: Feed the hungry. Give drink to the thirsty. But another Lawgiver takes those works more seriously: "Depart from me ... for I was hungry, and you did not give me to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me no drink ... as long as you did not do it for one of these least ones, you did not do it for me," Matthew 25:41-46.

That Lawgiver, incidentally, seems to have a habit of holding nations as well as individuals to account.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The real problem is what we do with the problem-solvers after the problems are solved."

Gay Talese
writer

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reassessing British-U.S. relations

President Bush travels to London this evening for the first full-scale state visit by an American president to the United Kingdom. The headlines in both countries are filled with photos and statistics of the numbers of protesters who are mobilizing to denounce the President and his war. It has been conventional wisdom since before the war ended, perhaps since before the war began, that the British had joined the rest of Europe and become anti-U.S. or at least anti-Bush. We have been told Labour is howling mad over Blair's support for Bush. A majority of Britons oppose the war. The crowds of London are all the evidence we need of the hatred which President Bush's policies have evoked.

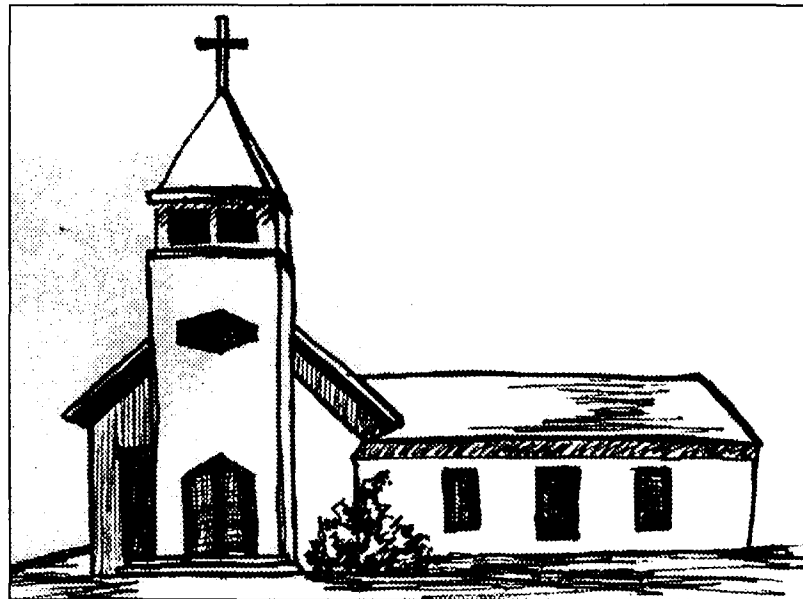
Right?

Think again — what has not made front page news in the United States is a poll conducted by the liberal British broadsheet, the Guardian. The poll was released today, free online for those who seek it out, and shows that support for the United States, the President's visit, Blair, and the war itself have been increasingly dramatically. The numbers speak for themselves. Sixty-two percent of Britons view the United States highly favorably, while only 15 percent view us highly

unfavorably. As the insurgents in Iraq have stepped up their attacks, the British seem to have found their stomach: Support for the war has increased nine points to 47 percent, while opposition has decreased 12 points to 41 percent — and a majority of voters say they think the United States and Britain should stay in until the job is done. Blair's approval ratings have increased significantly in the past month. A plurality of people polled look favorably on the President's visit.

The United States has not in fact become the pariah of international relations which some members of the media, the European foreign policy establishment and the Democratic presidential aspirants would have us believe. There is a majority of voters in the strongest of all European countries — an resurgent majority — who believe the United States is right to confront those people who would slaughter Americans, Europeans and Middle Eastern Muslims indiscriminately to suit their twisted ends.

Padraic McDermott
senior
off-campus
Nov. 18



The real Reverend Robinson

In his inaugural sermon as the Episcopal Church's first openly gay bishop, the Rev. Eugene Robinson told his congregation in Petersburg, N. H., he wants the church to speak out on moral issues against the Bush Administration. This is ironic, considering a strong majority in the Episcopal Church tried to speak out against a moral issue in opposing Robinson's election as bishop, but their voices went unheard. You probably think I am going to write that the Episcopal Church should never have appointed a gay bishop because being gay is immoral. But because it is not my place to judge, and I do not particularly care about Robinson's sexual orientation. What I am going to write is that the Episcopal Church should not have appointed a man who left his wife and children to live in a relationship with another man.

Joe Licandro

The Licandro
Non-Factor

The fact that Robinson happens to be gay is completely irrelevant because it has absolutely no bearing whatsoever on his job performance. But as bishop, Robinson is expected to set the moral standard for his congregation. Leaving your wife and kids, whether for a woman or a man, should be grounds to disqualify you from taking a position of moral authority within the Episcopal Church.

If I were sitting in Robinson's church on Nov. 9 when he told his congregation "Think of all the kinds of blindness right outside this door; not seeing the people in need, or turning the other way when we do," I would have stood up from my seat and headed straight for the nearest exit. Maybe it is just me, but I would have a difficult time listening to a man tell me how to live a moral life when he "turned the other way" from his family. This is not to say Robinson does not deserve forgiveness. Nor is this to say that he could not be a vital contributor to the Episcopal Church in a different capacity. After all, no one is perfect. Every single one of us has made mistakes and will continue to make them. But this being said, forgiveness is one thing. Being allowed to serve as bishop and to instruct others how to live a moral life is another.

While I am not a Protestant, I am still a Christian whose core values are aligned with the Episcopal Church. So for the same reason I am completely disgusted that certain members of the Catholic hierarchy allowed known pedophiles to serve as priests, Episcopalians hold every right to be appalled that their leaders elected Robinson as bishop.

Believe it or not, being gay actually helped Robinson become bishop. If he had been straight and left his wife for another woman, it is doubtful that he ever would have been appointed. By spinning his appointment as a gay rights issue, Robinson put his church in a very difficult situation. Out of fear of being labeled as anti-gay and close-minded, certain members of the Episcopalian hierarchy buckled under the pressure of political correctness. Sadly, this damage control may have caused an irreparable schism not only among Episcopalians in the United States, but the entire worldwide Anglican community of 77 million strong. Despite the bleak outlook, I believe the Anglican Church can survive this crisis. It would be a shame if they allowed one man to tear them apart.

As if leaving his wife and kids were not reason enough, I have another problem with Robinson's election — his insufferable arrogance. I did not think this was possible, but Robinson might be more selfish than Kobe Bryant. If the Reverend truly cared about the greater good of his church community, he would put aside his own self-interests and step down immediately. Given his selfish track record though, do not count on it any time soon. As he has already proven in the past, Robinson does not practice what he preaches.

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Questioning poster campaign

The Saint Mary's Student Environmental Action Coalition is spreading the word about having a vegetarian/vegan celebration of Thanksgiving through flyers in the bathroom stalls. I find this information repugnant. They state that reducing the amount of animals raised, slaughtered and prepared for food will reduce the use of fossil fuel as well.

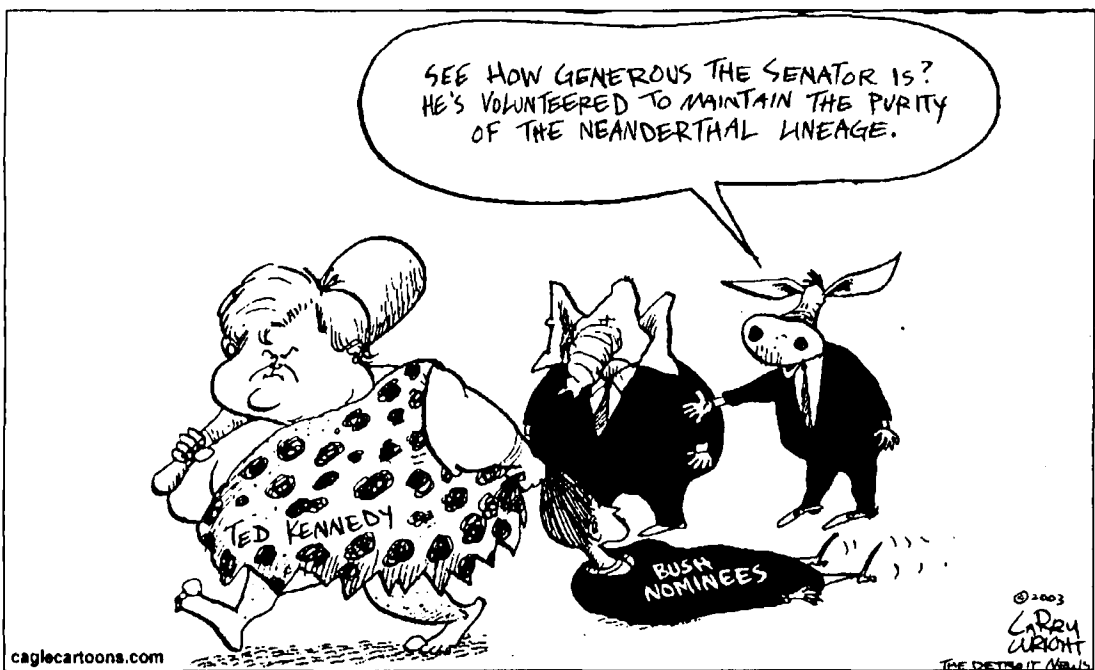
According to the SEAC, if everyone cuts out all meat intake on this joyous holiday, there should be a substantial impact on the use of fossil fuels. Would it not work better if people cut meat out of their everyday diet? I do not get it. Maybe I am overly sensitive — Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday. It is a time for family, a sense of gratefulness, football and best of all, a good dinner.

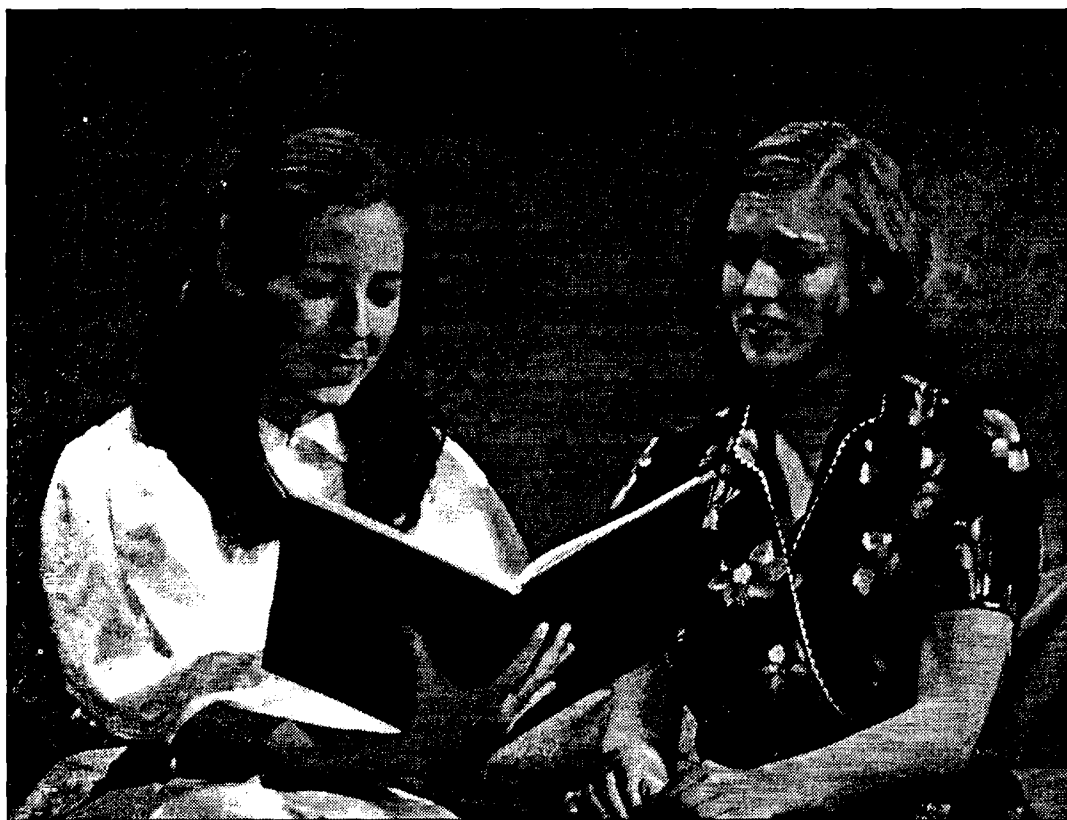
Not having meat is going completely against the American convention. "Dear Lord, thank you for the tofu?" just does not work. I understand people have moral issues with eating meat, but that is what makes this country so great. I can have turkey, and others can have buckwheat soup, and we can be thankful for whatever we have.

Another erroneous item on this bulletin states that people who do not eat meat are healthier than those who do. I do understand that too much meat is bad for cholesterol. Eating no meat is not good for you either — we need the protein and the oils in meat. If we do not eat it, our hair and nails get dry and brittle, not to mention the fact that protein turns into the energy needed to fuel our bodies. Meat is just as important as vegetables. Either way, one day without meat out of the year is not totally unhealthy. I cannot believe that some people are so ignorant, but in keeping with the Thanksgiving theme, I am glad this "fact sheet" was put up. It gave me something to respond to instead of doing my homework, and it helped me realize just how great I have it. When I go home next week, I am going to dive into that turkey. God bless America, and Happy Thanksgiving.

Anna Brenner
sophomore
Le Mans Hall
Nov. 18

EDITORIAL CARTOON





Above, Laura (junior Molly Topper) shows Amanda (senior Katy Kertez) her high school crush in her yearbook. At the left, Laura plays with her collection of glass figurines. Below, Tom (senior Tom Conner) in an argument with Amanda.

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the Glass Menagerie

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Theatre Critic

Watching any Tennessee Williams play can be like pulling teeth. Williams' plays are marked by his characteristic long-winded, unnatural and obtuse dialogue that, when performed poorly, can send even the most enthusiastic and academic audience into a boredom-induced coma minutes into a performance. Fortunately, Notre Dame's Department of Film Television and Theatre's production of Williams' *The Glass Menagerie* does a wonderful job of keeping Williams' text lively and captivating on stage.

The Glass Menagerie is a psychological portrait of a displaced Southern family living in 1930s St. Louis. The show is a self-dubbed "memory play" narrated by Tom Wingfield, the family's youngest son, who alternates between narrating, participating in the drama and watching his memory unfold before him.

With his father having abandoned his family to fend for itself, Tom works long hours in a shoe warehouse for meager pay to support his overbearing and critical mother, Amanda, and his exceedingly shy and crippled older sister, Laura, who spends her days tending to her collection of glass animal figurines or withdrawn into her own private world. Dissatisfied with his mind-numbing job and emotionally taxing home life, Tom finds his solace in writing poetry, smoking cigarettes on the balcony, going to the movies and spending as much time out of the house as he can.

Amanda also lives in a fantasy world, immersing herself in work for the Daughters of the American Revolution and trying to urge Laura to find something other to do than play with her glass menagerie. The self-deluding Amanda remembers her youth as a Southern belle beset with suitors and in high society and tries to maintain the fantasy of her past and future aristocracy for her children, whom she wants to see to succeed in life. Amanda becomes obsessed with the idea of finding a "gentleman caller" who will whisk Laura away and marry her.

The Glass Menagerie has its roots in Williams' own family life, but the FTT production also borrows some inspiration from its director, Siiri Scott. Scott focuses on the memory play aspect of the show and based the design of the set on her memories of her own family. She culled the faded, brown look of the Wingfield's home from a photo album of her grandmother's childhood that she and her grandmother pieced together when Scott was 11. *The Glass Menagerie* was also the play that made Scott decide she wanted to do professional theatre when she was 14.

"I think it's very accessible to young people, because I think we all know what it's like to live at



Senior Tom Conner as Tom in the Department of Film Television and Theatre's production of *The Glass Menagerie*, which opens Wednesday.

home with a parent," Scott said. "We all think our parents were overbearing at some point. Whether they were or not remains to be seen."

The show also takes a minimal approach staging and props. Scott kept the number of props down to the essentials and has her cast pantomime the rest.

"If it's not truly integral, we are not using it so that we take this idea that in memories, there are things that are real to us, but there are other things that may be fuzzy," Scott said.

The effect is pleasing and keeps the audience focused on the actors and their interactions with each other. The stage is designed similarly in a plain style with no more than a couch, table and record player for the actors to

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Director: Siiri Scott
Playwright: Tennessee Williams
Starring: Katy Kertez, Molly Topper and Bryce Cooper

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Menagerie

manages to make Williams' challenging text plain and accessible to the audience. Juniors Molly Topper and Bryce Cooper fill out the cast and each turn in respectable performances as well.

For all of its strengths, there are some aspects of Williams' text that this production does not bring out as strongly as it could, especially in the motivations of the characters. *The Glass Menagerie* is not a plot-focused show, but one that makes the plot subservient to the unfolding of each character's past experiences, thoughts and feelings.

Tom's "going to the movies" is often interpreted as a subterfuge for his exploration of his homosexuality and involvement in the city's gay culture — an interpretation the FTT show strives for as well. Conner occasionally hints at this with his body language, but it never develops further than that. Many of the double meanings in Tom's lines are glossed over, making Conner's portrayal of Tom a bit shallower than it could have been and his character less sympathetic in the end.

Cooper's Gentleman Caller also seems a tad bit underdeveloped. Though Cooper does a good job of acting, his brash behavior in the second act of the show is somewhat unaccounted for in his good-guy portrayal or, perhaps, in his interactions with Topper. It's hard to put a finger on exactly what is missing, but the audience will probably leave the show unsure of why minimal plot climax of the story is given the gravity it is by the cast.

One of the benefits of performing a Williams play is that there is so much material to work with and interpret, making the success of a production dependent upon bringing out many aspects of the text instead of just one or two. The character shortcomings of the FTT production are defiantly outweighed by its successes, and certainly do not derail or spoil the production completely. They do, however, point to important areas that should have been fleshed out better.

FTT's production of *The Glass Menagerie* brings Williams' difficult script a lot of life and is a good introduction to one of America's most celebrated playwrights ... and much more enjoyable than a visit to the dentist.

The Glass Menagerie opens tonight in Washington Hall and run through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. The will be a Sunday matinee at 2:30 p.m. Admission is \$10, \$9 for senior citizens and \$7 for students. Tickets are available at the LaFortune Student Center box office or by calling (574) 631-8128. Audience members with asthma or allergies should be aware that the actors smoke cigarettes on stage.

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Above, the Gentleman Caller (junior Bryce Cooper) entertains Laura (junior Molly Topper). At the right, Amanda (senior Katy Kertez) dresses Laura. Below, Amanda demands that the shrinking violet Laura answer the door.

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interact with.

Senior Katy Kertez leads the cast with her energetic and charming portrayal of Amanda. Kertez skillfully navigates the balance of Amanda's roles as an overbearing but loving mother and a disappointed woman with a refreshing poise and grace that explores the depths of Williams' psychological portraits of his characters. With an amiable southern twang, Kertez sets the pace for the rest on the cast and commands the spotlight every second she is on stage. Kertez, a Notre Dame theatre veteran, brings a lot of experience to the stage and the rest of the cast plays up to her level.

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Senior Tom Connor, also a veteran actor at Notre Dame, is also an asset to the performance and

NBA

Billups and depth help Pistons beat Lakers

Associated Press

Detroit's depth beat the star power of the Los Angeles Lakers.

Chauncey Billups had 24 points and eight assists to lead a balanced attack for the Pistons in a 106-96 win over Los Angeles on Tuesday night.

Six Detroit players scored in double figures and its bench outscored Los Angeles' reserves 45-14.

"They've got some of the greatest players in the history of the game, but I like our by-committee approach," Billups said. "We can play with anybody. We've got so many players that could be playing 30 minutes a night on most teams and we've got the best bench in the league."

Ben Wallace had 12 points and 15 rebounds — despite bruising his shoulder and back during the game — for the Pistons, and Richard Hamilton scored 14. Detroit reserves Corliss Williamson scored 14, Mehmet Okur had 13 and Bob Sura scored a season-high 10 points.

"They had a lot of players that really helped them off the bench," Lakers coach Phil Jackson said. "That was a key."

The Lakers have been unbeatable at home, with a 5-0 record, and average on the road, where they fell to 3-3 with their third straight road loss.

"We're not playing the way we should," Jackson said. "We're giving up too many points on the road."

In 31 foul-plagued minutes, Shaquille O'Neal had 20 points, 10 rebounds and five assists. Karl Malone scored 20, and Gary Payton added 15 points and five assists.

Kobe Bryant scored 19, but was 4-of-14 from the field.

"He didn't have a good night," Jackson said.

Bryant left the locker room quickly after the game and did not respond to questions before boarding the team bus.

Detroit won a game with 20 lead changes and nine ties because it made 57 percent of its shots, outrebounded the Lakers 47-26 and took advantage of O'Neal's fouls.

Cavallers 103, Clippers 95

Ricky Davis has a strange way of controlling his temper.

The volatile Cleveland guard kicked the ball into the stands after a hard foul by Corey Maggette while the Los Angeles Clippers were making a third-quarter run Tuesday night.

"Just trying to stay calm," Davis explained.

Davis and the Cavaliers stayed cool enough to hold off the Clippers and end Los Angeles' four-game winning streak.

LeBron James shot poorly from the outside but finished with 14 points, seven rebounds and eight assists as the Cavaliers won their fourth straight home game.

Maggette downplayed his foul on Davis, who had 27 points and four steals.

"I didn't mean anything personal. I just tried to stop him from scoring and then held him up so nobody got hurt," Maggette said.

Maggette fouled Davis on a fastbreak, wrapping his arms around him with Davis landing on Maggette's lap up against the post. Davis was called for a technical for booting the ball.

After Maggette made a free throw and Davis made his two shots, Davis stole the ball from Maggette and slammed it home.

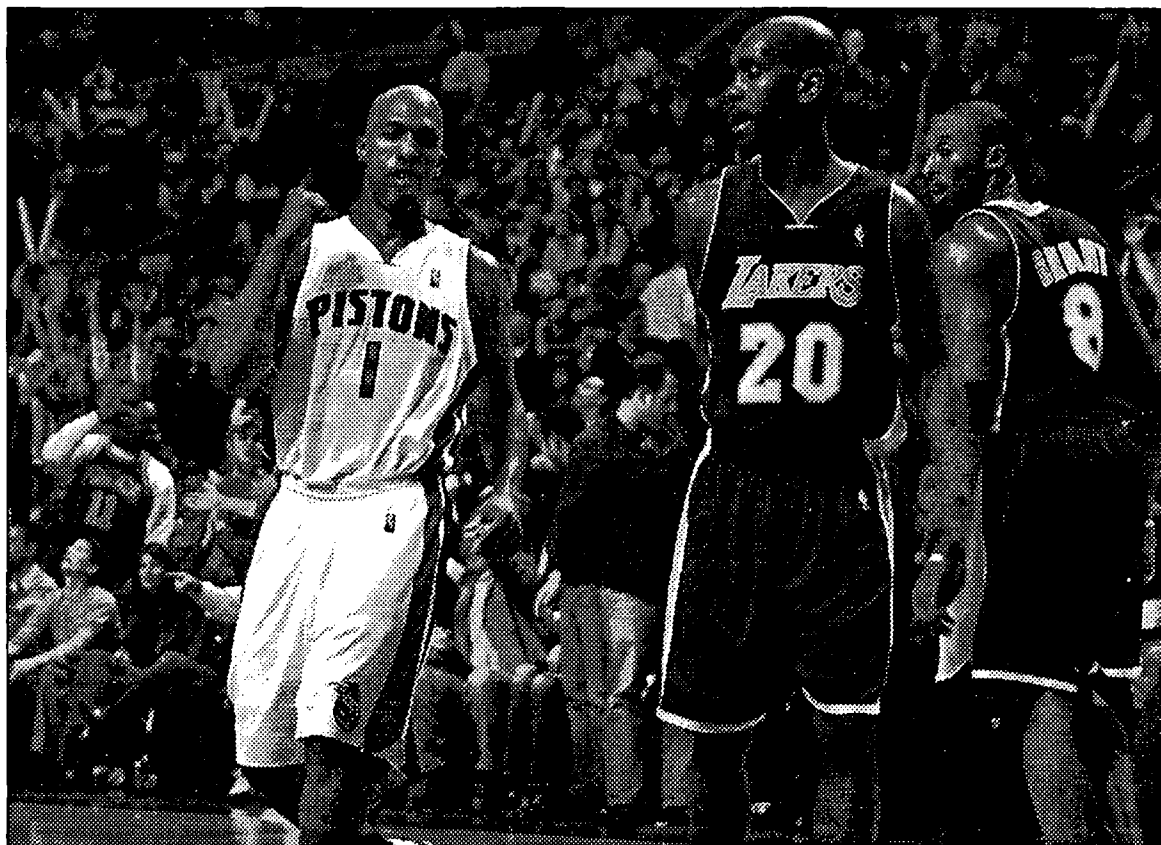
Chris Mihm added a career-high 21 points for Cleveland. He shot 10-for-14 with nine rebounds in 36 minutes while filling in for Carlos Boozer, who left after spraining his right ankle late in the first quarter.

"Not just tonight, but for the last couple of weeks he has been playing great and giving us the support off the bench that we need to win games," James said.

Predrag Drobnjak had a season-high 20 points and a career-high 13 rebounds to lead the Clippers.

Hornets 88, Nets 85

David Wesley hit two late 3-pointers to cap a 20-point performance that led the New



Chauncey Billups led the Detroit Pistons with 24 points in a 106-96 win over the Los Angeles Lakers at the Palace at Auburn Hills Tuesday night.

Orleans Hornets to their third straight win over the New Jersey Nets on Tuesday night.

Baron Davis added 25 points, 12 assists, nine rebounds and a clutch three-point play, and George Lynch had a season-high 17 rebounds for the Hornets.

New Orleans guard Darrell Armstrong helped make it interesting at the end by missing two free throws with 14 seconds to go, but Kerry Kittles and Richard Jefferson missed game-tying 3-point attempts for the Nets, who made only one of their last 13 shots.

Jefferson had 16 points and Kittles 14 in a game that New Jersey will remember for the contributions from its bench. Brian Scalabrine had 14 points, Brandon Armstrong added 10 and Zoran Planinic nine, while Alonzo Mourning provided a late defensive presence in the middle, making two big blocks to keep the Nets ahead.

Scalabrine put the Nets up 81-79 with two free throws

with 6:53 to play.

After each team failed on three consecutive possessions, Wesley hit the first of his big 3-pointers from the left wing to give the Hornets an 82-81 lead with 5:01 to go.

It took more than two minutes for the next basket, with Davis driving the lane for a three-point play with 2:48 to go for an 85-81 lead.

Spurs 94, Golden State 81

Once Tony Parker and Manu Ginobili started hitting 3-pointers, there was little Golden State could do to stop them.

Tim Duncan had 21 points and 10 rebounds, and Parker and Ginobili each added 19 points to lift the San Antonio Spurs over the Warriors Tuesday night.

"We weren't shooting great percentages in previous games, so today was really good for us," Ginobili said. "Some games you get those good shots and you start feeling more confident."

Parker hit two 3-pointers as

the Spurs took control with a 20-6 run midway through the fourth quarter. He and Ginobili combined for six of San Antonio's 10 3-pointers in all.

Erick Dampier led the Warriors with 17 points and 11 rebounds for his fourth straight double-double and ninth of the season in 10 games. Clifford Robinson added 14 points, and Nick Van Exel 12.

The Spurs hit 10 of 17 3-pointers, including three that just beat the shot clock.

Hedo Turkoglu, acquired in the offseason for his shooting range, was 3-of-3 from outside the arc and Ginobili was 3-of-4.

Still, Spurs coach Gregg Popovich was hesitant to say his team had found the outside touch.

Before Tuesday, the Spurs were hitting just 30 percent of their 3-pointers.

"It's just one game," Popovich said. "We'll have to wait and see. We're not heating things up yet."

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MLB

Bonds wins sixth NL MVP, third in a row

Associated Press

NEW YORK — This one was for Dad.

Barry Bonds won a record sixth National League MVP award Tuesday, becoming the first player to capture the honor for three consecutive years.

His thoughts immediately turned to Bobby Bonds, his three-time All-Star father who died in August.

"This award is more special to me than any award I've ever received because it's dedicated to my father," said the San Francisco outfielder, who has won twice as many of these awards as any other player.

"He has been my hitting coach my entire life, ever since I was a little kid. I miss him dearly. It's a really emotional time for me right now."

And a controversial time, too.

Bonds and other athletes have been subpoenaed to testify by a federal grand jury investigating the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative, a nutritional supplements lab. On Monday, a lawyer for Bonds' personal trainer, Greg Anderson, confirmed his client is a target of the probe.

Bonds declined comment on BALCO, citing his lawyer's advice. But he did welcome the start of steroid testing with penalties in baseball next season. The testing was triggered when more than 5 percent of tests this year came back positive in an anonymous survey.

"I am glad there is going to be testing," he said. "I am glad that, hopefully, hopefully, it will diminish a lot of everyone's speculation, and everyone can

just move on."

Bonds defended his withdrawal from the Major League Baseball Players Association's licensing program starting next season, meaning the union can no longer make deals to use his image on souvenirs.

Bonds wants to control his likeness as he approaches Hank Aaron's career home-run record of 755. Bonds is fourth with 658, also trailing Babe Ruth (714) and Willie Mays (660), Bonds' godfather.

By going on his own, Bonds said he will be able to give back to the community and fund projects.

"I felt I've really been misrepresented throughout my career as a bad guy, bad person," Bonds said. "This gives the licensees an opportunity to really know me."

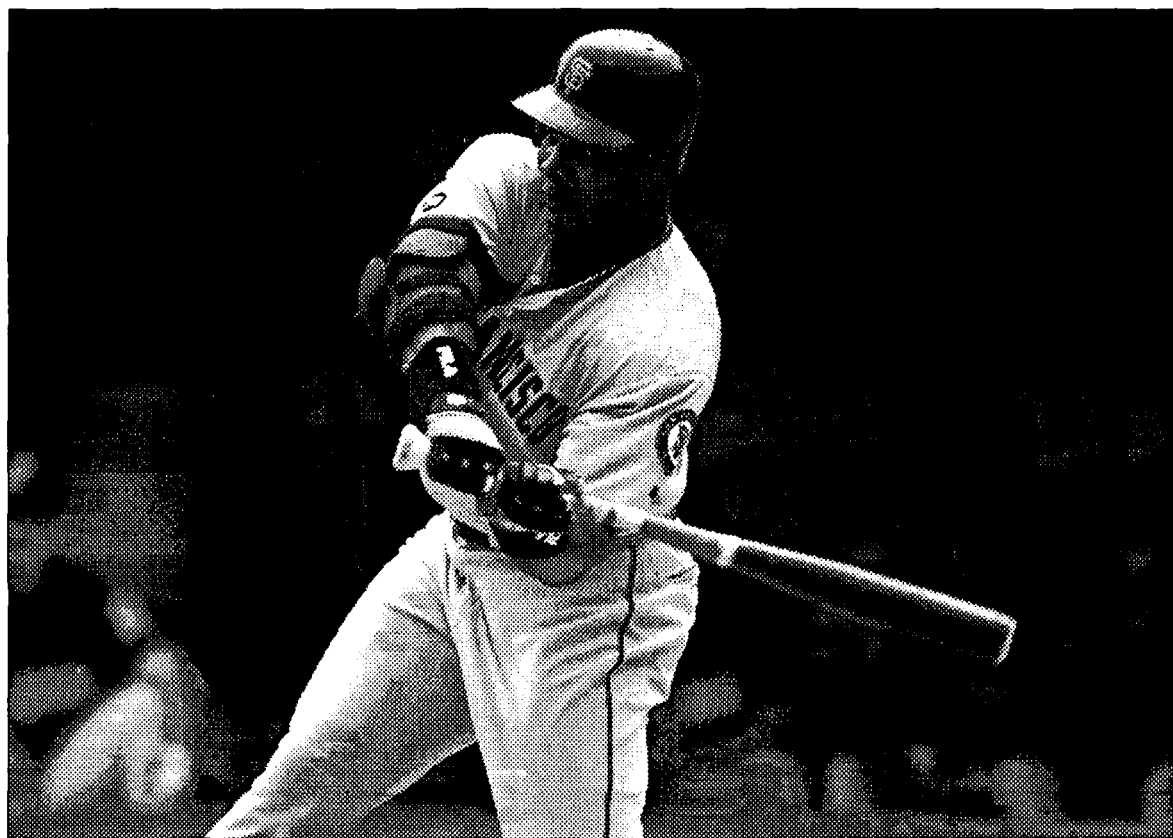
Bonds, the only player to win more than three MVPs, hit .341 with 45 homers and 90 RBIs, leading the major leagues in slugging percentage (.749), on-base percentage (.529) and walks.

The 12-time All-Star received 28 of 32 first-place votes and 426 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

St. Louis outfielder Albert Pujols was second with three first-place votes and 303 points. Atlanta outfielder Gary Sheffield got the other first-place vote and was third with 247 points.

Among the four major North American professional sports, only the NHL's Wayne Gretzky has more MVP awards, with nine. The NBA's Kareem Abdul-Jabbar also won six MVPs.

"To be able to say you've won



AP Wire

Bonds takes a swing during the NLDS against the Marlins. Bonds was named the NL MVP for the sixth time in his career Tuesday. It is his third consecutive year receiving the award.

this award six times, there's no words for it," Bonds said.

If he maintains his home-run pace, Bonds would reach Aaron's record in 2005 or 2006.

"I feel that Hank Aaron's record is the greatest single record in all of sports," Bonds said. "It's going to be a very difficult task to do. I'm prepared for the challenge. I just don't know if it's reachable."

Bonds has reached 45 homers in four straight seasons, hitting a record 73 in 2001.

At 39 years, 3 1/2 months, Bonds became the second-oldest MVP, trailing Pittsburgh's Willie Stargell, who was about 4 1/2 months older when he tied for the award in 1979.

"I feel 29 right now," Bonds said. "But during the season, I feel 49. That day in-and-day-out grind is very difficult."

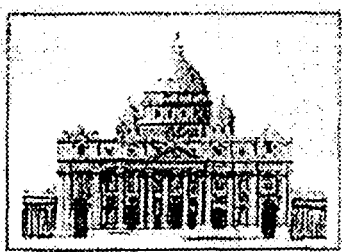
Bonds, who has set records for walks and intentional walks, hopes the Giants add another slugger to support him in the lineup.

"I'm looking very much forward to next season," he said. "I started training just two weeks after the season. I'm training even harder this year than I did last year. I really want to see if I can put things together without my father for the first time."

Bonds gets a \$500,000 bonus for winning the award. Sheffield, who became a free agent after the season, earned \$75,000 for finishing third. Florida's Juan Pierre gets \$200,000 for finishing 10th.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Boilermakers look to solidify bowl bid

Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — The Purdue Boilermakers aren't thinking about a Big Ten championship any more.

They just want to solidify their bowl qualifications.

On Tuesday, the Boilermakers hardly mentioned Saturday's gut-wrenching loss to Ohio State and instead were more intent on keeping the Old Oaken Bucket in West Lafayette for the sixth time in seven years — and earning a New Year's Day bowl bid.

"I think the coaches are pushing that pretty hard," quarterback Kyle Orton said.

"We were all pretty devastated after the last game. So the coaches are pushing us to accomplish the goals we still can."

For now, the equation appears relatively simple: Beat Indiana and Purdue will still have a shot at its first 10-win season since 1979.

Win and it would become more difficult for bowl officials to choose another conference team over Purdue.

But after losing 16-13 in overtime at Ohio State, on an errant 36-yard field goal, it was evident the stinging blow

still lingered.

Orton acknowledged it was a tough weekend and that playing an in-state rival would help keep the team focused.

And although defensive end Kevin Nesfield said all the right things, his body language and sometimes short answers seemed to suggest that the loss still hurt.

"We have to refocus ourselves on Indiana," Nesfield said. "What happened Saturday, there's nothing we can go back and do about it."

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Kevin Nesfield
Boilermaker defensive end

So the Boilermakers (8-3, 5-2) have resigned themselves to thinking about winning Saturday's Buckeye game.

A week ago, Purdue coach Joe Tiller said nobody within the team had been talking about bowl possibilities — only of a Big Ten title.

The discussion changed over the weekend.

At the moment, Purdue is the only Big Ten school with just two conference losses, and the Boilermakers have already beaten two of the four teams (Wisconsin and Iowa) with three losses. The loser of this weekend's Ohio State-Michigan game would share second place with Purdue — if the Boilermakers defeat Indiana.

Tiller thinks those factors would play into Purdue's favor.

Carroll content with BCS ranking

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Southern California coach Pete Carroll has no complaint about his team's BCS ranking, although he would prefer a different system to determine college football's national champion.

Despite beating Arizona 45-0 last weekend, the Trojans dropped to third in the BCS rankings and, for the moment, out of the national title picture. Ohio State, which defeated Purdue 16-13 in overtime, vaulted over USC and into the second spot behind Oklahoma.

Carroll said Tuesday his feelings about the BCS rankings haven't changed.

"This is a system that will come into play at the end of the year. It's really fun and topical for everyone to talk about, and there's some drama with it," he said. "This is the system that we live with. It is what it is. We know all the conversations will come, but we also realize it doesn't have anything to do with what we are doing on the football field."

"The best thing we can do to give ourselves the best chance is obviously to play real well."

USC (9-1) has scored 43 or more points in each of its last five games, all lopsided victories. The Buckeyes (10-1) have won three times without scoring an offensive touchdown, including their victory over Purdue. Five of Ohio State's wins were by a touchdown or less.

The Trojans' lone defeat was a 34-31 triple-overtime loss at California on Sept. 27. The Buckeyes lost 17-10 at Wisconsin on Oct. 11.



Getty

Head coach Pete Carroll looks on during USC's Washington State game. Though USC dropped in the BCS rankings this week even after beating Arizona 45-0, Carroll is not complaining.

USC is ranked No. 2 in the polls, with Ohio State at No. 4.

The Trojans are more concerned with winning the city championship than a national title this week because they play crosstown rival UCLA.

"We are pumped up about our situation and our chance to do something special this season. It won't happen without a big ball game this Saturday in the Coliseum against UCLA," Carroll said.

Although he was more interested in talking about the upcoming game against the Bruins than the BCS, Carroll did say he would like a different format.

"No one has ever asked me to change the system, but if they did, I have some viewpoints on

that, not the system itself but the format at the end of the season," he said. "If this isn't the right system and there is a better one, then someone should endeavor to figure that out. Right now, this is the system and I'm not complaining about it."

Asked what he might change, Carroll said he preferred the old setup, like the Rose Bowl's agreement matching the Pac-10 and Big Ten champions each year.

Then, he said, a championship game could follow.

Carroll said such a plan could be managed in a couple of weeks.

"I have no idea how to do that, but that's not my job to figure it out," he said. "I would like the best team to win. That's not illogical, but it's not happening right now so I'm not going to worry about it."

Cornerback Will Poole, like his coach, said there's nothing the Trojans can do about the BCS rankings, so they're only worried about beating UCLA.

"All we can do is to go hard in practice and get ready to play our game," he said. "Anyway, if we had taken care of business against Cal, we wouldn't be in this position."

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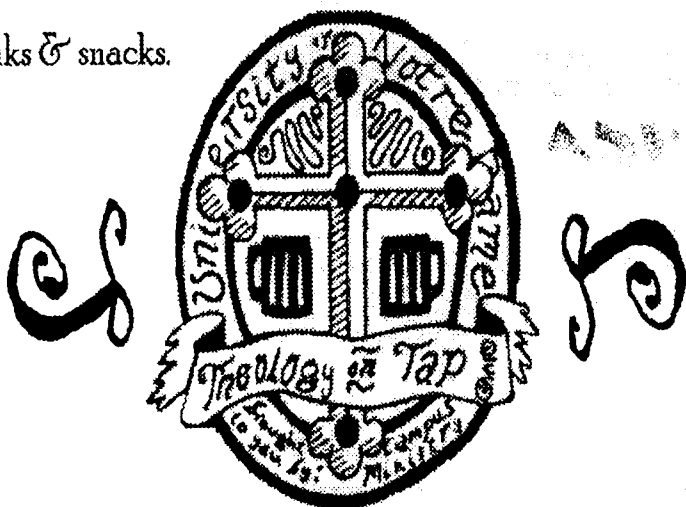
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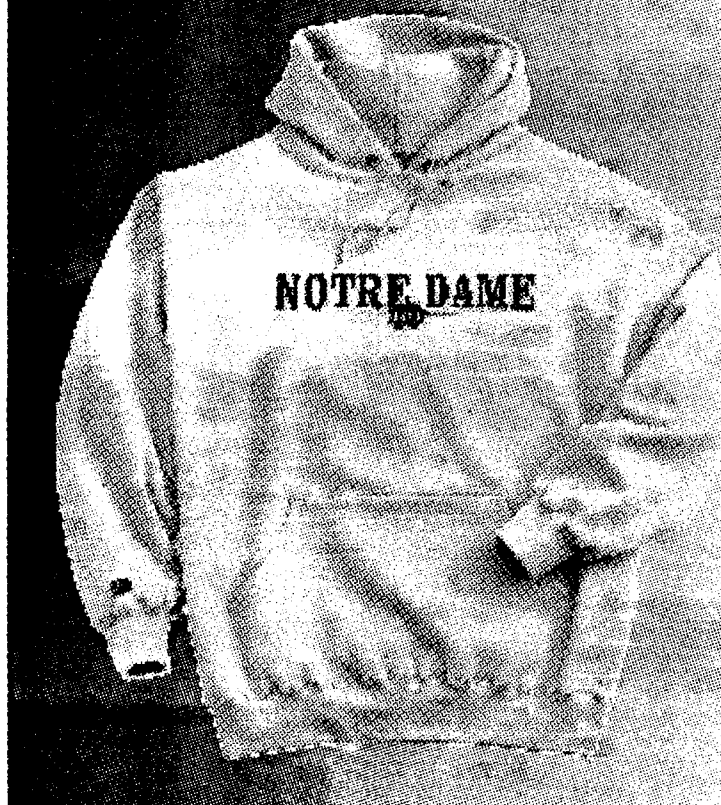
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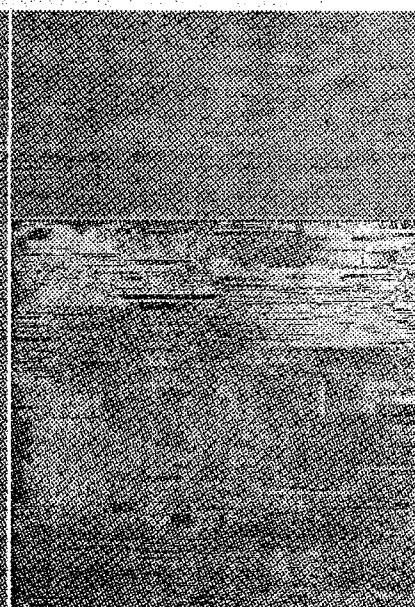
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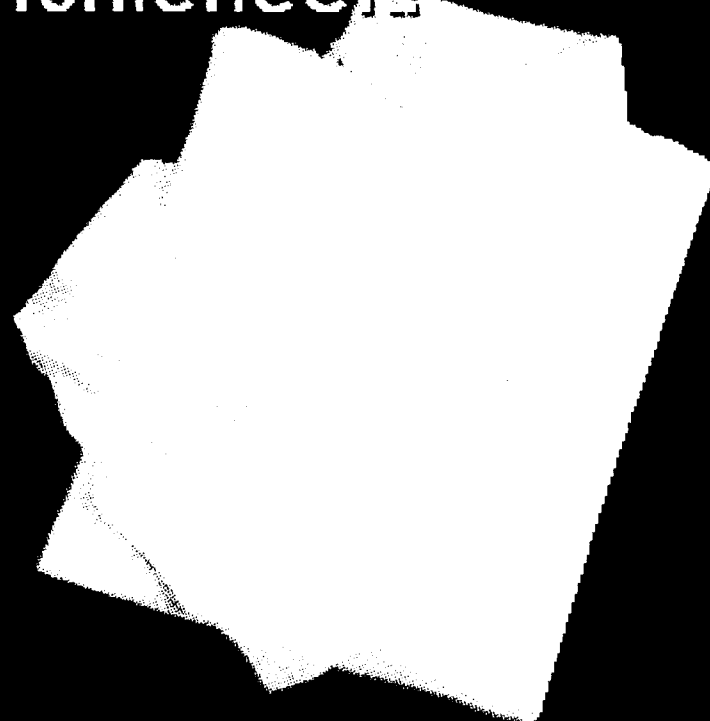
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NBA

Rivers becomes first coaching casualty of NBA season

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The worst start in the 15-year history of the Orlando Magic cost Doc Rivers his job, the first coaching casualty of an NBA season that has barely begun.

Only a few hours after Rivers talked to reporters about how management has stuck behind him, he was fired and replaced by assistant coach Johnny Davis.

"We need to start making some progress," Orlando's chief operating officer, John Weisbrod, said before the team's workout Tuesday in Phoenix. "We don't have a team that should be lapping the field or leading the East, but we certainly feel we have a group that is better than 1-10, and we need to get more out of our guys."

General manager John Gabriel delivered the news late Monday night in a meeting at

the team's hotel in Salt Lake City following the Magic's 90-88 loss to Utah. Assistant coach Dave Wohl also was fired.

Rivers flew home to Florida, and the Magic traveled to Phoenix, where they will play the Suns on Thursday.

"It is part of sports," Rivers said. "I thought I had a good run here. Things just didn't work out in the end. Maybe the players need to hear another voice."

The Magic won their season opener but then lost 10 straight games, the NBA's worst record this season.

"I pretty much had an idea that it was going to go down, I just didn't know when," Orlando star Tracy McGrady said. "For the most part, it's a pretty sad day for me because over the years I've grown close to Doc. He came in and did a tremendous job of helping me become the player that I am, the person that I am."

Still, McGrady indicated the team needs the changes that Davis will bring.

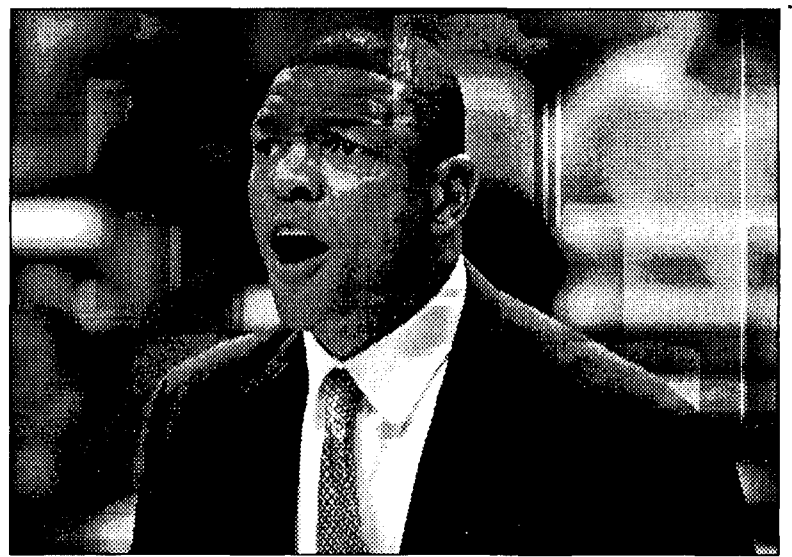
"J.D. is a laid-back coach. He teaches the game from an individual standpoint, one-on-one," McGrady said. "If you make a mistake, he's real calm about it. He's not the kind of guy that really yells and screams at the top of his lungs."

"He's been around awhile. He's been around longer than Doc, so we're happy with the decision."

Juwan Howard had been one of Rivers' most vocal supporters on the team.

"Of course it hurts me personally because he was a big reason I came here," Howard said. "The coaches will always be the ones who have to go first. We're the ones who are out there performing. We didn't get the job done. I feel we let him down."

Rivers was named NBA coach of the year in his first season after directing a team that had



Orlando Magic coach Doc Rivers calls instructions during a game. Rivers was fired after starting the season with a 1-10 record.

four non-drafted starters to a 42-42 record. The Magic reached the playoffs in the last three of Rivers' four seasons but were knocked out in the first round.

"I have no ax to grind," Rivers said. "I thought the management and team were both great. I couldn't ask for anything more."

Adu signs with MLS, to join D.C. United

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Spurning overtures from some of the world's greatest clubs, 14-year-old American soccer phenom Freddy Adu signed a six-year deal with MLS. He will join D.C. United next season.

Adu is expected to become the youngest player for a top U.S. professional team in more than 100 years — since 14-year-old Fred Chapman debuted for

Philadelphia of major league baseball in 1887.

MLS will take full advantage of its signing coup by formally introducing Adu at New York's Madison Square Garden on Wednesday. The player whose talents have brought comparisons with Pele — and who just might be the player who puts pro soccer in the popular mainstream in the United States — will then appear on the "Late Show With David Letterman."

"He is widely considered the

best young soccer player in the world," commissioner Don Garber said Tuesday. "And we believe that playing in his home country, in MLS, will further develop him as a player and, most importantly, as a person."

Adu was courted extensively by Manchester United and other blue chip European teams. He chose to remain near his home in Potomac, Md., where he and his family have lived since immigrating from Ghana in 1997.



UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY SEEKS COMMENTS FOR ACCREDITATION PROCESS

The University of Notre Dame is seeking comments from students, faculty, staff, alumni and the public in preparation for its periodic evaluation by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

The University will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit March 22-24, 2004. The team will renew the institution's ongoing ability to meet the Commission's criteria for accreditation and General Institutional Requirements.

Comments should address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing and signed; comments are not treated as confidential.

Comments should be submitted by Feb. 20 to: Public Comment on the University of Notre Dame Accreditation, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, 30 N. LaSalle St., Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Washington disciplines staffers for gambling

Further investigation was prompted by Neuheisel case

Associated Press

SEATTLE — The University of Washington announced disciplinary action Tuesday against 12 athletic department employees, including football coach Keith Gilbertson and compliance officer Dana Richardson, for participation in gambling pools on college basketball.

The disciplinary actions were included in the university's response to an investigation by the Pac-10 Conference regarding gambling by athletic department employees. The investigation was launched after allegations of gambling by fired football coach Rick Neuheisel first became known.

"Other than gambling by the head coach, we believe the

other violations are minimal," athletic director Barbara Hedges said.

Neuheisel won as much as \$12,000 in basketball pools over the past two years. However, he refused to characterize it as gambling to NCAA investigators, saying he took part in an auction and donated some winnings to charity.

Neuheisel claims he didn't know it was against NCAA rules to gamble in neighborhood pools. He has cited a memo from Richardson, which authorized such pools for athletic department personnel, as the key piece of evidence in his case.

Gilbertson and other assistants acknowledged participating in \$5 basketball pools in 1999. Investigators couldn't verify reports by a former graduate assistant of pools in subsequent years.

The NCAA has said all gambling by athletes, coaches and

administrators is against its rules.

Washington officials agreed with a Pac-10 finding that Richardson made an erroneous interpretation of NCAA rules in her memo about off-campus pools, but they argued one mistake does not constitute a failure to educate staff about gambling rules.

They also announced several corrective actions in addition to Neuheisel's firing last summer:

- ◆ A letter of reprimand, the most serious of three levels of disciplinary letters, sent earlier this month to Richardson for her participation in three basketball pools. "In her place as compliance officer, she should be held to a higher standard," Hedges said.

- ◆ Letters of admonishment to Gilbertson, four assistant coaches, two women who worked in the football office and three trainers.

- ◆ A letter of caution to an

equipment manager.

Additionally, the school acknowledged a minor recruiting violation for undercharging 13 football recruits for a boat trip to Neuheisel's Lake Washington home. The boat was captained by a booster, another minor violation.

As a corrective action, the recruits in question repaid \$10 each. The money was donated to Children's Hospital in Seattle.

The university is reducing the number of official campus visits by recruits for the 2004-05 season by eight, from 56 to 48. The football program also will not be allowed to use any boat as transportation for that season.

Washington officials will go before a Pac-10 compliance

enforcement committee Dec. 15. The conference then will either accept Washington's corrective actions or recommend others. The conference should conclude its portion of the investigation sometime in March, then turn it over to the NCAA.

Earlier in the day, Neuheisel launched a pre-emptive strike at his former employer, claiming he was wrongfully terminated. Neuheisel is suing the NCAA and the university over his firing.

Neuheisel's lawyer released a 38-page statement and an 1 1/2-inch stack of supporting documents.

Lawyer Robert Sulkin argued that the university failed to properly educate its staff regarding NCAA rules.

NHL

Capitals baffled by ineptitude

Associated Press

ODENTON, Md. — The Washington Capitals are at the bottom of the NHL standings, a start so embarrassing that coaches and players are re-examining how they look at the season.

"We've never been this low," center Jeff Halpern said Tuesday. "At this point, it's become so bad you just start playing really for your self-pride and the pride of your teammates. We're seven games under right now. Nothing's going to happen overnight — if it happens."

Sentiments such as those type are usually uttered in March by a team that's been mathematically eliminated from the playoffs. The Capitals (5-12-1) can only hope their coach is right about bad beginnings.

"It becomes more short-term than long-term when you start slow," coach Bruce Cassidy said. "You start thinking about how are we going to win the next game, the next game. You sort of lose your big picture plan because everything becomes more immediate."

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NFL

AFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
New England	8-2	.800	19.6	15.5
Miami	6-4	.600	17.7	14.7
Buffalo	4-6	.400	15.9	17.0
NY Jets	3-7	.300	19.7	21.1

AFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Cincinnati	5-5	.500	21.0	21.9
Baltimore	5-5	.500	21.2	19.1
Cleveland	4-6	.400	17.9	17.7
Pittsburgh	3-7	.300	19.0	24.7

AFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Tennessee	8-2	.800	25.5	17.7
Indianapolis	8-2	.800	29.2	20.2
Houston	4-6	.400	17.4	25.4
Jacksonville	2-8	.200	17.5	24.1

AFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Kansas City	9-1	.900	30.6	17.4
Denver	6-4	.600	24.7	17.9
Oakland	3-7	.300	19.0	22.9
San Diego	2-8	.200	16.2	28.0

NFC East

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Dallas	7-3	.700	18.1	14.8
Philadelphia	7-3	.700	18.7	17.6
Washington	4-6	.400	19.3	23.2
NY Giants	4-6	.400	18.2	22.2

NFC North

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Minnesota	6-4	.600	25.9	23.3
Green Bay	5-5	.500	25.4	22.2
Chicago	3-7	.300	17.2	23.4
Detroit	3-7	.300	16.6	24.2

NFC South

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
Carolina	6-2	.600	19.8	18.0
New Orleans	5-5	.500	21.2	22.5
Tampa Bay	4-6	.400	20.1	18.1
Atlanta	2-8	.200	17.7	27.3

NFC West

team	record	perc.	PF/G	PA/G
St. Louis	7-3	.700	26.9	20.2
Seattle	7-3	.700	24.8	18.8
San Francisco	5-5	.500	23.2	18.8
Arizona	3-7	.300	13.6	27.9

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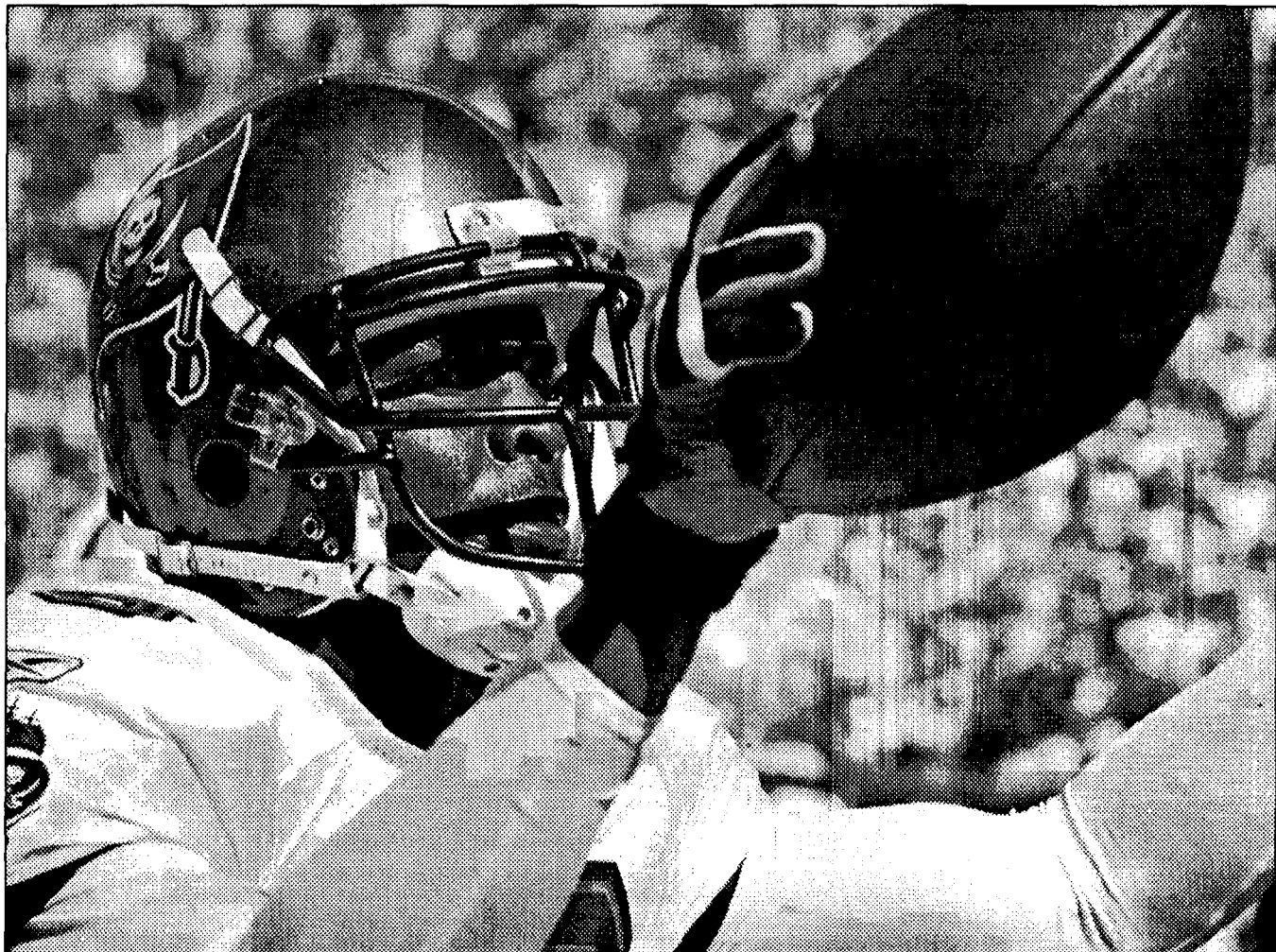
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UCLA at USC (9-1)
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Utah at BRIGHAM YOUNG (4-7)
California at STANFORD (4-5)
West Virginia at SYRACUSE (5-4)

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FLORIDA STATE (8-2)

NFL



Tampa Bay's Keyshawn Johnson celebrates after catching a pass. Johnson was deactivated from the Buccaneers' roster for the remainder of the season.

Bucs tell Keyshawn to sit out rest of season

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — Keyshawn Johnson will get his wish to leave Tampa Bay once the season is over.

Meantime, he won't even get to play.

The Buccaneers shelved their disgruntled star receiver for the rest of the year Tuesday, saying he had become disruptive during a disappointing 4-6 start for the defending Super Bowl champions.

"For whatever reason he didn't want to be here. He let me know that some time after one of our early games," coach Jon Gruden said.

The Bucs said they would deactivate Johnson for the remaining six games. He will be paid his full salary and was not fined, general manager Rich McKay said.

Reached in Miami by the St. Petersburg Times, the two-time Pro Bowl selection said he was shocked by the move.

"I really don't know what to say. Basically, they are shutting me down for the rest of the season. I don't understand it," Johnson told the newspaper.

"I gave them everything I had between the white lines. I did everything they asked me to do. But it's OK, I'll continue to work out

and stay in shape and look forward to playing somewhere else next year," he said.

Johnson is the Bucs' third-leading receiver this season with 45 catches for 600 yards and three touchdowns.

McKay said he spoke with Johnson's agent, Jerome Stanley, and "we agreed that it will not be necessary for him to be present at our facility for the remainder of the year."

Johnson is midway through an eight-year, \$56 million contract that included a \$13 million signing bonus. He has been unhappy with his role in

Gruden's offense and had been dropping not-so-subtle hints he did not wish to remain in Tampa Bay beyond 2003.

"We've worked hard to try to get him the football. We want our players to be happy. But unfortunately, it has festered for a while. I believe it has affected him. Certainly we hate to see him go, but that's just part of football sometimes," Gruden said.

McKay said Johnson approached him and Gruden four or five weeks ago and was emphatic about his desire to leave Tampa Bay at the end of this season.

IN BRIEF

Blazers' Wells suspended for two games

PORTLAND, Ore. — Trail Blazers guard Bonzi Wells was suspended for two games without pay by the team Tuesday for cursing his coach after being taken out of a game.

Wells, a former star at Indiana's Muncie Central High School and Ball State, also was stripped of his co-captain's title for his behavior during Monday night's 105-98 loss at Dallas.

"It just gets old. I'm sick of it," coach Maurice Cheeks said. "I'm sick of always saying he didn't mean it and all that. Players have to be accountable for what they do and what they say."

Wells was not available to comment. Cheeks said Tuesday that Wells cursed him after being removed from the game in the third quarter. Wells did not play the rest of the way.

Earlier this month, Wells was fined for making an obscene gesture toward a fan during a loss to

Philadelphia. Wells apologized, saying, "I'm not going to be 100 percent perfect I'm going to have a 10 percent lapse sometimes."

Wells was suspended by the NBA for a game last November after spitting on San Antonio forward Danny Ferry during a game. The next month, he drew a two-game league suspension for his role in a postgame brawl with the Golden State Warriors.

Last March, Wells was suspended for one game by Cheeks for "conduct considered detrimental to the team." Details of the matter were not released.

A's, Blue Jays swap Lilly, Kielty

OAKLAND, Calif. — The Oakland Athletics traded left-hander Ted Lilly to the Toronto Blue Jays on Tuesday for outfielder Bobby Kielty.

The A's also got cash or a player to be named.

Lilly went 12-10 with a 4.34 ERA and 147 strikeouts as the Athletics' fourth starter last season.

Lilly was 6-1 with a 2.06 ERA in his final seven starts of the regular season while emerging as the most consistent starter in Oakland's powerful rotation during the team's drive to the AL West title.

Kielty hit .244 with 13 homers and 57 RBIs last season with Toronto and Minnesota. The Twins traded him to the Blue Jays on July 16 for Shannon Stewart.

Kielty has 27 home runs, 117 RBIs and a .367 on-base percentage in three major league seasons.

He has long been a favorite of A's general manager Billy Beane, who swung the deal with Toronto GM J.P. Ricciardi his close friend and former assistant.

Kielty could provide pop to one of baseball's weakest-hitting outfields. Though they've made the playoffs four straight times, the Athletics' run production has declined in each of the last three seasons.

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following day on the road against that same Bowling Green team. He made 40 saves in a 3-0 shutout of the Falcons. The following weekend, he made 27 saves in an upset of then-No. 1 Boston College, beating the Golden Eagles in their home opener before a crowd of 7,884 spectators.

"We thought that would be a good opportunity for us to show what we could do," Brown said. "We thought it would be a good way to get the season off to a good start and just kind of establish our name throughout the league."

In his next start, Oct. 31 at home against Nebraska-Omaha, Brown had another shutout — breaking Cey's previous Notre Dame streak of two consecutive shutouts — making 22 saves in the 2-0 win over the Mavericks.

He also broke Cey's previous consecutive minutes streak of 147:19 in that game.

Brown's streak would continue until Michigan State's Jim Slater finally scored against him in a 3-

3 tie Nov. 8. Brown's streak ended at an incredible 193:27.

The freshman's incredible string of scoreless minutes earned him his first national honor as well, as he was named National Rookie of the Month for October. He was also named the CCHA Rookie of the Week for the weeks ending Oct. 19 and Nov. 2.

"Being National Rookie of the Month was more than I ever could have imagined," the soft-spoken Brown said. "Having that many accolades and getting that much recognition is just an unbelievable honor."

It shouldn't be surprising that Brown has been able to set records right away, considering who he admires most as a professional goalie.

That would be none other than Patrick Roy, the winningest goaltender in NHL history.

"When I was younger I started out in hockey school and I actually stopped playing for a year," Brown said. "But then I went and I met Patrick Roy down in Toronto, and I was there with my dad and one day I turned to my dad and said, 'I want to do what Patrick Roy does.'"

I ended up being pretty good at it and just stuck with it for the

remainder of my career."

Brown said that he models his style of goaltending after Roy and other Quebec netminders with similar styles, like Anaheim's Jean-Sebastian Giguere and New Jersey's Martin Brodeur.

Unlike some of those professional goaltenders, who have become infamous for strange superstitions (Roy would routinely talk to his goal pipes during stoppages of play), Brown said he just tries to keep things simple.

"I used to [have superstitions] but not anymore, I've kind of tried to shake it off," he said. "The main thing I do before every game is I just become really quiet, don't really talk to anyone, listen to my headphones."

"I always tape my sticks every game, but I do have to pay attention to that, I try to make that perfect."

Considering his near-flawless play so far in his career, it probably shouldn't be a shock to find out Brown is a perfectionist.

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that. Still, winning 20 games is pretty successful."

The feat was especially impressive considering the struggles of the team a year ago. The Irish this season had to fuse together a group of returning veterans with a large group of talented freshmen. Waldrum was especially pleased with the way this year's team came together.

"With where we came from with last year, we've made huge strides," said Waldrum. "The team chemistry has never been better, and we really took care of some leadership issues this year and did well with a lot of things in the program other than just playing."

The Irish and Waldrum will lose four seniors.

Amanda Guertin will leave the Irish having been one of the most clutch goal scorers in Irish history, while Vanessa Pruzinsky will leave the mark of being one of only three students in Notre Dame history to achieve a cumulative 4.0 GPA

by majoring in Chemical Engineering, not to mention her status as one of Notre Dame's best all-time defenders.

Kim Carpenter will leave the legacy of a walk-on player who not only got to fulfill her dream of playing for the Irish, but made the most of it by playing a key role in her last two seasons and by becoming a team leader from her midfield position. Finally, Amy Warner's stellar play made her one of only six players in Big East history to earn All-Big East designation all four years, while also becoming a Hermann Trophy semifinalist as a senior. Warner and Pruzinsky were also rare two-year captains for the last two Irish teams.

With the exception of those four players, the Irish return the rest of a team that is sure to be near top of the polls starting next season. Add a recruiting class and the women's soccer team undoubtedly will start next season with the same high expectations that every year brings.

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have seen their share of tough losses; however, there is not a more capable team in the Big East than the Irish.

They are an outstanding blocking and passing team. Their serve receive has been as consistent as one could ask for, and their defense is outstanding.

If the Irish do these two things like they have all year, there's one thing left — hitting.

"When we've played well offensively, we've done well," Brown said. "Everyone has to do their job, so if one or two players are off, it makes a difference. I think distribution is key — if we're really good and everyone's on, they can't key on one person."

So the Irish need top-notch performances from the likes of sophomores Lauren Brewster and Lauren Kelbley, junior Emily Loomis and senior Katie Neff. And the Irish defense must give senior setter Kristen Kinder the passes she needs to make the good set.

"We have a ton of talent," Brown said. "It's just a matter of getting everyone in the right frame of mind."

Notre Dame has won 22 games this year, but it doesn't matter this weekend. All that matters is Miami at 3:30 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

If the Irish play up to their immense potential, they will be a force to reckon with not only this weekend, but in the NCAA Tournament as well.

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HOCKEY

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Freshman goaltender is rewriting the Irish record books

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
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The Irish came into the 2003-04 season with an early question mark in goal, with last year's starter Morgan Cey still trying to recover from an off-season surgery.

David Brown turned that question mark into an exclamation point.

All the Ontario native has done since coming to Notre Dame is break Cey's consecutive shutout minutes streak, set a record for most consecutive shutouts, help the Irish to an upset of the No. 1 team in the nation and earn a selection as the Hockey Commissioner's Association's National Rookie of the Month.

And all this before his first final exams.

"Coming in as a freshman and having Morgan here as the starter for the last two years, you just want to come in and show what you can do to the best of your abilities and coach gave me the shot to go in there and I've been really grateful for the opportunity to get in there and show what I'm able to do," Brown said.



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Freshman goaltender Dave Brown makes a save in an upset over No. 1 seed Boston College. Brown's scoreless streak of 193:27 earned him National Rookie of the Month honors in October.

It took a while for Brown to get going, though. After his first start Oct. 11 in a 3-1 road loss to Ohio State in which Brown made 36 saves, Brown appeared in Notre Dame's home

opener Oct. 17 against Bowling Green as a replacement for sophomore Rory Walsh.

Brown did not play particularly well, giving up two goals on nine shots in the 5-3 loss.

"I need better play from my goalies," Irish head coach Dave Poulin said after the game.

Brown received the start the

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish must become consistent

They've had a good season. Now is the time to make it a great season. The No. 17 Irish face what is perhaps their biggest test thus far — the Big East Tournament.

But there is only one thing stopping the Irish from winning two games this weekend and taking home the crown — themselves.

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All year long, the Irish have shot themselves in the foot, sputtering on offense late in games and giving up early leads.

This happened last Sunday in their first Big East loss to Pittsburgh. That match saw the Irish hit .000 in the third game and .632 in the fourth, only to give up a 7-4 lead and lose 15-13. This resulted in a tie between the Irish and the Panthers for first place for the regular season Big East title.

This trend has haunted the Irish all season long. Against then No. 14 Northern Iowa, the Irish hit a mere .185 to lose the match in four games.

It happened against South Carolina in the beginning of the year during the Shamrock Invitational, when the Irish hit only .165 in another four-game loss.

But then again, there have been matches — such as the one against Miami — when they hit .326 to beat the Hurricanes in three games.

The Irish are a better team than what those losses show.

"We haven't played to the top of our game yet in a single match," senior Jessica Kinder said after the loss at Northern Iowa.

Coach Debbie Brown agreed. She realizes her team is full of potential.

"We've struggled to have one match where everyone plays well," Brown said. "And that is your ultimate goal."

But the key for the Irish is time. After this weekend, the Irish travel to Palo Alto to face No. 7 Stanford, and then NCAA Regionals start. By that time, the loser goes home.

If the Irish want to make a run in the tournament, let alone win the Big East tournament, they need to find some consistency.

In a season of highs and lows, the Irish have not had a Jekyll and Hyde personality, but they

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ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Team sees success despite weak finish

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

On Sunday afternoon, Irish coach Randy Waldrum was forced to do what he and many other coaches feel might be the toughest part of his job in talking to his team after a loss to Michigan ended their season. It was a tough loss to digest for an Irish program that was looking to return to the Final Four for the first time since 2000.

"The hardest thing to do as a coach is to walk in the locker room after a loss [in the NCAA Tournament]," said Waldrum. "It's final. Only one coach gets to leave happy. Whether it happened now or later in the tournament, the hurt really isn't any different. You have to find the words to ease the pain."

Despite the late losses in the NCAA and Big East Tournaments, it would be hard to call the overall season anything less than a success. The team won 20 games for the first time since 2000 and won 18 of their first 19 while earning the No. 2 ranking in the country for most of the season. They set a new standard for defense, shutting out all nine Big East opponents during the regular season and 10 foes in a row at one point, a team record.

"It may be hard to look back at the season being a success now," Waldrum said. "I think later on, we'll see what we accomplished. The bar is set so high that anything short of the Final Four is a disappointment. There's nothing wrong with

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FOOTBALL

Two wins could give Irish bowl

Notre Dame would be bowl-eligible if it wins its last two games — if there are enough bowls left.

The NCAA notified the school on Tuesday that the Irish (4-6) would be eligible at 6-6 if there aren't enough Big East teams with seven or more wins to fill the league's five bowl berths, said Lisa Mushett, associate sports information director.

NCAA rules allow a team that plays 12 games and wins six to play in a bowl if it is member of a conference that has agreements with bowls. Notre Dame is an independent, but is part of the Big East bowl alignment.

The Irish still need help to get to a bowl, though. That's because three Big East teams already have at least seven wins — Miami (8-2), Pittsburgh (7-3) and Virginia Tech (8-2) —

leaving two bowl spots.

West Virginia (6-4) has two games left, at Syracuse (5-4) and at Temple (1-9). Boston College (6-5) is at Virginia Tech (8-2). Syracuse plays West Virginia, Rutgers (4-6) the Irish.

If two of those three teams win a seventh game, Notre Dame is out. If not, Notre Dame must win at Stanford (4-5) and at Syracuse to have a chance at a bowl.

The first place Big East team gets a Bowl Championship Series berth. The other bowls in the Big East alignment are the Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla., on Jan. 1, the Insight Bowl at Phoenix on Dec. 26, the Continental Tire Bowl in Charlotte, N.C., on Dec. 27 and the San Francisco Bowl Dec. 31.

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A tough loss to Ohio State does not end Purdue's chances.

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The Giant's Barry Bonds is the first player to win the National League MVP award three straight years.

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