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Business climate gets sunnier for graduates

By EDWARD IMBUS
Associate News Editor

1993 was a stormy year for undergraduate seniors looking for employment to greet them after college. The job market was tight, and many students graduated without securing a job. 1994, however, saw the end of the trend, as the job market actually grew, although just slightly.

The forecast for 1995 looks even better, as an improved job market is providing many more opportunities to seniors, according to a survey by the Collegiate Employment Research Institute at Michigan State University and data from Career and Placement Services.

According to the survey, 545

business asked said they anticipated an average 5.9 percent increase in hiring of new college graduates. Last year, the hiring of new graduates increased 1.1 percent after declining 30 percent over the prior four years.

Director of Career and Placement Services Kitty Arnold was cautiously optimistic about the national trend being imitated at Notre Dame.

"1994 was the pits!" she stated, noting that the job market was the worst it had been in 25 years, even with its slight gain as the number of people competing for employment grew more than the job market.

She confirmed that companies did increase their on-campus interviews for permanent

positions 14 percent, from 3,850 to 4,398, and that the most dramatic increases were in attempts to fill summer positions, which increased 162 percent, from 64 interviews in 1994 to 168 to date.

The types of companies increasing their active recruiting however have been so broad as to "defy generalizing. They are more smaller organizations hiring," but their fields of work were varied.

The prime beneficiaries of the increase from Notre Dame are alumni, she said, because companies are generally looking to fill jobs quickly, rather than wait until graduation in May.

Also being eagerly sought are

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Outlook improves for College graduates

► Rating the regions



► Job availability as rated by employment recruiters

1994 1995

Source: Collegiate Research Institute

The Observer/Tom Roland

Success leads ND Mock Trial Team to nationals

By MELANIE LAFLIN
News Writer

Despite objections, witnesses lying on the stand, long ten hour days, a flat tire, and a rental van engine exploding, the Notre Dame Mock Trial Team withstood the competition this weekend during the Mock Trial Regionals held in Toledo, Ohio.

Three teams and one alternate team, consisting of thirty Notre Dame/Saint Mary's students, made the trek to Toledo. Two teams ended up qualifying for nationals coming up March 30 through April 1 in Des Moines, Iowa.

Notre Dame students Jen Ruppel and Drew Klein received outstanding attorney awards, while three others, Matt Mahoney, Maribeth

Suprock, and Alex Fisch from Saint Mary's received outstanding witness awards.

Dave Horan, president of the Notre Dame Mock Trial Team, commented on his overall impressions of the tournament. "I feel everything went really well, though I feel our third team should have received a bid to go to nationals over some of the other teams," said Horan.

Each university competing in Regionals was given a case packet several months ago to study, analyze, and prepare for this past weekend's tournament. The Notre Dame team began preparing last October, starting with tryouts.

"We, unfortunately, had to cut several people since we

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The Observer/Tom Perez

Pie on your face

Three students compete in the pie eating contest held at South Dining Hall's Night Oak Sunday night.

SMC offers 'Spirit of Blackness'

Festivities hope to celebrate cultural diversity

By LAURA FERGUSON
Saint Mary's News Editor

In celebration of cultural diversity, the Sisters of Nefertiti of Saint Mary's College are sponsoring the first "Spirit of Blackness Week" from Feb. 13-19.

The festivities start this evening with "Awakenings," a play written by junior Alia Paige, president of the Sisters of Nefertiti. This play will present a day in the life of one African-American student at Saint Mary's and will be staged in the Haggar Parlor at 7 p.m.

A poem written and read by Leslie Field, also a Saint Mary's student, will prelude the performance. Audience discussion will follow the presentation.

On Wednesday, three local gospel choirs, including the Victory and Praise Gospel Choir, will perform at 6:30 p.m. in the Haggar Parlor. A \$1 donation

Play profiles African-American experience

By LAURA FERGUSON
Saint Mary's News Editor

One of the main purposes of the "Spirit of Blackness" week of celebrations is to awaken the entire Saint Mary's community to the diversity already present on campus. One unique event aiming to accomplish this is the performance of a student play titled "Awakenings."

will be requested for the continuation of multicultural events at Saint Mary's. In addition to the choirs, a drill team will perform their movements to bible verses during the choir festival.

Dr. Sophia Paige, a motivational speaker, obstetrician/gynecologist, and sister to Alia Paige, will present a lecture entitled "Success—One Woman's Perspective" in Carroll Auditorium at 7 p.m.

Written by junior Alia Paige, this play of three mini-acts attempts to pool experiences of life at Saint Mary's through the eyes of an African-American Saint Mary's student.

"I took four separate instances of racism on this campus and used creative license to pull them together," said

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"People always think of big names such as Oprah Winfrey and Michael Jackson but not the people down the street; but success is really what is in the heart," said Alia Paige. She described her sister, Dr. Paige, as "real, not someone who can't be touched."

During her collegiate career, Dr. Paige was the first student of any gender or race to serve

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Health Center sponsors post-grad service award

By TIM GREEN
News Writer

The Thomas Dooley Service Award, currently in its first year, provides one Notre Dame pre-professional graduate with the opportunity to explore the field of primary medicine through a one-year service project. The recipient works at the St. Joseph's Health Center, providing medical assistance and social advocacy to the needy.

The award was named after Thomas Dooley, a 1948 Notre Dame pre-professional graduate who served as a physician to poor and underdeveloped people in Southeast Asia. The award program seeks to emulate Dooley's work by accommodating the medically underserved residents of St. Joseph and Marshall counties.

The Dooley award service program has been made possible through the combined efforts of three groups. They are the Notre Dame Alumni Club of St. Joseph Valley, which pro-

vides an \$8,000 stipend to cover room and board for the Dooley volunteer; Notre Dame's Center for Social Concerns, which lends its assistance in the annual process of selection of the award winner; and the staff of St. Joseph's Health Center, which provides its resources and guidance throughout the year of service.

The Center for Social Concerns is now accepting applications from Notre Dame graduating pre-professional seniors for the Dooley award.

Volker Blankenstein, a 1993 Notre Dame pre-med graduate, is the initial and current Dooley Award recipient. He has been responsible for much of the program's design, installation, and development.

"The award provides a powerful and unique opportunity for students of medicine which goes beyond the boundaries of classroom education," Blankenstein said. "It's an incredible experience that has

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■ INSIDE COLUMN

What money can never buy

With today being Valentine's Day, it is appropriate to consider the question: What is love? Now many of you may consider yourself "in love," but just what is this strange emotion that we seem so fixed on.

We are bombarded with different viewpoints on the matter every day. From John 3:16 where, God is so loving that he is willing to give up his son, to shows like "90210" and "Melrose Place" flaunting their versions weekly on TV, albeit quite different from what John had in mind. It perforates our music, singing out just as well from the fourth act of Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro" to Sir Mix-a-Lot telling us how he's the "Monsta Mack".

Science has tried to pin it down with theories and tests, with bio-chemistry and psychology, with PMA's and oedipal complexes. Philosophers, theologians, and artists have tried to capture the essence, the meaning that is love. Both sides have had minimal success.

It is obviously an intriguing concept, but I feel that we're all being duped. Slowly, over time, this day which is supposed to celebrate "romantic love" has become just another Hallmark holiday.

It is surrounded by weeks of planning by storekeepers. There are now set decorations and displays put up in stores to celebrate this unmatchable feeling. A sort of garish "Monty Haul" attitude seems to prevail as each one asks the lover they know best, "So what did you get him/her?" A corporate invention, which preys on some of our most primeval feelings, can turn into a materialistic nightmare.

While you may not chose these words, the thoughts that generate them are common to us all. It's like receiving only a fraction of the gifts you thought you would get for Christmas. While mother tells us to be happy for what we have, there is an imp of discontent lurking about in the cellar of our soul. This is always true with un-fulfilled expectations.

We live in a age where love can be bought and sold. "How mad is she?" Just buy a bigger bouquet like the sign says. Can't get the words in your mouth to tell that someone something? Carnations are your way out, man. Is there anything that a box of chocolates or a fuzzy animal can't fix? You know the apocalypse is upon us when even True Value hardware stores offer Valentine's day specials.

Now, I'm not here to say that love cannot exist in true form anymore, nor am I here to tear bitterly into Valentine's Day. I am not against the truly meaningful gift, but instead stand against the blatant materialism that this day has become for some. It just seems that we have lost a sense of trueness these days, not in some magical "Princess Bride" true love sense, but where one expects to be loved through receiving something material. The thought of why we love clamoring in the back of our psyche, as one may be consumed with buying something for that someone. The meaning of the giving is lost within a swirling sense of materialism.

John Alexander Joyce writes: "I shall love you in December, With the love I gave in May." I wonder for how many that still holds true.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.



Eric Ruethling
Photographer

■ WORLD AT A GLANCE

Winter storms dump snow triggering deadly avalanches

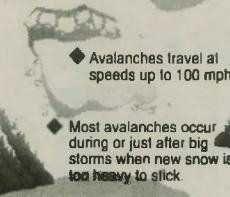
A fierce winter storm brought an abrupt halt to unseasonably high temperatures in the Northwest and dumped up to 5 feet of snow in the Rockies, triggering deadly avalanches and causing hundreds of car accidents.

Avalanches killed one skier in Colorado and another in Utah. A search resumed this morning for a third skier reported missing at Winter Park in Colorado. The National Weather Service reported more than 60 avalanches in Colorado within a 48-hour period after snow began falling there on Friday.

"There's too many avalanches to count," said Dougal McCarty of Colorado Avalanche Information Center. "It's just total mayhem out there." Three cars were buried by an avalanche Sunday on Interstate 70, Colorado's main east-west artery. There were no injuries.

Highways through Colorado's Berthoud, McClure and Loveland passes were closed today so road crews could set off blasts to break up potential avalanches. Skiers and other travelers stranded by closed passes late Sunday overflowed hotel and motel rooms overnight in Vail and nearby commu-

DID YOU KNOW?
AVALANCHE



- ◆ Avalanches travel at speeds up to 100 mph.
- ◆ Most avalanches occur during or just after big storms when new snow is too heavy to stick.
- ◆ Slab avalanches, the most deadly, are most often caused by skiers skiing outside marked trails.
- ◆ Ski patrols use explosives to cause snowslides, reducing risk of major avalanches.
- ◆ Most avalanche victims die in half an hour, many in five minutes.
- ◆ In Switzerland as many as 100 people die in avalanches. The average for the entire Alpine region is 150-200 deaths per year.
- ◆ In the U.S. there are an average of 20 deaths due to avalanches.

Source: SFISAR; Life-Link International
AP/Terry Kola

nities. Some hotels offered lobbies and conference rooms, and Vail opened its Town Council chambers for the night.

The storm dumped up to 5 feet of snow in Colorado's Crested Butte area, 4 feet at Vail and Beaver Creek and nearly 4 feet at Winter Park. Beaver Creek ski area had to close because the snow caused a power failure.

In California's Sierra Nevada, wind gusted to 100 mph today at higher elevations in the Lake Tahoe area.

In the Northwest, 14 inches of snow fell at Brinnon, Wash., and the area around Portland, Ore., got up to a foot.

Portland this morning had ice-coated roads and a wind chill below zero, closing schools and colleges. Last week, the city had highs in the 60s.

The storms caused hundreds of accidents throughout the Northwest on Sunday, including a 20-car pileup on Interstate 82 near Kennewick, Wash., that seriously injured one person.

Wind gusting to 80 mph in Washington cut power to 70,000 customers and temporarily halted passenger ferry service. About 25,000 customers remained without power this morning.

Fight for surgeon general nomination

NASHVILLE, Tenn.

Trying to salvage the chances of his surgeon general nominee, President Clinton sent Vice President Al Gore here today to affirm White House support for Dr. Henry Foster Jr. Gore, a former Tennessee senator, was meeting with the obstetrician and participants of his "I Have a Future" program for young people in two Nashville housing projects. The White House, battling opposition to Foster's abortion record, wants to shift the focus to the 10,000 babies he delivered and his efforts to reduce teenage pregnancy. The unusual show of support is the latest in an aggressive set of moves to save the troubled nomination. While most nominees are held from public view until their confirmation hearings, Foster has defended himself in a Georgetown speech, a Washington Post article and a national television interview. The selection is facing stiff opposition from anti-abortion groups, who are pressuring Republican senators. Foster says he has performed 39 abortions and supervised a drug trial in which 55 more women ended their pregnancies.

Use of informants 'out of control'

NEW YORK

Federal law enforcement agencies spent \$97 million on informers in 1993, nearly four times what they spent eight years earlier, the National Law Journal reported today. In its Feb. 13 issue, the New York-based weekly quoted judges and others who said the use of informers was getting out of hand. "The integrity of the criminal justice system is at stake," said Stephen J. Trott, who headed the Justice Department's Criminal Division in the Reagan administration and is now a federal appeals court judge. "There needs to be better control and supervision of informants." Michael Levine, who spent 25 years as an agent for the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Customs Service, contended that federal agents have abdicated responsibility by allowing "about 15,000 wild, out-of-control informants" to take over investigations, even dictating what the agents do. "Problems with informants is an ongoing issue for us, but the use of informants is essential to intelligence," White told the newspaper. "In many cases, using informants is the only way to proceed."

Cafe offers coffee and computers

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

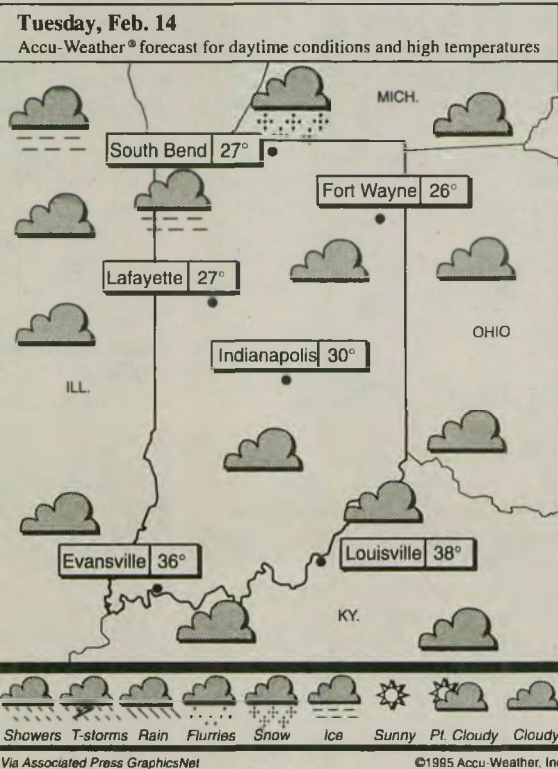
At Harvard Square's newest cafe, there are no dogeared copies of Baudelaire or Byron on the tables. No photocopies of Sylvia Plath's poetry. No outlines for the Great American Novel. The tables at Cybersmith are covered with computers. This is a place where people can have a cup of cappuccino and try all the computer tools and toys they've been hearing about. "It's a lot easier than I thought," said John Barbieri, pointing and clicking his way to everything from Impressionist paintings to sports schedules on the Internet. Cybersmith, situated in a part of town crowded with coffee shops and bookstores frequented by students and professors at Harvard, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and other schools, is not the first cafe to go on line. Seven or eight have opened in Boston, New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco with a computer terminal or two in the back so customers can log on to the Internet. Cybersmith has 48 work stations and technology: the latest multimedia titles, on-line services, virtual reality and video games.

Patient wounds two in hospital

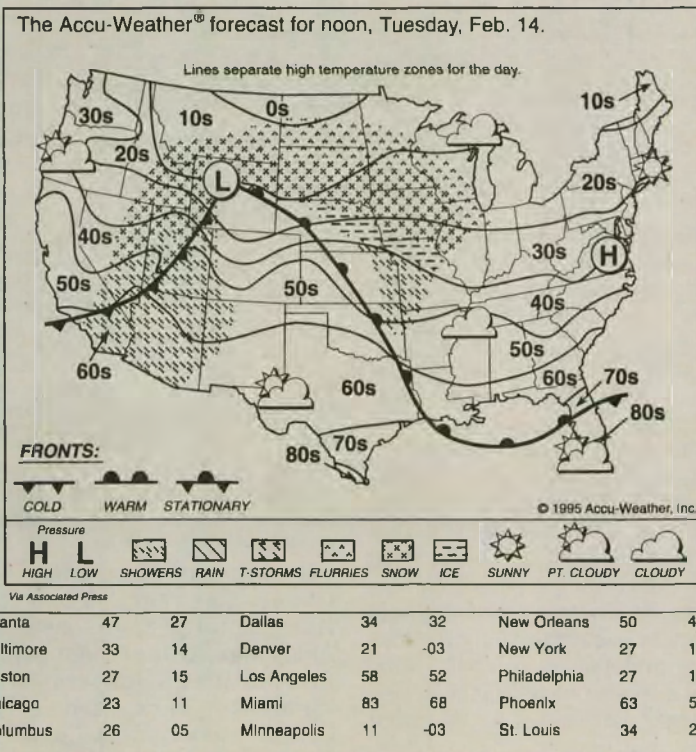
MESA, Ariz.

A 71-year-old woman recovering from a hysterectomy pulled out a gun in a hospital and opened fire Monday, wounding two men, authorities said. There was no immediate word on a motive, police Sgt. Earle Lloyd said. Lloyd said Jean Dooley pulled a .38 caliber revolver from a knapsack brought her by her husband and began shooting outside a nurses' station in the general surgery area of Valley Lutheran Hospital. Witnesses told police that Mrs. Dooley dropped the gun after she emptied it and was mumbling incoherently when security guards subdued her, Lloyd said. "She doesn't even know what city she's in. She's disoriented, and (detectives) can't get much out of her," Lloyd said. A nurse wounded in the arm and back was in stable condition, Lloyd said. The other victim, an ambulance employee, was shot in the abdomen and undergoing surgery. Mrs. Dooley, from Mesa, had been at the hospital for three days, said Tracy Scott, a hospital spokeswoman. Police said she would remain at the hospital while recovering from her hysterectomy. She was not injured in the shooting.

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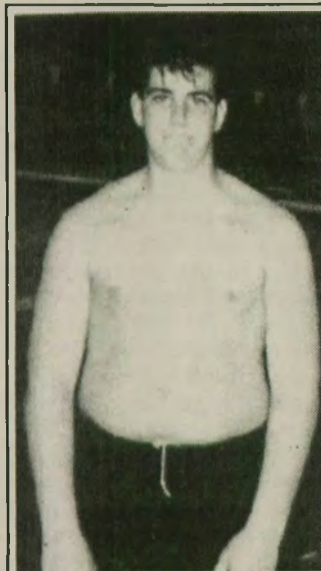
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Works of literature

J. California Cooper, one of the authors asked to read her works at the Sophomore Literary Festival, spoke last night in the Library Auditorium.



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■ CAMPUS BRIEFS

Special to the Observer

Rev. Charles Schleck, C.S.C., has been appointed Titular Archbishop of Africa by Pope John II. The appointment was announced today in the Vatican newspaper Osservatore Romano.

Father Schleck, 69, also was named joint secretary of the Pontifical Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples and president of the pontifical Mission Societies. The Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples is responsible for the support of churches in countries without a local hierarchy and recommends candidates for bishops for those countries.

A Milwaukee native, Father Schleck is a 1948 University of Notre Dame alumnus and former faculty member in theology. He entered the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1941 and was ordained in Rome in 1951.

After receiving his undergraduate degree in philosophy from Notre Dame, he earned advanced degrees in theology from Saint Thomas University in Rome. Between 1953 and 1968 he was a faculty member, first, at Notre Dame, then at Holy Cross College in Washington D.C., and at the Collegio di Santa Croce in Rome. He also was dean of studies at both Holy Cross and Collegio di Santa Croce.

After spending four years as a consultant for religious communities in California, he returned to Rome as apostolic visitor for the Congregation for Religious and Secular Institutes. In 1972 he began his long association with the Congregation for the

Evangelization of Peoples, serving as apostolic visitor until 1974, as attache from 1974-86, and as undersecretary until today's appointment.

The time and place of Father Schleck's episcopal ordination will be announced at a later date.

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E. Jane Doering has been appointed visiting professor of romance languages and literatures and director of the University of Notre Dame's Angers, France, program, according to Isabel Charles, associate provost and director of international study programs. Doering has accepted a two-year appointment beginning in August.

An adjunct and visiting professor at Notre Dame since 1985, Doering has also taught at Northwestern University, Indiana University-South Bend, and L'Universite Catholique de l'Ouest in France, the site of the Angers program.

Doering earned a doctorate in French from Northwestern in 1992. She holds master's degrees from Notre Dame and Goucher College and a bachelor's degree from Douglass College of Rutgers University.

In 1970-72 and 1976-78, Doering assisted her husband, Bernard Doering, Notre Dame professor emeritus of romance languages and literatures, when he served as director of the Angers program. The Doerings are the parents of three Notre Dame graduates.

Doering succeeds Alain Toumayan as director of the Angers program. An associate professor of romance lan-

guages and literatures, Toumayan will return to the Notre Dame faculty in the fall after serving for two years in Angers.

Since 1966, Notre Dame has offered the year of study in Angers, a provincial city in the Loire Valley southwest of Paris. The program is a part of the Centre International D'Etude Francaises at the L'Universite Catholique de l'Ouest.

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A team captained by senior Sean Mauer of Troy, Ohio, captured the championship Saturday, Feb. 11, in the university of Notre Dame's 1995 College Bowl tournament.

Mauer and classmates Dave Dietrich of Phoenix, Ariz.; Matt Fischer of Mesa, Ariz.; and Tyler Hower of Huntington, Ind., defeated the team of Steve Smith, Rob Bleil, Katie Walter, and Matt Schaub.

Mauer's team will represent Notre Dame in the College Bowl regional tournament Feb. 24-26 at Quincy College.

Created in 1953, the College Bowl is the world's longest running general knowledge quiz competition. Four-student teams from campuses across the country compete in a question-and-answer game that tests knowledge in everything from history, literature, science, religion and geography to current events, the arts, social sciences, sports, and popular culture.

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Trial

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could only bring three teams this year. Our alternate team really helped out by timekeeping and being ready to compete during the trials," commented Horan.

The plaintiff in the case, Pat Tompkins, was suing the Erie Railroad Company for damages after the train hit her as she crossed over the railroad tracks.

Details in the case proved to be challenging for the attorneys on both sides to counter. Tompkins, wearing a green Gumby suit to a Halloween party, had had at least three beers before driving her friend Sam Lackawanna home, while Casey Palsgraff, the head brakeman who tested positive for marijuana, wasn't sure the crossing signals were working that night.

Notre Dame witnesses were well prepared. In one trial,

Notre Dame witness Phil Jensen, playing the railroad engineer, pulled out his protractor and began sketching the exact angle at which the road intersected the railroad tracks.

Sunday, as well as Saturday, proved to be eventful. After one van was waiting in Toledo to fix its flat tire, the other van found itself stranded five minutes from Notre Dame with oil oozing from its engine.

While everyone huddled together in the freezing cold inside the van, Notre Dame student Michael Edney stood outside for forty-five minutes hailing road crew workers and standing as a lookout for the other van. According to Horan, "If it hadn't been for Edney, we would have thought it just another blue van and kept right on going."

Mishaps aside, the Notre Dame Mock Trial Team proved to be a fierce competitor this past weekend and is looking forward to the upcoming tournament.

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opened my eyes to see the medicinal profession from a different angle, considering the 'human variable' of medicine."

Blankenstein believes the project to be a helpful learning process for any prospective doctors. "Honestly, I think it will make me a more caring person and a much better physician in the future," he said. "Working in the clinic shows you on a daily basis how people are affected by hardship and disease; you learn to feel for your patients on a personal level." He went on to add, "The importance of the

program is the focus on physician-patient relationships...the concepts of 'health ministry' and 'patient advocacy' are really what it's all about."

All 1995 Notre Dame pre-professional graduates interested in a career in primary medicine and willing to defer their medical school admission for one year are encouraged to seriously consider participation in this project.

Applications for the Thomas Dooley Service Award Project are now available at the Center for Social Concerns. The application deadline is set for February 27. For further information, interested students may contact Volker Blankenstein at the St. Joseph's Health Center.

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on the Board of Trustees at Ohio State University, and at the completion of this year, she will be the first African-American woman in 50 years to complete the UCLA residency program.

On Friday, a movie marathon of black silver-screen classics will showcase movies such as "Uptown Saturday Night," "Trading Places," "The Wiz," "School Daze" and "Superfly." The marathon begins at 4 p.m. in Carroll Auditorium. Admission is \$1.

"We chose movies to reflect all different aspects of different black filmmakers," said Rachel Mitchell, treasurer of the Sisters of Nefertiti.

"Nefertiti's Jam," a party open to all students, will rock

the Haggar Parlor on Saturday from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Admission to this event is also \$1.

The week of events will close with a Kwanzaa Celebration in the Regina North Lounge at 1 p.m. Brother Sage, from South Bend, will join the Saint Mary's community in celebration of this interfaith thanksgiving.

According to Paige, the original purpose of a Kwanzaa celebration was for African farmers to offer thanksgiving for the new harvest and the gifts they had.

In addition to the celebration, traditional Kwanzaa dishes will be served.

According to Paige, the purpose of the week long celebration is two fold.

"For African-American women, it is a week of black pride," she said. "Also many ladies on campus are very conservative and are not used to

dealing with black people. We want to say this is who we are and allow those students to get to know us better."

Mitchell agrees that this is a week of sharing.

"We want to share ourselves with the Saint Mary's community and share our culture as well as celebrating ourselves," said Mitchell.

This is the first year that a week long celebration of African-American culture has been organized by students at Saint Mary's.

"In the past, celebrations didn't go far into cultural aspects," said Paige. "We stepped in to present our culture."

"The Spirit of Blackness" week is sponsored by the Sisters of Nefertiti, the Student Activities Board, the Board of Governance, the Office of Multicultural Affairs, and Campus Ministry.

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graduating students with computer skills, Arnold said employers have frequently told her. Such skills, however, are difficult to evaluate unless a student has taken computer courses or has work experience with computers.

She also agreed, however, with the survey's finding that employers are also increasingly stressing writing and communication skills. "Arts and Letters students usually have a

good command of language because they are exposed to and expected to do more writing," and employers are specifically looking for such skills more and more.

Students had not been surveyed to determine the number that had successfully found employment for after graduation, but she expected it to be higher than last year's total because of the higher amount of on-campus interviewing, the heavy recruiting of accounting majors during the fall semester, and the expectation of several firms to recruit towards the end of the year.

She was worried, in fact, that some students may miss "great opportunities" by dropping out of the active interviewing process too early, though she acknowledged that the interviewing process was rigorous on students.

She warned, though, that the percentages were slightly misleading since the number of jobs for last year was low. "I don't want to give the implication of a banner year. Our students are talented, but it is still a rough market."

Information from the Chicago Tribune contributed to this article.

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Paige.

As an example, Paige included a memory of moving in for the semester with her brother's help. She said she heard a woman make a statement to the effect of "Poor thing must not have any parents."

"It wasn't overt, but it hurt

my feelings," she explained. "Because people are ignorant, they make assumptions on me."

As the students involved in the planning of the "Spirit of Blackness Week" discussed the play, Paige said that similar instances surfaced with everyone in the club.

"There are just little things that shouldn't be happening," she said. "This play is about ignorance and looking into yourself and awakening yourself be-

cause these little things could be happening within you."

Acting in the play is Erica Williams and Martha Moylan, both Saint Mary's students. Other characters will be involved but will perform in silhouette behind backdrops so the audience will not attach an action with specific faces.

A discussion with the audience will follow the half hour performance so that the audience can bring out their feelings, according to Paige.



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8PM TONIGHT--Hesburgh Library Auditorium

Americans naive about sexual diseases

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Americans don't know their risk for sexually transmitted diseases or their partners' sexual histories, and consequently don't protect themselves, says a survey to be released Tuesday.

The survey, funded by pharmaceutical giant Burroughs Wellcome Co., found 75 percent of Americans don't believe they could catch a sexually transmitted disease, even

though doctors diagnose 12 million new cases — not counting AIDS — every year.

"The message is: Know enough to assess your risk before you decide not to worry" about sexually transmitted diseases. "It's a serious problem," said Ethel Klein of EDK Associates, which conducted the survey for Burroughs, a manufacturer of drugs for treating the diseases.

The survey marks the release of a new booklet, developed by

a coalition of medical organizations, with explicit instructions for detecting the often hidden symptoms of sexual diseases. The government says one in four Americans may get a sexually transmitted disease, which left untreated can cause infertility or even death.

The survey of 1,000 adults attempted to assess Americans' sex lives, but turned up contradictions that Klein says illustrate people's "very complicated feelings about sexuality."



The Observer/ Brandon Candura

Love songs

Will Bennett, a Dillon sophomore, sells "singing valentines" for the Notre Dame Glee Club.

Supreme Court grants sole custody to biological father

By LAURIE ASSEO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
The Illinois couple who have raised Baby Richard since he was born nearly four years ago lost another Supreme Court battle today in their struggle to retain custody of the boy.

The justices, on a 7-2 vote, refused to block an Illinois Supreme Court ruling that gave custody of Richard to the biological father he has never met.

Lawyers for Richard and for the suburban Chicago couple who have raised him since he

was 4 days old, identified only as John and Jane Doe, still are free to file a formal appeal of the Illinois court's decision.

The court turned down requests for an emergency order filed by lawyers for the boy and the couple.

Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Stephen G. Breyer voted to grant the stay. O'Connor wrote for the two that the top Illinois court "evidently did not apply a recent amendment to the state adoption laws" that may require a hearing to determine the child's best interests.

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Future of balanced-budget in the hands of Democrats

By DAVID ESPO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

A year ago, Democratic Sen. Tom Daschle voted for a balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution, declaring control of the deficits vital "for the sake of our children and grandchildren."

Now his party's Senate leader, the South Dakotan is uncommitted on a nearly identical measure that soon will come to a vote in that chamber. He says he still favors the idea, yet he is leading a Democratic effort to shield politically popular Social Security from future cuts while demanding that Republicans outline the programs they'll slash to eliminate deficits.

"The circumstances are a lot different," he said in an interview. A year ago, the Democratic majority had outlined a "very clear blueprint" of the type of steps needed to balance the budget, he said. Now, the Republicans in charge are "unwilling to do that."

Daschle's position as newly elected Democratic leader highlights his visibility in the Senate debate, but he's not alone. A small group of Democrats — some of them in the leadership, most of them moderate and conservative lawmakers who are previous supporters — hold the pivotal votes on the measure.

Those senators include Democratic Whip Wendell Ford of Kentucky, Deputy Whip John Breaux of Louisiana, Byron Dorgan of North Dakota, Sam Nunn of Georgia and Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico.

Sen. Kent Conrad of North Dakota, an opponent last year, is viewed by Republicans as a potential supporter, as is Sen. Ernest Hollings of South Carolina. Hollings voted for the measure last year but he is now demanding that Social Security be exempted from balanced-budget calculations.

"The reality is it may pass this year," says Breaux. That "makes it more important to see what the cuts are.... Last year, a lot of people thought it wasn't going to pass."

The ramifications are potentially far-reaching.

The measure is at the core of the "Contract With America" that produced a GOP majority in the House last year, and Republican leaders believe approval is essential if Congress

is to tackle the deficit effectively.

The Republican National Committee announced television commercials Monday in the states of several uncommitted Democrats — Kentucky, North Dakota, South Dakota and New Mexico among them. The ads urge a call to the lawmaker involved. "Tell him, 'Don't put the Democratic Party first. Put our children first.'"

Says Daschle: "The issue is of such magnitude and consequence to every senator that there's no party position here."

Sponsors of the bill expect to have the support of 52 of 53 Republicans, with Sen. Mark Hatfield of Oregon the lone holdout. It takes a two-thirds majority to send the amendment to the states for a ratification drive. The House passed it last month.

With polls showing 80 percent public support for the measure, Breaux concedes there's political risk in opposing it, particularly for a senator seeking re-election next year.

Sen. James Exon, D-Neb., who supports the measure, says it may be a "win-win" situation for Republicans: They win if their amendment passes and they win at the polls next year if it's defeated and they can use the vote to unseat Democratic incumbents.

But Democratic pollster Geoff Garin says the ultimate political consequences may be harder to predict.

"There are some life and death votes in the world, but this is not one of them," Garin said. "The voters are for a balanced-budget amendment, but ... as soon as you start to deal with any of the consequences of balancing the budget, public support becomes much more mushy."

Sen. Max Baucus, a Montana Democrat whose term expires next year, announced Friday that he would vote for the measure this year after opposing it in 1994.

Another Democrat, Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, voted for a balanced budget in 1986 and against the measure that was defeated last year. He's expected to seek re-election next year and is targeted by the Republican advertising campaign.

NASA downsizes, suspends hiring

By HARRY ROSENTHAL
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, under orders to cut its spending \$5 billion by the end of the decade, announced a hiring freeze Monday and a stop in promotions at the highest civil service levels.

"We are in the beginning phase of a plan to downsize headquarters significantly," said agency spokesman Brian Welch. The order, issued Friday by administrator Daniel Goldin, bars transfer to headquarters from NASA centers around the country but not moves from center to center.

Testifying before the House space subcommittee, Goldin said he learned on Jan. 12 that President Clinton wanted NASA to make do with smaller annual budgets in the next five years.

"When we lost the money, I was in shock," said Goldin. He said NASA had already cut its spending by 30 percent.

NASA has given veteran employees two opportunities in recent years to take a lump sum

for early retirements. In the first buyout, 1,178 employees accepted; in the second, Goldin said, 657 signed up.

The agency went from 25,000 employees a few years ago to 22,412 as of last December 1. At its height, during the Apollo moon program, NASA had 33,000 on its payroll.

Goldin told the space subcommittee, which draws up NASA's financial authorizations, that he would have final plans for downsizing the agency by May 17. But Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., the subcommittee chairman, said the numbers were needed by early next month.

Under the budget sent to Capitol Hill last week by President Clinton, the space station would receive \$2.1 billion next year. Construction of the station is scheduled to begin in November 1997 when a Russian propulsion and guidance unit is launched aboard a Russian rocket.

American officials are worried that its partners in the European Space Agency may not be able to meet their commitments.

"If the Europeans want to participate, they better make up their minds quickly," Sensenbrenner said. "Lack of European decision is not going to slow down the United States and Russia."

The Europeans are signed up to provide a pressurized laboratory module called Columbus. In return, some of the elements for the station will be carried aloft on ESA-made Ariane rockets.

"The Europeans should not think the U.S. and Russia will assemble the station with Ariane 5s if the Europeans do not participate with the Columbus module," Sensenbrenner said.

Likewise, with Russia, he said.

"If relations between the United States and Russia get worse," he said, "The United States will maintain its independent capability to continue on with the space station. I have a letter from President Clinton that effect. That was the price for my support for the space station last year when it came up."

Fate of crime bill uncertain

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Under threat of a presidential veto, the House took up a GOP bill Monday that would give \$10 billion in crime-fighting money to state and local governments and end the program to put 100,000 new police on the street.

The final and most controversial of a six-part Republican package to rewrite last year's \$30 billion anti-crime law also would eliminate funds set aside in the 1994 law for after-school and other crime prevention programs.

Instead, state and local governments would receive block grants of \$2 billion a year for five years to use as they wished to reduce crime and improve public safety. The GOP bill, as amended Monday, requires a 10 percent local match of federal funds, compared with a 25 percent match in the 1994 law.

President Clinton warned Congress in his Saturday radio address against playing "parti-

san politics with police." He said he would use the first veto of his presidency to stop "any effort to repeal or undermine the 100,000 police commitment. Period." Clinton pledged during his presidential campaign to put 100,000 more police on the street.

Attorney General Janet Reno, wearing a badge saying "100,000 Cops: Don't Go Back," was on Capitol Hill to rally opposition to the bill Monday. She spent the morning lobbying Democratic and Republican members.

"That bill is working and it's being done in a straightforward, nonbureaucratic fashion," she said. "Congress must not move backward in the fight against crime."

Republicans say their bill gives localities the flexibility to tailor anti-crime programs to

local needs.

"Washington simply doesn't have all the answers," said Rep. Martin Hoke, R-Ohio. "This one-size-fits-all approach to crime control is completely wrong," he said, adding that the pending bill does allow spending for crime prevention as long as law enforcement officers are involved.

The 1994 law provided \$8.8 billion in grants for new police over six years, of which \$1.3 billion is being appropriated this year to put 17,000 more cops on the beat. It also budgeted \$3.9 billion for school programs, job and substance abuse programs, midnight basketball, economic development, gang prevention and other crime prevention programs that would be eliminated as separate programs in the pending bill.

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SAT., FEB. 11

6:48 a.m. A visitor was transported by Security to Saint Joseph Medical Center for treatment of an illness.

9:23 a.m. A Flanner Hall resident reported hit and run damage to his vehicle while parked in the B16 parking lot.

1 p.m. A Grace Hall resident reported hit and run damage to his vehicle while parked in the D03 parking lot.

8:46 p.m. A Breen Phillips resident reported the theft of her bookbag from the Hammes Bookstore.

SUN., FEB. 12

12:19 p.m. Security arrested a Chicago, IL, resident for trespassing on University owned property.

2 p.m. A Farley Hall resident reported receiving a harassing phone call.

21 Serbs indicted for war-crimes Elections in Mexico

By MIKE CORDER
Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands
Setting the stage for the first war-crimes trial since World War II, a tribunal on Monday accused 21 Serbs with committing atrocities against Croats and Muslims interned in a Bosnian prison camp.

Only one suspect is in custody, a karate expert named Dusan Tadic, so the former Kozarac police officer may be the lone person to come to trial for crimes that include killings, torture, rape and beatings at the Omarska camp.

Set up by the U.N. Security Council in 1993, the Yugoslav War Crimes Tribunal that announced the indictments is trying to focus world opinion on the only instance of alleged genocide in Europe since the Nazi exterminations of Jews and Gypsies during World War II.

The indictments cap a five-month inquiry involving 20 investigators, attorneys and analysts who traveled to 12 countries to examine evidence and interview victims.

Unlike the post-World War II tribunals at Nuremberg and Tokyo, which were organized by the victors with major suspects already in custody, the Yugoslav tribunal is attempting to try suspects from a conflict still raging. More than 200,000

people are dead or missing in a 34-month-long war.

The indictments coincided with this week's budget discussions for the tribunal at the United Nations. The United Nations has so far allocated three months' funding, \$7 million, out of a requested 1995 allocation of \$28 million.

Nineteen of the 21 indicted were functionaries at the Omarska camp in northwest Bosnia. None are among the better known of those accused of atrocities in the war because no direct evidence has been established between the political and military leadership and the crimes committed, a tribunal spokesman said.

U.S. Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger identified in 1992 as possible war criminals Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic and Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic, considered the primary aggressors in the conflict. They were not on Monday's list.

Nor were the Serb militia leaders Vojislav Seselj and Zeljko Raznjatovic, alias Arkan.

The indictments focus more on guards and officers at the Omarska prison camp, a former mining complex used to intern Muslim and Croat intellectuals, professionals and political leaders about 100 miles from Sarajevo. All the victims were Croats or Muslims; all those charged were Serbs.

The commander of the camp, Zeljko Meakic, is the only suspect charged with genocide. He also is held responsible for murders, rapes and torture committed by his subordinates in the camp. Some 3,000 inmates passed through the camp from May to August 1992.

According to the indictment, Meakic personally beat his prisoners with batons and other weapons upon their arrival. It said terror ruled the camp, with inmates routinely tortured, raped and killed.

The one suspect in custody, the 39-year-old Tadic, is being held in Germany. A law allowing him to be handed over to the tribunal is expected to pass the German parliament in March.

An investigator's statement, based on witness reports, alleges Tadic and others forced one inmate to bite off the testicle of another prisoner. That prisoner later died, along with two other people who had been beaten.

Bosnian Serb authorities in Pale have rejected the U.N. court's jurisdiction so these cases, like those before, are unlikely to result in trial.

"With the exception of the accused Tadic, who's in custody in Germany, it's understood that the remaining accused still reside in the Prijedor region, which of course is still under control of the Bosnian Serbs," said Graham Blewitt, tribunal deputy prosecutor.

"At this point we have no reason to anticipate that there will be any significant cooperation in terms of surrendering individuals," Blewitt told reporters.

"I am not familiar with the (indictment) list," Karadzic said Monday. "Our constitution forbids us to give up any of our citizens, but we are going to try anyone if you give us any evidence."

end single-party rule

By NICOLAS RAMIREZ
Associated Press

GUADALAJARA, Mexico
Mexico's largest opposition party on Monday celebrated the biggest electoral victory of its history, which analysts said could help end 66 years of single-party rule in Mexico.

The National Action Party claimed it won the governorship of the state of Jalisco, control of the state legislature and 90 of 124 city halls, including Guadalajara, Mexico's second-largest city.

"This triumph shows it is possible to change the government ... through the force of votes and not through the force of bullets," said Felipe Calderon, secretary-general of the center-right party, known as the PAN.

Sunday's vote was a vindication of President Ernesto Zedillo's promise of fair elections and greater democracy in Mexico.

It also came three days after Zedillo sent troops to crack down on leftist rebels in the southern state of Chiapas, breaking a year-long truce. That move thrilled hard-liners in his ruling party and may have helped dissuade them from challenging Zedillo with a fraudulent election in Jalisco, analysts said.

With 40 percent of the gubernatorial vote counted, the PAN's candidate, Alberto Cardenas, had 54.46 percent and the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party candidate, Eugenio Ruiz Orozco, had 35.9 percent. Eight other parties trailed far behind.

Cardenas, 36, is a former mayor of Ciudad Guzman and a university professor.

"We accept the results. ... We know the vote did not favor us," said Rafael Gonzalez Pimienta, state president of the governing party, known as the PRI.

In the past, the PRI had contested claims of opposition victory at the polls and had admitted losing only two statewide elections in its history — both to the PAN.

For years, presidents have been promising to clean up Mexican elections, but opponents have continued to accuse the PRI of using fraud, force and public funds to maintain its hold on power.

The last election before Zedillo took office in December, a November vote in Tabasco state, was marred by widespread fraud allegations. Militants within his party rebelled against Zedillo's efforts to solve the dispute in January, causing the president to appear weak.

"It is very important that did not happen in Jalisco," said Jaime Sanchez Susarrey, a political columnist and professor at the University of Guadalajara. "The government of the republic maintained control."

The election Sunday was the first since a sudden devaluation of the Mexican peso in December slashed Mexicans' buying power and forced the country to appeal for international aid to save its economy.

Sanchez suggested that the vote could be the first of a series of PAN victories and said the party has a chance to win control of Mexico's lower house of congress in the 1997 federal election.

Three other states, all PAN strongholds, have gubernatorial elections this year: Baja California, Guanajuato and Yucatan.

Other, local issues also factored into the PRI defeat here. Many in Guadalajara were angry about a 1992 sewage explosion, blamed on the government, that killed more than 200 people. There is also widespread frustration over a wave of violent crimes, including the still unsolved 1993 murder of the city's Roman Catholic cardinal, Juan Jesus Posadas Ocampo.

On Thursday, Zedillo sent the Mexican army after the rebel Zapatista National Liberation Army in Chiapas. That move pleased PRI hard-liners and helped wipe away an image of presidential weakness.

Sanchez said the Chiapas events might have dissuaded any hardliners from thoughts of challenging Zedillo with fraudulent actions.

"I believe the show of force in Chiapas was a warning ... that the president maintains his power," Sanchez said.

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■ CAPITOL COMMENTS

Society revels in negativism

Like it or not, society loves to hate. Notre Dame football is a perfect example—its supporters are loyal to the point of obnoxiousness, while its opponents loathe the Irish. The nature of politics, on the other hand, is inherently the art of negativism.

A few weeks ago House Speaker Newt Gingrich cried "foul" when Democrats continued to dog him with their ethics complaint regarding his outside "educational" activities.

The Democrats contend that

Gingrich received several large contributions which were kept secret while teaching his politics course. The course is nothing more than advice for conservative candidates on how to use the Gingrich-style combative, guerilla tactics to defeat Democrats. Furthermore, the course circumvents the campaign and ethical rules governing outside income.

Gingrich counters the Democrats by attacking them in his patented, negative manner. Just as he attacked the press for his mother's "secret" comment about Hillary Clinton, he turns and lashes back at everything he disdains like a cornered pit bull dog. Gingrich says that the Democrats are pursuing the complaint only because he is a conservative and opposes their political philosophies. His comments were made at a \$50,000 a plate

dinner which raised funds for a cable television station—the station that carries his course.

Another stark irony of this situation is Gingrich's own ethics complaint against former Speaker Jim Wright in 1987. When Gingrich filed his successful complaint, he claimed that Speaker Wright's book deal violated House rules on outside income. At the time, however, Gingrich's primary motive was to force Wright, the leader of the Democratic House, to resign, thus showing

how corrupt and bad "liberals" were. His motives were purely political, with his ultimate prize being a Republican takeover in the House. In his mind, Republicans were the minority party for forty years because the "get along, go along" method of compromising did not contrast his party enough with the Democrats.

Gingrich's public history wreaks negativism. At every turn in the political process he also attempted to frustrate the Democratic majority. His philosophy was to grind the House to a halt and then point out how bad the Democrats were at running the institution. Never losing sight of his sole motive—to capture the House—he attacked President Clinton, liberals, Democrats, the press, and a few made-up groups like the McGovernite elite. Now that he is the Republican speaker, he again cries "foul" every time

the new Democratic minority uses the same Gingrichesque tactics against him.

For Gingrich and his crew of conservative radio talk show hosts, keeping the image of liberals, President Clinton, and Democrats negative is their number one priority.

If anyone should dare question Gingrich's \$4.5 million book advance deal with a Rupert Murdoch publishing company, they are "jealous, petty, and partisan." If anyone should suggest that the hundreds of thousands of dollars secretly contributed to Gingrich's GOPAC group is improper, they merely hate the "Newt Crew" conservatives. Their motto seems to be, "Attack, attack, attack. If someone questions you, attack them."

Many politicians and political consultants favor negativism because it is easier to find one reason to turn away from a candidate than it is to find several good reasons to vote for that candidate. Gingrich may have his day for now; but he will soon learn that when valid questions arise concerning him and his party's ability to govern, his glass house will shatter. The American people will also eventually learn in 1995 that the more things change in Congress, the more they stay the same regardless of which party controls the agenda.

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Gary Caruso



■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Issues subject to PC culture

Dear Editor:

In its February 7 edition, The Observer chastised candidates for student body offices for not debating "real problems" such as "multiculturalism," as well as other liberal issues.

By "multiculturalism" we mean eating ethnic foods, seeing ethnic festivals and activities, etc. And most importantly "respecting" other cultures. Yet how many "multiculturalists" respect the strict beliefs of Middle Eastern countries, which require women taking a lesser place in their society? What "multiculturalists" really want from other cultures is what is politically

correct.

This suggests that cultures were all not created equal, insofar as they are compared with the politically correct culture. Multiculturalism is a meaningless concept because it does not mean, and cannot mean, what it says.

However, we all know multiculturalism does not signify a diversity of cultures except in a superficial sense. Multiculturalism is promotion of the liberal culture. And it seems that The Observer's editors would be its high priests.

ANDREW FESKE
Law Student

Right-to-Life opposes violence

Dear Editor:

We, the undersigned, reject David Tyler's ("Losing sight of life and its sanctity," January 27, 1995) accusation that we incite an atmosphere of "fear, hatred and loathing" and wish to inform him that we neither accept, promote, nor "resort to violence and inflict harm on those who don't agree with (our) view on abortion."

We are a pro-life group and value the dignity and respect that all life, from conception until natural death, rightly deserves. This dignity and respect for life is extended to all of humanity, including those who provide abortion services. Though we are diametrically opposed to the violence that they inflict on woman and child, we have never promoted nor advocated their death. In taking this stance, we at Notre Dame join other Right-to-Life organizations nationwide in condemning violence at abortion clinics.

While we abhor the few violent acts which have occurred outside of such clinics, we will not blink away from the 4400 equally violent acts which occur each day inside American abortion clinics. Because the media has not broadcast the press releases of all the major pro-life groups (including Operation Rescue) condemning violence at the clinics, the American public has been unable to witness the cries for peace which the pro-life groups have issued.

So we say God bless Mark, Erin, Bill and especially Shannon Lowney—and yes, Mr. Tyler, we say God bless John Salvi. May God have mercy on his misguided soul.

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■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Love conquers all things; let us too surrender to love."

—Virgil

Betters to the Love Goddess

Over the past few decades students have commonly exchanged disgruntled unpleasantries and overall frustration when dealing with matters of the heart. Many oh-so-enlightened Domers and SMCers plausibly excuse these as problems in "Gender Relations" at Notre Dame—something completely out of their control and basically, the administration's fault. Our student body presidents have been heard to profess that "Student Government will not get you a date," or something along those lines, but we here at *The Observer* believe that with assistance from the Love Goddess, you may have a shot at understanding your current or future significant other regardless of their gender.

Dear Love Goddess,

I have been dating the same girl for four years and this whole Valentine's Day thing has gotten stale. I don't want to give her chocolate or flowers again. Any ideas?

—Unoriginal from Fisher

Dear Unoriginal Fisher Guy,

Listen, if you cannot think of anything to give your best girl of four years, when the excitement of gift giving is gone, perhaps instead of finding a new gift idea, you should find a new girlfriend. Or maybe your problem is that you're just cheap.

Dear Love Goddess,

I'm taking a friend of mine to my next SYR. The problem is, I overheard that she may attempt to take advantage of me, which, A) could ruin our friendship, and B) I don't think she's hot anyway. How can I blow her off without hurting her feelings?

—Bob

Bob,

A woman will sometimes forgive the man who tries to seduce her, said Talleyrand, but never the man who misses an opportunity when offered.

Dear Love Goddess,

I want to take my girlfriend someplace special on Valentine's Day, but we're freshmen and can't get off campus. What should we do?

—Big Freshman Stud

Hey Hunky Freshman,

You obviously haven't heard about the Valentine's Day special at the Morris Inn. I'm sure you and your woman will find passion over meatloaf or pork chops. Do not be led astray, however, by the fact that it is a hotel.

Another idea would be to take advantage of our wonderful weather and have a nice romp in the snow. Make sure you stuff plenty-o-snow down her shirt—girls dig it, and there is an added bonus for you if her coat is thin.

Of course, if you're like Unoriginal from Fisher, you'd probably settle for dinner at the Huddle and a nice walk around the lake where you can feebly attempt to sneak a few cheap thrills in, then you will probably end up redeeming yourself with a shared prayer at the grotto. Bundle up, though, it's cold out there.

Dear Love Goddess,

What would the ideal date be for a girl? I have a date with this cute little red-headed girl and I really want to make a good impression.

—Joe Bob Brilliance

Joe Bob,

First off, I commend you on your efforts to make the night special. I'm sure your hard work and thought will pay off. OK. I'd say blow a lot of money on dinner at the LaSalle Grill, or, of course, you could have pork chops at the Morris Inn if you're cheap like Unoriginal Fisher Guy. There is a new coffee shop downtown for coffee after dinner, which, as a Generation X-er, you really need to tune into. Depending on where you want the relationship to take off from there, you could also head for the 'Backer if you need assistance in batting.

I don't think any frills are necessary. Women want to be swept off their feet, not thrown to Ecuador. So, I would say to hold off on the hot air balloons, limousines, Glee Club Serenades, mushy love poems, and overall garbage which would take the simplicity out of a first date. This doesn't mean you cannot treat your maiden like a queen. Flowers are always appropriate, and remember to open her doors. If she replies with all that feminist nonsense about being able to open it herself, graciously acknowledge the fact and let her open her own doors. I'm sure she at least appreciates the gesture.

Dear Love Goddess,

Where is the best place to find a partner love goddess? I really want to have a meaningful relationship with someone.

—Sensitive Male

Sweet Sensitive Male,

Honey, it depends on what you're looking for. It also depends on your definition of meaningful. The range of possibilities is endless, kind of.

To find a "partner," steal your brother's I.D. and head straight to the 'Backer. Once inside, saddle yourself up a Long Island Iced Tea and then lasso in a gal. Make sure when you publicly humiliate yourself by attempting to give her a throat culture on the dance floor and that you tell her she is "so awesome." You'll thank me later.

Take advantage of the information superhighway. Become a MacLab whore. Many Eudora freaks will swoon at your knowledge of the keyboard, your ingenuity and originality, and your ability to master 5K long love notes. E-mailing can be a highly stimulating and intelligent activity, and while you're at it, check out the computer lab technicians. They're fluent on PC, too. Highly erotic.

I personally think the best place is the bookstore. A plethora of excitement awaits you. You can check out the girl before you even talk to her by looking at what she's buying. If her purchases include art supplies, biology books, a Neil Young CD, carpet cleaner, ND shot glasses, and travel books on Paris, Greece, or Mozambique, chances are she is a highly intelligent, well-rounded woman of the '90's. If her purchases include Midol, Tampax, Kotex, Russell Stovers chocolates, and the book "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus," get the heck out of there.

Dear Love Goddess,

Why are all the righteous Babes taken?

—Kevin

Kevin,

Perhaps you should just lower your standards. Did it ever occur to you that they are taken because they are righteous?

Dear Love Goddess,

Are Wonderbras appropriate? I want to wear one on Valentine's Day to get this guy to notice me, but will he be disappointed when, or if, he realizes it's only 2 extra pounds of cotton pads?

—Victim of Society

Dear Victim,

Tough call. If you get a catch, yank that sucker out of the water before he can squirm free. You never know, your catch may end up being a shoe or a tire, or a dead fish even. Same is true with the male population. Once he's lured, you're pretty much set, but you may find out that he isn't as groovy as he seems. What's wrong with checking out his goods first? Chances are a guy who would really care is probably making up for some loss in another area.

Dear Omniscient Goddess of Amore,

Many women on this campus have told me I would be more attractive if I cut my hair, shaved and bathed on a more regular basis. I always thought women here possessed depth and looked for more in a man than personal hygiene. Am I wrong in thinking there aren't any women for me to date here? My love-life leaves me more frigid than three shaved puddles in a snowstorm. Help me Love Goddess!

—Tom

Dear Thomas,

Listen, are you attracted to girls with beards? Also, from the sounds of it, how could you be cold if there are so many layers of fungus growing on your body? I have various input from outside sources on this issue.

"I would just like to say that it is my conviction that longer hair and other flamboyant affectations of appearance are nothing more than the male's emergence from his drab camouflage...which is the birthright of his sex. There is a peculiar notion that elegant loomage and fine feathers are not proper for the male, when actually that is the way things are in most species."

—from "Hair"

"He that hath a beard is more than a youth; and he that hath no beard is less than a man; and he that is more than a youth is not for me; and he that is less than a man I am not for him."

—Shakespeare

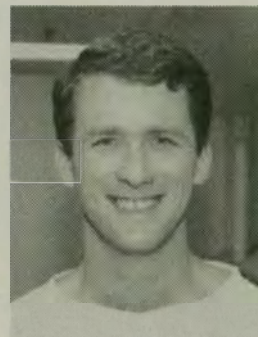
Kim Massman is the Love Goddess

■ ACCENT ASKS...

Who would be your ultimate Valentine?

"Betty Rubble—I love her giggle."

Pat McDonough
Junior
Zahm Hall



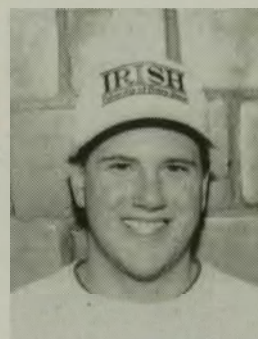
"Rocket Ismail."

Kristine Tracy
Freshman
Lewis Hall



"Other than my girlfriend, Patty O'Hara."

Pat Holston
Senior
Fisher Hall



"Harrison Ford."

Jennifer Sutton
Sophomore
Pasquerilla East



For the single Domer...

My guess is this constitutes the majority of you "I don't want a boyfriend/girlfriend anyway" Domers. Hogwash. Valentine's Day can be a curious time for all of you, full of sadness, unexpected joy, gallons of ice cream for the girls, and pitchers of beer for the boys. Take advantage of the holiday.

Valentine's Day is the perfect time to finally get out there and show that someone you've had your eye on how much they give you the jimmys, how much your heart sings in their presence, how many nights were spent dreaming of him/her. You really have to just strap it on and go for it.

For the single woman:

Have the girls' night out to end them all. The female works—cash-in on being a helpless female taken prisoner by the various junk heaved upon you by the American capitalistic media. Buy fashion magazines, hair colorant, nail polish, and Virginia Slims cigarettes. You've come a long way baby, and you're worth it. Be sure to read the horoscope in *Cosmo*, as well as the agony column to alleviate any anxiety you have about "performing," even though you may not be able to utilize the information for a while. Rent "Fried Green Tomatoes", "Steel Magnolias", "Thelma and Louise", and "Sixteen Candles" just to sneak yet another peek at the being who is now so well known as Jake Ryan. Or you may opt for Lucky's workout video (he's the guy in the Diet Coke ads), and just watch it while calling up all your old boyfriends and telling them you faked...a lot of things. Above all, don't rent any romance films—they'll just make you angry. Besides, I'm sure all the sensitive males on this campus have reserved them anyway "for that special night." My goodness, it's not like you're missing prom or anything. Remember that, and you'll have a dandy time.

For the single man:

Buy some Marlboros and a pitcher of the alcoholic stimulant (or depressant) of your choice. Complain about "Gender Relations" at Notre Dame. Go to the Linebacker. Feel better about "Gender Relations" at Notre Dame.

--The Love Goddess

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-Bill X1862

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Misty Mountain
The best things happen when you
don't plan for them. Thanks for
changing your mind and giving me
a chance. I love you, sweetheart.
Ryan

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Top Ten
10. ?doof neh
9. There's the other car—they're all
dead!
8. Car dancing & 6-part harmony
7. Whose pants are hanging from
the curtain rod?
6. Let's break into Burger King!
5. The winner is (gasp) #25!
4. Don't you just feel so over-
dressed for Wendy's some-
times?
3. #88, Super Frame Man, #22,
#25—need I say more?
2. Sounds like whales mating!
1. You sleep longer if you get it at
night!

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Don't drink my contacts
Hey, I'm a team player
Let's snuggle
Menage-a-quad
Megan I missed a lot at the dance,
but I would've remembered a
guy passing out ham
Sean, margaritas and daiquiris
are two different drinks
What if you just want to order a
regular slam?
Hope you don't mind Rick, but I
slept in your sweatshirt
Coyote pelts at Denny's
I'll have one large glass of ice
water
It's 95 in the room and -38 on the
floor. Heat rises, remember?
I'm sorry. I didn't fail...he tripped
me
I may never take this suit off
Where in the hell did all these
holes come from?
Moons Over My Hammy please

Thanks guys, we had a blast!

The girls from Rm 223 & 224
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Who cares what those guys in
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We sure like it when you wear
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With Love-
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Hey MARTY P.
It's OKAY
Some girls like guys
with no balls

VALENTINES

Danny-
Forever's as far as I'll go. I love UI
Love, Jeannine

My Angel,

Allow me to introduce myself.
My name is Wile E. Coyote,
Genius.

Your Sweetie.

happy valentine's day
ADAM
love STEVE

You are the Love of my life JUDY!
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love CLAIRE

A Valentine's Day Poem For My
Three Geek-A-Ronies:
If it weren't for my roomies,
I don't know what I'd do.
I'd skip all my classes
And sleep the night through.
No grinding, no moaning,
No sleep-talking too,
A life without roomies would be Sad
and blue.
No one to make fun of,
Nobody to shock,
No one to give noogies to,
And no live-in jock.
A life without roomies would be
Boring indeed,
Nobody to rip on, no one to
Mislead.
Nobody to laugh with, with nobody
I'd eat,
Nobody around to be scared of my
Feet.
Nobody to talk with, nobody to Walk
with,
Nobody to nag about the guys They
go off with.
If it weren't for you all, I don't know
What I'd do.
I'd be overcome by fuss-budgets,
And transfer to IU!
But thank God for roomies,
For tall and for small,
For happy and sad ones,
And for you three most of all.
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love, Miasma

To the man who one day caught
my eye...
You're as sweet as — no,
SWEETER than — "pumpkin"
pie
Always remember how much you
are loved
And that YOU'RE the one I'm
thinking of
Thank you for being a "light" in my
life...

Happy Valentine's Day, dear!

JoJo,

The happiest of days to...

...my coloring buddy
...my dancing partner
...my B-Boys listener
...my Wonder Woman
...my Valentine

Love,
Lumpy

Ladies and Gash of 415:
It's been great so far...
From the night after Ball State, to
Bridget's, board games, 4:00am
talks, and lunchtime sexual
healing.
I look forward to the future...
Spring Break in Daytona, nights
of drunken bliss, no more "I have
morning swim" excuses, and a
senior year that will kick ass!
On this day I want to say,
I love you all and feel blessed to
be your friend.
-Michael-

HEY MS. BEAR,
I'LL ALWAYS BE WILLING TO
SHARE MY WARMTH WITH YOU.
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
LOVE,
MR. PORCUPINE

hey knucklehead
i'm glad you took a chance
and i fell for your line...
HVD, dork - your shadow

Happy Valentine's Day
Sweetie Pie!
I'm sorry we can't spend more
time together today. I'm sure we'll
make up for it somehow. — —
And you say I never write you clas-
sifieds!
I love you, baby!
Love, your "monkey"

Stacia,
I think I love you.
Please Call me.
Love,
Brian Klausner

A Valentine's Day riddle:
What do you get when you combine
intelligence, compassion, adven-
ture, muffin baker, wine taster, rac-
quetball expert, wild rice chef,
movie taper, and great proposals
(just to name a few!) in one guy?
KEVIN!!!!

Happy Valentine's Day
KELLY

To the chicks in 3SW:
The dome is gold
The other color is blue
I love Notre Dame
And I love you too.
Have a happy V-Day!!
Love, Steenie

Marisa,
Let the Luau never end and the
dance last forever.
Overseas and under the stars I'll be
with you always.
Vamos a nuestro mundo pequeno.
Everlasting is this "concept."
Laurence

Mercy Anne

A dreamy fall day,
is when the story begins,
A story of how you stole
my heart away,
There you were standing,
your face wore a frown,
A frown that turned
my whole world upside down.

Won't you tell me
what's on your mind,
Oh Mercy Anne won't you please,
Is it pain that you cannot ease?
Won't you take my hand and
let me set your spirit free?
Oh Mercy Anne,
I'm caught in your spell,
Won't you turn and smile at me?

-Hopeless Romantic

Sweetheart,
My tummy is yours,
now and forever .
(My heart too!)
I love you!
Your Pooch Bear

***alamadingdong,
Have a GREAT V-day! Thanks
for all the great times this year! I
hope there are many more!
-Corncob from Bismark

—To Anne, with love
"Red—I feel my soul on fire
Black—my world if she's not there
Red—the color of desire
Black—the color of despair"
—M

BUNNY

To Ms. LaGrange,
Happy Valentine's Day. Just 7 & 34
days to the 2 best days of the year!
Keep smiling & remember to
stop & smell the roses! But don't
touch the TROJANS!!!
Love, East Coast Rubber Man

Happy (4th) Valentine's Day, Pat!
I love you so much
its not even funny!
-E

Stacie:
Neither I nor you
Have expected this light,
Ever since we met
That one "grace"ful night.
And because these 5 months
Have been such sweet bliss,
On this lovers' day, I just want a
kiss.
Love: the Floam Boy

To my honey bunny,
I love you more than anything in the
world. I can't wait to see you!
Please be mine, sweetie!

Love,
Nathan

To my honey bunny,
I love you more than anything in
the world! I can't wait to see you!
Please be mine, sweetie!

Love,
Nathan

Yoo Hoo! Oh Sexy Roomies
Happy Valentine's Day
Where are we going to put
all of the flowers?

Starry Eyes,
Have a RAD Valentine's Day!!!
Love,
Wayne Gretzky

To a very special Valerie from
an everyday average Cesar—
I hope you have a great day.

Chris-
to my forever Valentine.
I love you always.
Love, Loveybumps

B.V.-
Roses are Red,
Violets are Blue,
Although you can't read this,
You know I love you!
Happy Valentine's Day,
Love CB
Honey, honey, honey
Oh, honey, honey
You are my honey
Honey, honey, honey
It's the Honey Song!
Love Honey.

■ PROFESSIONAL TENNIS

Recovering Graf returns to tour event after losing top ranking

By SALVATORE ZANCA
Associated Press

PARIS Steffi Graf will be stepping into the unknown when she plays her first match at the Paris Women's Open this week.

She hasn't played in a tournament in three months and doesn't know how her back will hold up as she seeks to regain the No. 1 ranking she lost last month.

"I've been out of competitive tennis for a while," Graf said Monday. "I haven't had any tournaments since November and it will be interesting to see what I can do."

Graf has played only two matches since reaching the final at the U.S. Open in September, both at the Virginia Slims Championships in New York in November, losing to Mary Pierce in the second round.

Since then, persistent back pains and subsequent calf injuries forced her to miss the Australian Open in January and the Tokyo tournament this month.

Her inactivity has cost her the No. 1 ranking for the first time June 1993, when Graf took over from Monica Seles. Seles still has not returned to action since being stabbed during a match at Hamburg, Germany, in April 1993.

Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, who

beat Graf at the U.S. Open and was recognized as the top player of 1994, became No. 1 in the Feb. 6 rankings, although losing the Australian Open final to Pierce.

Graf accepts the loss of the top spot.

"I can't stay No. 1 when I am not playing," she said. "Right now I am trying to get fit and be able to play tournaments. You have to be fit the whole year to be able to achieve something."

Pierce is seeded No. 2 in the Paris tournament, while Sanchez Vicario is taking the week off. Graf could regain the top spot if she wins the tournament and beats Pierce or No. 3 seed Jana Novotna along the way to gain enough bonus points.

Graf is not thinking of that now.

"I been trying to get into shape," she said. "It has been very difficult and very frustrating. But I have played hard for the last 10 days and physically I feel good."

Graf has divided her time between her homes in Florida and Germany and practiced well. However, in her eagerness to protect the back, she pulled a calf muscle that set back her return.

She says a back operation is out of the question for now.

"An operation will take me out 6-8 months," Graf said.

"But the doctors can't tell me 100 percent it is going to be fine. This is not an injury that is going to heal. I am working very hard on it so I can deal with it and play with it and reduce my problems, to reduce the pain."

"I have been having success so far. Sometimes I have more problems, sometimes I have less problems. It is not something that is just gone."

After missing the Australian Open, Graf is now without a Grand Slam title for 12 months. It doesn't bother her.

"I don't wake up every morning and think about which tournament I've won last year," Graf said. "I would have to look back at the past year to realize I don't have one. I am trying right now just to play a couple Grand Slams tournaments. That's all I worry about now."

Overall, her 86 pro tournament wins is fourth on the all-time list, just behind Evonne Goolagong Cawley's 88.

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■ NHL

Blackhawks fall to Leafs; Flyers soar

Associated Press

TORONTO

Mats Sundin scored his eighth and ninth goals of the season as the Toronto Maple Leafs beat the Chicago Blackhawks 4-2 Monday night.

Dave Ellett and Mike Ridley scored Toronto's other goals and Paul Ysebaert and Dirk Graham scored for Chicago, which had won five in a row.

It was the final game of an eight-game road trip for the Blackhawks, who went 6-2 and outscored opponents 37-15 in the process. One more win and they would have been able to boast of the longest road winning streak in the franchise's last 30 years. Their overall record, 8-4-0, is best in the NHL's Western Conference.

The Leafs (6-5-3) redeemed themselves for Saturday's 5-2 loss to the Los Angeles Kings.

The Blackhawks gave the Maple Leafs all they could handle. Trailing 3-1 when the third period began, they got a rebound goal by Graham at 5:20 to set up a close finish, and only some exceptional saves by Maple Leafs goalie Felix Potvin stopped the comeback bid. Chicago outshot Toronto 32-28, including 11-7 in the third period.

Ellett added an insurance goal with three minutes remaining. His long wrist shot changed direction off the shaft of Brent Sutter's stick and sailed over Chicago goalie Ed Belfour's left shoulder.

Belfour, who shut out Anaheim and St. Louis in his

previous two starts and had a goals-against average of 1.91 entering this game, had his perfect run stopped by Ridley after only 96 seconds. Belfour stopped a long shot by Jamie Macoun and Ridley was on his doorstep to backhand the rebound between Belfour's legs.

Ysebaert got credit for the goal that tied it 1-1 at 10:02. Ysebaert passed the puck from a corner of Toronto's zone towards the crease and Potvin stuck out his stick to intercept it. The puck struck the blade of Potvin's stick and, taking a 90-degree carom, went between Potvin's legs.

Sundin scored 65 seconds into the second period. He stripped the puck off Joe Murphy just inside Chicago's blue line, took one stride to the top of the left-wing circle and lifted a hard shot past Belfour and off the inside of the far post.

Sundin made it 3-1 by finishing off a 2-on-1 break with Randy Wood by scooping Wood's pass behind Belfour at 11:42 of the second.

Flyers 5, Capitals 3

Mikael Renberg, Chris Therien and Patrik Juhlin scored goals in less than four minutes of the first period as the Philadelphia Flyers beat the Washington Capitals 5-3 Monday night.

The Flyers, who had been struggling, won their second straight and snapped a three-game home winless streak against Washington. Entering the game, only five teams in the NHL had scored fewer goals than Philadelphia (25).

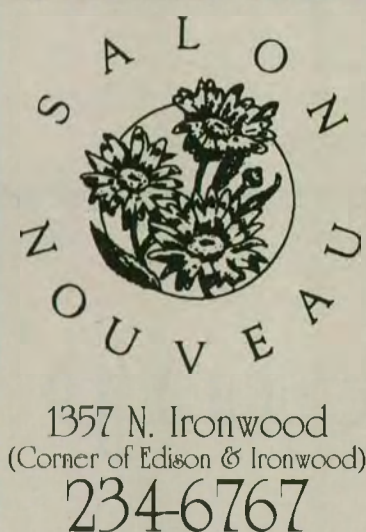
Rod Brind'Amour gave Philadelphia a 1-0 lead at 6:46 on a power play. Eric Desjardins flipped a dump pass in at the blue line, hustled after his own heave, and sent the puck across the middle to Brind'Amour, who whacked it by Rick Tabaracci. The power-play goal ended an 0-for-14 streak for the Flyers.

Renberg notched his second goal of the season at 14:06. Eric Lindros stripped a Capital in center ice and fed the puck over to Renberg at the blue line. Renberg, who had 38 goals last season, whistled a wrist shot just inside the right post.

Just 2:34 later, Therien collected his first NHL goal, also on a power play. He took a cross-ice pass from Jim Montgomery at the point and wristed a shot that ticked off Washington defenseman Sylvain Cote in the slot and the cross-bar behind Tabaracci before settling in the net.

Juhlin made it 4-0 1:14 later off a rebound in front, which signalled the end for Tabaracci. Olaf Kolzig became the new Washington netminder.

Craig MacTavish scored his first goal in a Philadelphia uniform at 5:17 of the second for a 5-0 Philadelphia lead, the first time since April 2, 1994, that the Flyers managed five goals. MacTavish corralled a rebound of Desjardins' point drive. Desjardins had three assists.



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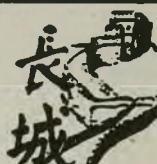
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■ NBA

Nelson resigns from Warriors, is replaced by Hall-of-Famer Lanier

By BOB EGELKO
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. Don Nelson, sick and demoralized this season, resigned Monday as coach and general manager of the Golden State Warriors.

The Warriors said Bob Lanier, the assistant coach and Hall of Fame center, will immediately replace Nelson. Nelson's job as general manager was not immediately filled.



Don Nelson

Nelson's son, Donn Nelson, currently an assistant coach for the Warriors, will remain with the team to assist with preparations for the 1995 draft. Golden State was expected to challenge for the NBA title this season after recording 50 wins last year.

But injuries and dissension following the loss of forward Chris Webber, last year's rookie of the year, turned the year into a disaster. The Warriors were 14-31 at the All-Star break.

The announcement followed a weekend of meetings between Nelson and team owner Chris Cohan in Phoenix, where the All-Star Game was played.

Published reports had Nelson accepting a \$1 million buyout, with Lanier taking over.

Nelson, the Warriors' GM for 7 1/2 years and coach for 6 1/2,

has taken the team to the playoffs four times, but never reached the conference finals.

Nelson, whose head coaching career began in the 1976-1977 season with the Milwaukee Bucks, has 817 regular-season victories and 604 losses. His postseason record is 51-61.

The usually cautious Nelson was talking about a possible title in preseason, with injured guard Tim Hardaway returning to join Webber and All-Star guard Latrell Sprewell. Hopes rose further when the Warriors obtained their first established center in the Nelson years, Rony Seikaly, in a preseason trade with Miami for forward Billy Owens.

But Webber, who was squeezed under the team's salary cap last season by a contract making him a restricted free agent after one year, never played another game with the Warriors.

The former Michigan star had a publicized blowup with Nelson in Charlotte last season and was quoted in an off-season interview as saying it was the worst year of his life. The self-assured Webber had no patience with Nelson's high-pressure, demanding style, and eventually forced a Nov. 17 trade to Washington.

New owner Cohan agreed to the trade, siding with his coach. In exchange, the Warriors got Tom Gugliotta, a solid forward with none of Webber's superstar potential.

The team went into a tailspin almost immediately, losing 30 of its last 37 after a 7-1 start.

Four-time All-Star Chris Mullin has missed virtually the whole season with injuries and has been joined on the sidelines by Seikaly and Ricky Pierce, a preseason acquisition who was supposed to shore up the Warriors' bench.

Hardaway hasn't fully recovered from last year's ankle injury, and Sprewell has had an erratic season, marked by injuries and resentment of the trades of close friends Owens and Webber.

He wore both players' numbers on his sneakers for a time, missed two practices and was suspended for a game. Rookie Cliff Rozier also served a one-game suspension for missing practice.

Nelson was demoralized by the Webber trade and its aftermath, and soon encountered physical problems. He missed seven games in December because of viral pneumonia, returned in January but missed two more games with the flu this month.

Lanier, voted into the NBA Hall of Fame in 1992, played 9 1/2 seasons with Detroit and 4 1/2 with the Nelson-coached Milwaukee Bucks before retiring in 1984.

Since then, he has worked as a broadcaster, as chairman of the NBA's Stay-in-School program and as president of a promotional merchandise company. His only full-time coaching experience has been as a Warriors assistant this season, concentrating on the team's big men.

Mad Max missing

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
Associated Press

HOUSTON

Vernon Maxwell, suspended for rushing into the stands to punch a heckler, failed to show for practice Monday night with the Houston Rockets.

"It was just a lack of communication with Vernon," coach Rudy Tomjanovich said after the two-hour workout. "We'll get it straightened out. He thought because he was suspended he wasn't supposed to be around the team."

Maxwell, a starting guard, has eight games left in his 10-game suspension. He has filed an appeal of the suspension as well as his \$20,000 fine to NBA commissioner David Stern, claiming the league didn't fully investigate the incident.

Tomjanovich said it is not clear if Maxwell will start when he returns to the team.

"We'll have to see," Tomjanovich said. "If you stay off all that time, it just de-

pends."

Maxwell went into the stands at Portland on Feb. 6 and attacked Steve George of Atlanta, claiming the fan had shouted racial and sexual insults about his family, especially his daughter, Amber, who died in 1993.

George has denied making any derogatory remarks about Maxwell and has demanded Maxwell retract his accusations.

On Monday at The Summit, Maxwell continued to receive support from his teammates.

"Every person has his pressure point," Robert Horry said. "One thing will make a person cross the line and something else will get to another person."

Otis Thorpe said he wasn't surprised at Maxwell's absence from the workout.

"I don't know the rules," Thorpe said. "Sometimes you're not supposed to be with the team when you're suspended. Sometimes you are."



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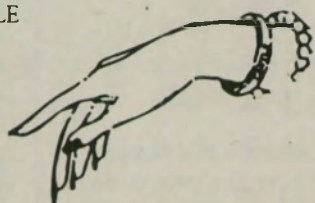
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■ NBA

Uncertainty underlies West; Magic rule the East

By WENDY E. LANE
Associated Press

PHOENIX

Phoenix Suns coach Paul Westphal was only joking when he tried to coax Houston's Hakeem Olajuwon into doing something dangerous during the NBA All-Star Game.

After all, with Olajuwon out of the way, the path to the NBA Finals would be a lot less daunting for the Suns, who have the league's best record going into the second half of the season.

Olajuwon resisted Westphal's attempts to drag him toward an electric catapult that was sending the Suns' Gorilla mascot hurtling through the air during a timeout in Sunday's All-Star Game. Charles Barkley wanted to try the contraption, but his fast-thinking coach went after last season's league MVP and stopped him.

"The plan was to get Hakeem out there," Westphal said, laughing. "We were trying to reel him in there and get him injured, but he is too smart for that."

Now that the All-Star frolicking is over, the serious part of the season resumes.

In fact, no sooner was the game over — a 139-112 romp by the Western Conference — than players' thoughts turned toward the business of jockeying for playoff positions.

The Rockets, the defending champions, have some serious catching up to do. They are

third in the Midwest Division with only the sixth-best record in the conference.

"The West is so competitive," Olajuwon said. "You can't say it's just those two teams (Houston and Phoenix). We have Seattle, San Antonio, Utah, Phoenix."

Houston's task is tough, and it starts with an Eastern road trip that includes stops at Central Division leader Charlotte and New York.

The best-shooting team in the league and the surprise Midwest leader, the Utah Jazz, figure to keep rolling now that the distraction of John Stockton's NBA assists record is safely out of the way.

"I think it was good for us to take a break and get away from each other for a while, because we had a lot of things going on before the break, with Stockton's assist record and the road streak (15 straight wins)," Karl Malone said.

Then there are the Spurs, who have won 22 of 28 after corraling unruly Dennis Rodman. With Rodman's league-high average of 16.3 rebounds per game, David Robinson hasn't had to attack the boards as much and is putting up MVP-type numbers for the second straight season.

After their first-round playoff flameout last season, the Seattle SuperSonics have buckled down and piled up wins, compiling a 33-12 record, No. 2 in the conference.

"I think we are in good shape,

as good as anybody else," Sonics forward Detlef Schrempf said. "We have matured. We have a young, emotional team, but overall we have matured a lot, and we are still maturing."

Despite losing leading scorer Cedric Ceballos for at least six weeks with a thumb injury, the Los Angeles Lakers appear virtually certain to make the playoffs after missing out last year. Portland and Sacramento should get the remaining two spots, because Denver has lost 10 of 12 since Dan Issel quit as coach.

Meanwhile, the Eastern Conference isn't nearly as tight. With a 37-10 record, Orlando has taken the suspense out of the chase for top seeding in the playoffs.

But Shaquille O'Neal, who's having an MVP season, was eager for the Magic to start playing again.

"Now it's time to get back to my real job," said O'Neal, who had 22 points in Sunday's game.

And now that O'Neal has had a strong All-Star showing for the first time in three appearances, is it time for his young Magic team to win its first playoff game?

"If we want to be best in the East, we have to go through New York," said O'Neal, although Orlando leads the Knicks by 6 1/2 games in the Atlantic Division. "They are a great team. I know they've had some injury problems, but they are still a great team. When we

play the Knicks, we have to do everything right."

But the Knicks, who have shaken off the absence of Charles Oakley and climbed from .500 to 30-16, aren't the only team to be reckoned with in the conference.

Charlotte's Larry Johnson and Alonzo Mourning are showing how formidable they can be when healthy.

Mourning is averaging 20.2 points and 10.8 rebounds and Johnson is averaging 18.9 points per game.

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from knee surgery, in particular, is more than happy to face this level of play.

"It was tough, but I need

these type of matches to improve on."

The same holds true for her teammates.

"We're in a stretch of a lot of tough matches right now," Louderback remarked. "It will only help in the future."



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■ FENCING

Fencers victorious at Duke

By JOE VILLINSKI
Sports Writer

For the defending NCAA national champion fencers, last weekend at Duke provided a glimpse of what it is going to take to reach that coveted plateau again.

Both the men and women enjoyed an undefeated weekend as the Irish picked up the momentum they need heading into the Midwest Fencing Team Championships in two weeks.

"I wasn't sure what Notre Dame team was going to show up," men's head coach Mike DeCicco said. "But it turned out it was the one that wants to win the national championship."

The men rebounded from two earlier losses in the season to defeat North Carolina 17-10, William & Mary 21-6, Stanford 19-8, and Duke 23-4.

In a weekend that was full of highlights for the Irish, the win over Stanford topped the list.

"We knew that epee and sabre were not going to have a problem with Stanford," sophomore foilist Jeremy Siek said. "However, their foil team is one of the best in the country and we knew they were going to be tough."

As the All-American predicted, the epee team won 6-3, while sabre was victorious 8-1.

Foil, however, took center stage as the Irish rallied to de-

feat the Cardinal's powerful one-two punch of Sean McLain and Geoff Donnaker. In the match, Siek and captain Stan Brunner both defeated Donnaker to preserve the 5-4 victory. Siek got the deciding win after the match was tied at 4-4.

"It was important for us to beat Stanford," DeCicco added. "Brunner overcame the flu and keyed us by beating Donnaker 5-4. He fenced magnificently this weekend."

"If we fence the way we did against Stanford, it will be no contest against anyone," Siek said.

In sabre, captain Chris Hajnik went 9-2, while sophomore Bill Lester was 11-0. Two freshman also enjoyed an undefeated weekend in epee as Brian Stone and Carl Jackson were 11-0 and 9-0 respectively for the now 16-2 men.

"This was a huge week for us," DeCicco said. "In a very real sense our backs were against the wall. Our men responded across the board. I can't stress enough how pleased I was with the leadership of our captains Brunner, Hajnik, and Rakesh Patel."

While the men returned to form, the women just kept on rolling along. Their undefeated match win streak now stands at 50 after picking up four more wins at Duke. The women, who finish at 21-0, also record-

ed their second straight unbeaten regular season.

The women beat North Carolina 20-12, James Madison 29-3, Stanford 25-7, and Duke 29-3. Junior foilist Maria Panyi posted a 15-0 mark over the weekend to finish the season at 74-2, shattering the previous record of 61 wins in a single-season set by Cindy Weeks in 1986.

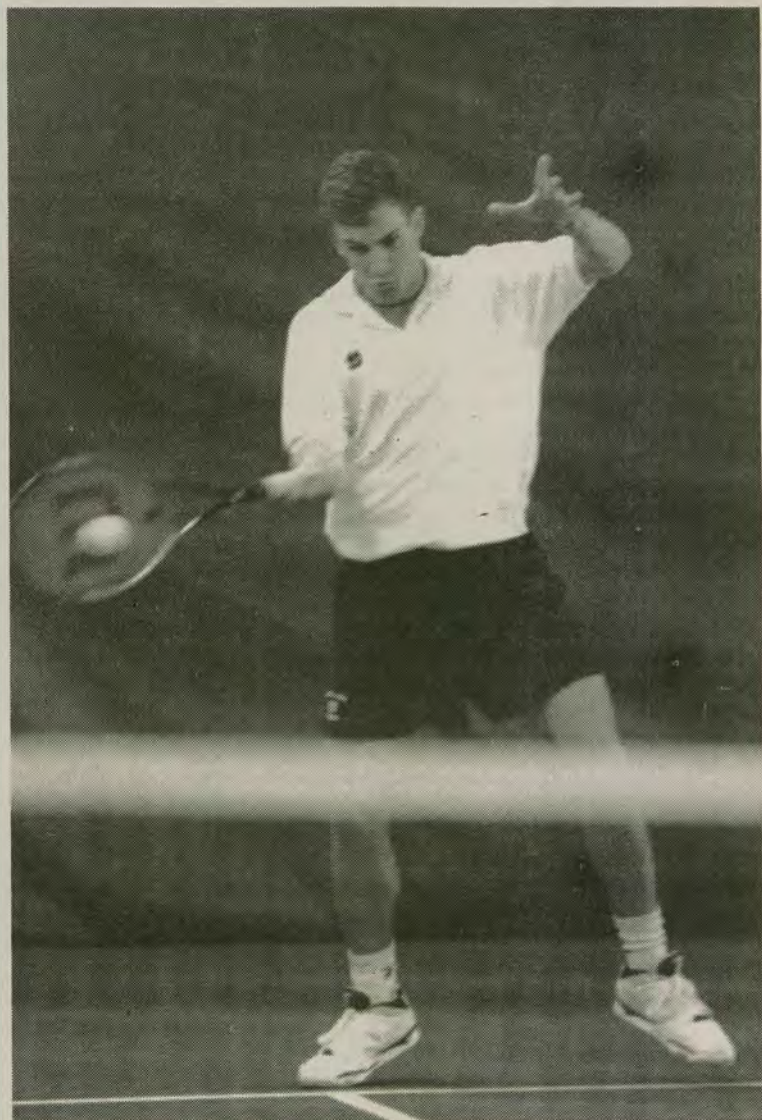
Epee captain Claudette de Bruin also was undefeated as she went 16-0 at Duke to finish the season with a record of 53-3. "We're thrilled with the leadership and results we've gotten from both of the captains, Panyi and de Bruin," women's head coach Yves Auriol said.

Freshman Anne Hoos added 14 wins for the epee squad. Junior Mindi Kalogera was 13-2, while freshman Amee Appel finished with an 11-3 record for the foil squad.

"We are pleased with the strong performances of Kalogera and Hoos," Auriol added. "I can't say enough about this women's team. They seem to feed off each other and push each other towards new heights. Every week has been an improvement."

The fencing teams take a week off before playing host to the Midwestern Championships at the JACC.

"We need the rest," DeCicco said.



The Observer/ Eric Ruethling
Sophomore Mike Sprouse defeated Brint Morrow of North Carolina in singles action, avenging a loss to the Tarheel last year.

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ing team."

The Irish will travel to Kentucky on Thursday, and

ride in the bus all night to get back to campus for classes on Friday. On Saturday, Notre Dame hosts fifth rated Duke at 1 p.m.

"It will be a great match for people to watch on J.P.W.," Bayliss concluded.

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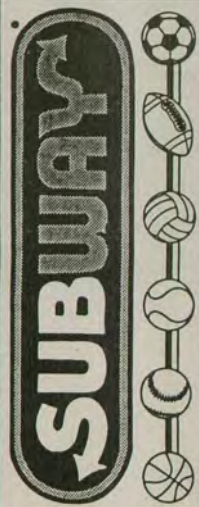
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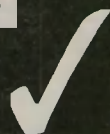
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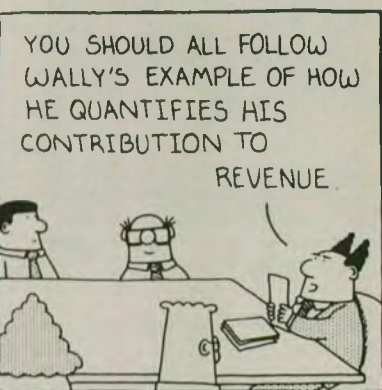




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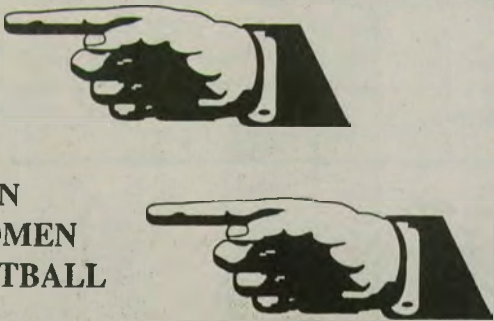
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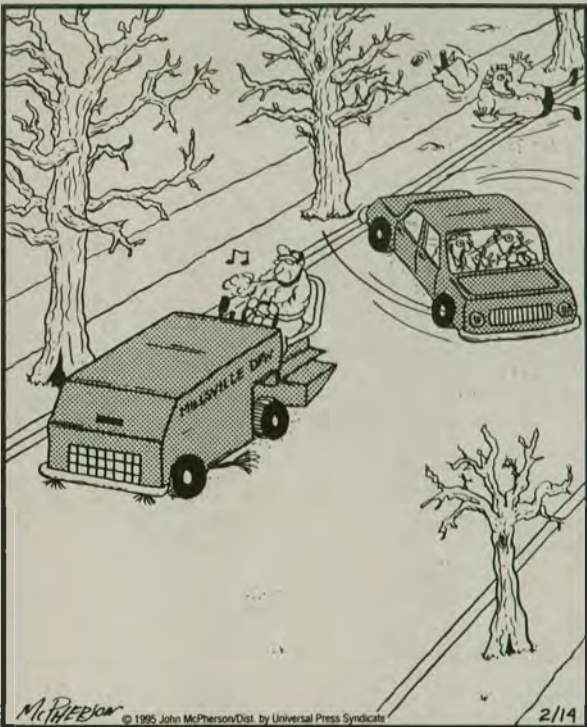
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Residence hall contracts for 1995-96 academic year have been sent to the residence halls. In order to be eligible for housing in the fall, students must return the contract to the Office of Student Residence prior to 5 p.m., Feb. 15, 1995.

Summer residence hall staff applications are now available in the Office of Student Residences, 311 Main Bldg., from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Applications received prior to Feb. 28 will receive priority.

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■ MEN'S TENNIS

Irish topple two tough opponents

Defeat Buckeyes 6-1 and North Carolina 4-3

By B. J. HOOD
Sports Writer

A pair of weekend tennis victories has men's tennis coach Bob Bayliss bubbling. "I'm obviously happy, but I'm particularly ecstatic about the North Carolina match. We felt we could beat Ohio State, but it was about a fifty/fifty chance of beating North Carolina considering we are ranked fifteenth, and they are (sixteenth), Bayliss commented.

Notre Dame defeated Ohio State 6-1 on Saturday, and topped North Carolina 4-3 on Sunday.

One individual who made Coach Bayliss particularly happy against North Carolina was Brian Harris. Harris had never played in a varsity

match until this weekend, but the junior answered the call Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday against Ohio State Ron Mencias was sick, and Harris stepped in and defeated Tony Thomas 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (7-2). Sunday against North Carolina, John Jay O'Brien had a sore wrist and Steve Flanigan was hit in the eye in doubles, setting the stage for Harris again.

"With almost no warning, Ryan was thrust into a difficult situation," Bayliss said. I am very happy for a guy who has worked very hard for two and a half years. It was nothing short of exceptional."

Bayliss also complimented Mike Sprouse for his consistency. Sprouse defeated North Carolina's Brint Morrow 6-3, 6-3. Morrow had defeated Sprouse last year, but Sprouse controlled this year's match.

After a loss to Ohio State's Marc Wurtzman, Jason Pun bounced back to defeat David Britt of North Carolina 6-2, 6-

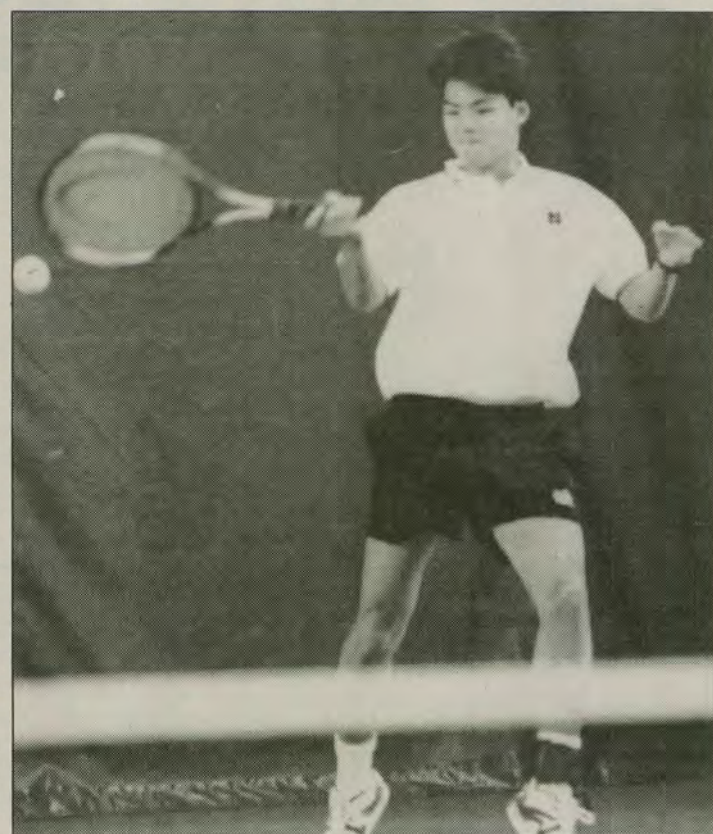
3. Pun and Sprouse defeated the number three ranked doubles team in the country. The doubles point was not expected, but was crucial in the 4-3 victory.

On Saturday, Ryan Simme defeated Ohio State's Doug Bloom at number one singles. "Doug Bloom is quick and Ryan was patient. We have a very solid top two," Bayliss complimented.

With his victory over Scott Wiles on Saturday, Steve Flanigan remains undefeated. Jakub Pietrowski also had a victory on Saturday, a 5-7, 6-4, 6-2 win over Evan Klee.

Coach Bayliss felt the wins were especially important because starting with North Carolina, Notre Dame will play six ranked teams in a row. Bayliss commented on the schedule.

"We're going to take some lumps. Each match is an opportunity to beat an outstand-



The Observer/ Eric Ruethling

Jason Pun completed the successful weekend with a 2-1 record.

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■ WOMEN'S TENNIS

Finish weekend with an upset and two losses

The Observer/ Rob Finch
Sophomore Erin Gowen and several of the young Irish team members gained valuable experience from the weekend's matches.

Conquer Kansas, but can't handle Duke and W&M

By TIM SHERMAN
Assistant Sports Editor

The results of this weekend may not mean all that much for the Notre Dame women's tennis team in the long run, but the experience gained sure will.

The 15th ranked Irish dropped two of their three matches in Williamsburg, VA, but did manage to upset the 10th ranked Jayhawks of Kansas.

"We really played well against Kansas," Irish coach Jay Louderback noted. "Overall, this weekend, we improved in every match we played in."

Not only did the Irish improve, they proved they could compete with the nation's top teams.

Duke, who defeated the Notre Dame by a deceiving 7-2 score on Friday, entered the weekend as the country's 6th ranked squad. In addition, the host

Tribe of William and Mary, 5-4 winners, is considered to be among the top 30.

"Even though we didn't win, we came away with a lot of confidence," sophomore Erin Gowen noted. "We knew coming in that all three matches would be tough, but we fought really hard. You can't get too down about losing."

The Irish proved this was more than just talk on Saturday as they rebounded from the Duke disaster with a gritty win over Kansas.

Entering the doubles matches, the two clubs were knotted at three. At this point, the Irish double teams stepped it up and proved the final margin of 6-3.

"We played our best doubles of the year against Kansas," Louderback said. "I really was pleased with our doubles play."

The key was the second doubles match between Notre Dame's Kelley Olson and Laura Schwab and Kansas's Jenny Atkerson and Christie Sim.

Olson and Schwab dropped the first set 3-6, but rallied to take the next two, 6-2, 6-4.

"Kelley Olson really stepped it up a notch," Louderback said. "She had been playing third doubles, but she stepped right into seconds and played well."

Partner Schwab also turned in

a solid performance for Louderback. In addition to winning both matches against the Jayhawks, the senior captain provided the Irish with one of the two wins against Duke, a three-setter.

"Laura played really well for us," Louderback said. "Even in her loss to William and Mary, she played well. "Their third singles player is really playing well."

It was not the singles play though that hurt the Irish against the Tribe on Sunday, it was disappointing doubles play. After sweeping Kansas, Notre Dame had to be confident heading in with a 3-2 edge after the singles play. That confidence would be short-lived, as W+M took all three.

"We lost some tough matches," Louderback explained. "We went in with a chance to win but it just didn't happen. Still, we played well enough to win."

Even though the wins didn't come, the kind of experience gained in such a run of games is invaluable, especially for the younger members such as Molly Gavin, Olson, and Gowen.

Gowen, who is coming back

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DON NELSON RESIGNS

The ex-Head Coach of the Golden State Warriors leaves the team due to sickness.

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of note. . .

Notre Dame's Fencing teams went undefeated last weekend.